

## Top 5 Takeaways: What DFARS Revision 3 Means for CMMC Compliance

The Five Things Every Defense Contractor Needs to Know About the CMMC Self-Assessment Suspension

CMMC 2.0

DFARS 7012

NIST SP 800-171

False Claims Act

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#### Self-Assessment Is Now Written Into Contract Language

CMMC Level 1 and Level 2 can be satisfied through self-assessment, but the accuracy of your SPRS score is now entirely your own responsibility.



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#### The Universal Mandate Moved to 2028, Not Away

DFARS sets November 10, 2028 as the date CMMC clause insertion becomes automatic, two years later than expected, not a repeal.



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#### DFARS 252.204-7012 Never Paused

The obligation to safeguard covered defense information under NIST SP 800-171 Rev 2 stays fully enforceable, regardless of CMMC's phase-in timeline.



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#### DoW Can Still Assess You Directly

Medium and High NIST SP 800-171 DoW Assessments remain active, and DCMA results take precedence over your own Self status.



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#### A Self-Attested Score Carries Real Legal Weight

False Claims Act penalties run \$14,308 to \$28,619 per claim, and enforcement is already surfacing through routine government audits.



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