Program Overview

The Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program (FedRAMP®) was established in 2011 to provide a cost effective, risk-based approach for the adoption and use of cloud services by the federal government. FedRAMP empowers agencies to use modern cloud technologies, with emphasis on security and protection of federal information.
The FedRAMP Brand

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FedRAMP®

The registration symbol (®) must be used with the FedRAMP name. The symbol does not have to be used every time the FedRAMP name is used. Instead, use the registration symbol in the first instance the name is used, in the most prominent use, or in both.

Brand Standards


2. The FedRAMP PMO will authorize an entity’s ability to use the FedRAMP logo. The authorization will detail the specific circumstance(s) when an organization can use the FedRAMP logo.

3. The FedRAMP logo and name may never be used in any manner that would imply government endorsement of a company, its products, or its services. Neither the logo nor the FedRAMP name may be used in any other company name, product name, service name, domain name, or website title.

4. The logo may not be altered, cut apart, separated, or otherwise distorted in perspective or appearance.

5. The logo may never be used in a manner that would disparage FedRAMP or any government body.


7. Authorized organizations are responsible for the proper use of the FedRAMP logo as outlined in this document. This includes, but is not limited to, the use by any representatives, such as advertising agencies, system integrators, resellers, partners, etc.

FedRAMP

The trademark symbol (TM) must be used with the FedRAMP logo.
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Logo Application

CLEAR SPACE

The minimum amount of clear space is required to be no less than 50% of the width of the logo. No other graphic elements, such as text or images, can appear in this area.

ALTERNATIVE LOGOS

Inverse
White to background color must have a color contrast of 4.5 : 1.
See page 5

One Color
Only to be used when one color is required/requested—often done for cost saving purposes.

Stamp
Only for use when being placed on a product or graphic as decorative and clearly produced by or associated with FedRAMP.
3.0
Incorrect Logo Usage

DON’T:

1. Change the logo’s orientation.
2. Add extraneous effects to the logo. This includes, but is not limited to, bevel and emboss, lighting, and 3D effects.
3. Place the logo on busy imagery.
4. Scale the logo disproportionately.
5. Make alterations, additions, or substitutions to the words and or colors contained in the logo.
6. Only display the wordmark without the stamp.
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Color Palette

The FedRAMP visual identity relies heavily on the use of color. The palette consists of a complementary range of colors to create a vibrant and bold energy.

FedRAMP adopted a strict color palette, which is restricted to the colors on the right.

The goal is to produce bright and engaging visuals by using contrast. To achieve this, visuals should use one predominant color and two additional colors used for accents. Try to avoid using too many dark colors together. Tints should only be used to accent or to create a flat shadow effect.
Section 508 refers to making sure individuals of all abilities have equal access to the information and data they seek from federal agencies or which they need to do their jobs within a federal agency.

Color Contrast

**Minimum Compliance (WCAG 2.0 level AA):** Requires a contrast ratio of at least 4.5:1 for normal text and 3:1 for large text.

**High-Level Compliance (WCAG Level AAA):** Requires a contrast ratio of at least 7:1 for normal text and 4.5:1 for large text.

Note: Large text is defined as 14 point (typically 18.66px) or larger, or 18 point (typically 24px) or larger.

Confirm compliance using [WebAIM’s contrast checker](https://webaim.org/tools/contrast-checker/).
The GSA Star Mark

The GSA Star Mark must accompany the FedRAMP logo on all print and digital marketing materials.

The one exception is that the GSA Star Mark is not required to be used in standalone graphics such as blog banners, social media graphics, diagrams, and informational visuals.

GSA STAR MARK REQUIREMENTS

The GSA Star Mark consists of three components: the Registered Trademark Designation, the Shield, and the GSA Monogram. Official artwork must always be used when reproducing the GSA Star Mark. The elements are fixed and should never be redrawn or altered in any way.

Minimum Size: The GSA Star Mark should never be reproduced smaller than 1/2 inch.

Clearspace: The distance between the GSA Star Mark and other graphic elements should be no less than 1/2 of the height of the GSA Star Mark.

Star Mark Color: GSA blue is the default application. The star mark, in white, can used on a dark background. The color contrast ratio for logo to background must be at least 3:1. Refer to page 5 for approved FedRAMP colors or confirm compliance using WebAIM’s contrast checker.

For more information, see GSA’s Brand Guide Strengthening Our Brand.

APPLYING THE GSA STAR MARK TO FEDRAMP MARKETING MATERIALS

Always place the GSA Star Mark in the lower left-hand corner, adjacent to the FedRAMP contact information, on the right (see below). The height of the GSA logo must match the height of that contact information or be at minimum 1/2 inches (as noted above). The GSA Star Mark and contact information must be bottom aligned.

For publicly distributed materials that will be highly visible, the following text must be displayed next to the GSA Star Mark in the following manner: “FedRAMP is a product of GSA’s Technology Transformation Services.” Do not recreate this, and always use official artwork.

Note: If the marketing material is comprised of multiple pages, it must appear, at minimum, on the opening and/or closing page.
Only two typefaces are used to create FedRAMP collateral: Montserrat and Muli. Be sure to use these and only these typefaces.

When applying a font weight to headings, go from thin to black as letter size reduces. For example:

- **Titles** should use extra-light or light.
- **Primary headings** should use regular or medium.
- **Secondary headings** should use bold or extra bold.

The only exception to this font requirement is when working in the Microsoft Office Suite; Arial must be used as Montserrat and Muli will not be available.

Both Montserrat and Muli are both open source, provided by Google. They are free for use in products and projects - print or digital, commercial, or otherwise. Visit fonts.google.com for more information and to download files or copy the code to embed.
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Guidance for 3PAOs and CSPs

FOR THIRD PARTY ASSESSMENT ORGANIZATIONS (3PAOs)

FedRAMP allows the use of the FedRAMP name and logo for FedRAMP recognized 3PAOs under the following conditions:

1. An organization must be a FedRAMP recognized 3PAO and maintain that designation in order to use the FedRAMP name and logo.

2. A FedRAMP recognized 3PAO can refer to themselves in the following ways:
   - FedRAMP 3PAO
   - FedRAMP Third Party Assessment Organization
   - FedRAMP recognized 3PAO
   - FedRAMP Third Party Assessment Organization

3. An organization can use the FedRAMP name and/or FedRAMP logo to designate themselves as a FedRAMP recognized 3PAO.

4. FedRAMP recognized 3PAOs receive an official letter from the FedRAMP PMO designating their authorization to use the FedRAMP logo in the manner described above.

FOR CLOUD SERVICE PROVIDERS (CSPs)

FedRAMP allows the use of the FedRAMP name and logo for CSPs that have met the FedRAMP requirements and are deemed FedRAMP Authorized by the FedRAMP PMO. In order to use the FedRAMP name and logo, a CSP must have their completed security authorization package available for a federal agency leveraging within the FedRAMP secure repository.

FedRAMP Authorized CSPs

1. A CSP with this level of authorization can refer to their product or service in the following ways:
   - Meet the FedRAMP security requirements
   - Utilized a FedRAMP recognized 3PAO
   - Granted an Authority to Operate by [Federal Agency(ies)]

2. The use of the FedRAMP name and logo must clearly align with the product or service named within the assessment materials used to earn the FedRAMP Authorized designation.
FEDRAMP NAME TRADEMARK
The FedRAMP name is a registered trademark of GSA (USPTO registration number 5725620), and companies can only use it in compliance with the terms of a license agreement with GSA. Companies that are not current FedRAMP participants listed on the FedRAMP Marketplace do not have permission to use the FedRAMP name, per GSA policy.

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL
The use of the FedRAMP name and/or logo in conjunction with qualified products or services (i.e. a recognized 3PAO or FedRAMP Authorized cloud service offering) does not require additional approval.

The FedRAMP PMO must approve any educational or promotional campaigns that feature the FedRAMP name and/or logo prior to use. The submitted materials will be reviewed for consistency with these guidelines within two (2) weeks of receipt of the materials. Materials should be submitted to the FedRAMP Director at info@fedramp.gov with the following in the subject line: “FedRAMP Branding Review.”

LOGO AND NAME VIOLATIONS
The FedRAMP PMO actively monitors proper use of the FedRAMP name and logo. This includes, but is not limited to, the use by any representatives such as advertising agencies, system integrators, resellers, partners, etc. The following explains the general course of action for addressing logo violations:

1. Anyone who misuses the FedRAMP name and/or logo will be contacted in writing or by telephone/teleconference.
2. The FedRAMP PMO will provide a distinct timeframe to correct the error(s). The timeframe will be dependent upon the medium in which the violation appeared and the severity of the violation.
3. Follow-up will be conducted to ensure that the error(s) has/have been corrected.

Failure to make the required changes may result in termination of a stakeholder’s participation in FedRAMP and/or legal action.

Questions about using the FedRAMP Logo?
Please contact the FedRAMP PMO at info@fedramp.gov.
This section outlines the messages that FedRAMP believes are important to convey regarding the benefits of the program. The government incorporates these messages into its materials and recommends those meeting the guidelines outlined in this document do the same, to the extent possible. The messages are:

**MISSION**
FedRAMP is a government-wide program that promotes the adoption of secure cloud services across the federal government by providing a standardized approach to security and risk assessment for cloud technologies and federal agencies.

**BENEFITS**
- Reduces duplicative efforts, inconsistencies, and cost inefficiencies
- Establishes a public-private partnership to promote innovation and the advancement of more secure information technologies
- Enables the federal government to accelerate the adoption of cloud computing by creating transparent standards and processes for security authorizations and allowing agencies to leverage security authorizations on a government-wide scale

**GOALS**
- Grow the use of secure cloud technologies in use by government agencies
- Enhance the framework by which the government secures and authorizes cloud technologies
- Build and foster strong partnerships with FedRAMP stakeholders