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# StorageGuard

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Qualys and Core6 have partnered to secure storage, backup, and data protection systems that are frequently overlooked by traditional security exposure programs.

By integrating Core6's flagship solution, **StorageGuard**, with Qualys Enterprise TruRisk™, organizations gain unified visibility across their entire IT environment.

This joint solution enables security and IT teams can ensure their storage and backup systems are secure and compliant.

"89% of organizations said attackers specifically targeted their backup repositories during ransomware incident." \*

\* <https://www.veeam.com/blog/ransomware-trends.html>

## Challenges

Ransomware and state-sponsored cyberattacks have put storage and backup environments back on the agenda.

Modern threat actors increasingly target storage and backup systems to disrupt recovery and maximize leverage. In parallel, there has been a sharp rise in actively-exploited vulnerabilities within these mission-critical environments.

Attackers understand that compromising these systems isn't just a tactic; it's the tipping point that drives ransom payments.

Most security programs remain focused on endpoints, networks, and applications, leaving storage and backup systems outside standard security exposure initiatives.

This lack of visibility creates hidden risk, weakens recovery confidence, and limits Security leaders' ability to prioritize remediation based on true business impact.

When left unaddressed, this can lead to a security incident which can turn into a business wide crisis by eliminating recovery options, dramatically extending downtime, and forcing organizations into higher financial, regulatory, and operational impact.

## Joint Solution Overview

The integration between Qualys Enterprise TruRisk™ and StorageGuard enables organizations to automate the detection of security risks in their storage and backup systems, enhancing their security posture, and ensuring compliance with industry standards.

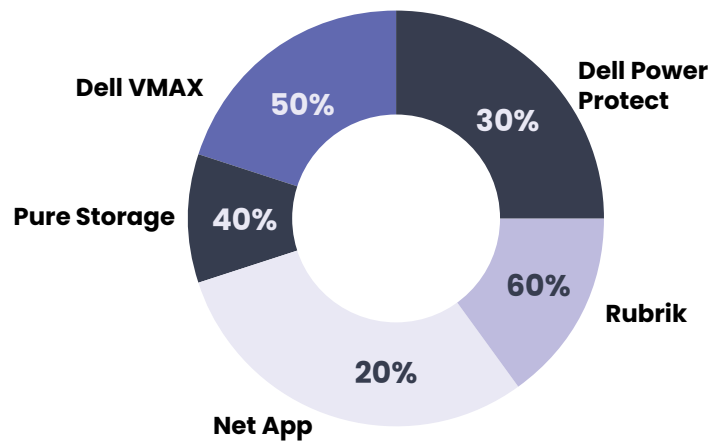
StorageGuard continuously assesses storage, backup, and data protection systems using authenticated, agent-less validation aligned to vendor hardening guidance and industry standards.

These insights are surfaced directly within Qualys, allowing teams to manage storage and backup risks – alongside endpoint, network, and application risks.

By correlating storage and backup findings with Qualys risk context, organizations gain a complete, actionable view of cyber risk across the full IT environment.

The result is faster deployment, simplified operations, and more confident, risk-based decision-making without introducing additional security silos.

### Highest-risk System



### Unique Joint Value Differentiation

The Qualys and StorageGuard joint solution uniquely eliminates one of cybersecurity’s most dangerous blind spots: storage and backup systems.

Unlike standalone tools or custom integrations, this partnership delivers native visibility and centralized risk management for vulnerabilities, security misconfigurations, and compliance gaps across mission-critical data platforms.

StorageGuard’s continuously-updated validation is combined with Qualys’ TruRisk-based prioritization, enabling customers to focus remediation on issues that matter most to business resilience.

Agent-less deployment, deep storage expertise, and unified workflows reduce operational friction, accelerate time to value, and deliver risk decisions aligned to business impact – capabilities that are difficult for competitors to replicate.

### Key Use Cases

**Ransomware Readiness** – For the first time, identify and remediate vulnerabilities and security misconfigurations in storage and backup systems that attackers target to disrupt recovery.

**Continuous Compliance** – Continuously validate storage and backup environments against standards such as NIST, ISO, CIS, and PCI to maintain audit readiness.

**Unified Risk Operations** – Manage storage, backup, endpoint, and application risk in a single Qualys workflow to streamline remediation, reporting, and governance.

## Business Outcomes

Customers using the StorageGuard integration with Qualys gain visibility into previously unmanaged risks and faster identification and remediation of critical issues.

- › Identify vulnerabilities, misconfigurations, and hardening gaps in storage and backup systems, using authenticated scans
- › Centrally manage storage and backup security risks and compliance gaps within Qualys using StorageGuard as the scanner source
- › Continuously validate compliance against NIST, ISO, CIS, PCI, and other standards to support audit readiness
- › Accelerate remediation by integrating StorageGuard's actionable fixes directly into Qualys workflows

Learn how Qualys and StorageGuard can help you gain complete risk visibility and protect critical recovery systems.

Contact your Qualys or Core6 representative to request a demo or schedule a joint solution briefing.