Effective December 29, 2025, Hutchinson Aerospace & Industry Is CMMC Level 2 Certified

Cybersecurity is critical in today's defense industry, and Hutchinson Aerospace & Industry, Inc. remains committed to supporting the mission. The Department of Defense (DoD) launched the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC Level 2) program to ensure that defense contractors and subcontractors maintain strong protections for sensitive data, including Federal Contract Information (FCI) and Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI). CMMC compliance will be mandatory for all select contracts that require the handling of FCI and CUI. While many manufacturers hesitated or hoped the CMMC compliance mandate would fade, Hutchinson took decisive action—and is now ahead of the game.

The Problem: Escalating Cybersecurity Risks

As cyberattacks targeting intellectual property, defense technologies and supply chains escalate in frequency and sophistication, the U.S. government has responded with stricter security regulations. That means Hutchinson and other top defense contractors face increasing pressure, not only to develop next-generation technologies but also to safeguard the sensitive information that supports them.

Non-compliance with CMMC Level 2 puts this information at risk while jeopardizing a manufacturer's eligibility for future defense contracts. Recognizing this, Hutchinson took action immediately to become CMMC certified.

The Solution: A Company-Wide Commitment to CMMC Level 2

Hutchinson embraced the CMMC framework early, aligning with both Level 1 (Basic Safeguarding of FCI) and Level 2 (Broad Protection of CUI) requirements.

This included:

- Conducting annual self-assessments and affirmations per FAR clause 52.204-21

- Meeting the 110 security requirements in NIST SP 800-171 Revision 2

- Engaging a certified third-party CMMC expert for guidance and training

- Investing significantly in cybersecurity hardware and software

- Training every department, from engineering to sales, on CMMC principles

- Executing a complex, company-wide plan with discipline and rigor

The result? Hutchinson is certified CMMC Level 2, fully compliant, with a strong score and readiness for third-party certification.

The Value: A Secure, Competitive Partner for Defense

With CMMC Level 2 certification, Hutchinson Aerospace & Industry, Inc. offers more than just high-quality products—we offer peace of mind. Defense customers and prime contractors can work with us knowing:

- Sensitive defense information is safeguarded at every level

- We are compliant with DoD security mandates

- Risk of government penalties or contract disruptions is minimized

- Intellectual property and next-gen technologies are protected

By achieving CMMC Level 2 certification compliance, Hutchinson has secured its position as a preferred partner for Tier 1 defense contractors.

The Outcome: Built for the Future

While many in the industry continue to "wait and see," we have already invested in the future. Hutchinson is now supporting:

- Development of new technology-based products

- Commercial production of existing high-tech solutions

- Confident collaboration with defense contractors and their supply chains

At Hutchinson, CMMC Level 2-aligned cybersecurity posture is not just a requirement—it's a strategic advantage. Few companies in our space have taken such comprehensive steps, and our Tier 1 partners are taking notice.

Hutchinson is certified and ready. Secure. Compliant. And committed to advancing national defense—safely.

To learn more about the CMMC framework, visit the Department of Defense's official page: dodcio.defense.gov/CMMC/About.

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