# **Generic Health Sensor Service (GHSS)**

### Bluetooth® Implementation Conformance Statement (ICS) Proforma

• Revision: GHSS.ICS.p1 edition 2

**Revision Date:** 2025-08-05

Prepared By: Medical Devices Working Group

Published during TCRL: TCRL.2025-1



This document, regardless of its title or content, is not a Bluetooth Specification as defined in the Bluetooth Patent/Copyright License Agreement ("PCLA") and Bluetooth Trademark License Agreement. Use of this document by members of Bluetooth SIG is governed by the membership and other related agreements between Bluetooth SIG Inc. ("Bluetooth SIG") and its members, including the PCLA and other agreements posted on Bluetooth SIG's website located at <a href="https://www.bluetooth.com">www.bluetooth.com</a>.

THIS DOCUMENT IS PROVIDED "AS IS" AND BLUETOOTH SIG, ITS MEMBERS, AND THEIR AFFILIATES MAKE NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES AND DISCLAIM ALL WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, TITLE, NON-INFRINGEMENT, FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, THAT THE CONTENT OF THIS DOCUMENT IS FREE OF ERRORS.

TO THE EXTENT NOT PROHIBITED BY LAW, BLUETOOTH SIG, ITS MEMBERS, AND THEIR AFFILIATES DISCLAIM ALL LIABILITY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO USE OF THIS DOCUMENT AND ANY INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT, INCLUDING LOST REVENUE, PROFITS, DATA OR PROGRAMS, OR BUSINESS INTERRUPTION, OR FOR SPECIAL, INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, HOWEVER CAUSED AND REGARDLESS OF THE THEORY OF LIABILITY, AND EVEN IF BLUETOOTH SIG, ITS MEMBERS, OR THEIR AFFILIATES HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

This document is proprietary to Bluetooth SIG. This document may contain or cover subject matter that is intellectual property of Bluetooth SIG and its members. The furnishing of this document does not grant any license to any intellectual property of Bluetooth SIG or its members.

This document is subject to change without notice.

Copyright © 2021–2025 by Bluetooth SIG, Inc. The Bluetooth word mark and logos are owned by Bluetooth SIG, Inc. Other third-party brands and names are the property of their respective owners.



# **Contents**

1	General principles			
		Implementation Under Test (IUT) identification		
		Enforcement of inter-layer dependencies		
2		declarations		
	2.1	Versions		
		Transports		
		Features		
		Service requirements		
	2.4.1			
	2.5	GATT requirements		
	2.6	GAP requirements		
		SDP requirements		
3	Refe	rences		
4		sion history and acknowledgments10		



# 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



Bluetooth SIG Proprietary Page **4 of 10** 

## 2 ICS declarations

#### 2.1 Versions

Table 0: X.Y Versions

Item	Version	Reference	Status
1	GHSS v1.0	[1]	М

Table 1: X.Y.Z Versions

Table number reserved but not yet in use.

## 2.2 Transports

**Table 2: Transport Requirements** 

Item	Transport	Reference	Status
1	Service supported over BR/EDR	[1] 2.3	C.1, C.3
2	Service supported over LE	[1] 2.3	C.2, C.3

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

#### 2.3 Features

**Table 3: Health Sensor Features** 

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Changeable Health Sensor Features	[1] 3, 3.1.2	0
2	Report live observations	[1] 2.7, 3.2.2.2	C.1
3	Report temporarily stored observations	[1] 2.7, 3.2.2.2	C.1
4	Report stored observations	[1] 2.7, 3.2.2.2	C.1
5	Server Supports Connections to Multiple Clients	[1] 3.1.2	0
6	Changeable Observation Schedule descriptor	[1] 3, 3.6	0
7	Report live or temporarily stored observations in parallel with stored observations	[1] 3.4.4	0

C.1: Mandatory to support at least one.

## 2.4 Service requirements

#### 2.4.1 Generic Health Sensor Service

**Table 4: Generic Health Sensor Service** 

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Health Sensor Features characteristic	[1] 3, 3.1	0
2	Supported Device Specializations field	[1] 3, 3.1.1	C.1



Bluetooth SIG Proprietary

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
3	Health Sensor Features characteristic with indicate	[1] 3, 3.1.2	C.2
4	Observation Schedule descriptor	[1] 3, 3.7	0
5	Observation Schedule descriptor with write	[1] 3, 3.7	C.3
6	Valid Range and Accuracy descriptor	[1] 3, 3.7	0
7	Live Health Observations characteristic	[1] 3, 3.2	C.4
8	Live Health Observations characteristic with indicate	[1] 3, 3.2	C.5
9	Live Health Observations characteristic with notify	[1] 3, 3.2	C.5
10	Stored Health Observations characteristic	[1] 3, 3.3	C.6
11	RACP characteristic	[1] 3, 3.4	C.6
12	GHS Control Point characteristic	[1] 3, 3.5	C.4
13	Observation Schedule Changed characteristic	[1] 3, 3.6	C.7
14	Observation Schedule descriptor is settable via UI	[1] 3.6	C.3
15	Health Feature characteristic has a size beyond (ATT_MTU – 3)	[1] 3, 3.1	C.1
16	Simultaneous enabling of indications and notifications of the Live Health Observations characteristic	[1] 2.7, 3	C.8
17	Simultaneous enabling of indications and notifications of the Stored Health Observations characteristic	[1] 2.7, 3	C.9
18	Stored Health Observations characteristic with indicate	[1] 3, 3.3	C.10
19	Stored Health Observations characteristic with notify	[1] 3, 3.3	C.10

- C.1: Optional IF GHSS 4/1 "Health Sensor Features characteristic", otherwise Excluded.
- C.2: Mandatory IF GHSS 3/1 "Changeable Health Sensor Features", otherwise Excluded.
- C.3: Optional IF GHSS 3/6 "Changeable Observation Schedule descriptor" AND GHSS 4/4 "Observation Schedule descriptor", otherwise Excluded.
- C.4: Mandatory IF GHSS 3/2 "Report live observations" OR GHSS 3/3 "Report temporarily stored observations", otherwise Excluded.
- C.5: Mandatory to support at least one IF GHSS 4/7 "Live Health Observations characteristic", otherwise Excluded.
- C.6: Mandatory IF GHSS 3/4 "Report stored observations", otherwise Excluded.
- C.7: Mandatory IF GHSS 3/6 "Changeable Observation Schedule descriptor", otherwise Excluded.
- C.8: Optional IF GHSS 4/7 "Live Health Observations characteristic", otherwise Excluded.
- C.9: Optional IF GHSS 4/10 "Stored Health Observations characteristic", otherwise Excluded.
- C.10: Mandatory to support at least one IF GHSS 4/10 "Stored Health Observations characteristic", otherwise Excluded.

**Table 5: Health Observation Body** 

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Observation Type	[1] 3.2.1.5	М
2	Able to generate observation with Time Stamp present	[1] 3.2.1.6	C.1
3	Able to generate observation with Measurement Duration	[1] 3.2.1.7	0
4	Able to generate observation with Measurement Status	[1] 3.2.1.8	0
5	Able to generate observation with Observation Id	[1] 3.2.1.9	0



Bluetooth SIG Proprietary

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
6	Able to generate observation with Patient	[1] 3.2.1.10	0
7	Able to generate observation with Supplemental Information	[1] 3.2.1.11	0
8	Able to generate observation with Derived From	[1] 3.2.1.12	0
9	Able to generate observation with Is Member Of	[1] 3.2.1.13	0
10	Able to generate observation with TLVs	[1] 3.2.1.14	0
11	Observation Value	[1] 3.2.1.15	М

C.1: Mandatory IF GHSS 3/3 "Report temporarily stored observations" OR GHSS 3/4 "Report stored observations", otherwise Optional.

**Table 6: Observation values** 

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Able to generate Numeric observation value	[1] 3.2.1.15.1	C.1
2	Able to generate Simple discrete observation value	[1] 3.2.1.15.2	C.1
3	Able to generate String observation value	[1] 3.2.1.15.3	C.1
4	Able to generate Sample array observation value	[1] 3.2.1.15.4	C.1
5	Able to generate Compound observation value	[1] 3.2.1.15.7	C.1
6	Able to generate Compound Discrete Event observation value	[1] 3.2.1.15.5	C.1
7	Able to generate Compound State/Event observation (bit string) value	[1] 3.2.1.15.6	C.1
8	Able to generate TLV-encoded observation value	[1] 3.2.1.15.8	C.1
9	Able to generate Observation bundle value	[1] 3.2.1.15.9	C.1

C.1: Mandatory to support at least one.

**Table 7: Record Access Control Point** 

Prerequisite: GHSS 4/11 "RACP characteristic"

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	Combined Report	[1] 3.4.3.1	М
2	Report Number of Stored Records	[1] 3.4.3.2	М
3	Delete Stored Records	[1] 3.4.3.3	0
4	Abort Operation	[1] 3.4.3.4	0

# 2.5 GATT requirements

**Table 8: GATT Requirements** 

Item	Capability	Reference	Status	Inter-Layer Dependency
1a	GATT Server over LE	[1] 2.5	C.1	[2] GATT 1a/3
1b	GATT Server over BR/EDR	[1] 2.5	C.6	[2] GATT 1a/4
2	Exchange MTU	[1] 2.5	C.1	[2] GATT 4/1



Bluetooth SIG Proprietary Page **7 of 10** 

Item	Capability	Reference	Status	Inter-Layer Dependency
3	Read Long Characteristic Values	[1] 2.5	C.2	[2] GATT 4/10
4	Single Notification	[1] 2.5	C.3	[2] GATT 4/17
5	Indications	[1] 2.5	C.4	[2] GATT 4/18
6	Read Characteristic Descriptors	[1] 2.5	М	[2] GATT 4/19
7	Write Characteristic Descriptors	[1] 2.5	М	[2] GATT 4/21
8	Write Characteristic Value	[1] 2.5	C.5	[2] GATT 4/14

- C.1: Mandatory IF GHSS 2/2 "Service supported over LE", otherwise not defined.
- C.2: Mandatory IF GHSS 4/15 "Health Feature characteristic has a size beyond (ATT\_MTU 3)", otherwise not defined.
- C.3: Mandatory IF GHSS 4/9 "Live Health Observations characteristic with notify" OR GHSS 4/19 "Stored Health Observations characteristic with notify", otherwise not defined.
- C.4: Mandatory IF GHSS 4/3 "Health Sensor Features characteristic with indicate" OR GHSS 4/8 "Live Health Observations characteristic with indicate" OR GHSS 4/18 "Stored Health Observations characteristic with indicate" OR GHSS 4/11 "RACP characteristic" OR GHSS 4/13 "Observation Schedule Changed characteristic", otherwise not defined.
- C.5: Mandatory IF GHSS 4/11 "RACP characteristic" OR GHSS 4/12 "GHS Control Point characteristic", otherwise not defined.
- C.6: Mandatory IF GHSS 2/1 "Service supported over BR/EDR", otherwise not defined.

#### 2.6 GAP requirements

**Table 9: GAP Requirements** 

Prerequisite: GHSS 2/2 "Service supported over LE"

Item	Capability	Reference	Status	Inter-Layer Dependency
1	Bondable mode	[1] 3.1.2	C.1	[3] GAP 24/2
2	Bonding procedure	[1] 3.1.2	0	[3] GAP 24/3

C.1: Mandatory IF GHSS 9/2 "Bonding procedure", otherwise not defined.

## 2.7 SDP requirements

**Table 10: SDP Requirements** 

Prerequisite: GHSS 2/1 "Service supported over BR/EDR"

Item	Capability	Reference	Status
1	SDP record present for GHSS	[1] 4	М



# 3 References

- [1] Generic Health Sensor Service Specification, Version 1.0
- [2] ICS Proforma for Generic Attribute Profile (GATT)
- [3] ICS Proforma for Generic Access Profile (GAP)

\*

Bluetooth SIG Proprietary Page **9 of 10** 

# 4 Revision history and acknowledgments

#### Revision History

Publication Number	Revision Number	Date	Comments
0	p0	2023-06-13	Approved by BTI on 2023-06-07. GHSS v1.0 adopted by the BoD on 2023-06-13. Prepared for initial publication.
	p1r00-r02	2024-10-04 – 2024-12-02	TSE 24702 (rating 2): Added Item 7 to Table 3.
1	p1	2025-02-18	Approved by BTI on 2024-12-23. Prepared for TCRL 2025-1 publication.
	p1ed2r00	2025-07-09	TSE 27327 (rating 1): Updated the Status for GHSS 2/1 and GHSS 2/2, added conditions C.1 and C.2, and renumbered the previous C.1 as C.3.
	p1 edition 2	2025-08-05	Approved by BTI on 2025-08-05. Prepared for edition 2 publication.

#### Acknowledgments

Name	Company
Jörg Brakensiek	Bluetooth SIG, Inc.
Ismail Mohamud	Bluetooth SIG, Inc.
Erik Moll	Koninklijke Philips N.V.

\*

Bluetooth SIG Proprietary Page **10 of 10**