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To keep pace with the payments landscape and keep data security controls relevant and effective, the Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI SSC) recently made an extensive update to the PCI Data Security Standard (DSS) v4.0.

PCI DSS v3.2.1 will be retired on March 31, 2024, at which time most of the v4.0 requirements will be mandatory. Some new requirements will become mandatory on April 1, 2025.

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