

Policy

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Definition #1

Policy is a precise statement which contains the set of principles acting as guidelines for achieving the goals of an organization.

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Definition #2 (Security)

A **Policy** is, simply, an official or prescribed plan or course of action.

A **Policy** itself provides no compliance and no enforcement.

Guidelines for making an effective **Policy** are as follows:

- **Policy** as far as possible should be in writing.
- They should be clearly understood by those who are supposed to implement them.
- They should reflect the objectives of the Organizational Entity.
- To ensure successful implementation of a **Policy**, the top managers and the subordinates who are supposed to implement them must participate in their formulation.
- Conditions change, and policies must also change accordingly. Hence, a **Policy** must strike a reasonable balance between stability and flexibility.
- Different policies in the Organizational Entity should not pull in different directions and should support one another.
- Policies should not be detrimental to the interests of society.
- Policies should be periodically reviewed in order to see whether they are to be modified, changed or completely abandoned.

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