

COMPLIANCE MAPPING GUIDE

Regulatory Framework Alignment for AI Governance

Shadow Watch provides browser-based AI governance, helping enterprise security and compliance teams discover Shadow AI, maintain defensible audit trails, and demonstrate regulatory alignment.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AI Adoption Is Outpacing Oversight

THE CHALLENGE

Enterprise teams are adopting AI tools faster than governance programs can adapt. Employees access generative AI, code assistants, and data analysis platforms through their browsers every day, often before security, compliance, or procurement teams have evaluated the risk.

THE OPPORTUNITY

Shadow Watch closes this visibility gap. Through browser-based monitoring, it provides continuous discovery of AI tool usage, sensitive data detection, vendor risk visibility, and the comprehensive audit trails that compliance teams need for assessments, audits, and regulatory inquiries.

This guide shows how Shadow Watch aligns to nine major regulatory and assurance frameworks, making it easier for buyers, compliance leaders, and security stakeholders to understand where the platform delivers direct coverage, supporting evidence, and operational value.

CORE CAPABILITIES

• AI application discovery and inventory	• Shadow AI detection and alerting
• Sensitive data monitoring	• AI vendor risk visibility and scoring
• Real-time usage monitoring	• Comprehensive audit trails
• Policy-based warnings and controls	• Compliance reporting and evidence collection

FRAMEWORK COVERAGE

Alignment at a Glance

The table below summarizes how Shadow Watch maps to each covered regulatory framework. Detailed per-control mappings follow in subsequent sections.

FRAMEWORK	PRIMARY BENEFIT	ALIGNMENT LEVEL
ISO 42001	AI governance, risk assessment, continuous monitoring, and impact documentation	Partial
ISO 27001	Security monitoring, audit logging, cloud service governance, and change management	Partial
ISO 27701	Privacy impact assessments, processing records, and personal data visibility	Partial
ISO 27017	Cloud service visibility and monitoring of AI service providers	Partial
SOC 2	AI data flows, vendor oversight, confidentiality risk detection, and operational monitoring	Partial
HIPAA	PHI monitoring, audit evidence, and AI inventory for healthcare environments	Partial
PCI DSS	AI service inventory, access reviews, and cardholder data environment awareness	Partial / Supporting
CIS Controls	AI software inventory and detection of unauthorized applications	Full / Partial
FISMA / NIST	Continuous monitoring and automated AI risk oversight for federal systems	Partial

ALIGNMENT KEY

Shadow Watch monitors AI tool usage through browser-based detection. In this guide, coverage marked as "Full" applies specifically to browser extensions and web applications, "Partial" indicates browser-based monitoring that supports the requirement, but organizations may need additional controls for non-browser access, and "Supporting" indicates indirect benefit that aids compliance without serving as the primary control.

Full	Shadow Watch directly addresses this requirement. For software inventory this applies to browser extensions and web applications.
Partial	Shadow Watch supports this requirement within browser-based contexts; additional controls may be needed for complete coverage.
Supporting	Shadow Watch provides indirect benefit that aids compliance efforts but is not the primary control.

ISO 27001**Information Security Management***International standard for managing information security risk across the enterprise*

Shadow Watch helps organizations meet ISO 27001 requirements by maintaining an inventory of AI tools accessed via browser, monitoring their usage, and generating audit trails for information security controls. It surfaces shadow AI with potential vulnerabilities, detects new AI services entering the environment, and supports evidence collection for formal ISMS assessments.

CONTROL	REQUIREMENT	SHADOWWATCH COVERAGE	ALIGNMENT
A.5.23	Information security for cloud services	Detects unsanctioned AI tools and tracks sanctioned AI usage accessed via web browsers	Partial
A.8.8	Management of technical vulnerabilities	Identifies Shadow AI tools with potential security vulnerabilities and data exfiltration risks	Partial
A.8.15	Logging	Maintains audit trails of browser-based AI interactions for security event analysis	Partial
A.8.16	Monitoring activities	Real-time monitoring of AI tool usage in browsers with anomaly detection	Partial
A.8.32	Change management	Automatically detects new AI tools entering the organization via browser access, supporting change control processes	Partial

ISO 27701**Privacy Information Management***Extension of ISO 27001 establishing requirements for PII controllers and processors*

Shadow Watch supports privacy compliance by identifying what personal data is being processed by AI tools in browsers and maintaining audit logs that serve as evidence of AI-related data processing activities, including the ability to feed detection data into privacy impact assessments.

CONTROL	REQUIREMENT	SHADOWWATCH COVERAGE	ALIGNMENT
7.2.1	Identify lawful basis for processing	Shows what personal data is being processed by AI tools, supporting lawful basis documentation	Supporting
7.3.2	Processing records	Audit logs serve as evidence of browser-based AI data processing activities	Partial
7.5.1	Privacy impact assessments	Detection data feeds privacy impact assessments for AI tool usage	Partial

ISO 42001

AI Management System

International standard for establishing and improving AI governance within organizations

Shadow Watch directly addresses ISO 42001 requirements for AI system monitoring, risk assessment, and impact documentation within browser-based contexts, the core layer of AI governance for web-accessed tools. It provides the continuous visibility and risk scoring that AI governance programs require.

CONTROL	REQUIREMENT	SHADOWWATCH COVERAGE	ALIGNMENT
6.1.2	AI risk assessment	Risk scoring and classification of AI tools accessed via browser aligns with AI-specific risk evaluation requirements	Partial
8.2.1	AI impact assessment	Monitoring data provides evidence for AI system impact documentation	Partial
9.1.2	Monitoring AI systems	Core purpose. Monitors AI system usage in browsers with anomaly detection	Partial
A.6.3	AI system deployment	Detects and tracks AI tools deployed or accessed via browser	Partial

ISO 27017

Cloud Security

Cloud-specific security controls extending ISO 27002

Shadow Watch monitors AI cloud service usage in browsers and maintains visibility into which cloud AI services process company and customer data, helping organizations understand shared responsibility boundaries between themselves and their AI service providers.

CONTROL	REQUIREMENT	SHADOWWATCH COVERAGE	ALIGNMENT
CLD.6.3.1	Shared roles & responsibilities	Documents which AI services process company and customer data, clarifying responsibility boundaries	Supporting
CLD.12.4.5	Monitoring of cloud services	Monitors AI cloud service usage and data flows in browsers for security visibility	Partial

HIPAA

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act

National standards for protecting sensitive patient health information

Shadow Watch helps healthcare organizations maintain HIPAA compliance by detecting PHI transmitted to unsanctioned AI tools via browser and maintaining audit trails for compliance evidence. The 2025 HHS proposed rule introduces an explicit AI inventory requirement, Shadow Watch directly supports this emerging obligation.

CONTROL	REQUIREMENT	SHADOWWATCH COVERAGE	ALIGNMENT
§ 164.312(b)	Audit controls	Maintains logs of browser-based AI interactions involving PHI	Partial
§ 164.312(d)	Access controls	Identifies sanctioned vs. unsanctioned AI tool usage to inform access policy enforcement	Supporting
§ 164.312(e)(1)	Transmission security	Detects PHI transmitted to unsanctioned AI services via browser	Partial
HHS Proposed (2025)	AI inventory requirement	Maintains inventory of AI tools accessed via browser that may touch PHI	Partial

SOC 2

Service Organization Control 2

Trust Service Criteria: Security, Availability, Confidentiality, Processing Integrity, and Privacy

Shadow Watch addresses SOC 2 criteria by providing visibility into browser-based AI tool usage, maintaining audit trails, and detecting potential data disclosure to third-party AI services, supporting both vendor oversight and data transmission security across Trust Service Criteria.

CONTROL	REQUIREMENT	SHADOWWATCH COVERAGE	ALIGNMENT
CC6.1	Logical access controls	Tracks browser-based AI tool access and associated data flows	Partial
CC7.1	System operations monitoring	Real-time monitoring of AI data transmissions in browsers	Partial
CC9.2	Vendor monitoring	Maintains inventory of AI vendors with risk assessments	Partial
CC6.7	Data transmission	Monitors data sent to AI providers in browsers; identifies sensitive data exfiltration	Partial
CC6.8	Unauthorized disclosure	Detects confidential data sharing with unsanctioned AI tools in browsers	Partial

PCI DSS**Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard***Security requirements for organizations handling cardholder data*

Shadow Watch helps organizations maintain PCI DSS compliance by monitoring AI tool usage in browsers within cardholder data environments and maintaining service provider inventories, providing the visibility needed to assess risk and support access control reviews.

CONTROL	REQUIREMENT	SHADOWWATCH COVERAGE	ALIGNMENT
7.2	Least privilege access	Identifies AI tools with excessive data access, supporting access control reviews	Supporting
8.2–8.6	User authentication	Logs AI service account usage in browsers; detects unauthorized accounts	Supporting
12.8.1	Service provider inventory	Maintains inventory of AI service providers accessed via browser	Partial

CIS CONTROLS**Center for Internet Security Controls***Prioritized cybersecurity best practices for defending against common threats*

Shadow Watch addresses CIS Controls for asset and software inventory, the foundation of any security program by discovering and cataloging AI tools accessed via browser, including unauthorized applications that may bypass existing controls.

CONTROL	REQUIREMENT	SHADOWWATCH COVERAGE	ALIGNMENT
1.1	Establish asset inventory	Discovers and catalogs AI tools accessed via browser across the organization	Partial
2.1	Establish software inventory	Maintains inventory of AI applications and browser extensions	Full
2.3	Unauthorized software	Detects and alerts on unsanctioned AI tools accessed via browser	Partial

FISMA / NIST**Federal Information Security Modernization Act***NIST Risk Management Framework and NIST SP 800-53 security controls for federal systems*

Shadow Watch addresses FISMA continuous monitoring requirements and supports NIST SP 800-53 AI system overlays for automated monitoring and risk assessment of browser-accessed AI tools, helping federal agencies and contractors demonstrate ongoing compliance posture.

CONTROL	REQUIREMENT	SHADOWWATCH COVERAGE	ALIGNMENT
SI-04(02)	System monitoring, auto-mated analysis	Real-time monitoring of browser-based AI tool usage with anomaly detection	Partial
CA-07	Continuous monitoring	Ongoing monitoring of AI-related risks and controls for browser-accessed tools	Partial

SCOPE CONSIDERATIONS

What Shadow Watch Covers

Shadow Watch focuses on the browser, where much of today’s unsanctioned AI adoption begins. This approach addresses the most common vector for Shadow AI in enterprise environments, where employees are accessing generative AI tools, coding assistants, browser extensions, and AI-enabled SaaS experiences

Coverage marked as "Full" in this guide applies specifically to browser extensions and web applications. Organizations requiring governance of native desktop applications, infrastructure-level AI services, or identity management tooling may need additional controls to achieve complete coverage for specific framework requirements.

For many organizations, this makes Shadow Watch the fastest path to visibility and governance. Where broader coverage is required, such as native desktop applications, infrastructure-level AI services, or identity-layer enforcement, teams may pair Shadow Watch with additional controls to achieve end-to-end coverage.

WHY COMPLIANCE TEAMS CHOOSE SHADOWWATCH

From Invisible to Auditable

For compliance and security teams, the challenge is not just detecting AI use. It is turning fragmented activity into evidence, policy action, and audit readiness. Shadow Watch helps teams move from reactive discovery to a more repeatable governance program.

Discover previously unknown AI usage across your organization	Build defensible, timestamped audit trails for assessments
Reduce data leakage risk from unsanctioned AI tools	Accelerate compliance assessments with ready evidence
Support AI governance initiatives aligned to ISO 42001	Improve vendor oversight and third-party risk management

See how Shadow Watch supports AI compliance readiness

Schedule a demo or request a tailored compliance mapping review to see how Shadow Watch can help your organization identify browser-based AI usage, strengthen controls, and prepare for audits with greater confidence.

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Built for enterprise security, compliance, and AI governance leaders.

