

Baseline Approval

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Discussion

Baseline Approval is an authorization decision that designates an identified [Baseline](#) Revision as an approved reference for a defined purpose and scope.

Baseline Approval may identify:

- The approved Baseline
- The approved Baseline Revision
- The approving authority
- The approval decision
- The approval date
- The applicable purpose
- The applicable scope
- The effective period
- Applicable conditions
- Superseded Baseline Revisions

Baseline Approval differs from Baseline creation:

- Baseline creation produces or records a candidate Baseline
- Baseline Approval authorizes an identified Baseline Revision for a defined use

Baseline Approval also differs from [Baseline Selection](#):

- Baseline Approval establishes that a Baseline Revision may serve as an approved reference
- Baseline Selection chooses an applicable Baseline Revision for a particular subject, activity, or context

Definition

authorization decision designating an identified baseline revision as an approved reference for a defined purpose and scope

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Note

Baseline Approval does not establish that every subject evaluated against the Baseline conforms to it.

Approval may apply to:

- A single use
- A defined class of subjects
- A specified environment
- A delivery phase
- An operational period
- An organization or administrative domain

A change to approved Baseline content should produce a new Revision subject to the applicable approval process.

Example

An authorized governance body approves Revision 4 of a Security Baseline for use when building production Machine Images during a defined release period.

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