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Foreword

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- Part 1: Concepts, requirements and evaluation methods
- Part 2: Security compliance checklists for devices used in financial transactions

Introduction

This part of ISO 13491 specifies both the physical and logical characteristics and the management of the secure cryptographic devices (SCDs) used to protect messages, cryptographic keys and other sensitive information used in a retail financial services environment.

The security of retail financial services is largely dependent upon the security of these cryptographic devices.

Security requirements are based upon the premise that computer files can be accessed and manipulated, communication lines can be "tapped" and authorized data or control inputs in a system device can be replaced with unauthorized inputs. While certain cryptographic devices (e.g. host security modules) reside in relatively high-security processing centres, a large proportion of cryptographic devices used in retail financial services (e.g., PIN entry devices etc.) now reside in non-secure environments. Therefore when PINs, MACs, cryptographic keys and other sensitive data are processed in these devices, there is a risk that the devices may be tampered with or otherwise compromised to disclose or modify such data.

It must be ensured that the risk of financial loss is reduced through the appropriate use of cryptographic devices that have proper physical and logical security characteristics and are properly managed. To ensure that SCDs have the proper physical and logical security, they require evaluation.

This part of ISO 13491 provides the security compliance checklists for evaluating SCDs used in financial services systems in accordance with ISO 13491-1. Other evaluation frameworks exist and may be appropriate for formal security evaluations e.g. parts 1 to 3 of ISO/IEC 15408 and ISO/IEC 19790, and are outside the scope of this part of ISO 13491.

Appropriate device characteristics are necessary to ensure that the device has the proper operational capabilities and provides adequate protection for the data it contains. Appropriate device management is necessary to ensure that the device is legitimate, that it has not been modified in an unauthorized manner, e.g. by "bugging", and that any sensitive data placed within the device (e.g. cryptographic keys) have not been subject to disclosure or change.

Absolute security is not practically achievable. Cryptographic security depends upon each life cycle phase of the SCD and the complementary combination of appropriate device management procedures and secure cryptographic characteristics. These management procedures implement preventive measures to reduce the opportunity for a breach of cryptographic device security. These measures aim for a high probability of detection of any illicit access to sensitive or confidential data in the event that device characteristics fail to prevent or detect the security compromise.