ICT Systems Documentation Procedure

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1 **Objective**

   This Procedure is designed to ensure that all systems maintained and operated by IT Services (ITS) are comprehensively and accurately documented and that this information is readily available to staff as and when it is required.

2 **Scope**

   All ICT Services, Facilities and Infrastructure maintained and operated by IT Services; and covers all staff responsible for the development and management of ICT Services, Facilities and Infrastructure items.

3 **Procedure**

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<td>The following information must be recorded for every system maintained and operated by IT Services:</td>
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   **System Overview:**
   - What the system accomplishes or provides;
   - Who commissioned the system;
   - Who are the primary users of the system;
   - How has the system developed over time; and
   - Impacts on the organisation should the system fail.

   **Incident Management:**
   - How issues are logged;
   - The person/s responsible for monitoring issues;
   - The person/s responsible for reporting issues; and
   - How issue severities are determined and assigned.

   **Skills Required:**
   - The hard and soft skills required to support the system; and
   - Recommended certifications.

   **Tools Required:**
   - Software required to support the system;
   - The location of media relating to the system;
   - The system’s install processes, keys, registration requirements, etc;
   - All system requirements (OS, patches, etc);
   - All hardware required to support the system (including spares);
   - Where the hardware is located; and
   - What procedures (if any) are required to use the hardware.
Regular Procedures / Activities:
- All regular scheduled activities (daily, weekly, fortnightly, etc);
- The purpose of each scheduled activity;
- A procedure detailing how each scheduled activity is accomplished;
- The outputs of each scheduled activity;
- The staff involved in carrying out scheduled activities; and
- Dependencies and other systems on which scheduled activities rely.

Move to Live Procedures:
- Details of separate development, test, development and production environments (if applicable);
- How changes or upgrades are tested; and
- How changes are progressed from development to test and from test to production.

Other Documentation:
- Where supporting documentation is stored;
- Who has access to the documentation; and
- How this supporting documentation is maintained.

Tips & Tricks:
- Details of actions or settings that make the system more stable;
- Configuration settings that improve system performance;
- Information detailing undocumented features;
- Reporting; and
- General support information.

4 Definitions and Acronyms

**ICT** Information and Communication Technologies

**ICT Facilities** All computers, terminals, telephones, end host devices, licences, centrally managed data, computing laboratories, video conference rooms, and software owned or leased by the University.
ICT Infrastructure
All electronic communication devices, networks, data storage, hardware, and network connections to external resources such as AARNet and the Internet.

ICT Officer
The University of Tasmania staff authorised by a College, Faculty, Institute, School and/or Chief Information Officer to maintain and/or administer ICT Services, Facilities, Infrastructure, user level accounts and passwords.

ICT Security Manager
The ITS appointed representative responsible for ICT security.

ICT Services
All systems supporting interaction, information provision, information storage, or communications provision and the ICT Facilities on which they operate.

ITS
Information Technology Services

University
The University of Tasmania

5 Supporting Documentation
- ICT Security Policy
- ICT Services and Facilities Use Policy
- ICT Access Control Policy

6 Versioning

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