

Implementing security as code in the SDLC

Enhanced guidelines

To effectively implement security as code, security practices must be implemented throughout the entire software development lifecycle (SDLC). Here's a set of guidelines to help achieve this:

1. Planning

- Security requirements documented, reviewed and prioritized
- Threat analysis completed and risks assessed
- Compliance with relevant regulations verified
- Team alignment on security objectives established

2. Development

- Threat modeling completed and vulnerabilities identified
- Secure design principles applied throughout the architecture
- Security testing strategy defined and integrated into the SDLC

3. Implementation

- Secure coding standards followed and enforced
- SAST and other code analysis tools integrated into the CI/CD pipeline
- Third-party libraries and dependencies regularly assessed for security