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# EZPES Centralized Security Module (CSM)

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# 1. CRYPTOGRAPHIC MODULE SPECIFICATION

#### 1.1 OVERVIEW

The EasyPost EZPES Centralized Security Module (CSM) acts as the core security module of a United States Postal Service (USPS) Intelligent Mail Indicia Performance Criteria (IMI PC) conformant online postage evidencing system (PES). It is built upon the Utimaco IS, GmbH. CryptoServer CSe-Series a FIPS 140-2 Level 3 validated module (*refer to validation certificate #3886*).



Table 1 - Module Component Versions

Hardware Version:	CryptoServer CSe-Series 4.00.5.1
Firmware Version:	CryptoServer CSe-Series 4.32.0.5; App version: 3.0.0.0

The module is a multi-chip embedded cryptographic module as defined within FIPS140-2. Its realization meets the overall FIPS 140-2 Level 3 requirements, with Level 4 in section "Physical Security". The primary purpose of this module is to provide postage evidence in the form of digitally signed indicia to EasyPost's customers.

The module is encased in a hard opaque commercial grade metal case which contains a tamper response envelope around the module: All hardware components of the cryptographic module, including the Central Processing Unit, all memory chips, Real Time Clock, and hardware noise generator for random number generation, are located on a printed circuit board (PCI express board) and encapsulated by metal shells, a special tamper detection envelope (which is a special foil bearing a flexible printed circuit with a serpentine geometric pattern of conductors) and potting material (epoxy resin).

For the communication with a host, this encapsulated cryptographic module is mounted on a carrier card which offers a PCIe interface and two USB interfaces. The connection between the cryptographic module and the carrier card is done by the ribbon cable.

The module's cryptographic boundary is defined by the outer metal case on five of the six sides of the module and the epoxy surface on the bottom side of the module Figure 2 below show views of

the cryptographic boundary from the side and the top. The red dashed line indicates the cryptographic boundary.

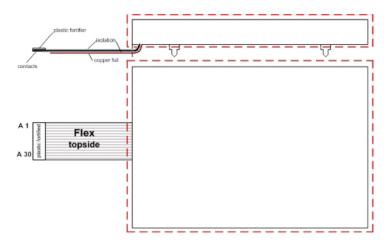


Figure 1 - Cryptographic Boundary (Top and Side View)

#### 1.2 SECURITY LEVEL

The module meets the overall requirements of FIPS 140-2 Security Level 3.

**FIPS Area FIPS Security Requirement** Level Cryptographic Module Specification 3 1 2 Module Ports and Interfaces 3 3 Roles, Services, and Authentication 3 4 Finite State Model 3 5 **Physical Security** 6 Operational Environment N/A 7 Cryptographic Key Management 3 EMI/EMC 3 8 9 Self-Tests 3 10 Design Assurance 3 11 Mitigation of Other Attacks 3

Table 2 - Module Security Level

#### 1.3 Modes of Operation

The EasyPost EZPES CSM operates within the Utimaco IS, GmbH, CryptoServer CSe-Series a FIPS 140-2 validated cryptographic module in an Approved mode of operation.

#### 1.3.1 APPROVED MODE OF OPERATION

 $The \ module \ implements \ the \ FIPS \ Approved \ cryptographic \ algorithms \ listed \ in \ the \ tables \ below.$ 

**Table 3 - Approved Cryptographic Algorithms** 

CAVP Cert #	Algo- rithm	Standard	Mode/ Method	Key Lengths, Curves or Moduli	Use
C1122	AES	FIPS 197; SP 800-38A	CBC, CFB, CTR, ECB, OFB	128, 192, 256	Data Encryption/ Data Decryption
C1137	AES	SP 800-38C	ССМ	128, 192, 256	Authenticated Encryption and Decryption, Key Transport Scheme
C1138	AES	SP 800-38F	KW, KWP	128, 192, 256	Key Transport Scheme (Encryption and Decryption)
C1140	AES	SP 800-38B	CMAC	128, 192, 256	Message Authentication (Generation and Verification)
C1246	AES	SP 800-38D	GCM <sup>1</sup> , GMAC	128, 192, 256	Authenticated Encryption/ Decryption, Key Transport Scheme (GCM only)
A1016	CVL KDF ANS X9.42	SP 800-135 ANSI X9.42	Concatenation SHA-224, SHA- 256, SHA-384, SHA-512 SHA3- 224, SHA3-256, SHA3-384, SHA3-512	1-4096	Key Derivation
C1141	CVL KDF ANS 9.63	SP 800-135; ANSI X9.63	Concatenation SHA-224, SHA- 256, SHA-384, SHA-512	128 - 4096	Key Derivation
C1165	CVL KDF TLS	SP 800-135; TLS v1.2	SHA-256, SHA- 384, SHA-512		Key Derivation <sup>2</sup>
A1068	DRBG	SP 800-90A	Hash DRBG: SHA-512-based		Random Bit Generation

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  The 96 bit IV is randomly generated internally per IG A.5, option 2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> No parts of the TLS protocol, other than the KDF, have been tested by the CAVP

CAVP Cert #	Algo- rithm	Standard	Mode/ Method	Key Lengths, Curves or Moduli	Use
				2048/224, 2048/256 or 3072/256	Key Generation
C1195	DSA	FIPS 186-4	SHA-224 <sup>3</sup> , SHA-256, SHA- 384, SHA-512	2048/224, 2048/256 or 3072/256	Digital Signature Generation and Domain Parameter Generation
		FIPS 186-4; FIPS 186-2	SHA-1 <sup>4</sup> , SHA-224 <sup>3</sup> , SHA- 256, SHA-384, SHA-512	1024/160, 2048/224, 2048/256 or 3072/256	Digital Signature Verification and Parameter Verification
				NIST Recommended: See below Non-NIST (per IG A.2) <sup>5</sup> : See below, and curve25519	Key Generation
C1196 & A2367	ECDSA	FIPS 186-4	SHA-224, SHA- 256, SHA-384, SHA-512, SHA3-224 SHA3-256 SHA3-384, SHA3-512	NIST Recommended: P-224, P-256, P-384, P-521, K-233, K-283, K-409, K-571, B-233, B-283, B-409, B-571  Non-NIST (per IG A.2) <sup>6</sup> : brainpoolP224r1/ 224t1/ 256r1/256t1/320r1/ 320t1/384r1/384t1/ 512r1/512t1, secp256k1, FRP256v1	Digital Signature Generation
		FIPS 186-4; FIPS 186-2	SHA-17, SHA-224, SHA- 256, SHA-384, SHA-5128, SHA3-224 SHA3-256 SHA3-384, SHA3-512	NIST Recommended: See above, and P-192, K-163, B-163  Non-NIST (per IG A.2): See above	Digital Signature Verification

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Domain Parameter Generation and Verification with SHA-224 is only possible for key length 2048/224.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Domain Parameter Verification with SHA-1 is only possible for key length 1024/160

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Non-NIST-Recommended elliptic curves implemented per IG A.2 are approved per IG A.14, but are not CAVP-testable. Refer to Table 5 for associated security strengths

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Non-NIST-Recommended elliptic curves implemented per IG A.2 are approved per IG A.14, but are not CAVP-testable. Refer to Table 5 for associated security strengths

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Not implemented with K-163

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Not implemented with B-Curves

CAVP Cert #	Algo- rithm	Standard	Mode/ Method	Key Lengths, Curves or Moduli	Use
				NIST Recommended: See above, and P-192, K-163, B-163  Non-NIST (per IG A.2): See above, and curve25519	Public Key Validation
	ENT (P)	SP 800-90B		Generated entropy: 361 Entropy per source output bit: 0.706	Used to generate the seed material for the Approved DRBG
			SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA- 256, SHA-384,	key size >= 112 bits	Message Authentication Generation
C1142	НМАС	FIPS 198-1	SHA-512, SHA3- 224, SHA3-256, SHA3-384, SHA3-512	key size >= 80 bits	Message Authentication Verification
A2369 & A2417	KAS	SP 800-56A Rev 3, SP 800- 56Cr1	(Cofactor) Ephemeral Unified Model C(2e, 0s, ECC- CDH) With: OneStep KDF [SP 800-56Cr1]	P-521	Key agreement for Secure Messaging
A2368 & A1016	KAS	SP 800-56A Rev 3, SP 800- 56Cr1	(Cofactor) Ephemeral Unified Model C(2e, 0s, ECC- CDH) With: OneStep KDF [SP 800-56Cr1]	P-224, P-256, P-384, P-521, K-233, K-283, K-409, K-571, B-233, B-283, B-409, B-571 (Provides between 112 and 256 bits of encryption strength)	Key agreement for Secure Messaging
A2368	KAS-ECC- SSC	SP 800-56A Rev 3	(Cofactor) Ephemeral Unified Model C(2e, 0s, ECC- CDH)	P-224, P-256, P-384, P-521, K-233, K-283, K-409, K-571, B-233, B-283, B-409, B-571 (Provides between 112 and 256 bits of encryption strength)	Shared Secret Computation

CAVP Cert #	Algo- rithm	Standard	Mode/ Method	Key Lengths, Curves or Moduli	Use
A2369	KAS-ECC- SSC	SP 800-56A Rev 3	(Cofactor) Ephemeral Unified Model C(2e, 0s, ECC- CDH)	P-521	Secure Messaging: Shared secret computation. The SP 800-56Cr1 KDF (HMAC-SHA-256) is used to derive AES CBC and AES CMAC keys for KTS
A2227	KAS-FFC- SSC	SP 800-56A Rev 3	FFC DH	p  = 2048,  q  = 224 or 256 (Provides 112 bits of encryption strength)	Shared Secret computation <sup>9</sup>
C1164	KBKDF	SP 800-108	SHA-256; feedback mode	L=256	Key Derivation <sup>10</sup>
A1016	KDA	SP 800-56C Rev 1	One-step concatenation KDF	SHA-224, SHA-256, SHA-384, SHA-512, SHA3-224, SHA3-256, SHA3-384, SHA3-512	Key Derivation
A2417	KDA	SP 800-56C Rev 1	One-step concatenation KDF	HMAC-SHA-256	Key Derivation
C1137	KTS	SP 800-38F	AES CCM	Provides between 128 and 256 bits of encryption strength	Key Transport Scheme
C1138	KTS	SP 800-38F	AES KW, AES KWP	Provides between 128 and 256 bits of encryption strength	Key Transport Scheme
C1246	KTS	SP 800-38F	AES GCM	Provides between 128 and 256 bits of encryption strength	Key Transport Scheme
C1122 and C1140	KTS	SP 800-38F; FIPS 197; SP 800-38A; SP 800-38B	AES CBC and AES CMAC	Provides 256 bits of encryption strength	Key Transport Scheme (keys derived by SP 800- 108, key derivation key established by SP 800-56Ar3 and SP 800-56Cr1)

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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 9}$  Primitive alone or with SP 800-135 ANSI X9.42 KDF

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 10}$  Used to derive session keys and backup keys.

CAVP Cert #	Algo- rithm	Standard	Mode/ Method	Key Lengths, Curves or Moduli	Use
A2370	KTS-RSA	SP 800-56B	KTS-OAEP-basic key transport scheme	2048 - 16384 <sup>11</sup> (Provides between 112 and 256 bits of encryption strength)	Key transport scheme
				20481638412	Key Generation
		FIPS 186-4	ANSI X9.31, PKCS 1.5, PSS SHA-224, SHA- 256, SHA-384, SHA-512	204816384 <sup>13</sup>	Digital Signature Generation
C1197	RSA	FIPS 186-4; FIPS 186-2	ANSI X9.31, PKCS 1.5, PSS SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA- 256, SHA-384, SHA-512	102416384 <sup>14</sup>	Digital Signature Verification
C1125	SHA-3	FIPS 202	SHA3-224 SHA3-256 SHA3-384 SHA3-512		Message Digest
C1124	SHS	FIPS 180-4	SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA- 256, SHA-384, SHA-512		Message Digest
C1126	SHS	FIPS 180-4	SHA-512		Message Digest (Bootloader)
A1067	SHS	FIPS 180-4	SHA-512		Message Digest (SMOS)
C1128	Triple- DES	SP 800-67; SP 800-38A	СВС, ЕСВ	3-key (24 bytes) and 2-key (16 bytes)	Data Decryption <sup>15</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Even key lengths only

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Even key lengths only. CAVP certification covers all testable RSA modulus sizes: 2048 and 3072 per FIPS 186-4 (IG A.14)

 $<sup>^{13}</sup>$  Even key lengths only. CAVP certification covers all testable RSA modulus sizes: 2048 and 3072 per FIPS 186-4 and 4096 per FIPS 186-2, ref. IG A.14

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Even key lengths only. CAVP certification covers all testable RSA modulus sizes: 1024, 2048 and 3072 per FIPS 186-4 and 1024,1536, 2048, 3072, 4096 per FIPS 186-2, ref. IG A.14.

 $<sup>^{15}</sup>$  CAVP certification also covers encryption which is not used by the module. The module utilizes 2-key and 3-key Triple-DES data decryption only. These keys have  $\sim 100$  bits and 112-bits of strength respectively.

Table 4 - Vendor Affirmed Cryptographic Algorithms

Algorithm	Standard	Mode/ Method	Key Lengths, Curves or Moduli	Use
CKG	SP 800-133		512	Unmodified DRBG output used to derive symmetric keys and seeds for asymmetric private keys.
DSA with SHA-3	FIPS 186-4	SHA3-224 SHA3-256 SHA3-384 SHA3-512	(Refer to DSA entry above)	Digital Signature Generation Digital Signature Verification
KDF 135 (X9.63) with SHA-3	SP 800-135; ANSI X9.63	Concatenation KDF	SHA3-224, SHA3-256, SHA3-384, SHA3-512 Key lengths: 128 - 4096	Key Derivation
RSA <sup>16</sup>	FIPS 186-4	SHA3-224 SHA3-256 SHA3-384 SHA3-512	(Refer to RSA entry above)	Digital Signature Generation Digital Signature Verification

The security strength of the Non-NIST Recommended elliptic curves is as follows:

Table 5 - Security Strength of Non-NIST Elliptic Curves

EC Curve	Security Strength	Reference
brainpoolP224r1 / brainpoolP224t1	112	[ECCBP]
curve25519	128	[RFC 7748]
secp256k1	128	[SEC2]
FRP256v1	128	[ANSSI]
brainpoolP256r1 / brainpoolP256t1	128	[ECCBP]
brainpoolP320r1 / brainpoolP320t1	160	[ECCBP]
brainpoolP384r1 / brainpoolP384t1	192	[ECCBP]
brainpoolP512r1 / brainpoolP512t1	256	[ECCBP]

#### 1.3.2 APPROVED MODE INDICATOR

The module is configured for FIPS mode by an authenticated Administrator using a command-line tool for administration during EasyPost initialization of the module: To verify that the module is in the Approved mode of operation the **GetState** command is used to verify that the following line is available in the command output:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Except for X9.31 padding: RSA sign/verify with X9.31 padding does not support SHA3 hashes.

#### 2. MODULE PORTS AND INTERFACES

The physical interface of the module consists of a ribbon cable consisting of 30 leads that connect to 18 internal signals. The device provides the following physical ports on these tracks:

- Power input (including operational power input and backup power input).
- An External Erase button, which acts as a control input and can be used to zeroize all security relevant information inside the module.
- External communication ports (PCIe and USB) that are used for data input, data output, control input and status output:

To enable communication with a host, the encapsulated cryptographic module is mounted on a carrier card which supports a PCIe interface and two USB interfaces. All requests for services are sent over the PCIe interface. The first USB interface is used for status output only. The second USB interface is not used. All Critical Security Parameters (CSPs) are input and output over the services that are offered over the PCIe interface. In particular, CSPs are entered and output only in an encrypted form: All command and response data (except for status requests) to and from the module are AES CBC encrypted and AES CMAC authenticated.

Additionally, all secret or private keys may optionally be exported encrypted with a Key Encryption Key (via e. g. the Export Key or Wrap services, refer to Section 3 "Roles, Services and Authentication").

# 3. ROLES, SERVICES, AND AUTHENTICATION

#### 3.1 Roles

The module supports the following operator roles:

- The Postal User runs specific services inherent to the Cryptographic User role.
- The Cryptographic User is allowed to perform key management and cryptographic services.
- The Security Officer is allowed to perform key group specific administration functions like key group specific user management or key group specific configuration management.
- The Administrator is allowed to perform global configuration and user management.
- The NTP Manager is allowed to perform time synchronization functions on the module by using an NTP server over a network.

The Cryptographic User role can optionally be split into two different user roles:

- A User who is allowed to perform cryptographic services like encryption or signing,
- A Key Manager who is allowed to perform key management services like key generation or key backup/restore.

Additionally, any user is allowed to perform non-sensitive services such as requesting status information without prior authentication.

The cryptographic module uses identity-based operator authentication to enforce the separation of roles. Two authentication methods are supported by the module: Password authentication and RSA signature authentication.

- For password-based authentication the operator must enter its username and its password to authenticate. The username is an alphanumeric string. The password is a binary string of a minimum of four (4) characters. To prevent the password from being eavesdropped, an HMAC is calculated including authentication data, command data, and a random challenge. The hash algorithm for the HMAC calculation is SHA-256. This HMAC value is sent to the module instead of the password. The module recalculates and checks the HMAC value using the operator's password that is stored inside the module.
- For RSA signature-based authentication the user sends an RSA signed command containing its username to authenticate to the cryptographic module.

Upon correct authentication the role is selected based on the operator's username. During authentication, session keys  $\mathbf{K}_{\text{SME}}$  and  $\mathbf{K}_{\text{SMM}}$  are negotiated which is used to secure subsequent service requests by the operator (refer to the description of the Secure Messaging Protocol in section 3.3). Since the session keys (and session ID) are stored in volatile memory, all information about the authentication and session is lost if the module is powered down.

The module supports multiple simultaneous operators, each using their own session key for message authentication for the service requests. This ensures the separation of the authorized roles and services performed by each operator.

At the end of a session, the operator can logout, or, after 15 minutes of inactivity, the session key is invalidated inside the cryptographic module.

Role	Type of Authentication	Authentication Data
Cryptographic User (called <i>User</i> in [FIPS140-2])		
User (sub-role of Cryptographic User)		
Key Manager (sub-role of Cryptographic User)	Identity-based operator authentication	Username and Password or
Security Officer		Username and RSA Signature
Administrator (called <i>Crypto Officer</i> in [FIPS140-2])		
NTP Manager		

Table 6 - Roles and Authentication

**Table 7 - Strength of Authentication** 

Authentication Mechanism	Strength of Mechanism
Username and Password (minimum 4 characters password chosen from 94 printable ASCII	The probability that a random attempt will succeed or a false acceptance will occur is 1/(94^4), which is less than 1/1,000,000.
characters)	Due to a correctional delay of 120 milliseconds for every non- successful authentication there is a maximum limit of $60 * 1000 /$

Authentication Mechanism	Strength of Mechanism
	$120 = 500$ non-successful authentications per minute. This can be stated as allowing only 500 non-successful authentication attempts per minute based on a rate of 120ms per attempt. Therefore the probability of successfully authenticating to the module within one minute is (less than) $500 * 1/(94^4)$ , which is less than $1/100,000$ .
RSA Signature (minimum 1024 bit key)	The probability that a random attempt will succeed or a false acceptance will occur is less than or equal to approximately $[1/(2^{80})]$ (according to SP 800-57-Part1 Table 2) which is less than $1/1,000,000$ .
	Due to a correctional delay of 120 milliseconds for every non-successful authentication, there is a maximum limit of $60 * 1000 / 120 = 500$ non-successful authentications per minute. This can be stated as allowing only 500 non-successful authentication attempts per minute based on a rate of 120ms per attempt. Therefore, the probability of successfully authenticating to the module within one minute is less than $500 * [1/(2^{80})]$ , which is less than $1/100,000$ .

# 3.2 **SERVICES**

#### 3.2.1 APPROVED SERVICES

The following services listed within Table 9 are supported by the module in an approved mode of operation. These services are inherent within the CryptoServer CSe-Series 4.32.0.5 firmware and App version: 3.0.0.0 firmware.

**Table 8 - Approved Services** 

Role	Authenticated Services
Cryptographic User:	This role provides all cryptographic services, i.e., services for management and use of Assigned private, public and secret keys, hashing services and random number generation. It comprises all services authorized for <i>Key Managers</i> and all services authorized for <i>Users</i> .
Key Manager: This role provides all key management services.	<ul> <li>Change Operator's Password or Key: This service changes the password or RSA public key which is used for the Key Manager's authentication and resets the user's counter for consecutive failed authentication attempts.</li> <li>Get Session Key: This service generates a new Secure Messaging session key for secure communication to the module.</li> <li>List Keys: This service outputs the key properties (such as the algorithm, key name, key size, etc.) of all Assigned cryptographic keys and storage objects stored inside the cryptographic module.</li> <li>Open Key: This service opens an Assigned Object which is stored inside the cryptographic module and returns a key handle or a Backup Blob containing the Object itself.</li> </ul>

Role	Authenticated Services
	<ul> <li>Get Key Property: This service returns one or more properties (attributes) of an Assigned Object. It can export the public part of a cryptographic key but no secret or private key parts.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Set Key Property: This service sets one or more properties (attributes) for an Assigned key or storage object (but no key parts).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Backup Key: This service outputs a Backup Blob containing an Assigned key or storage object for back-up purposes. The Backup Blob additionally AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Restore Key: This service imports a Backup Blob containing the back-up of an Assigned key or storage object into the cryptographic module. Optionally the key or storage object can also be exported within a Backup Blob. All Backup Blobs are additionally AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>Delete Key:</u> This service deletes an Assigned key or storage object from the module.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate DSA Parameters: This service generates a DSA Domain Parameter set P, Q and G using the DRBG.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate DSA Parameters PQ: This service generates a DSA Domain Parameter set P and Q using the DRBG.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate DSA Parameters G: This service generates a DSA Domain Parameter</li> <li>G by given P and Q (optionally) using the DRBG.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Compute Hash: This service calculates a SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA-256, SHA-384, SHA-512 or SHA-3 hash or HMAC value for given data or for the components of an Assigned key.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate Key: This service generates a cryptographic key (Triple-DES, AES, RSA, DSA, EC or Generic Secrets) using the DRBG. On request, the generated key is not stored but exported within a Backup Blob.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Export Key: This service outputs an Assigned cryptographic key. The exported key is AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Import Key: This service imports a cryptographic key into the cryptographic module. The key must be AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging. On request the imported key can be exported again.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate Key Pair: This service generates a cryptographic key pair (RSA, DSA or EC) using the DRBG and stores the two key parts in different key objects. On request the generated key parts are not stored but exported within two Backup Blobs.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>Derive Key:</u> This function derives an AES key or a Generic Secret from an Assigned base key (DSA or EC). The derived key or secret is stored in the module, or exported within a Backup Blob.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Split Key: This function cuts keying material (stored as a Generic Secret) in non-overlapping DES and/or AES keys or Generic Secrets. The original key is</li> </ul>

Role	Authenticated Services
	deleted from the database, the derived keys are stored in the module, or exported within a Backup Blob.
	<ul> <li>Wrap Key: This function exports an Assigned key in form of a key blob, which is formatted as required by PKCS#11 (see [PKCS#11]). The key blob is additionally AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>Unwrap Key:</u> This function imports an Assigned key from an encrypted key blob. The key is encoded as specified by PKCS#11 (see [PKCS#11]). The key blob is additionally AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by the current Secure Messaging session.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>Create Object</u>: This function creates an Assigned cryptographic key or storage object according to the given property list. The created object is either stored within the module or exported within a Backup Blob.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>Copy Object:</u> This function copies an Assigned key or storage object. A template may be given that contains an additional list of properties which should be added to the original properties or replace existing properties. The copied object is either stored within the module or exported within a Backup Blob.</li> </ul>
<b>User:</b> This role provides	<ul> <li>Change Operator's Password or Key: This service changes the password or RSA public key which is used for the User's authentication and resets the User's counter for consecutive failed authentication attempts.</li> </ul>
all cryptographic services, i. e.,	<ul> <li>Get Session Key: This service generates a new Secure Messaging session key for secure communication to the module.</li> </ul>
services for use of private, public and secret keys, hashing services and	<ul> <li><u>List Keys:</u> This service outputs the key properties (such as the algorithm, key name, key size, etc.) of all Assigned keys and storage objects stored inside the cryptographic module.</li> </ul>
random number generation.	<ul> <li>Open Key: This service opens an Assigned Object which is stored inside the cryptographic module and returns a key handle or a Backup Blob containing the Object itself.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Get Key Property: This service returns one or more properties (attributes) of an Assigned Object. It can export the public part of a key but no secret or private key parts.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate DSA Parameters: This service generates a DSA Domain Parameter set P, Q and G using the DRBG.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate DSA Parameters PQ: This service generates a DSA Domain Parameter set P and Q using the DRBG.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate DSA Parameters G: This service generates a DSA Domain Parameter</li> <li>G by given P and Q (optionally) using the DRBG.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate Random Number: This service generates a random number using the DRBG.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>Crypt Data:</u> This service encrypts or decrypts data using an Assigned Triple- DES or AES key in CBC or ECB mode (Triple-DES, decryption only) or in ECB, CBC, OFB, CTR, GCM, CCM mode (AES).</li> </ul>

Role	Authenticated Services
	<ul> <li>Sign Data: This service generates an RSA, DSA or ECDSA signature or calculates an AES CMAC, AES GMAC or HMAC for given data with an Assigned signing key.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Verify Signature: This service verifies an RSA, DSA or ECDSA signature or a Triple-DES MAC, AES CMAC, AES GMAC or HMAC using an Assigned verification key.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Compute Hash: This service calculates a SHA-1, SHA-2 or SHA-3 hash or HMAC value for given data or for the components of an Assigned key.</li> </ul>
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Administrator: This role provides	<ul> <li>Change Operator's Password or Key: This service changes the password or RSA public key, which is used for an operator's authentication, and resets the operator's counter for consecutive failed authentication attempts.</li> </ul>
all services necessary for	<ul> <li>Get Session Key: This service generates a new Secure Messaging session key for secure communication to the module.</li> </ul>
firmware and user management.	Add Operator: This service adds an Operator to the cryptographic module.
	<ul> <li>Delete Operator: This service deletes an Operator from the cryptographic module.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Add Group User (for Security Officer): This service adds a Security Officer to the cryptographic module.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Delete Group User (for Security Officer): This service deletes a Security Officer from the cryptographic module.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Backup User: This service exports all user account data for a given user for backup purposes. All secrets (passwords) are encrypted in the exported data with the Master Backup Key and additionally AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Restore User: This service creates a new user in the user database. All information about the user (name, permission, authentication token, etc.) is taken from a backup data block that was output by the <i>Backup User</i> service and which is additionally AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>List Master Backup Keys:</u> This service outputs information (key type, key size, key check value, etc.) about all Master Backup Keys (back-up keys) that are stored inside the module.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate Master Backup Key: This service generates and outputs a Master Backup Key (back-up key). The key is only exported in a wrapped form, AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by the current Secure Messaging session. The generated key is not stored inside the module.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Import Master Backup Key: This service imports a Master Backup Key (back-up key). The key is only imported if AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by the current Secure Messaging session.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Load File: This service loads files. If a file with the same file name is currently loaded, that current file will be replaced. This command is usually used to load and replace firmware modules. If the file is a firmware module, the old file will only be replaced if the RSA signature for the firmware module is verified</li> </ul>

Role	Authenticated Services
	successfully. (Note: loading non-FIPS-validated firmware onto the cryptographic module will cause the module to cease being FIPS-validated.)
	<ul> <li>Delete File: This service is used to delete files. (Note: deleting FIPS-validated firmware from the cryptographic module will cause the module to cease being FIPS-validated.)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Clear Audit Log: This service deletes the audit log file except for the first 'k' parts.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Clear Audit Log Files: This service deletes audit log files up to the given file number 'n'. Optionally it can be checked before, if the youngest file to be deleted has not changed compared to the latest audit log file that was read out.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generate Audit Log Key: This service generates and stores an (RSA or ECDSA)         Audit Log Signature Key which may be used for signing audit log files with function 'Get Signed Audit Log'.     </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Get Signed Audit Log: This service returns the requested audit log file, signed with the Audit Log Signature Key.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>List DB Search Keys</u>: This service returns all search keys of a given database.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Export DB Entry: This service exports a given database entry encrypted by the module's Master Backup Key.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Import DB Entry: This service imports an encrypted database entry created by the function Export DB Entry.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Set Maximum Failure Counter: This service sets the maximum number of allowed consecutive failed authentication attempts before a user is blocked.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Set Administration-Only Mode: This service switches the module into Administration-Only Mode (all cryptographic services are blocked, only administrative services are available) or back to the Operational Mode.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Set Startup Mode: This service configures the startup mode of the module. If the startup mode is set to 1, the module will always boot into Administration- Only Mode after a restart.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Set Time, Set Time Rel: These services are used to set the internal clock on the module.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>List Keys (for the Global configuration object)</u>: This service lists the Global configuration objects.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Open Key (for configuration objects): This service opens a configuration object and returns a reference, or the configuration object itself is exported.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Get Key Property (for configuration objects): This service returns one or more configuration properties.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Set Key Property (for the Global configuration object): This service sets one or more Global configuration properties.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Backup Key (for the Global configuration object): This service outputs the Global configuration object for back-up purposes. The backup blob is AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>

Role	Authenticated Services				
	<ul> <li>Restore Key (for the Global configuration object): This service imports the back-up of the Global configuration object into the cryptographic module. The backup blob is AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Delete Key (for the Global configuration object): This service deletes all Global configuration values by setting them to their default values.</li> </ul>				
Security Officer: This role provides	<ul> <li>Change Operator's Password or Key: This service changes the password or RSA public key which is used for the Security Officer's authentication and resets his counter for consecutive failed authentication attempts.</li> </ul>				
all services necessary for Key	<ul> <li>Get Session Key: This service generates a new Secure Messaging session key for secure communication to the module.</li> </ul>				
Group specific user and configuration management.	<ul> <li>Add Group User (for a Cryptographic User, Key Manager or User): This service adds a Cryptographic User, Key Manager or User to the cryptographic module. The added operator and the authorizing Security Officer must be assigned to the same Key Group.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Delete Group User (for a Cryptographic User, Key Manager or User): This service deletes a Cryptographic User, Key Manager or User from the cryptographic module. The deleted operator and the authorizing Security Officer must be assigned to the same Key Group.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li><u>List Keys (for Local configuration objects):</u> This service lists all Assigned Local configuration objects.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Open Key: This service opens an Assigned Object and returns a reference or a Backup Blob containing the Object itself.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Get Key Property: This service returns one or more properties (attributes) of an Assigned Object. It can export the public part of a key but no secret or private key parts.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Set Key Property: This service allows the Security Officer to set a Local configuration value, or to set the TRUSTED attribute of an Assigned key encryption key.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Backup Key (for Local configuration objects): Output an Assigned Local configuration object for backup purposes. The backup blob is AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Restore Key (for Local configuration objects): Import the backup copy of a Local configuration object into the cryptographic module. The backup blob is AES CBC encrypted and authenticated with an AES CMAC by Secure Messaging.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Delete Key (for Local configuration objects): Delete an Assigned Local configuration object by setting all configuration attributes to their default values.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Init Key Group: Delete all Local Objects belonging to a given Key Group.</li> </ul>				
NTP Manager:	<ul> <li>Change Operator's Password or Key: This service changes the password or RSA public key which is used for the NTP Manager's authentication and resets his counter for consecutive failed authentication attempts.</li> </ul>				

Role	Authenticated Services
This role provides all services	<ul> <li>Get Session Key: This service generates a new Secure Messaging session key for secure communication to the module.</li> </ul>
necessary for NTP time	<ul> <li>Change Activation State: Change the state of the NTP firmware module from deactivated to activated and vice versa.</li> </ul>
synchronization on the module by using an NTP server over a network	<ul> <li>Set NTP Settings: Allow setting the NTP attributes MaxAdjustPerOperation and MaxAdjustPerDay for the maximum time adjustment that can be performed with the 'Set Time Delay' function.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Set Time NTP: This service sets the time of the module.</li> </ul>
Postal User (App Firmware	<ul> <li>Generate Indicia Key Pair: Generates an ECDSA P-256 key pair responsible for signing and verifying the indicia data</li> </ul>
Only)	<ul> <li>Generate Postal Encrypted Vault (PEV) Key: Generates an AES 256 key for encryption of postal data record.</li> </ul>
This role provides all services necessary to	<ul> <li>Indicia Creation: Digitally signs the indicia data for placement within the indicia</li> </ul>
perform postal functions	<ul> <li><u>Initialize vPSD:</u> Establishes a new customer postal data record.</li> </ul>
Tunctions	<ul> <li>Postage Value Download (PVD): Imports and verifies the customer record and updates the record to reflect a requested value of postage to be refilled to the account. Encrypts, digitally signs and returns the record</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Postage Value Refund: Imports and verifies the customer record and updates the record to reflect a requested value of postage to be refunded to the account. Encrypts, digitally signs and returns the record.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Manual Refund: Imports and verifies the customer record and updates the record to reflect a requested value of postage to be refunded to the account. Encrypts, digitally signs and returns the record.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Overpay PVD: Imports and verifies the customer record and updates the record to reflect a requested value of postage to be refunded to the account. Encrypts, digitally signs and returns the record.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Reset Timers: Imports and verifies the customer record and resets the timer field. Digitally signs and returns the record.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Withdrawal: Imports and verifies the customer record and updates the record to reflect that it can no longer be used. Digitally signs and returns the record.</li> </ul>

# 3.2.1.1 Unauthenticated Services

In addition to the services requiring operator authentication, the module supports the following unauthenticated services available to any operator without any authentication required.

- Get Boot Log: Retrieve a log file containing log messages written by the operating system
  and other firmware modules (or by the boot loader if the command is called in bootloader
  mode) during the boot process.
- Show Status (or "GetState"): View the current status of the cryptographic module, including the FIPS mode indicator.

- Get Time: Read out the current time of the internal Real Time Clock of the module.
- Get Maximum Fail Count: Output the maximum number of allowed consecutive failed authentication attempts before a user is blocked.
- Get Startup Mode: Show the startup mode of the module.
- Get HSM Auth Key: Retrieve the public part of the device individual HSM Authentication Key for mutual authentication. On first execution of the service, the HSM Authentication Key is generated.
- <u>Get Audit Log Key</u>: Retrieve the public part of the Audit Log Signature Key.
- List Files: Retrieve a list of all files stored in the module.
- <u>List Active Modules</u>: List all currently active firmware modules.
- <u>List Operators</u>: Read a list of all Security Officers, Cryptographic Users, Key Managers, Users, NTP Managers and Administrators.
- Get Operator Info: Retrieve all non-sensitive information about the specified operator.
- <u>End Session</u>: Terminate a Secure Messaging session by invalidating the relevant session key.
- Get Audit Log: Read an audit log file.
- Get Audit Config: Read the configuration for auditing.
- Get Memory Info: Return statistical information about the file system usage.
- Echo: Communication test (echo input data).
- Get Challenge: Generate and output a challenge (16 bytes random value generated by the module's deterministic random bit generator) for using the challenge/response mechanism in the next authenticated command.
- Get Authentication State: Return the current authentication state and an optional list of all operators that are authenticated within the current session.
- Get CXI Info: Return some status information about the CXI firmware module, for example, module version number or the fill level of the database.
- Set Time Delay: Adjust the module's time (RTC) by a given number of seconds and milliseconds. The relative time change cannot exceed the limits given by the MaxAdjustPerOperation and MaxAdjustPerDay NTP attributes.
- Get NTP Settings: Return the current settings of the MaxAdjustPerOperation and MaxAdjustPerDay NTP attributes.
- P11 Permissions: Return information about the roles regarding users who are currently logged in to the module (defined according to [PKCS#11]: Cryptographic User, Security Officer and Key Manager), restricted to users matching the specified Key Group.
- <u>Initiate Self Tests</u>: At any time, the execution of the self-tests required by FIPS 140-2 can be forced by performing a reset or power-cycle of the module. During self-test execution, no further command processing is possible.
- Zeroize: Zeroize the cryptographic module including all critical security parameters. All
  CSPs that are not wrapped by the Master Key are zeroized. This service is executed only
  after an external erase. (Note: After zeroization, the module is no longer in FIPS mode.)

If the cryptographic module is in FIPS error state, the only services that are available are a small subset of these unauthenticated services. These services only output status information and do not perform any cryptographic function.

#### 3.2.2 Non-Approved Services

The module does not support any non-Approved services.

# 3.3 SECURE MESSAGING PROTOCOL

The module implements a Secure Messaging concept, which enables any operator to secure their communication with the module over the PCIe interface even from a remote host. With Secure Messaging, commands sent to the module and response data received from the module can be AES CBC encrypted and integrity-protected/signed with an AES CMAC. In FIPS mode, Secure Messaging must be performed for every sensitive command, i.e., for every command that is only available for authenticated users.

To perform Secure Messaging, the operator must open a Secure Messaging Session. For a Session, two 32-byte AES session keys (Session Encryption key  $\mathbf{K}_{SME}$ , Session MAC Key  $\mathbf{K}_{SMM}$ ) are negotiated between module and host, using (Cofactor) Ephemeral Unified Model EC Diffie-Hellmann (P-521) and the SP 800-56Cr1 One-Step KDF as the key establishment technique, with additional key derivation per SP 800-108. For generating its random value  $\mathbf{K}_{SM\_MOD\_PRIV}$  that is needed for the key agreement, the module uses its deterministic random bit generator. Optionally, a Secure Messaging Session with mutual authentication may be requested. In this case the module returns additionally a signature over the answer data which on the host side can be used for authentication of the HSM towards the host.

The module can simultaneously manage multiple sessions (with multiple operators): Each session manages its own session key, which is identified by a session ID. All commands using the same session ID and the same session key are said to belong to one session. In this way, a secure channel is established between the module and the host application.

#### 3.4 SECURITY RULES

This section documents the security rules enforced by the cryptographic module to implement the security requirements of a FIPS 140-2 Level 3 Module.

- The cryptographic module provides at least two distinct operator roles. These are the *User* role and the *Crypto Officer* role.
- The cryptographic module provides identity-based authentication
- No access to any cryptographic services is permitted until the operator has been authenticated into the "Cryptographic User", "User", "Key Manager", "Security Officer" or "Administrator" role by the module.
- Data output is inhibited during key generation, self-tests, zeroization, and error states.
- At any time, the operator can force the module to perform the power-up self-test.
- The module supports concurrent operators.
- The module zeroizes all plaintext CSPs within a maximum of 4ms after any attack or alarm

- Status information does not contain CSPs or sensitive data that if misused could lead to the compromising of the module.
- If the cryptographic module remains inactive in any valid role for a maximum period of 15 minutes, the module automatically logs off the operator.
- The module provides functionality for protecting command and response data on their way to and from the module via a Secure Messaging mechanism. This mechanism encrypts and integrity protects the data with the AES encrypting algorithm and CMAC. The use of Secure Messaging is enforced for every command that has to be authenticated.
- The module implements a Challenge-Response mechanism to prevent the replay of older authenticated messages.
- The module prohibits the export of plaintext secret or private cryptographic keys or other CSPs.
- The module supports an "Exportable" attribute for every stored private or secret cryptographic key. The module only permits the (wrapped) export of a key if this attribute is set.
- The module supports a "Deny\_backup" attribute for every stored private or secret cryptographic key. The module only permits the MBK encrypted export (export for backup purposes) of a key if this attribute is NOT set.
- The module supports an (optional) "Key Group" attribute for every stored key and for every registered operator. Access to a key can be restricted by assigning this key to a specific key group. Operators who are not assigned to the same key group are forbidden to access or even 'see' the key.
- A key is assigned to a key group by setting its key group attribute value to the desired key group name. An operator is assigned to a key group by setting their operator key group attribute value to the desired key group name.
- The module supports the "CRYPT" ("DECRYPT") attribute for every stored secret cryptographic AES or Triple-DES key. The module only permits encryption (decryption) with a secret user key if this attribute is set. This attribute cannot be set for private or public user keys. In particular, RSA and EC keys cannot be used for bulk data encryption or decryption. In FIPS mode, Triple-DES keys cannot be used for encryption and cannot be generated.
- The module supports the "SIGN" ("VERIFY") attribute for every private, public or secret cryptographic key. The module only permits the generation (verification) of a signature with a private (public) user key only if this attribute is set. The module allows the generation (verification) of a MAC or HMAC with a secret user key only if this attribute is set. In FIPS mode, Triple-DES keys cannot be used for TDES MAC calculation and verification. This attribute can only be set if attributes DERIVE and WRAP/UNWRAP are not set.
- The module supports a "DERIVE" attribute for private and public cryptographic EC or DSA keys. The module only permits key derivation with a private or public user key if this attribute is set.
- This attribute cannot be set for RSA keys or secret user keys. This attribute can only be set if attributes SIGN and VERIFY are not set.

- The module supports the "WRAP" ("UNWRAP") attribute for every stored secret AES,
   Triple-DES or public (private) RSA key. The module only permits the key to be used to encrypt (decrypt) other keys for export (import) if, and only if, this attribute is set.
- This attribute cannot be set for EC or DSA keys. In FIPS mode, Triple-DES keys cannot be used for key wrapping. This attribute can only be set if attributes SIGN and VERIFY are not set.
- The module supports the attribute "TRUSTED" (default: false) for every stored wrapping key (attribute "WRAP" = TRUE), which can only be set to TRUE by a Security Officer. It also supports the "WRAP WITH TRUSTED" attribute (default: false) for any key. If set to TRUE, the key can only be wrapped with a wrapping key that has the attribute "TRUSTED" set to TRUE.

#### 4. PHYSICAL SECURITY

The CSM is a multi-chip embedded cryptographic module encapsulated in a hard, opaque, tamper-evident coating.

This coating consists of an inner metal housing surrounded by a special tamper-detection foil and potting material, and all of this is encased in an outer metal housing.

The module with its tamper-evident enclosure implements the following physical security mechanisms:

- Active tamper response and zeroization circuitry.
- Module is entirely encapsulated by a security foil (tamper sensor) that detects all physical and chemical attacks.
- Temperature sensors that activate a tamper response if the module is outside of the
- defined temperature range of -20°C to 66°C (-4°F to 150.8°F)
- Voltage sensors that monitor the power supply of the module and activate a tamper response if the power input is outside of the defined range (including low or removed battery).
- Tamper response and zeroization circuitry is active while module is in standby mode (powered down).
- Zeroization is performed within less than 4 milliseconds after tamper detection (foil destruction or temperature or voltage outside of defined range).
- Module stops operation if its internal temperature is outside of its operational temperature range of -5°C to 62°C (23°F to 143.6°F).
- The module regularly inverts all bits of the plaintext CSPs to avoid "burn in" of information into SRAM cells.

To ensure security of the cryptographic module, no extra action needs to be performed.

The physical security mechanisms listed above function autonomously and under all circumstances.

# 5. OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

The FIPS 140-2 Area 6 (Operational Environment) requirements for the module are not applicable because the device does not contain a modifiable operational environment.

#### 6. CRYPTOGRAPHIC KEY MANAGEMENT

#### 6.1 CSPs and PSP Management

# 6.1.1 CSPs

The following CSPs are contained in the module:

- Master Key K<sub>CS</sub> (AES CBC 32 bytes)
- Local Secret ECDH Key K<sub>SM\_MOD\_PRIV</sub> (generated by the module and used to establish a shared session key derivation key via EC Diffie Hellman for Secure Messaging, refer to section 2.3) (ECDSA for curve NIST-P521, volatile storage only)
- Session Key Derivation Key K<sub>KD</sub> (established according to [NIST SP 800-56A r3] using the EC Diffie Hellman algorithm and used to derive Session Keys for Secure Messaging, see section 2.3) (volatile storage only)
- Session Keys K<sub>SME</sub> and K<sub>SMM</sub> (derived from the Session Key Derivation Key K<sub>KD</sub> and used for Secure Messaging, see section 2.3) (32 bytes AES, volatile storage only)
- DRBG Secrets S<sub>DRBG</sub> used by the Deterministic Random Bit Generator (DRBG) as specified in [NIST 800-90A] (volatile storage only):
  - Entropy input **S**<sub>DRBG\_EI</sub> generated by the entropy source (ENT (P)).
  - Seed Sdrbg\_seed calculated from Entropy input Sdrbg\_ei
  - Working state constant SDRBG\_C calculated from the SDRBG\_SEED Seed
  - Working state value  $S_{DRBG_LV}$  initially calculated from the  $S_{DRBG_LSEED}$  Seed and updated each time the DRBG is called

The following CSPs are stored within the cryptographic module encrypted with the Master Key  $\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{CS}}$ : 17

- Private device-individual *HSM Authentication Key* **K**<sub>HA\_PRIV</sub> (3072-bit RSA key)
- Private Audit Log Signature Key K<sub>AL PRIV</sub> (NIST-P256 based ECDSA key or 3072-bit RSA key)
- Private User Keys:
  - o **K**<sub>USR RSA PRIV</sub> (RSA; Signature Generation, Key Decryption)
  - o **K**<sub>USR DSA PRIV</sub> (DSA; Signature Generation, Key Agreement)
  - o **K**<sub>USR\_EC\_PRIV</sub> (EC; Signature Generation, Key Agreement)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Note: These non-volatile CSPs are not subject to the zeroization requirement since they are stored in encrypted form (using the AES algorithm).

- Secret User Keys:
  - o **K**<sub>USR AES</sub> (AES; for Key Encryption, Data Encryption or MAC)
  - o **K**<sub>USR\_TDES</sub> (Triple-DES; for Key Decryption, Data Decryption)
  - Generic Secret K<sub>USR\_GS</sub> (to be used as keying material or as a HMAC key; at least 112 bits for HMAC generation)
- *Master Backup Key* **MBK** (AES CBC 16, 24 or 32 bytes, key for back-up purposes)
- Operator Password PSW<sub>AUTH</sub> (for authentication)

The functionality of keys is dependent on their attributes, as indicated by the vendor-imposed security rules in Section 6.

Table 9 - CSP Access Rights within Roles & Services - General Services

Role				Service	CSP	Type of Access
Ad- minis trato r	Security Officer	CU, KM, U <sup>18</sup>	NTP Manager			riccess
X	X	X	X	any command authentication	Public Authentication Key <b>К</b> <sub>AUTH_PUB</sub> or Password <b>PSW</b> <sub>AUTH</sub> of respective operator	Use
X	X	X	X	any command using Secure Messaging	Session Keys <b>K</b> <sub>SME</sub> and <b>K</b> <sub>SMM</sub>	Use <sup>19</sup>
X	X	X	X	Get Session Key	DRBG Secrets <b>S</b> <sub>DRBG</sub> **	Use, Update
					Remote Public ECDH Key <b>K</b> <sub>SM_HOST_PUB</sub>	Use
					Local Private ECDH Key <b>K</b> sm_mod_priv	Use
					Local Public ECDH Key <b>К</b> sм_мod_рив	Export
					Session Key derivation key <b>K</b> KD	Use
					Session Keys <b>K</b> <sub>SME</sub> and <b>K</b> <sub>SMM</sub>	Write
					Device-individual private HSM Authentication Key <b>K</b> HA_PRIV	Use, Write <sup>20</sup>
					Device-individual public HSM Authentication Key <b>К</b> на_РИВ	Write <sup>20</sup>
(All v	without a	uthentic	cation)	End Session	Session Keys <b>K</b> <sub>SME</sub> and <b>K</b> <sub>SMM</sub>	Delete <sup>21</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Cryptographic User, Key Manager, User

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> KTS with AES CBC + CMAC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> If the key pair is not present

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Invalidated within Key Cache; Key Cache is zeroized on power cycle and in case of an alarm.

Role				Service	CSP	Type of Access
Ad- minis trato r	Security Officer	CU, KM, U <sup>18</sup>	NTP Manager			recess
(all v	(all without authentication)			Get HSM Auth Key	Device-individual public HSM Authentication Key <b>K</b> <sub>HA_PUB</sub>	Export, Write <sup>20</sup>
					Device-individual private HSM Authentication Key <b>K</b> <sub>HA_PRIV</sub>	Use, Write <sup>20</sup>
(all v	vithout a	uthentic	ation)	Get Audit Log Key	Public Audit Log Signature Key Kal_Pub	Export
X	X	X	X	Change Operator's Key or Password	Public Authentication Key <b>K</b> <sub>AUTH_PUB</sub> or Password <b>PSW</b> <sub>AUTH</sub> of Operator	Update
					If operator uses a password:  Master Key Kcs	(Use)
-	(Without authentication;			Zeroize	Master Key <b>K</b> cs	Delete <sup>22</sup>
exter by pu	only executed when an external erase is triggered by pushing the 'Erase' push-				All CSPs that are stored temporarily in the Key Cache (volatile storage)	Delete <sup>23</sup>
butto	on on the	PCIe ca	rd)		All CSPs that are stored wrapped with the Master Key	Delete <sup>24</sup>

Table 10 - CSP Access Rights within Roles & Services - Administration

Role				Service	CSP	Type of
Ad- minis- trator	Security Officer	CU, KM, U <sup>25</sup>	NTP Manager			Access
X				Add Operator	Public Authentication Key <b>К</b> литн_рив or Password <b>PSW</b> литн of Operator	Write
					If operator uses password:  Master Key Kcs	(Use)
X				Delete Operator	Public Authentication Key <b>К</b> аитн_рив or Password <b>PSW</b> аитн of Operator	Delete <sup>26</sup>
X	X			Add Group User	Public Authentication Key <b>К</b> аитн_рив or Password <b>PSW</b> аитн of Operator	Write
					If operator uses password:  Master Key Kcs	(Use)
X	X			Delete Group User	Public Authentication Key <b>К</b> <sub>AUTH_PUB</sub> or Password <b>PSW</b> <sub>AUTH</sub> of Operator	Delete <sup>26</sup>

 $<sup>^{22}</sup>$  Zeroized by overwriting the Key-RAM five times, alternately with  $00_h$  and  $FF_h\,patterns.$ 

 $<sup>^{23}</sup>$  Key Cache is zeroized by overwriting each memory cell of the Key Cache five times, alternately with  $00_h$  and  $FF_h$  patterns.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> CSPs are invalidated by zeroizing the Master Key **K**<sub>CS</sub> because they are encrypted with the Master Key **K**<sub>CS</sub>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Cryptographic User, Key Manager, User

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Invalidated within database; no zeroization needed because it is stored encrypted with the Master Key **K**cs.

Role				Service	CSP	Type of
Ad- minis- trator	Security Officer	CU, KM, U <sup>25</sup>	NTP Manager			Access
X				Backup User	Public Authentication Key <b>К</b> литн_рив or Password <b>PSW</b> литн of Operator	Wrapped Export
					Master Backup Key <b>MBK</b>	Use
					Master Key <b>K</b> cs	Use
X				Restore User	Public Authentication Key <b>К</b> аитн_рив or Password <b>PSW</b> аитн of Operator	Write or Update
					Master Backup Key <b>MBK</b>	Use
					Master Key <b>K</b> cs	Use
X				Load File	If file to be loaded is a firmware module: Public Module Signature Key Kmdl-Sig. PUB	(Use)
X				Delete File		
X				Clear Audit Log		
X				Set Max Fail Cnt		
X				Set Time		
X				Set Time Rel		
			X	Set Time NTP		
			X	Change Activation State		
			X	Set NTP Settings		
X				List Master Backup Keys		
X				Clear Audit Log Files		
X				Generate Audit Log Key	Public Audit Log Signature Key <b>К</b> аг_рив	Write, Export
					Private Audit Log Signature Key Kal_PRIV	Write, Use
X				Get Signed Audit Log	Private Audit Log Signature Key <b>K</b> <sub>AL_PRIV</sub>	Use
X				List DB Search Key		
X				Export DB	Master Backup Key <b>MBK</b>	Use
				Entry	If database entry whose back-up copy will be exported contains a <i>User Key</i> or the <i>Audit Log Signature Key</i> :  Any User Key or  Private and Public Audit Log Signature  Key Kal_PRIV and Kal_PUB	(Wrapped Export)

	Ro	le		Service	CSP	Type of
Ad- minis- trator	Security Officer	CU, KM, U <sup>25</sup>	NTP Manager			Access
					If database entry whose back-up copy will be exported is a user database entry:  Public Authentication Key Kauth Pub or Password PSWauth of Operator	(Wrapped Export)
					If database entry whose back-up copy will be exported contains a secret part (private/secret key or password):  Master Key Kcs	(Use)
X				Import DB	Master Backup Key MBK	Use
				Entry	If database entry whose back-up copy will be imported contains a <i>User Key</i> or the <i>Audit Log Signature Key</i> :  Any User Key or  Private and Public Audit Log Signature Key K <sub>AL_PRIV</sub> and K <sub>AL_PUB</sub>	(Write or Update)
					If database entry whose back-up copy will be imported is a user database entry:  Public Authentication Key Kauth Pub or Password PSW Auth of Operator	(Write or Update)
					If database entry whose back-up copy will be imported contains a secret part (private/secret key or password):  Master Key Kcs	(Use)
Х				Set Administratio n-Only Mode		
X				Set Startup Mode		
X				Generate Master Backup	Master Backup Key <b>MBK</b>	Wrapped Export
	Key			Key	Session Keys Ksme and Ksmm	Use
			DRBG Secrets Sdrbg**	Use and Update		
X				Import Master Backup Key	Master Backup Key <b>MBK</b>	Write or Update
					Session Keys K <sub>SME</sub> and K <sub>SMM</sub>	Use
					Master Key <b>K</b> cs	Use

Table 11 - CSP Access Rights within Roles & Services - Key Management

Role					Service	CSP	Type of
Adminis- trator	Secu- rity Officer	User Ma		NTP Mana ger			Access
	Onicer	User	Key Mgr	gei			
	X				Init Key Group	Any User Key	Delete <sup>27</sup>
(*)	X	X	X		Open Key	If requested key is to be exported:  Any User Key*	(Wrapped Export)
(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)		List Keys		
(*)	(*)		X		Delete Key	Any User Key	Delete <sup>27</sup>
X	X	X	Х		Get Key Property*	If Public User Key is requested: Any Public User Key* (Кизк_кsa_рив, Кизк_рsa_рив от Кизк_ес_рив)	(Export)
(*)	(*)		(*)		Set Key Property*	(if an external key is addressed, the <b>MBK</b> is used to verify and update the MAC)	
(*)	(*)		X		Backup Key	Any User Key	Wrapped Export
						Master Backup Key <b>MBK</b>	Use
						If key whose back-up copy will be exported is <i>Private</i> or <i>Secret User Key</i> :  Master Key <b>K</b> <sub>CS</sub>	(Use)
(*)	(*)		Х		Restore Key	Any User Key	Write or Update or Wrapped export
						Master Backup Key <b>MBK</b>	Use
						If key which will be restored is <i>Private</i> or <i>Secret User Key</i> and shall be stored internally: <i>Master Key Kcs</i>	(Use)

 $<sup>^{27}</sup>$  Invalidated within database; no zeroization needed because it is only stored encrypted with the Master Key Kcs.

	F	Role			Service	CSP	Type of	
Adminis- trator	Secu- rity Officer		ryptographic User Mana ger User Key Mgr				Access	
			X		Generate Key, Generate Key	DRBG Secrets <b>S</b> <sub>DRBG</sub> **	Use and Update	
					Pair	Any User Key*	Write or Update (if the generated key shall be stored in the module) or Wrapped Export (if the generated key shall be exported outside the module)	
			X	X	X	Export Key	Any User Key*	Wrapped Export
						Only if random padding is required: <i>DRBG</i> Secrets SDRBG**	(Use and Update)	
			X		Import Key	Any User Key*	Write or Update or Wrapped Export	
						Optional: Secret Key Encryption Key* or Private RSA User Key <b>K</b> usr_rsa_priv*	(Use) <sup>28</sup>	
		Х	X		Derive Key (option KAS- ECC, KAS-FFC TLS12_PRF)	Key Derivation Key(s)*	Use	
						Secret User Key*	Write or Update or Wrapped Export	
			X		Split Key	Generic Secret Kusr_gs*	Use and Delete <sup>29</sup>	

 $<sup>^{28}</sup>$  Key (un)wrapping: AES KW(P), AES CCM, AES GCM or KTS-RSA  $^{29}$  Invalidated within database; no zeroization needed because it is only stored encrypted with the Master Key Kcs.

	F	Role			Service	CSP	Type of
Adminis- trator	Secu- rity Officer	Cryptographic User Mana ger		Mana			Access
			Mgr			Secret User Key*	Write or Update or Wrapped Export
			X		Wrap	Any User Key*	Wrapped Export
						Secret Key Encryption Key* or Public RSA User Key <b>K</b> usr_rsa_pub*	Use <sup>28</sup>
						Only if random padding is required: <i>DRBG</i> Secrets <b>S</b> <sub>DRBG</sub> **	(Use and Update)
			X		Unwrap	Any User Key*	Write or Update or Wrapped Export
						Secret Key Encryption Key* or Private RSA User Key <b>K</b> usr_rsa_priv*	Use <sup>28</sup>
			X		Create Object	Any User Key*	Write or Update or Wrapped Export
			X		Copy Object	Any User Key*	Write or Wrapped Export

Table 12 - CSP Access Rights within Roles & Services - Cryptographic Services

	R	ole			Service	CSP	Type of Access
Ad- minis- trator	Secu- rity Officer		ypto- nic User Mana ger Key Mgr				
		X			Crypt Data	Secret Data Encryption Key*	Use <sup>28</sup>
						If random padding is required: DRBG Secrets SDRBG**	(Use and Update)
		X			Sign Data	Private Sign Key* or Secret MAC Key*	Use
						If random padding is required:  DRBG Secrets SDRBG***	(Use and Update)
		X			Verify Signature	Public Verify Key* or Secret MAC Key*	Use
		X			Generate Random Number	DRBG Secrets S <sub>DRBG</sub> **	Use and Update
		X	X		Compute Hash	optional: Generic Secret Kusr_Gs*	(Use)
		X	X		Generate DSA Parameters (_PQ/G)	DRBG Secrets <b>S</b> <sub>DRBG</sub> **	Use and Update

Table 13 - CSP Access Rights within Roles & Services - Postal Services

Rol Cryptogra		Postal Service	CSe Service	
Postal User	Key Mgr.			
	X	Generate Indicia Key Pair	Generate Key Pair	
	X	Generate Postal Encrypted Vault (PEV) Key	Generate Key	
X		Indicia Creation	Verify Signature	
			Crypt Data	
			Sign Data	
X		Initialize vPSD	Sign Data	
X		Postage Value Download (PVD)	Verify Signature	
			Crypt Data	
			Sign Data	
X		Postage Value Refund (PVR)	Verify Signature	
			Crypt Data	
			Sign Data	
X		Manual Refund PVD	Verify Signature	
			Crypt Data	
			Sign Data	
X		Overpay PVD	Verify Signature	
			Crypt Data	
			Sign Data	
X		Reset Timers	Verify Signature	
			Crypt Data	
			Sign Data	
X		Withdrawal	Verify Signature	
			Crypt Data	
			Sign Data	

### 6.1.2 PSPs

The following public keys are contained in the cryptographic module:

- Production Key (RSA 2048 bit) KPROD\_PUB
- Module Signature Key (RSA 4096 bit) Kmdl-sig\_Pub
- Default Administrator Key (RSA 1024 bit) KADMIN-DEF\_PUB
- Public part of the device-individual HSM Authentication Key K<sub>HA\_PUB</sub> (exportable 3072-bit RSA key)
- Public Audit Log Signature Key K<sub>AL\_PUB</sub> (NIST-P256 based ECDSA key or 3072-bit RSA key)

- Public User Keys:
  - o **K**<sub>USR EC PUB</sub> (EC; Signature Verification, Key Agreement)
  - o K<sub>USR\_DSA\_PUB</sub> (DSA; Signature Verification, Key Agreement)
  - o **K**<sub>USR RSA PUB</sub> (RSA; Signature Verification, Key Encryption)
- Operator's Public Authentication Key K<sub>AUTH PUB</sub> (RSA)

The following public keys are used temporarily within the cryptographic module:

- Remote Public ECDH Key K<sub>SM\_HOST\_PUB</sub> (generated by the host and used to establish a Session Key Derivation Key via EC Diffie Hellman for Secure Messaging)
   (ECDSA for curve NIST P-521, volatile storage only)
- Local Public ECDH Key K<sub>SM\_MOD\_PUB</sub> (generated by the module and used to establish a Session Key Derivation Key via EC Diffie Hellman for Secure Messaging) (ECDSA for curve NIST P-521, volatile storage only)

#### 6.1.3 ZEROIZATION

The module supports the following method of zeroization:

- External Erase button: The module includes an external erase button which acts as a control
  input used to zeroize all security relevant information inside the module.
- Tamper Response: The module incorporates a tamper detection and response mechanism that envelopes the module. If the envelope is physically breached the module immediately zeroizes all module plaintext CSPs.

#### 7. SELF-TESTS

#### 7.1 POWER-ON SELF-TESTS

#### 7.1.1.1 Cryptographic Algorithm Tests

The cryptographic module implements the following cryptographic algorithm self-tests:

- AES Known Answer Tests (encrypt and decrypt: ECB, CBC, OFB) (Cert. #C1122)
- AES-CMAC Known Answer Test (Cert. #C1140)
- AES GMAC, GCM encrypt and GCM decrypt Known Answer Tests (Cert #C1246)
- DRBG Known Answer Tests according to [NIST 800-90A] (testing the Instantiate Function, the Generate Function and the Reseed Function) (Cert. #A1068)
- DSA Pair-wise Consistency Test (sign/verify) (Cert. #C1195)
- ECDSA Pair-wise Consistency Test (sign/verify) (Cert. #C1196)
- KAS Known Answer tests (meeting IG D.8) (Certs. #A2368, #A2369 & #A2227)
- HMAC Known Answer Tests (Cert. #C1142)
- KBKDF SP 800-108 Known Answer Test (Cert. #C1164)
- KDF Known Answer Tests for:

- ANSI X9.42 KDF (Cert. #A1016)
- ANSI X9.63 KDF (Cert. #C1141)
- o NIST SP-800 56C KDA (Certs. #A1016 & #A2417)
- o TLS 1.2 KDF (Cert. #C1165)
- KTS-RSA Known Answer Tests (wrap and unwrap) (Cert. #C2370)
- RSA Known Answer Tests (sign and verify) (Cert. #C1197)
- SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA-256, SHA-384, SHA-512 Known Answer Tests (Cert. #C1124)
- SHA3-224, SHA3-256, SHA3-384, and SHA3-512 Known Answer Tests (Cert. #C1125)
- BL SHA: SHA-512 Known Answer Test (Cert. #C1126)
- SMOS SHA: SHA-512 Known Answer Test (Cert. #A1067)
- Triple-DES ECB and CBC encrypt and decrypt Known Answer Tests (Cert. #C1128)

#### 7.1.2 FIRMWARE INTEGRITY TESTS

The following firmware integrity tests are performed on the module's applications:

- 32-bit CRC verification for bootloader program code,
- SHA-512 hash value verification for the module program code for every firmware module

#### 7.1.3 ENTROPY POWER-UP TESTS:

The following tests are performed in accordance with NIST SP 800-90B:

- Repetition Count Test according to SP 800-90B §4.4.1
- Adaptive Proportion Test according to SP 800-90B §4.4.2

The following additional tests are performed in accordance with [AIS 20/31] (RNG class PTG.2):

- Continuous Chi-Squared Test according to AIS 20/31 §5.5.3
- Start-up Chi-Squared Test according to AIS 20/31 §5.5.2

#### 7.1.4 CRITICAL FUNCTIONS TESTS

The following critical function tests are performed by the module:

- SDRAM Test
- Master Key Consistency Test
- Temperature Test

#### 7.2 CONDITIONAL SELF-TESTS

- Continuous Random Number Generator (RNG) Test performed on DRBG: Prior to each use, the DRBG is tested using the conditional test specified in FIPS 140-2 §4.9.2.
- Entropy source Continuous tests:
- According to SP 800-90B:

- Repetition Count Test according to SP 800-90B §4.4.1
- Adaptive Proportion Test according to SP 800-90B §4.4.2
- According to [AIS 20/31] (RNG class PTG.2):
- Continuous Chi-Squared Test according to AIS 20/31 §5.5.3
- DSA Key Pairwise Consistency Test (sign/verify) for DSA key generation
- ECDSA Key Pairwise Consistency Test (sign/verify) for EC key generation
- RSA Key Pairwise Consistency Test (sign/verify and encrypt/decrypt) for RSA key generation
- Firmware Load Test (via RSA 4096 signature verification, Cert. #C1197)
- Public Key Validation as required by SP 800-56Ar3 (Cofactor) Ephemeral Unified Model (full public key validation according to SP 800-56Ar3 section 5.6.2.3.3)

# 8. MITIGATION OF OTHER ATTACKS

The cryptographic module has been designed to mitigate Simple and Differential Power Analysis (SPA/DPA) and timing analysis.

Other Attacks	Mitigation Mechanism
SPA/DPA	SPA/DPA attacks are mitigated by use of hardware components assembled into a special design of the power management circuit, such that it is not feasible to monitor power consumption to determine the value of an algorithm's key. Power consumption of the module does not depend on the value of cryptographic keys.
Timing Analysis	It is not feasible to determine the value of an algorithm's keys by measuring the execution time of a cryptographic operation. AES operations are executed in fixed time.
	If blinding is switched on for ECDSA, the input data for a single ECDSA signature generation is randomized by use of a blinding technique so that the input parameters of the algorithm are not known by the operator. In this case it is not possible to gain knowledge about the private key by the amount of time required by the signature operation. Blinding is not supported for bulk signing.

The module's ability to effectively mitigate SPA/DPA and timing attacks on Triple-DES or AES operations has been verified in the context of the module's validation process done by the German Credit Association "Deutsche Kreditwirtschaft".

The module's ability to effectively mitigate SPA/DPA and timing attacks on RSA operations has been verified as part of the validation process according to the Payment Card Industry (PCI) PIN Transaction Security (PTS) Hardware Security Module (HSM) Security Requirements (see [PCIHSM]).

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# 10. APPENDIX B: ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

AES Advanced Encryption Standard
CSM Centralized Security Module
CSP Critical Security Parameter
DES Data Encryption Standard

DH Diffie-Hellman

DPA Differential Power Analysis

DRBG Deterministic Random Bit Generator

DSA Digital Signature Algorithm

EC Elliptic Curve

ECDH Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman Algorithm

ECDSA Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm

IMI PC Intelligent Mail Indicia Performance Criteria

KDA Key Derivation Algorithm
KDF Key Derivation Function

MAC Message Authentication Code

MBK Master Backup Key

NDRNG Non-deterministic Random Number Generator

PCB Printed Circuit Board
PCI Payment Card Industry
PTS PIN Transaction Security
RNG Random Number Generator
SHA Secure Hash Algorithm
SPA Simple Power Analysis

Triple-DES Triple-DES with key size 16 or 24 bytes

USPS United States Postal Service