

# Configuring Databricks on AWS GovCloud for FedRAMP High and DoD CC SRG IL5 Compliance Whitepaper

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## 1. Introduction

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This page describes customer responsibilities under the Databricks's Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP) High authorization and the Department of Defense (DoD) Impact Level 5 (IL5) provisional authorization (PA) in Amazon Web Services (AWS) GovCloud and aligns with the Databricks on AWS GovCloud System Security Plan (SSP) Version 1.6<sup>1</sup>. Customers must implement the below outlined customer responsibilities in order to ensure that their use of Databricks CSO (Cloud Service Offering) meets the applicable FedRAMP and, where applicable, DISA (Defense Information Systems Agency) requirements.<sup>2</sup>

## 2. Databricks FedRAMP and DoD Authorization Packages

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The Databricks FedRAMP authorization package is stored in a Databricks-managed FedRAMP High-authorized repository<sup>3</sup>. Federal government agencies may request access to the entirety of the Databricks authorization package, including the SSP and the Control Implementation Summary/Customer Responsibility Matrix (CIS/CRM), by submitting a [Package Access Request Form](#) to the FedRAMP Program Management Office (PMO), referencing the package identification number FR2324740262. After FedRAMP PMO approval is received, Databricks will coordinate with the customer to grant access to the repository.

The Databricks DoD authorization package (System Identification: 140, System Name: Databricks SaaS IL5) is stored in the Cloud Enterprise Mission Assurance Support Service (eMASS).

## 3. Databricks on AWS GovCloud FedRAMP High Shared Responsibility Model

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The Databricks FedRAMP High Shared Responsibility Model in the table below outlines the responsibilities of both Databricks and the customer in meeting security and compliance requirements set forth by the FedRAMP framework. Please note that customer responsibilities primarily apply to the compute plane.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Based on the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication (SP) 800-53, revision 5.

<sup>2</sup> DISA requirements are only applicable to agencies needing to follow any additional controls as required in the DISA Cloud Computing (CC) Security Requirements Guide (SRG). In the *Shared Responsibility Model - Table* within this document, those additional controls are noted with an asterisk (\*).

<sup>3</sup> MAX.gov is authorized only at FedRAMP Moderate. Cloud Service Providers (CSPs) with FedRAMP CSOs, such as Databricks, are required to provide a document repository for their CSO authorization package that is authorized at the FedRAMP High impact level.

<sup>4</sup> See "Databricks architecture overview" for more information:  
<https://docs.databricks.com/en/getting-started/overview.html>

## Shared Responsibility Model - Table

#	Category	Customer Responsibility	Applicable Controls
1	Workspace configuration	Enable the <a href="#">compliance security profile</a> .	Various
2	Databricks audit logging and monitoring	Customers are responsible for configuring <a href="#">Databricks Audit Log Delivery</a> , including granting the appropriate s3:GetBucketLocation permissions, log storage capacity configurations, and for monitoring log activity including but not limited to account creation, modification, enabling, disabling, and removal; access to the Databricks workspace; the use of accounts; and anti-virus alerts.	AC-02 (04) AC-02 (07) AC-02 (12) AC-10 AC-17 (01) AU-04 AU-05 AU-06 AU-06 (01) AU-06 (03) AU-12 CM-07 (02) CM-07 (05) CM-08 (03) CM-11 RA-05 SC-13 SI-03

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3	Databricks classic compute host monitoring	Customers are responsible for ingesting and responding to Capsule8 alerts delivered to the customer's S3 bucket.	CM-07 (02) CM-07 (05) CM-08 (03) CM-11 SC-07 SI-03 SI-04 SI-04 (01) SI-04 (02) SI-04 (04) SI-04 (05) SI-04 (16) SI-06
4	Databricks IP Access Restrictions	Customers are responsible for configuring <a href="#">IP access lists</a> if they would like to further restrict access to their Databricks instance.	AC-14 AC-17
5	PrivateLink	Customers are responsible for enabling AWS PrivateLink connectivity to their Databricks workspaces ( <a href="https://docs.databricks.com/en/security/network/classic/privatelink.html">https://docs.databricks.com/en/security/network/classic/privatelink.html</a> ).	SC-07

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6	Identity Management	<p>Customers are responsible for selecting an identity provider which accepts FICAM-approved third-party credentials including the acceptance and verification of PIV credentials. Customers are responsible for configuring their single sign-on solution to initiate session timeouts, session terminations, disabling inactive accounts, and displaying a system use notification prior to redirecting users to the Databricks web application using their single sign-on solution and ensuring their access to Databricks meets applicable federal laws, Executive Orders, directives, policies, regulations, standards, and guidance on cryptographic module authentication. Customers are also responsible for ensuring that single sign-on requires the use of multifactor authentication (MFA).  <a href="https://docs.databricks.com/en/archive/single-sign-on/index.html">https://docs.databricks.com/en/archive/single-sign-on/index.html</a>).</p>	<p>AC-02 (01)                      AC-06                      AC-08                      AC-20                      AC-20 (01)                      GRR-01*                      IA-02                      IA-02 (01)                      IA-02 (02)                      IA-02 (06)                      IA-02 (08)                      IA-02 (12)                      IA-04                      IA-04 (04)                      IA-05                      IA-05 (01)                      IA-05 (06)                      IA-05 (07)                      IA-05 (08)                      IA-06                      IA-07                      IA-08                      IA-08 (01)                      IA-08 (02)                      IA-08 (04)                      IA-12 (04)                      SA-04 (10)</p>

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7	User Access Management	<p>Customers are responsible for assigning customer users access to Databricks services, verifying the identity of their users, and administering permissions by employing the principle of least privilege and separation of duties through limiting access to privileged functions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- User Entitlements: <a href="https://docs.databricks.com/administration-guide/users-groups/users.html#manage-user-entitlements">https://docs.databricks.com/administration-guide/users-groups/users.html#manage-user-entitlements</a></li> <li>- Group Entitlements: <a href="https://docs.databricks.com/administration-guide/users-groups/groups.html#manage-a-groups-entitlements">https://docs.databricks.com/administration-guide/users-groups/groups.html#manage-a-groups-entitlements</a></li> <li>- Groups: <a href="https://docs.databricks.com/administration-guide/users-groups/groups.html">https://docs.databricks.com/administration-guide/users-groups/groups.html</a></li> </ul>	<p>AC-02                      AC-02 (02)                      AC-02 (05)                      AC-02 (07)                      AC-02 (09)                      AC-05                      AC-06 (05)                      AC-11                      AC-12                      AC-20                      AC-20 (01)                      IA-02                      IA-02 (05)                      IA-04                      IA-04 (04)                      IA-05                      IA-05 (01)                      IA-05 (06)                      IA-05 (07)                      IA-08                      IA-08 (01)                      SC-10</p>
8	Security Awareness Training	<p>Customers are responsible for providing basic security awareness training, including training on recognizing and reporting potential indicators of insider threats, as part of onboarding, at least annually after initial training is provided, and whenever a significant change occurs. Additionally, the customer is responsible for providing role-based security training to personnel with assigned security roles and responsibilities. The customer is responsible for documenting, monitoring, and retaining security training records for their users.</p>	<p>AT-02                      AT-02 (02)                      AT-03                      AT-04</p>

#	Category	Customer Responsibility	Applicable Controls
9	Disaster Recovery	Customers are responsible for establishing necessary agreements with AWS and implementing a disaster recovery environment for Databricks that includes the availability of customer's data sources. <a href="https://docs.databricks.com/administration-guide/disaster-recovery.html">https://docs.databricks.com/administration-guide/disaster-recovery.html</a>	CP-06 CP-07 CP-07 (01) CP-07 (02) CP-08 CP-08 (01) CP-08 (02) CP-09 CP-09 (01) CP-09 (03) CP-10
10	Customer AWS Account & Infrastructure	Customers are responsible for managing the networking of their AWS account. Customers are responsible for managing connections to/from their Databricks workspace including, but not limited to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">IP access lists</a> to further restrict access to their Databricks instance.</li> </ul>	AC-04 AC-04 (21)
11	Library Usage	Customers are responsible for controlling the software they import ( <a href="#">Libraries</a> ).	CM-08 (03)
12	Data Sources	Customers are responsible for <a href="#">mounting their data sources</a> and protecting the confidentiality and integrity of data sources.	AC-20 AC-20 (01) SC-28 SC-28 (01)
13	Data Sharing	Customers are responsible for using Databricks workspace access controls ( <a href="https://docs.databricks.com/security/access-control/workspace-acl.html">https://docs.databricks.com/security/access-control/workspace-acl.html</a> ) when sharing folders and notebooks.  Customers are responsible for acting as a “Data Provider” when using Delta Sharing ( <a href="https://docs.databricks.com/delta-sharing/recipient.html">https://docs.databricks.com/delta-sharing/recipient.html</a> ).	AC-21
14	Incident Reporting	Customers are responsible for reporting incidents to Databricks preferably by filling out a support ticket, but alternatively via the Report an Issue form at <a href="https://databricks.com/trust">databricks.com/trust</a> .	IR-06
15	Encryption Keys	Customers are responsible for <a href="#">managing their own cryptographic keys if they choose to use Databricks Customer Managed Keys (CMK) feature</a> .	SA-9(6)*