

FIPS 201-2 Workshop

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PIV VALIDATION, CERTIFICATION, AND ACCREDITATION

Impact of FIPS 201-2 Changes on PIV Validation & Card Issuer Accreditation - Outline

- Overview of PIV Validation
- Impact of Proposed FIPS 201-2 changes on PIV Validation
- Overview of PIV Card Issuer (PCI) Accreditation Guidelines
- Impact of Proposed FIPS 201-2 changes on PCI Accreditation Guidelines



Current PIV Validation

- PIV Conformance Tests
 - (a) PIV Card Interface Conformance Testing
 - (b) PIV Card Data Model Conformance Testing
 - (c) PIV Middleware (API) Conformance Testing
- Tests (a) & (c) are done by NVLAP accredited Labs using NIST supplied Toolkits on Commercial Product submissions
- NIST NPIVP Program validates the tests and issues certificates

Current PIV Validation (contd...)

- PIV Card Interface Conformance Testing
 - 100+ Positive & Negative Tests
 - Tests the Behavior of Card Commands (APDUs)
 - Based on the type of Interface
 - Configuration Values (e.g., PIN Reset counter)
 - Supported Cryptographic Algorithms
 - Mandatory and Optional Objects
 - Protection Requirements for Privileged Operations
 - Tests for accessibility of objects using correct OIDs



Impact of Proposed FIPS 201-2 changes on PIV Validation

Object Level Changes

Change -1: One or Two Iris Images – Alternate to fingerprint templates if they are not collectible.

Change -2: Asymmetric Card Authentication Key – now made mandatory instead of optional

Change-3: On-card biometric comparison data - optional

Test Impact: Accessibility from right interfaces

- Contact for Change-1 & Change-3 and
- Contact/Contactless for Change-2



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Operation Protection Changes

Change -4: PIV Card Activation for privileged operations can be done using equivalent verification data (e.g., biometric data) in addition to PIN

Test Impact: Ability to use alternate activation mechanism should be demonstrated for

- Accessing all Protected Objects other than Biometric Data
- Using Cryptographic Keys (e.g., PIV Authentication Key)



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Changes in Authentication Mechanisms

Change -5: Requirements for signature verification and certificate path validation made mandatory in – CHUID, BIO and BIO-A authentications.

Test Impact: Conformance Tests for above authentication mechanisms in PIV Data Model Testing should include path validation for embedded cert as well as signature verification



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Changes in Authentication Mechanisms

Change -6: Two Additional (optional) Authentication Mechanisms: (a) On-card Biometric Comparison & (b) Symmetric Card Authentication Key

Test Impact: Conformance Tests for the new authentication mechanisms in PIV Data Model Testing should be added



Overview of PIV Card Issuer (PCI) Accreditation

- Methodology Published in SP 800-79-1 (June 2008)
- Based on Assessment of Controls and Issuance of ATO
- There are 79 Controls under 13 Accreditation Focus Areas which in turn are organized under 4 Accreditation Topics
- The Four Accreditation Topics are:
 - Organizational Preparedness
 - Security Management and Data Protection
 - Infrastructure Elements
 - (PIV) Processes



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Reference to OPM directive on Credentialing Standards

Change -7: Explicit reference to OPM Memo dated July 31, 2008 under “Credentialing Requirements”

PCI Controls & Assessments:

(a) Written Policies & Procedures relating to enrollment/identity proofing (DO-2), PIV Card Issuance (DO-3) under “Preparation & Maintenance of Documentation”.



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Changes in Enrollment Record Collection & Retention

Change -8: Retention of the most recent biometric data as part of the enrollment data set to create a “chain of Trust” to avoid expensive re-enrollment in situations such as Reissuance and Transfers.

PCI Controls & Assessments:

(a) Written Policies & Procedures relating to enrollment/identity proofing (DO-2), PIV Card Issuance (DO-3) & Re-issuance (DO-6) under “Preparation & Maintenance of Documentation”.



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Specification of Identity Source Documents

Change -9: Extraction of content from I-9 form that is relevant to FIPS 201 and listing of Primary and Secondary Identity Source Documents

PCI Controls & Assessments:

- (a) Checking of Identity Source documents for Employment Eligibility Verification (EI-3) under “Enrollment/Identity Proofing Process”



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Change in Re-issuance process Requirements

Change -10: Use of “Chain of Trust” record for 1-to-1 biometric match for re-issuance of compromised, lost, stolen or damaged PIV Cards.

PCI Controls & Assessments:

- (a) “PCI Facility performs the entire identity proofing and enrollment/identity proofing process prior to re-issuing a PIV card (EI-5)” under “Enrollment/Identity Proofing Process” – Needs to be modified



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Issuance of Cards to a previous Holder

Change -11: Coverage of Issuance guidelines to include use cases where a previous PIV card holder is issued a card again within a grace period

PCI Controls & Assessments:

(a) Written Policies & Procedures relating to Card Issuance (DO-3).



Questions (?)