

THREE FRAMEWORKS THAT SHAPE YOUR OBLIGATIONS

One voluntary playbook. One certifiable standard. One actual law. Your vendor or internal AI overseer owns conformance — you own knowing which applies.

NIST AI RMF

THE VOLUNTARY PLAYBOOK

The US default playbook for AI risk management. Not legally binding — but it is the vocabulary your auditors, insurers, and customers will use.

ISO/IEC 42001

THE CERTIFIABLE STANDARD

The emerging AI-specific certification, fast becoming a procurement requirement. If you sell to enterprises, expect to be asked for it.

EU AI Act

THE ACTUAL LAW

Risk-tiered, and it reaches you even from outside Europe. High-risk duties moved to Dec 2027 — but transparency, general-purpose AI, and prohibited practices took effect in August 2026 and did not move.

Build to the direction, not the deadline — and keep the audit trail. Deadlines stated here are as of mid-2026.