Annex A:
Approved Security Functions
for FIPS PUB 140-2,
*Security Requirements for
Cryptographic Modules*

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1. Introduction

Federal Information Processing Standards Publication (FIPS PUB) 140-2, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules, specifies the security requirements that are to be satisfied by the cryptographic module utilized within a security system protecting sensitive information within computer and telecommunications systems (including voice systems). The standard provides four increasing, qualitative levels of security: Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, and Level 4. These levels are intended to cover the wide range of potential applications and environments in which cryptographic modules may be employed. The security requirements cover eleven areas related to the secure design and implementation of the cryptographic module. These areas include the following:

1. Cryptographic Module Specification
2. Cryptographic Module Ports and Interfaces
3. Roles, Services, and Authentication
4. Finite State Model
5. Physical Security
6. Operational Environment
7. Cryptographic Key Management
8. Electromagnetic Interference/Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMI/EMC)
9. Self Tests
10. Design Assurance
11. Mitigation of Other Attacks

The Cryptographic Module Validation Program (CMVP - www.nist.gov/cmvp) validates cryptographic modules to FIPS PUB 140-2 and other cryptography based standards. The CMVP is a joint effort between NIST and the Communications Security Establishment (CSE - www.cse-cst.gc.ca) of the Government of Canada. Products validated as conforming to FIPS PUB 140-2 are accepted by the Federal agencies of both countries for the protection of sensitive information (United States) or Designated information (Canada).

In the CMVP, vendors of cryptographic modules use independent, accredited testing laboratories to have their modules tested. Organizations wishing to have validations performed would contract with the laboratories for the required services.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide a list of the approved security functions applicable to FIPS PUB 140-2.

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Annex A provides a list of the approved security functions applicable to FIPS PUB 140-2. The categories include symmetric key, asymmetric key, message authentication and hashing.

Symmetric Key

1. **AES**

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, Advanced Encryption Standard (AES), Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 197, November 26, 2001.

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, *Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation, Methods and Techniques*, Special Publication 800-38A, December 2001.

1. **DES and Triple-DES**

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, *Data Encryption Standard (DES),* Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 46-3, October 25, 1999.

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, *DES Modes of Operation*, Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 81, December 2, 1980.

   a. *DES Modes of Operation*, Change 2, May 31, 1996

   b. *DES Modes of Operation*, Change 3

   c. NIST Special Publication 800-38A Appendix E references Modes of Triple-DES.

   American Bankers Association, *Triple Data Encryption Algorithm Modes of Operation,* ANSI X9.52-1998.

2. **Skipjack**

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, Escrowed Encryption Standard (EES), Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 185, February 9, 1984.

   Skipjack and KEA Algorithm Specifications, Version 2.0, May 29, 1998.

Asymmetric Key

1. **DSA, RSA and ECDSA**

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, Digital Signature Standard (DSS), Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 186-2 with Change Notice 1, October 05, 2001.

   RSA Laboratories, PKCS#1 v2.1: RSA Cryptography Standard, June 14, 2002.
   Only the versions of the algorithms RSASSA-PKCS1-v1_5 and RSASSA-PSS contained within this document shall be used.

Message Authentication

1. **DES MAC and Triple-DES MAC**

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, *Computer Data Authentication*, Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 113, 30 May 1985.

2. **Enhanced Security DES MAC**

   American Bankers Association, *Financial Institution Retail Message Authentication,* ANSI X9.19-1996.

3. **Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: The CCM Mode for Authentication and Confidentiality**

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, *Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: The CCM Mode for Authentication and Confidentiality*, Special Publication 800-38C, May 2004.

Hashing

1. **Secure Hash Standard (SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA-256, SHA-384 and SHA-512)**

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, *Secure Hash Standard*, Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 180-2 with Change Notice 1, February 25, 2004.

Keyed Hash

1. **HMAC - Keyed-Hash Message Authentication Code**

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, *The Keyed-Hash Message Authentication Code (HMAC)*, Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 198, March 06, 2002.

Random Number Generators

1. **Annex C:** *Approved Random Number Generators*

   National Institute of Standards and Technology, *Annex C: Approved Random Number Generators for FIPS 140-2, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules*, March 17, 2003.

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