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Five Checks for an Agent Record

A one-page test sheet for site reliability engineering (SRE), security, governance, and operations teams

Use this sheet to test whether your records can show what an agent did in production. A pass applies only to the scope you test. Mark any check you didn't test as Untested.

Test Scope

Workflow tested: _____
Configuration (product, version, logging settings): _____
Time window: _____
Expected records, and where that list comes from: _____
Tested by and date: _____

Check	The Team's Question	How to Test	Result and Evidence
Export (Operations)	Can we get the agent's records out in a format our own tools read?	Export the records for the time window into your own tools. Confirm each field you need reads correctly. *A pass doesn't establish that the copy is complete or unchanged.*	☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ Untested ☐ Vendor statement ☐ Documentation ☐ Own test Gap owner if not Pass: _____
Connect (SRE)	Can we follow one action from request through authority to result, naming the agent and the person?	Pick one real agent action and rebuild it from records alone: request, authority, policy decision, execution, and outcome. Confirm the record shows the approval or policy version in effect. Note the time taken and each step that needed someone's memory. *A pass doesn't establish that all actions are captured or authorized.*	☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ Untested ☐ Vendor statement ☐ Documentation ☐ Own test Gap owner if not Pass: _____
Missing (SRE, security)	Did the records we expected arrive?	Compare what arrived with your list of expected records, such as a manifest or the audit log of the system the agent changed. Note each gap and its likely cause. *A pass doesn't establish that all relevant actions were captured.*	☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ Untested ☐ Vendor statement ☐ Documentation ☐ Own test Gap owner if not Pass: _____
Altered (Security, governance)	Can we show that a stored record wasn't changed or deleted after a known checkpoint?	Run the store's validation where supported. In a test copy, change or delete a record and confirm the check detects it. *A pass doesn't establish that the original records were true or complete.*	☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ Untested ☐ Vendor statement ☐ Documentation ☐ Own test Gap owner if not Pass: _____
After Exit (Governance)	Can we read and check the records for our full audit period without the product?	Using only the retained records, schemas, policy references, and verification material, read and check one sampled workflow without the originating product. *A pass doesn't establish that the original capture was complete.*	☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ Untested ☐ Vendor statement ☐ Documentation ☐ Own test Gap owner if not Pass: _____

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