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## New version 3.14.0 – Bringing you the latest product and content updates

### **Repeating tasks feature**

Our new 'Repeat tasks' feature helps keep tasks active and aligned with your workflow, facilitating proactive task management and convenient planning.

- 1. Set task to repeat**

Select a task and set it to repeat at regular intervals of your choice.

Once set, repeat tasks are indicated in the task view and task table, where they can be filtered by their various properties.

- 2. Automatic status update**

The status of 'Repeat tasks' changes automatically once the repeat period elapses, prompting an update to ensure tasks remain relevant. Overdue tasks will also be highlighted.

- 3. Dashboard view**

Get an overview of repeating tasks' status and progress on the dashboard.

Cynomi's 'Repeat tasks' feature ensures that important tasks receive timely attention, improving overall workflow efficiency and effectiveness in managing ongoing cybersecurity requirements.

### **New policy report format (available next week)**

- 4.** We're adding the ability to download the Policy report in .docx format, enabling content customization to meet client requirements and provide presentations tailored to specific needs.

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## New framework

### 5. NIST SP 800-053

*NIST SP 800-53, the foundational framework developed by NIST, is now available on the Cynomi platform. Originally designed for federal agencies, this framework is widely recognized as one of the most extensive and authoritative collections of controls for safeguarding information systems.*

*NIST SP 800-053 contains 4 main “impact baselines” (private, low, moderate and high), that are determined by the type of data the organization handles. Named “impact baselines” because of the impact on the organization should their relevant data be compromised, these baselines determine the controls applied, ensuring appropriate protection measures are in place. An additional set of controls are classed as either “Common controls” to be implemented organization-wide, or “Not selected” controls, which are valid dependent on organization-specific requirements.*

*NIST SP 800-053 remains the industry benchmark for organizations committed to implementing rigorous, compliance-driven security practices.*

## Content updates

### 6. Fixes and known issues

Fix / issue	Details
<i>Onboarding questionnaire - removing the ‘I don’t know’ response from the question ‘Does your company use Operational Technology (OT) infrastructures?’ *</i>	<i>We will remove this response to align the question structure with other onboarding questions, providing a more consistent and intuitive experience. Companies that selected ‘I don’t know’ updated to ‘No’.</i>
<i>Question type fix: Human Resources questionnaire - question: ‘Are employment security background checks and preparations being carried out by the company?’ *</i>	<i>The question type will be changed from multiple-choice to single-choice.</i>
<i>Policy notes and SOP are missing in the policy PDF report</i>	<i>We are aware and will attend to it in a future release. NOTE: The notes and SOP will appear in the policy DOCX format.</i>

*\* A fix will be deployed during the first week of September.*

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## 7. Change log

We have added a total of 7 new tasks and related questions across 6 polices and questionnaires respectively, along with 1 additional answer option to an existing question. This may affect your client's posture score if they have received any of the relevant policies. Please consult the events log for further details.

<b>Update details</b>	<b>Changed task / question</b>	<b>Policy / Questionnaire</b>
<b>New task</b> CYT-07589354170	Separating systems both physically and logically	Operations and Maintenance
<b>New question</b>	Does the organization separate sensitive systems both physically and logically to reduce the risk of targeted attacks?	Operations and Maintenance
<b>New task</b> CYT-26701877524	Ensuring timely maintenance during a failure	Operations and Maintenance
<b>New question</b>	Does the organization ensure timely maintenance of critical systems during a failure?	Operations and Maintenance
<b>Question description added for clarity</b>	Has the company put in place approved methods to confirm that system inputs, processing, and outputs are complete, accurate, and authorized?	Operations and Maintenance
<b>New answer option added to question</b>	How do you protect company facilities and employees?	Environmental Control
<b>New task</b> CYT-09958734532	Planning facility location to minimize physical and environmental hazards	Environmental Control
<b>New question</b>	Does the organization consider physical and environmental hazards when selecting facility locations?	Environmental Control
<b>New task</b> CYT-81276287416	Appointing risk responsible person	Risk Management
<b>New question</b>	Has the organization appointed a qualified individual responsible for overseeing the risk management program?	Risk Management
<b>New task</b> CYT-74448617961	Establishing a discrete line item for information security and privacy in budget	Information Security Management
<b>New question</b>	Does the organization have a discrete budget for information security?	Information Security Management
<b>New task</b> CYT-87543968984	Enabling the use of both a primary and secondary DNS server	Domain and DNS
<b>New question</b>	Does the organization use both a primary and secondary DNS server to ensure redundancy?	Domain and DNS
<b>New task</b> CYT-38482053330	Securing the procurement process	Service Provider and Vendor Management
<b>New Question</b>	Does the organization have a secure procurement process in place?	Service Provider and Vendor Management

For any questions don't hesitate to reach out!

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