

# Audio Input Control Service (AICS)

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# 1 General principles

## 1.1 Implementation Under Test (IUT) identification

Using the Bluetooth SIG qualification tool, the implementer is expected to declare details about what will be implemented.

## 1.2 Enforcement of inter-layer dependencies

This ICS includes one or more tables with inter-layer dependencies (ILDs). ILDs are used for specification requirements that are dependent on other supporting specifications. ILDs can refer to an individual ICS item in a separate layer (individual ILD), or it can refer to the full layer (full-layer ILD).

ILDs residing in an X2Core layer will be enforced from the Bluetooth SIG qualification tool in the following conditions, depending on where the referred ILD is residing:

| Referred ILD resides in | Individual ILD  | Full-layer ILD  |
|-------------------------|---|---|
| Controller layer        | Core-Complete configuration, or Referred layer is supported                             | N/A   |
| Lower HCI layer         | HCI is supported  | N/A   |
| Upper HCI layer         | Core-Host configuration, or UHCI is supported   | N/A   |
| Host layer              | Core-Host configuration, or Core-Complete configuration, or Referred layer is supported | N/A   |
| X2Core layer            | Core-Host configuration, or Core-Complete configuration, or Referred layer is supported | Core-Host configuration, or Core-Complete configuration |

Table 1.1: Enforcement of an ILD within the Bluetooth SIG qualification tool

## 2 ICS declarations

### 2.1 Versions

Table 0: X.Y Versions

| Item | Version   | Reference | Status |
|------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| 1    | AICS v1.0 | [1]       | M      |

Table 0a: X.Y.Z Versions

| Item | Version     | Reference | Status |
|------|-------------|-----------|--------|
| 1    | AICS v1.0.1 | [3]       | O      |

### 2.2 Transports

Table 1: Transport Requirements

| Item | Transport                     | Reference | Status   |
|------|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| 1    | Service supported over BR/EDR | [1] 1.5   | C.1, C.3 |
| 2    | Service supported over LE     | [1] 1.5   | C.2, C.3 |

- C.1: Excluded for this Service IF CORE 41/2 "LE Core Configuration" OR CORE 40/1 "Core-Controller".
- C.2: Excluded for this Service IF CORE 41/1 "BR/EDR Core Configuration" OR CORE 40/1 "Core-Controller".
- C.3: Mandatory to support at least one.

### 2.3 Service requirements

#### 2.3.1 Audio Input Control Service

Table 2: Audio Input Control Service

| Item | Capability  | Reference | Status |
|------|---|-----------|--------|
| 1    | Audio Input State Characteristic                  | [1] 3.1   | M      |
| 2    | Gain Setting Properties Characteristic            | [1] 3.2   | M      |
| 3    | Audio Input Type Characteristic                   | [1] 3.3   | M      |
| 4    | Audio Input Status Characteristic                 | [1] 3.4   | M      |
| 5    | Audio Input Control Point Characteristic          | [1] 3.5   | M      |
| 6    | Audio Input Description Characteristic            | [1] 3.6   | M      |
| 7    | Writeable Audio Input Description Characteristic  | [1] 3.6   | O      |
| 8    | Notifiable Audio Input Description Characteristic | [1] 3.6   | C.1    |
| 9    | Autonomous Automatic Only Support                 | [1] 3.1.3 | O      |
| 10   | Autonomous Manual Only Support                    | [1] 3.1.3 | O      |

- C.1: Mandatory IF AICS 2/7 "Writeable Audio Input Description Characteristic", otherwise Optional.



**Table 3: Audio Input Control Point Procedure Requirements**

| Item | Capability              | Reference   | Status |
|------|-------------------------|-------------|--------|
| 1    | Set Gain Setting        | [1] 3.5.2.1 | M      |
| 2    | Unmute                  | [1] 3.5.2.2 | M      |
| 3    | Mute                    | [1] 3.5.2.3 | M      |
| 3b   | Mute Disabled           | [1] 3.5.2.2 | O      |
| 4    | Set Manual Gain Mode    | [1] 3.5.2.4 | M      |
| 5    | Set Automatic Gain Mode | [1] 3.5.2.5 | M      |

## 2.4 GATT requirements

**Table 4: GATT Requirements**

| Item | Feature                         | Reference | Status | Inter-Layer Dependency |
|------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------|------------------------|
| 1    | Write Characteristic Value      | [1] 1.4   | M      | [2] GATT 4/14          |
| 2    | Single Notification             | [1] 1.4   | M      | [2] GATT 4/17          |
| 3    | Read Characteristic Descriptor  | [1] 1.4   | M      | [2] GATT 4/19          |
| 4    | Write Characteristic Descriptor | [1] 1.4   | M      | [2] GATT 4/21          |
| 5    | GATT Server over BR/EDR         | [1] 1.4   | C.1    | [2] GATT 1a/4          |
| 6    | GATT Server over LE             | [1] 1.4   | C.2    | [2] GATT 1a/3          |

C.1: Mandatory IF AICS 1/1 "Service supported over BR/EDR", otherwise not defined.

C.2: Mandatory IF AICS 1/2 "Service supported over LE", otherwise not defined.

## 2.5 SDP requirements

**Table 5: SDP Requirements**

*Prerequisite: AICS 1/1 "Service supported over BR/EDR"*

| Item | Feature                     | Reference | Status |
|------|-----------------------------|-----------|--------|
| 1    | SDP record present for AICS | [1] 4     | M      |
| 2–4  | No longer used              | N/A       | N/A    |

## 3 References

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- [1] Audio Input Control Service Specification, Version 1.0 or later
- [2] ICS Proforma for Generic Attribute Profile (GATT)
- [3] Audio Input Control Service Specification, Version 1.0.1

## 4 Revision history and acknowledgments

### Revision History

| Publication Number | Revision Number | Date                    | Comments   |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--|
| 0                  | p0              | 2020-12-22              | Approved by BTI on 2020-11-29. AICS v1.0 adopted by the BoD on 2020-12-15. Prepared for publication.   |
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| 1                  | p1              | 2024-07-01              | Approved by BTI on 2024-04-21. Prepared for TCRL 2024-1 publication.   |
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| 2                  | p2              | 2025-02-18              | Approved by BTI on 2025-02-09. AICS v1.0.1 adopted by the BoD on 2024-02-11. Prepared for TCRL 2025-1 publication.   |
|                    | p3r00           | 2025-04-18              | TSE 27309 (rating 1): Updated the Status value for AICS 1/1 and AICS 1/2. Added conditions C.1 and C.2 to Table 1, and renumbered C.1 as C.3.  |
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|                    | p4r00–r01       | 2025-12-05 – 2026-01-12 | TSE 28372 (rating 1): Updated the conditions in the transport table to make sure the layer is excluded when the design is an implementation of the Core-Controller Configuration by adding "OR CORE 40/1 "Core-Controller"" to an already excluded transport based on Core Configuration support.  |
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