



Business Partners Validation Program

PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Sanmina Corporation and its component organizations have written and verifiable security processes and procedures in place that meet and exceed the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) CTPAT “Business Partner Requirements” in the selection of its business partners. Sanmina business partners include manufacturers, product suppliers, vendors, brokers, transportation and logistics carriers, cafeteria providers, and security providers.

To conduct business with Sanmina and its component organizations - business partners and their business partners, that touch the Sanmina global supply chain, must demonstrate they have an internal security program and internal security process that meets and/or exceeds the CTPAT program in the protection of Sanmina Corporation and its global supply chain.

Definitions

CTPAT: U.S. CUSTOMS – Trade Partnership Against Terrorism

CBP: U.S. Customs & Border Protection Agency

General

- I. **Risk Assessments:** The Sanmina security and/or plant CTPAT team will conduct an initial risk assessment of its prospective business partners. Annual risk validations will be conducted, thereafter, of its existing business partners. The Sanmina business partner validation reviews include: supply chain security vulnerabilities; weaknesses in the security process; and security non-compliance issues as defined in the CTPAT program.

- II. **CTPAT Eligible Partners:** For those business partners eligible for the U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s CTPAT certification, (carriers, ports, terminals, brokers, consolidators, foreign manufacturers, etc.), Sanmina will request verifiable documentation of the business partner’s supply chain security programs (e.g., CTPAT certificate, SVI number, etc.) indicating they are CTPAT certified are/or in the process of becoming CTPAT certified.



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III. Non-CTPAT Eligible Partners: For those business partners not eligible for CTPAT certification, Sanmina will require those global business partners to demonstrate they have internal security programs that meet and/or exceed the minimum standards of the CTPAT security criteria.

IV. Security Assessment Process:

1. The first phase of a business partner review requires a written/electronic confirmation (e.g., contractual obligations; letter from a business partner senior business partner officer attesting to compliance; a written statement from the business partner demonstrating their compliance with CTPAT security criteria or an equivalent WCO accredited security program administered by a foreign customs authority) and a completed Sanmina SC Security Questionnaire (QAF-0061). Questionnaire shall be returned to Sanmina within 30 days of receipt.
2. The second phase of the review process may require a site visit and validation of eligible business partners as determined by Sanmina and the results of their submission of the QAF-0061. Business partners will agree to a site/facility risk review, to be determined, and a validation by Sanmina security team or one of its representatives. The site risk review will be conducted based on the submission of responses to the business partner's Supply Chain Security Questionnaire. The site risk validation review **shall** be completed before the business partner becomes engaged in the Sanmina supply chain process.
3. Third phase of the review process requires the Sanmina business partner to submit to additional follow-up audits of their global supply chain security process when possible security gaps have been identified and reported to the Sanmina security team or the U.S. Customs and Border protection Agency (CBP). The follow-up audit shall take place within thirty (30) days after official notification by the Sanmina CTPAT Coordinator of security gaps (e-mail or letter).



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4. In business situations where the global business partner employs the use of third-party providers and/or outsourced partners in the operations of their services to Sanmina, the business partner will ensure that the security criteria outlined in the SC Security Questionnaire and Sanmina Business Partner letter will be adhered throughout their global supply chain.

