

The AI Vendor Risk Quick-Screen

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An eight-question gate for the AI you buy, not build. Most organizations' real exposure comes from purchased tools, not in-house models.

Abbreviations and Acronyms

No prior knowledge is assumed. Every acronym used in this document is defined below.

AI: Artificial Intelligence

The WHY

You inherit the risk of every AI tool you adopt, but you do not control how it was built. This quick-screen surfaces the questions to ask a vendor before you sign.

The eight questions

1. 1. What does the model do, and what data was it trained on?
2. 2. Where is our data processed and stored, and is it used to train their models?
3. 3. Can the vendor explain a given output if a regulator or customer asks?
4. 4. What is their incident process if the model causes harm?
5. 5. Do they document bias, accuracy, and known limitations?
6. 6. Can we audit or test the system, or is it a black box?
7. 7. What are the contractual terms on liability and indemnification?
8. 8. What happens to our data and our access if the vendor shuts down or is acquired?

How to score

Any question the vendor cannot answer clearly is a flag. Three or more flags means escalate to full third-party review before adopting.

Where free ends and paid begins

- - FREE (what and why): the eight questions and the flag logic.
- - PAID (done-for-you): the full Third-Party AI Risk Assessment, the procurement clause library, and the vendor risk register in the Vendor Risk pack.

Your next step: Get the **AI Risk Management Kit, Full Edition** in the Execution Library (www.aigovernancechain.com/storefront.html, section: The Core Governance Kits). Every instrument in the Execution Library is also included in the **Governance Vault**, the all-access annual licence.

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