



Office of Cybersecurity
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

February 22, 2023

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Chief Information Officers/All Compliance Officers

SUBJECT: Definitive Rule Regarding Prohibited Technology Hardware

Governor Greg Abbott's order of December 7, 2022, required all state agencies to ban the video-sharing application TikTok from all state-owned devices and networks and also prohibited the use of certain other hardware platforms, including SZ DJI. The hyperlink to the full list of prohibited technologies is contained at <https://dir.texas.gov/information-security/prohibited-technologies>.

Through the previous policy plan issued by Mark Stone on February 15, 2023 to all Texas A&M members, A&M's System Chief Information Officer, members are prohibited from using hardware which is on the DIR prohibited technology list and block access to prohibited technologies from state-owned networks. There is a similar procurement ban regarding certain hardware at the State of Texas' Department of Information Resources (DIR).

As previously noted, all system employees, contractors and users are responsible for complying with this plan. This memorandum serves to confirm that directive as policy for the entirety of the A&M System and its members.

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