

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: APPROVED SECURITY FUNCTIONS

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 - Encryption

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.

National Institute of Standards and Technology, [Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: Galois/Counter Mode \(GCM\) and GMAC](#), Special Publication 800-38D, November 2007.

2. Triple-DES

National Institute of Standards and Technology, [Recommendation for the Triple Data Encryption Algorithm \(TDEA\) Block Cipher](#), Special Publication 800-67, May 2004.

National Institute of Standards and Technology, [Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation, Methods and Techniques](#), Special Publication 800-38A, December 2001. Appendix E references Modes of Triple-DES.

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

3. 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 - Signature

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. Triple-DES MAC

National Institute of Standards and Technology, [Computer Data Authentication](#), Federal Information

Processing Standards Publication 113, 30 May 1985.

2. **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.

3. **Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: The CMAC Mode for Authentication**

National Institute of Standards and Technology, [Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: The CMAC Mode for Authentication](#), Special Publication 800-38B, May 2005.

4. **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

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 180-3, October, 2008.

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](#), January 24, 2007.

Document Revisions

Date	Change
05-13-2002	Symmetric Key , Number 1: <i>Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)</i> - Added
	Keyed Hash , Number 1: <i>The Keyed-Hash Message Authentication Code (HMAC)</i> - Added
02-19-2003	Symmetric Key , Number 1: <i>Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation, Methods and Techniques</i> - Added
12-16-2003	Asymmetric Key , Number 1: Removed Asymmetric Key references to ANSI X9.31-1998 and ANSI X9.62-1998. These are referenced FIPS 186-2.
03-11-2004	Hashing , Number 1: <i>Secure Hash Standard</i> - SHA-256, SHA-384 and SHA-512 added
05-13-2004	Hashing , Number 1: <i>Secure Hash Standard</i> - SHA-224 added as a reference
08-18-2004	Asymmetric Key , Number 1: <i>Digital Signature Standard (DSS)</i> - Updated reference to include Change Notice 1
09-23-2004	Message Authentication , Number 3: <i>Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: The CCM Mode for Authentication and Confidentiality</i> - Added
05-19-2005	Symmetric Key , Number 2: <i>Recommendation for the Triple Data Encryption Algorithm (TDEA) Block Cipher</i> – Added
04-03-2006	Message Authentication , Number 4: <i>Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: The CMAC Mode for Authentication</i> - Added
01-24-2007	Random Number Generators , Number 1: <i>Annex C: Approved Random Number Generators for FIPS 140-2, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules</i> – Updated reference document date
05/19/2007	Symmetric Key , Number 2: References to DES removed.
	Message Authentication , Numbers 1 and 2: References to DES removed.
10/18/2007	Updated links
12/18/2007	Symmetric Key , Number 1: <i>Recommendation for Block Cipher Modes of Operation: Galois/Counter Mode (GCM) and GMAC</i> - Added
10/21/2008	Hashing , Number 1: <i>Secure Hash Standard</i> – FIPS 180-3 replaces FIPS 180-2

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