

# Vendor Dependency Risk Worksheet for Orthopedic OEMs

Supplier specialization is often unavoidable in orthopedics — but it doesn't have to mean unnecessary risk. This worksheet helps your team identify where single-vendor reliance could impact compliance, timelines, or audits, and where consolidation under one trusted partner reduces exposure.

## 1. Critical Supplier Mapping

List your top 10 suppliers. Note what they provide (implants, coatings, screws, instruments, packaging, sterilization, etc.). Mark which are specialized vs. commoditized.

## 2. Risk Factors Assessment

Do you have backup supply capacity? Does changing suppliers require FDA/ISO re-submission? Rate the impact of disruption: Low | Medium | High.

## 3. Regulatory Exposure Check

For each supplier, indicate if switching would trigger revalidation or regulatory resubmission.

## 4. Consolidation Opportunities

Highlight areas where services could be consolidated (e.g., sterilization, packaging, kitting). Identify single points of failure that could be mitigated by integration.

*Use this worksheet to spot your most fragile vendor dependencies — and to evaluate whether a trusted partner like LSO could reduce your risk exposure while keeping compliance intact.*