

Generalized Data Privacy Incident Response Summary (December 2021)

Incident Classification

As stated in University of Toledo [3364-65-10 Technology Incident Response policy](#), section (E), the "... University's incident response capability shall include, but not be limited to, the following:" adverse events, minor incidents, and major incidents.

Adverse events and incidents are classified based on the following criteria:

- **Information Impact of the Incident:** impact based on the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information on or attached to affected system(s).
- **Functional Impact of the Incident:** the current and/or future business functionality that affected system(s) provide, resulting in some type of negative impact to the users of those systems.
- **Recoverability from the Incident:** the effort necessary to recover from an incident carefully weighed against the value the recovery effort will create.
- **Compliance/Reputational Risk of the Incident:** the likelihood of fines or sanctions related to the event.

For each of these criteria, a rating is applied as follows:

Incident Scoring (IS) Table				
	Typically Minor Incidents	Typically Minor Incidents	Typically Major Incidents	Typically Adverse Events
	IS1 (Public Data)	IS2 (Internal Data)	IS3 (Private Data)	IS4 (Restricted Data)
Information Impact	No unauthorized data access, usage, disclosure, loss, or alteration.	Unauthorized access, usage, disclosure, loss, or alteration of public/internal data.	Unauthorized access, usage, disclosure, loss, or alteration of private data.	Unauthorized access, usage, disclosure, loss, or alteration of restricted data.
Functional Impact	System does not have a critical University-wide impact; usage by 1-10 customers.	System does not have a critical University-wide impact; usage by 10-100 customers.	System is important to many groups or users at UToledo (unit-wide service or 100+ customers across units).	System is a critical UToledo-wide service or there are massive impacts to many unit services; critical business functions will cease.
Recoverability	Easy to recover/standalone system.	Relatively easy to recover such as standalone system with unique or non-unique credentials.	Difficult to recover such as standalone system with many dependencies; or many systems are believed to be impacted.	System cannot be recovered, and/or intense effort for recoverability will be needed (such as a massive lateral spread).
Compliance/Reputation	No risk of fines or sanctions; no requirements to notify external parties.	Low risk of fines or sanctions. Incident may result in notification to the public.	Fines or sanctions likely; incident may result in notification to the public.	Fines or sanctions assumed; incident to be made public.

NOTE: Those tasks above that are highlighted in red are discussed in further in detail in the Data Privacy Incident Response Protocol flowchart (attached) and accompanying procedural narrative.

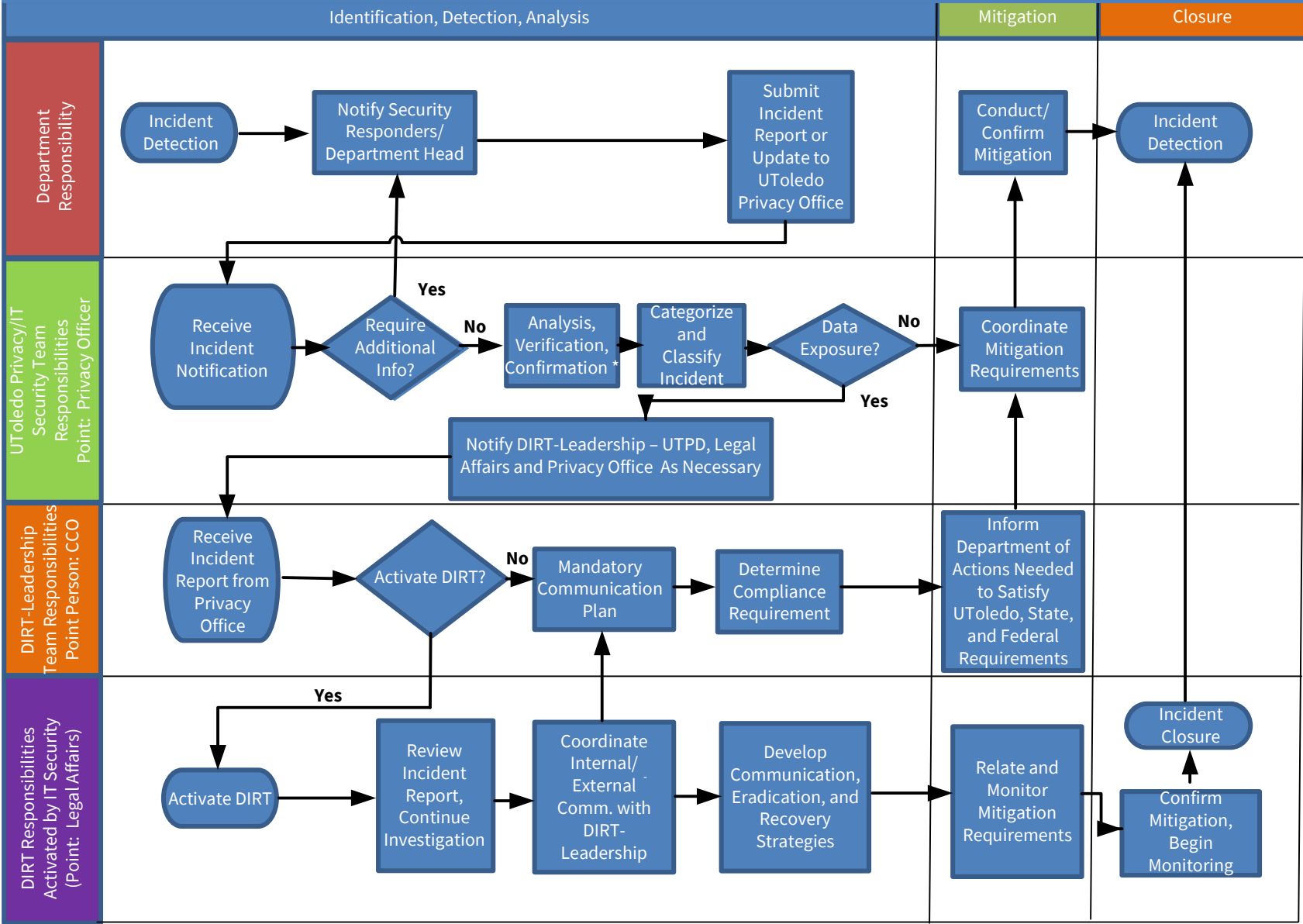
For any given incident, the criteria above will be assessed. The HIGHEST rating for a criterion will be the overall rating for the incident.

Remediation

1. A basic data analysis is completed by the unit and security.
2. Regulatory agencies are notified of suspicion of breach.
3. IS1 incidents are remediated by the unit.
4. IS2 incidents are triaged by IT Security.
 - a. Basic data analysis is completed by IT Security and the unit.
 - b. If private/restricted data found, DIRT processes are activated.
 - c. If not found, the unit remediates the incident.
 - d. DIRT: Data Incident Response Team
5. IS3 incidents are triaged by IT Security.
 - a. IT Security/The unit will perform a root cause/forensic analysis.
 - b. Concurrently, data analysis completed by IT Security/the unit.
 - c. If private/restricted data found, DIRT processes are activated.
 - d. If not found, the unit remediates the incident.
 - e. A lessons-learned exercise is performed.
6. IS4 incidents are triaged by IT Security.
 - a. DIRT is notified.
 - b. IT Security/The unit will perform a root cause/forensic analysis.
 - c. Concurrently, data analysis completed by IT Security/the unit.
 - d. If private/restricted data found, DIRT processes are activated.
 - e. A communication plan is developed for ongoing activities.
 - f. A lessons-learned exercise is performed.
 - g. Results from exercise is shared with stakeholders.
7. DIRT processes activated by IT Security:
 - a. Reviewing incident report, continuing investigation
 - b. Coordinating communications with DIRT-Leadership team
 - c. Developing communication, eradication, recovery strategies
 - d. Relating and monitoring mitigation requirements
 - e. Confirming mitigation, and beginning monitoring
 - f. Closing the incident

All other tasks above (which represent the majority of all security incidents) are within the purview of the IT Security function and their corresponding procedures (<https://www.utoledo.edu/it/security/>). Regardless of their perceived severity, users should report information security incidents to the University of Toledo IT Help Desk at (419) 530-2400.

Generalized Data Privacy Incident Response Workflow (October 2021)



* Note that the “Analyze, Verification, Confirmation” task referred to above includes the forensics process during an incident, such as collecting the data around any incident involving electronically stored data.