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Abstract

NIST Special Publication (SP) 800-140D replaces the approved sensitive security parameter generation and establishment methods of ISO/IEC 19790 Annex D. As a validation authority, the Cryptographic Module Validation Program (CMVP) may supersede this Annex in its entirety. This document supersedes ISO/IEC 19790 Annex D and ISO/IEC 24759 paragraph 6.16.

Keywords

Cryptographic Module Validation Program; CMVP; FIPS 140 testing; FIPS 140-3; ISO/IEC 19790; ISO/IEC 24759; sensitive security parameter establishment methods; sensitive security parameter generation; testing requirement; vendor evidence; vendor documentation.

Audience

This document is focused toward the vendors, testing labs, and CMVP for the purpose of addressing issues in cryptographic module testing.

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1 Scope

This document specifies the Cryptographic Module Validation Program (CMVP) approved sensitive security parameter generation and establishment methods and supersedes those specified in ISO/IEC 19790 Annex D and ISO/IEC 24759 paragraph 6.16.

2 Normative references

This section identifies the normative references cited as ISO/IEC 19790 and ISO/IEC 24759. The specific editions to be used are ISO/IEC 19790:2012 and ISO/IEC 24759:2017. Please note that the version 19790:2012 referenced here includes the corrections made in 2015.

National Institute of Standards and Technology (2019) *Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules*. (U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC), Federal Information Processing Standards Publication (FIPS) 140-3.
<https://doi.org/10.6028/NIST.FIPS.140-3>

3 Terms and definitions

The following terms and definitions supersede or are in addition to ISO/IEC 19790 and ISO/IEC 24759.

None at this time

4 Symbols and abbreviated terms

The following symbols and abbreviated terms supersede or are in addition to ISO/IEC 19790 and ISO/IEC 24759 throughout this document:

CCCS	Canadian Centre for Cyber Security
CMVP	Cryptographic Module Validation Program
CSD	Computer Security Division
CSTL	Cryptographic and Security Testing Laboratory
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standard
FISMA	Federal Information Security Management/Modernization Act
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
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5 Document organization

5.1 General

Section 6 of this document replaces the approved sensitive security parameter generation and establishment methods of ISO/IEC 19790 Annex D and ISO/IEC 24759 paragraph 6.16.

5.2 Modifications

Modifications will follow a similar format to that used in ISO/IEC 24759. For additions to test requirements, new Test Evidence (TEs) or Vendor Evidence (VEs) will be listed by increasing the “sequence_number.” Modifications can include a combination of additions using underline and deletions using ~~striketrough~~. If no changes are required, the paragraph will indicate “No change.”

6 CMVP-approved sensitive security parameter generation and establishment requirements

6.1 Purpose

This document identifies CMVP-approved sensitive security parameter generation and establishment methods. It precludes the use of all other sensitive security parameter generation and establishment methods.

6.2 Sensitive security parameter generation and establishment methods

6.2.1 Transitions

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