

## Texas A&M AgriLife Research Rules

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### RULE SUMMARY

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Texas A&M AgriLife Research (AgriLife Research) considers technology services to be a critical component to fulfil the agency's mission. The Chief Information Officer (CIO) is responsible for coordinating the agency's information resources, including enabling the operational effectiveness and security of AgriLife Research's information resources. In addition, the CIO is responsible for directing the implementation of appropriate processes and procedures to protect computer systems, networks and data, and to mitigate related risks.

This rule supplements System Policy 29.01 and establishes the authority and responsibilities of the CIO and authorizes procedures and standards governing the use and security of AgriLife Research information resources.

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### PROCEDURES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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#### 1. AGENCY INFORMATION RESOURCES GOVERNANCE

- 1.1 In accordance with 1 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §211.20, the Vice Chancellor designates the CIO, under the supervision of the Chief Operating Officer (COO), as the information resources manager to administer the requirements of 1 TAC Part 10 and all other relevant information resources laws and policies across AgriLife Research.
- 1.2 The efficient and effective use of information resources is critical to the long-term success of Texas A&M AgriLife Research. To that end, the CIO is responsible for ensuring that information resources expenditures from any funding source are efficient and serve to improve information resources services. The CIO is also responsible for coordinating information resources purchases, regardless of the funding source.

#### 2. AGENCY INFORMATION SECURITY GOVERNANCE

- 2.1 In accordance with 1 TAC §202.70, the Vice Chancellor designates the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO), under the supervision of the Chief Information Officer (CIO), to administer the information security requirements of 1 TAC Chs. 202-203 and all other relevant information security laws and policies across AgriLife Research under the guidance of The Texas A&M System (System) CISO and the governance of System information security policies and procedures.

#### 3. USE OF AGENCY INFORMATION RESOURCES

- 3.1 Each user is responsible for using agency information resources in accordance with the guidelines established by applicable System policies and regulations, and agency rules, procedures and guidelines.
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### RELATED STATUTES, POLICIES, OR REQUIREMENTS

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[1 Tex. Admin. Code Part 10, Department of Information Resources](#)

[1 Tex. Admin. Code Ch. 202, Information Security Standards](#)

[1 Tex.Admin. Code Ch. 211, Information Resources Managers](#)

[System Regulation 29.01, Information Resources](#)

[System Regulation 29.01.01, Information Resources Governance](#)

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## **CONTACT OFFICE**

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