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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	BLS v1.0	[1]	Deprecated 2023-02-01. Withdrawn 2024-02-01.
2	BLS v1.1	[4]	C.3, C.4

C.1–C.2: No longer used.

C.3: Mandatory.

C.4: Can only be supported with an active X.Y.Z version after Deprecation or Withdrawal. Deprecated 2023-02-01. Withdrawn 2025-02-01.

Table 0b: X.Y.Z Versions

Item	Version	Reference	Status
1	BLS v1.1.1	[4]	C.1

C.1: Mandatory IF BLS 0/2 “BLS v1.1”, otherwise Excluded.

2.2 Transports

Table 1: Transport Requirements

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

C.1: Excluded for this Service.

C.2: Excluded for this Service IF CORE 41/1 “BR/EDR Core Configuration”.

C.3: Mandatory for this Service.

2.3 Service requirements

Table 2: Service Requirements

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Blood Pressure Service	[1] 2	M
2	Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[1] 3.1	M
3	Time Stamp field of Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[1] 3.1.1.3	C.1
4	Pulse Rate field of Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[1] 3.1.1.4	O
5	User ID field of Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[1] 3.1.1.5	C.2
6	Measurement Status field of Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[1] 3.1.1.6	O
7	Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[1] 3.2	O

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
8	Time Stamp field of Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[1] 3.2.1.3	C.4
9	Pulse Rate field of Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[1] 3.2.1.4	C.4
10	User ID field of Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[1] 3.2.1.5	C.3
11	Measurement Status field of Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[1] 3.2.1.6	C.4
12	Blood Pressure Feature Characteristic	[1] 3.3	M
13	Stored Measurements	[1] 3.4 [4] 3.8	C.5
14	Multi-user Support	[1] 3.1.1.5, 3.2.1.5 [4] 3.4, 3.5	O
15	Multiple Bond	[1] 3.3.1 [4] 3.3.1.6	O
16	Enhanced Blood Pressure Service	[4] 3	O
17	E2E-CRC	[4] 3.3.1.7	C.7
18	User Data Service	[4] 3.3.1.8	C.8
19	User Facing Time	[4] 3.3.1.9	C.8
20	Enhanced Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[4] 3.4	C.8, C.9
21	Enhanced Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[4] 3.5	O
22	RACP Characteristic	[4] 3.6	C.8
23	Blood Pressure Record Characteristic	[4] 3.7	C.10
24	Epoch Start 2000 Flag	[4] 3.4.1.1, 3.5.1.1	O
25	Indications for changes of supported features	[5] 3.3.1	M

- C.1: Mandatory IF BLS 2/13 “Stored Measurements”, otherwise Optional.
- C.2: Mandatory IF BLS 2/14 “Multi-user Support”, otherwise Optional.
- C.3: Mandatory IF BLS 2/7 “Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic” AND BLS 2/14 “Multi-user Support”, otherwise Optional.
- C.4: Optional IF BLS 2/7 “Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic”, otherwise Excluded.
- C.5: Mandatory IF BLS 2/22 “RACP Characteristic”, otherwise Optional.
- C.6: No longer used.
- C.7: Optional IF BLS 2/23 “Blood Pressure Record Characteristic”, otherwise Excluded.
- C.8: Mandatory to support at least one IF BLS 2/16 “Enhanced Blood Pressure Service”, otherwise Excluded.
- C.9: Mandatory IF BLS 2/19 “User Facing Time”, otherwise Optional.
- C.10: Mandatory IF BLS 2/22 “RACP Characteristic”, otherwise Excluded.

Table 2a: Service Requirements – Enhanced Blood Pressure Measurement*Prerequisite: BLS 2/20 “Enhanced Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic”*

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Time Stamp field of Enhanced Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[4] 3.4, 3.4.1.3	C.1
2	Pulse Rate field of Enhanced Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[4] 3.4, 3.4.1.4	O
3	User ID field of Enhanced Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[4] 3.4, 3.4.1.5	C.2
4	Measurement Status field of Enhanced Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[4] 3.4, 3.4.1.6	O
5	User Facing Time field of Enhanced Blood Pressure Measurement Characteristic	[4] 3.4, 3.4.1.7	C.3

C.1: Mandatory IF BLS 2/13 “Stored Measurements” OR BLS 2/22 “RACP Characteristic”, otherwise Optional.

C.2: Mandatory IF BLS 2/14 “Multi-user Support”, otherwise Optional.

C.3: Optional IF BLS 2/19 “User Facing Time”, otherwise Excluded.

Table 2b: Service Requirements – Enhanced Intermediate Cuff Pressure*Prerequisite: BLS 2/21 “Enhanced Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic”*

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Time Stamp field of Enhanced Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[4] 3.5, 3.5.1.3	O
2	Pulse Rate field of Enhanced Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[4] 3.5, 3.5.1.4	O
3	User ID field of Enhanced Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[4] 3.5, 3.5.1.5	C.1
4	Measurement Status field of Enhanced Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[4] 3.5, 3.5.1.6	O
5	User Facing Time field of Enhanced Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic	[4] 3.5, 3.5.1.7	C.2

C.1: Mandatory IF BLS 2/14 “Multi-user Support”, otherwise Excluded.

C.2: Optional IF BLS 2/19 “User Facing Time”, otherwise Excluded.

Table 2c: Service Requirements – Record Access Control Point*Prerequisite: BLS 2/22 “RACP Characteristic”*

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Report Stored Records	[4] 3.6.2.1, 3.6.3.1	M
2	Report Number of Stored Records	[4] 3.6.2.1, 3.6.3.2	M
3	Delete Stored Records	[4] 3.6.2.1, 3.6.3.3	O
4	Abort Operation	[4] 3.6.2.1, 3.6.3.4	O

Table 2d: Indications for changes of supported features

Prerequisite: BLS 2/25 “Indications for changes of supported features”

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Changeable Blood Pressure Feature	[5] 3, 3.3.1	O
2	Blood Pressure Feature characteristic indication	[5] 3, 3.3.1	C.1

C.1: Mandatory IF BLS 2d/1 “Changeable Blood Pressure Feature” AND BLS 4/2 “Bonding procedure”, otherwise Excluded.

2.4 GATT requirements

Table 3: GATT Requirements

Item	Capability	Reference	Status	Inter-Layer Dependency
1	No longer used	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	GATT Server over LE	[1] 1.5	M	[2] GATT 1a/3
3	Single Notification	[1] 1.4	C.1	[2] GATT 4/17
4	Indications	[1] 1.4	M	[2] GATT 4/18
5	Read Characteristic Descriptors	[1] 1.4	M	[2] GATT 4/19
6	Write Characteristic Descriptors	[1] 1.4	M	[2] GATT 4/21

C.1: Mandatory IF BLS 2/7 “Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic” OR BLS 2/21 “Enhanced Intermediate Cuff Pressure Characteristic” OR BLS 2/23 “Blood Pressure Record Characteristic”, otherwise not defined.

2.5 GAP requirements

Table 4: GAP Requirements

Item	Capability	Reference	Status	Inter-Layer Dependency
1	Bondable mode	[1] 3	C.1	[3] GAP 24/2
2	Bonding procedure	[1] 3	O	[3] GAP 24/3

C.1: Mandatory IF BLS 4/2 “Bonding procedure”, otherwise not defined.

3 References

- [1] Blood Pressure Service Specification, Version 1.0 or later
- [2] ICS Proforma for Generic Attribute Profile (GATT)
- [3] ICS Proforma for Generic Access Profile (GAP)
- [4] Blood Pressure Service Specification, Version 1.1 or later
- [5] Blood Pressure Service Specification, Version 1.1.1

4 Revision history and acknowledgments

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0	1.0.0	2011-10-25	Adopted by the Bluetooth SIG Board of Directors
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1	1.0.1	2015-12-22	Prepared for TCRL 2015-2 publication.
	1.0.2r00	2016-04-06	TSE 6996: Table numbering updated. Field deleted.
2	1.0.2	2016-07-13	Prepared for TCRL 2016-1 publication.
	1.0.3r00	2018-03-14	TSE 10482 (rating 3): Converted template. Added a Table 0. Revised reference for item 2/14. Added new item 2/15.
3	1.0.3	2018-06-27	Approved by BTI. Prepared for TCRL 2018-1 publication.
	1.0.4r00	2018-10-02	TSE 11004 (rating 1): Deleted reference “3.3” from Table 2, Item 3.
4	1.0.4	2018-11-21	Approved by BTI. Prepared for TCRL 2018-2 publication.
	1.0.5r00–r01	2019-04-02 – 2019-06-18	TSE 11364 (rating 1): Changed cross reference in Version table from note [1] to note [2].
5	1.0.5	2019-07-29	Approved by BTI. Prepared for TCRL 2019-1 publication.
	p6r00–r12	2018-06-10 – 2020-11-26	<p>Updated based on BLS v1.1 CR r03 specification.</p> <p>Updated based on BLS v1.1 CR r04 specification.</p> <p>Updated references based on BLS v1.1 CR r07.</p> <p>Updated ICS based on BLS v1.1 CR r08, introduced Table 2a, 2b and resolved BTI comments.</p> <p>Updated ICS based on BLS v1.1 PS.</p> <p>Removed from Table 2d the Operator <i>Equal to</i> as the Operator has been removed from the BLS v1.1 specification.</p> <p>Updated the ICS tables by removing the “Support” columns and for Tables 1 and 3 introduced the “Inter-Layer Dependency” column.</p> <p>Updated C.6 in Table 2, Service Requirements, to read “..otherwise Excluded”.</p>
6	p6	2020-12-22	<p>Set publication number for previous v1.0.5 to p5.</p> <p>Updated to incorporate test issue 16207. Template-related editorials. Approved by BTI on 2020-07-06.</p> <p>BLS v1.1 adopted by BoD on 2020-12-15. Prepared for publication.</p>

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