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How to Perform a Review in SimpleRisk

Introduction

Reviews in SimpleRisk are designed to make it easy for management and key stakeholders to continually evaluate your organization's risk status at regularly scheduled intervals to re-confirm or adjust planned mitigation efforts. Reviews in SimpleRisk are organized under three main menus including:

- The **Perform Review** menu
- The **Review Regularly** menu and
- The **Review Tab**, Found in the "Risk ID" page for all risks

Reviews can be performed by any user who has been granted the appropriate Review Risk Level in the **User Configuration** page.

Instruction

At the core of ensuring the risk mitigation review process is managed effectively are the "**Perform Reviews**" and "**Review Regularly**" menus. Leveraging these two menus and keeping them up to date will impose structure and continuity to the risk review process and help make sure you stay on track.

First, let's look at the "**Perform Reviews**" menu. You can access this page by navigating to "**Risk Management**" at the top and "Perform Reviews" on the left. This screen is designed to be used for actively reviewing all risk and mitigation related information. By following this process, you are able to determine which reviews demand the highest priority and more focused attention. (Below is a sample screen shot of the **Perform Reviews** page.)

Below is the list of submitted risks that require a management review.

ID#	Status	Subject	Risk	Submitted	Mitigation Planned	Management Review
1004	New	Test Risk 4	10	2017-06-30 4:14 PM CDT	NO	NO
1005	New	Test Risk 5	10	2017-06-30 4:14 PM CDT	NO	NO
1006	New	Test Risk 15	10	2017-07-10 3:04 PM CDT	NO	NO
1008	Mgmt Reviewed	test	10	2017-04-19 12:00 AM CDT	YES	NO
1010	Mgmt Reviewed	Test 5	10	2017-04-20 12:00 AM CDT	YES	NO
1011	New	Test for IP	10	2017-04-27 10:49 AM CDT	YES	NO
1013	New	New Risk 1	10	2017-07-20 7:26 PM CDT	NO	NO
1014	New	New Risk 2	10	2017-07-20 7:26 PM CDT	NO	NO
1016	New	Attackers can use unauthorized and unmanaged software to collect sensitive information from compromised systems and other systems connected to them	10	2017-07-21 3:50 PM CDT	NO	NO
1017	New	Attackers can hide their location, malicious software, and activities on victim machines due to deficiencies in security logging and analysis	10	2017-07-21 3:50 PM CDT	NO	NO



The second way to perform a risk review is to select “**Risk Management**” at the top left side of the page and then click the last option in the column on the left labeled “**Review Regularly.**” (Below is a sample screen shot of the “**Review Regularly**” page.)

ID	Status	Subject	Risk	Days Open	Next Review Date
1004	New	Test Risk 4	10	19	UNREVIEWED
1005	New	Test Risk 5	10	19	UNREVIEWED
1006	New	Test Risk 15	8	9	UNREVIEWED
1002	New	Test Risk 13	8	9	UNREVIEWED
1008	Mgmt Reviewed	Test	8	92	UNREVIEWED
1010	Mgmt Reviewed	Test 3	8	91	UNREVIEWED
1011	New	Test for P	8	94	UNREVIEWED
1013	New	New Risk 1	8	0	UNREVIEWED
1014	New	New Risk 2	8	0	UNREVIEWED
1003	Reopened	Test Risk 3	4	19	UNREVIEWED

This page displays all risks that are currently open for review. You will see a column on the far right labeled “**Next Review Date.**” This column shows the next time a review related to a specific risk is due and will display “**Past Due**” if the timeline for the review has already elapsed. Clicking the value in the “**Next Review Date**” column will automatically direct you to the “**Review**” tab located in the “**Risk ID**” page associated with each and every risk.

On the **Review page**, you will see the review date and the reviewer’s name listed near the middle of the screen, and just below you will see a drop down menu labeled “**Review.**” Use this drop down to determine if this is a risk that needs to be tracked and ultimately approved, or rejected based on criteria that you’ve defined within your organization. When you have chosen to either approve or reject the risk, you will want to use the drop down menu below labeled “**Next Step**” to document the proposed mitigation for that risk when the review is submitted.

There are three pre-labeled default “**Next Steps**” available. New steps can easily be added from the “**Configure**” menu at the top and then selecting “**Add and Remove Values**” on the left. The three default next steps to choose from are “**Accept Until Next Review**”, “**Consider for Project**”, and “**Submit as a Production Issue.**”

- By selecting “**Accept Until Next Review**”, SimpleRisk will automatically schedule a new review date based on the risk criteria and scoring you’ve established in your SimpleRisk configuration. To configure the **rate of recurrence for risk reviews**, select the “**Configure**” menu at the top and then select “**Configure Review Settings**” on the left. From here, you’re able to choose the frequency for performing reviews based on the assigned risk score.
- By selecting “**Consider for Project**,” you’re able to group and associate a specific risk with other risks having a similar profile in the “**Plan Project**” menu. This is useful if you have multiple risks that affect a single asset or risks that affect multiple teams. Using the **Plan Project** feature makes



it more efficient for management and key stakeholders to track the risk mitigation progress from a central place for multiple risks that are similar, but also require discrete tracking,.

- Selecting “**Submit as a Production Issue,**” is used once ample data has been collected and a mitigation plan is in place and ready to be enacted. Once submitted, the production team is automatically alerted that a mitigation plan needs to be carried out and they’re able to see all historical data related to that risk from a single view.

you’re also able add any additional comments and descriptions in the field labeled “**Comments.**”

On the right side of this page the next review date is displayed, based on the assigned risk score. You have the option to assign a different date by selecting the “**Yes**” bubble just under “**Would you like to use a different date instead?**” When selected, you’re able to override the automatically assigned review date and the new manually entered date will be specific to this risk only. All other risks that have the same risk score will still default to the configuration set in the “Configure Review Settings”.

Once you have finished inputting all relevant data, you are now ready to submit the review.

This concludes the video on “How to Perform a Review” in SimpleRisk. If any questions were left unanswered or could use more in-depth descriptions, please use our Customer Support email address which is support@simplerisk.com