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These recommendations help you evaluate the security of the configuration of SAP Datasphere services in your landscape.

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As part of the [cloud shared responsibility model](#) (restricted access), you're responsible for determining if any of these recommendations are relevant for your environment and to what extent.

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See [Explanation of Table Headings](#) in the *SAP Business Technology Platform (SAP BTP)* documentation.

Security Recommendations

Service	Priority	Secure Operations Map	Topic	Default Setting or Behavior	Recommendation	More Information	Last Update	Index
SAP Datasphere here	Recommended	Security Monitoring and Forensics	Audit Data	The default and minimum retention time for audit log entries is 7 days, and the maximum retention time is 10 000 days. Furthermore, be aware that when you delete a space, all audit logs entries generated for the space, including audit log entries related to any Open SQL schema or HDI container associated with the space, will be permanently deleted.	Export audit log entries before they are deleted. Likewise, before deleting your space, you may want to export the audit log entries generated for your space.	Logging Read and Change Actions for Audit	2023-07-26	DS-0001

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SAP Datasphere	Critical	Audit and Fraud Management	Audit Data	<p>By default, audit logs are not enabled for spaces as they can consume a large amount of storage in your SAP Datasphere tenant.</p> <p>If users with the DW Space Administrator role have enabled audit logs to be created for their space, read and change actions (policies) are recorded. Users with the DW Administrator role can then get an overview of all audit logs and analyze who did what and when in the database. The default and minimum retention time of audit logs is 7 days and the maximum retention time is 10000 days.</p> <p>To enable audit logs via the command line: enter the audit logging policy for read and change operations and the number of days that the logs are retained. you can retain logs for any period between 7 and 10000 days. Default values: false, 30, false, 30</p>	<p>If you handle personal data in your tenant, we recommend that you enable audit logs to help comply with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).</p> <p>Users with the DW Space Administrator role can enable audit logs for their space in the space details page. You can also enable audit logs via the command line.</p> <p>Users with the DW Administrator role can then monitor the read and change actions performed in the database with audit logs, and see who did what and when.</p>	<p>Logging Read and Change Actions for Audit</p> <p>Monitor Database Operations with Audit Logs</p> <p>The Space Definition File Format</p>	2023-07-26	DS-0002
SAP Datasphere	Critical	User and Identity Management	Authentication	<p>The password policy applies only to database users where the <i>Enable Password Policy</i> property is selected.</p>	<p>Users with the DW Administrator role should set a password policy to cause database user passwords to expire after a specified number of days. The recommended maximum validity for non-privileged users is 90 days.</p>	<p>Set a Password Policy for Database Users</p>	2023-07-26	DS-0003
SAP Datasphere	Recommended	User and Identity Management	Authentication	<p>You can reset a database user password via the command line.</p>	<p>For security reasons, specify to receive the new password in an output file.</p>	<p>Manage Spaces and Space Access via the Command Line</p>	2023-07-26	DS-0004

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SAP Datasphere here	Critical	Network Security	Encryption	SAP Datasphere supports encrypted communication for network communication channels. To enable a secure SSL/TLS-based connection for a connection type that supports remote tables but doesn't use a Data Provisioning Agent, you need to upload a server certificate to SAP Datasphere.	Use encrypted channels in all cases where your network isn't protected by other security measures against attacks, such as eavesdropping, for example, when your network is accessed from public networks. Upload server certificates to enable secure SSL/TLS-based connections to certain sources.	Cloud Network and Communication Security Manage Certificates for Connections	2023-07-26	DS-0005
SAP Datasphere here	Critical	Roles and Authorization	Authentication	For security reasons, all external connections to your SAP Datasphere instance are blocked by default.	Control the range of external public IPv4 addresses that get access to the database of your SAP Datasphere by adding them to an allowlist.	Manage IP Allowlist	2023-07-26	DS-0006
SAP Datasphere here	Advanced	Data Privacy and Protection	Data Privacy	By default, SAP Datasphere keeps track of objects you've accessed, so that you can quickly locate those objects or files again	Keep the object tracking on. Clicking the Manage Settings button opens the Settings dialog for your account where you can enable or disable tracking and optionally clear previously tracked data. In addition, you can always click your user icon in the shell bar, select Settings , and then select the Privacy setting option to change profile settings.	Changing SAP Datasphere Settings	2023-07-26	DS-0007
SAP Datasphere here	Recommended	Security Hardening	Session Management	By default, the session timeout is set to 3600 seconds (1 hour). The minimum value is 300 seconds, and the maximum value is 43200 seconds.	Set the amount of time before a user session expires if the user doesn't interact with the system. The recommended time frame is 3600 seconds (1 hour).	Administration Apps and Tools	2023-07-26	DS-0008
SAP Datasphere here	Recommended	Security Monitoring and Forensics	Authentication	You can import analysis authorizations defined in SAP BW and SAP BW/4HANA systems into SAP Datasphere to provide row-level protection for data imported from these systems.	The report generating the permissions table in SAP BW/4HANA should run at least once a day and the remote table in SAP Datasphere is kept in remote (federated) access to ensure that it is always up-to-date. If you decide to replicate the permissions table, you should schedule at minimum a daily refresh.	Import SAP BW and SAP BW/4HANA Analysis Authorizations	2023-07-26	DS-0009

Note

In the [Configuration & Security Analysis](#) app of SAP Cloud ALM, you can view the following security settings: index DS-0001, DS-0002, DS-0003, and DS-0008. For each security setting index, you can view the value

used and, specifically for DS-0003 and DS-0008, whether the value matches the recommended value. See [Configuration & Security Analysis](#) in the *SAP Cloud ALM - Application Help* and [Configuration & Security Analysis – Content](#) on the *SAP Cloud ALM for Operations Expert Portal*.



For more information on SAP Datasphere security, see [SAP Datasphere Security Guide](#).

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