

SAS 70 Type II Audit

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Choose an infrastructure provider that has completed the SAS 70 Type II audit process

Hostway has successfully completed the Statement on Auditing Standards No. 70 (SAS 70) Type II audit. Developed by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the widely recognized auditing standard provides assurance that Hostway has been through an evaluation of its internal processes and controls by an independent third-party auditor. The Type II designation includes not only an evaluation of the sufficiency in design of controls, but also includes detailed testing over a minimum six-month period.

What is SAS 70 Type II?

A service auditor's examination performed in accordance with SAS 70 is widely recognized, because it represents that a service organization has been through an audit of its control objectives and control activities, which often include controls over physical and logical security, computer operations, HR processes, and related systems. In today's global economy, service organizations or service providers must demonstrate that they have adequate controls and safeguards when they host or process data belonging to their customers.

What areas are assessed during the audit?

- Oversight by Executive Management
- Operations and Customer Service
- Control Environment, Risk Assessment, and Monitoring
- Data Center Environmental Controls
- Computer and Network Operations
- System software Implementation and Maintenance
- Development and Information Technology Organization
- Human Resources Policies and Procedures

What are the benefits of completing the SAS 70 Type II audit?

The completion of the SAS 70 Type II audit benefits both the user organization and the service organization. It provides assurance that the service organization has implemented effective control objectives and activities. The production of a Type II report entails detailed testing which can often identify areas where the service organization can increase the integrity and consistency of operations. The SAS 70 report can be used by the user organization's auditor in completing its own financial audits.

Why did Hostway undergo a SAS 70 Type II audit?

Ensuring the effectiveness of our operational controls is a key component of our overall strategy of providing secure, reliable, and high quality infrastructure solutions to our enterprise hosting customers. An objective, third party opinion of our facilities and our processes helps to ensure both Hostway and its clients that our data centers will continue to be among the best in the industry for critical applications. A SAS 70 Type II report is one of the most widely recognized evaluations of service organization controls that support information technology companies. The SAS 70 report assures our customers of our reliability and provides a set of standardized reports without the need for additional assessments.