

Time Horizons

Time Horizons are used as a factor in determining the size of a sanction. If an entity violates a requirement and there is no time to mitigate the violation because the requirement takes place in real-time, then the sanction associated with the violation is higher than it would be for violation of a requirement that could be mitigated over a longer period of time.

When establishing a time horizon for each requirement, the following criteria should be used:

1. **Long-term Planning** – a planning horizon of one year or longer.
2. **Operations Planning** – operating and resource plans from day-ahead up to and including seasonal.
3. **Same-day Operations** – routine actions required within the timeframe of a day, but not real-time.
4. **Real-time Operations** – actions required within one hour or less to preserve the reliability of the bulk electric system.
5. **Operations Assessment** – follow-up evaluations and reporting of real-time operations.

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