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Foreword

This Technical Specification (TS) has been produced by ETSI Technical Committee Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI).

The present document is part 4 of a multi-part deliverable covering CADES digital signatures - Testing Conformance and Interoperability. Full details of the entire series can be found in part 1 [i.1].

A tool implementing the present document has been developed and is accessible at <http://signatures-conformance-checker.etsi.org/>.

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1 Scope

The present document defines the set of checks to be performed for testing conformance of CADES signatures against CADES baseline signatures as specified in ETSI EN 319 122-1 [1].

The present document does not specify checks leading to conclude whether a signature is technically valid or not (for instance, it does not specify checks for determining whether the cryptographic material present in the signature may be considered valid or not). In consequence, no conclusion may be inferred regarding the technical validity of a signature that has been successfully tested by any tool conformant to the present document.

Checks specified by the present document are exclusively constrained to elements specified by CADES [1].

Regarding CADES attributes, the present document explicitly differentiates between structural requirements that are defined on building blocks, and the requirements specified for CADES baseline signatures conformance.

The present document is intentionally not linked to any software development technology and is also intentionally agnostic on implementation strategies. This is one of the reasons why the test assertions set specified in the present document includes tests on the correctness of the structure of all the elements specified by CADES [1].

2 References

2.1 Normative references

References are either specific (identified by date of publication and/or edition number or version number) or non-specific. For specific references, only the cited version applies. For non-specific references, the latest version of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

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The following referenced documents are necessary for the application of the present document.

- [1] ETSI EN 319 122-1: "Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); CADES digital signatures; Part 1: Building blocks and CADES baseline signatures".
- [2] ETSI EN 319 122-2: "Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); CADES digital signatures; Part 2: Extended CADES signatures".
- [3] IETF RFC 5652 (09-2009): "Cryptographic Message Syntax (CMS)".

2.2 Informative references

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- [i.1] ETSI TR 119 124-1: "Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); CADES digital signatures - Testing Conformance and Interoperability; Part 1: Overview".
- [i.2] ETSI TR 119 001: "Electronic Signatures and Infrastructures (ESI); The framework for standardization of signatures; Definitions and abbreviations".

[i.3] OASIS Committee Notes: "Test Assertions Guidelines Version 1.0" Committee Note 02, 19 June 2013.

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in ETSI TR 119 001 [i.2] apply.

3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in ETSI TR 119 001 [i.2] apply.

4 Overview

The present clause describes the main aspects of the technical approach used for specifying the whole set of checks to be performed for testing conformance to ETSI EN 319 122-1 [1].

ETSI EN 319 122-1 [1] defines requirements for building blocks and CADES baseline signatures. For the purpose of identifying the whole set of test assertions required for testing conformance against CADES baseline signatures as specified in ETSI EN 319 122-1 [1], the present document classifies the whole set of requirements specified in ETSI EN 319 122-1 [1] in two groups as follows:

- 1) Requirements "CADES_BS" (after "CADES baseline signatures"): requirements defined in clauses 5 and 6 of ETSI EN 319 122-1 [1]. These are requirements specific to CADES baseline signatures.
 - 2) Requirements "CADES_BB" (after "CADES building blocks"): requirements defined in clauses 4, 5 and annex A of ETSI EN 319 122-1 [1] that have to be satisfied by both CADES baseline signatures as specified in ETSI EN 319 122-1 [1] and extended CADES signatures as specified in ETSI EN 319 122-2 [2].
- a) In order to test conformance against the aforementioned specification, several types of tests are identified, namely:
- 1) Tests on the signature structure.
 - 2) Tests on values of specific elements and/or attributes.
 - 3) Tests on interrelationship between different elements present in the signature.
 - 4) Tests on computations reflected in the contents of the signatures (message imprints for a time-stamping service, computed by digesting the concatenation of a number of elements of the signature, for instance).
- b) No tests are included testing actual validity of the cryptographic material that might be present at the signature or to be used for its verification (status of certificates for instance).
- c) Tests are defined as test assertions following the work produced by OASIS in "Test Assertions Guidelines Version 1.0" [i.3]. Each test assertion includes:
- 1) Unique identifier for further referencing. The identifiers of the assertions defined within the present documents start with "CADES_BS", after "CADES baseline signatures" and "CADES_BB", after "CADES building blocks".
 - 2) Reference to the **Normative source** for the test.
 - 3) The **Target** of the assertion. In the normative part, this field identifies one of the four CADES baseline signatures [1] levels.

- 4) **Prerequisite** (optional) is, according to [i.3], "a logical expression (similar to a Predicate) which further qualifies the Target for undergoing the core test (expressed by the Predicate) that addresses the Normative Statement". It is used for building test assertions corresponding to requirements that are imposed under certain conditions.
- 5) **Predicate** fully and unambiguously defining the assertion.
- 6) **Prescription level**. Three levels are defined: mandatory, recommended and permitted, whose semantics is to be interpreted as described in clause 3.1.2 of [i.3].
- 7) **Tag**: information on the element tested by the assertion.

5 Testing conformance to CAdES-B-B signatures

5.1 Introduction

The present clause specifies the set of assertions to be tested on applications claiming conformance to CAdES-B-B signatures as specified in ETSI EN 319 122-1 [1].

Clause 5.2 specifies assertions for testing those constraints imposed by the CAdES baseline signatures specification [1] to the CMS Signature elements.

Clause 5.3 specifies assertions for testing those constraints imposed or permitted by the CAdES signatures specifications [1] or [2] to the CMS Signature elements.

5.2 Testing CMS Signature elements

5.2.1 Testing algorithm requirements

This clause defines the test assertion for algorithm used as digest algorithm.

TA id: CAdES_BS/ALG/1

Normative source: [1] - Clause 6.2.1

Target: CAdES signature generator claiming conformance to CAdES signatures as specified in [1]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications do not use MD5 algorithm as digest algorithm.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CAdES baseline signatures.

5.2.2 Testing content-type

5.2.2.1 General

The following clauses define the test assertions for content-type attribute presence in CMS signature.

5.2.2.2 Test assertions common to CAdES baseline and extended signatures

TA id: CAdES_BB/CTY/1

Normative source: [1] - Clause 5.1.1

Target: CAdES signature generator claiming conformance to CAdES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include ContentType attribute in CMS signature.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CAdES baseline and extended signatures.

5.2.2.3 Test assertions specific to CADES baseline signatures

TA id: CADES_BS/CTY/1

Normative source: [1] - Clause 6.3

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications set the value id-data in ContentType attribute in CMS signature.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline signatures.

5.2.3 Testing message-digest

This clause defines the test assertions for message-digest attribute presence in CMS signature.

TA id: CADES_BB/MD/1

Normative source: [1] - Clause 5.1.2

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include message-digest attribute in CMS signature.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

5.2.4 Testing CMSversion

This clause defines the test assertions for SignedData.CMSversion attribute presence in CMS signature.

TA id: CADES_BB/CMSV

Normative source: [3] - Clause 5.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include SignedData.CMSversion attribute in CMS signature.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

5.2.5 Testing DigestAlgorithmIdentifiers

This clause defines the test assertions for SignedData.DigestAlgorithmIdentifiers attribute presence in CMS signature.

TA id: CADES_BB/DAI

Normative source: [3] - Clause 5.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include SignedData.DigestAlgorithmIdentifiers attribute in CMS signature.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

5.2.6 Testing EncapsulatedContentInfo

This clause defines the test assertions for SignedData.EncapsulatedContentInfo attribute presence in CMS signature.

TA id: CADES_BB/ECI

Normative source: [3] - Clause 5.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include SignedData.EncapsulatedContentInfo attribute in CMS signature.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

5.2.7 Testing SignedData.certificates

5.2.7.1 General

The following clauses define the test assertions for SignedData.certificates attribute presence in CMS signature.

5.2.7.2 Test assertions common to CADES baseline and extended signatures

TA id: CADES_BB/SDC/1

Normative source: [3] - Clause 5.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include all certificates needed for path building in the SignedData.certificates attribute.

Prescription level: recommended

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

TA id: CADES_BB/SDC/2

Normative source: [3] - Clause 5.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications avoid duplication of certificate values in the SignedData.certificates attribute.

Prescription level: recommended

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

5.2.7.3 Test assertions specific to CADES baseline signatures

TA id: CADES_BS/SDC/1

Normative source: [1] - Clause 6.3

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include the signing certificate in the SignedData.certificates attribute.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline signatures.

5.2.8 Testing SignedData.crls

This clause defines the test assertions for SignedData.crls attribute presence in CMS signature.

TA id: CADES_BB/SDCRL/1

Normative source: [3] - Clause 5.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include the full set of CRL values needed for the validation of the signature itself in the SignedData.crls.crl attribute.

Prescription level: permitted

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

TA id: CADES_BB/SDCRL/2

Normative source: [3] - Clause 5.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include the full set of OCSP responses values needed for the validation of the signature itself in the SignedData.crls.other attribute.

Prescription level: permitted

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

TA id: CADES_BB/SDCRL/3

Normative source: [3] - Clause 5.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications avoid duplication of revocation values in the SignedData.crls attribute.

Prescription level: recommended

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

5.2.9 Testing SignerInfos

This clause defines the test assertions for SignedData.SignerInfos attribute presence in CMS signature.

TA id: CADES_BB/SI/1

Normative source: [3] - Clause 5.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include one or more SignerInfos attributes in SignedData.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

5.3 Testing basic attributes for CADES signatures

5.3.1 Testing signing-time

5.3.1.1 General

The following clauses define the test assertions for signing-time attribute presence in CMS signature.

5.3.1.2 Test assertions common to CADES baseline and extended signatures

TA id: CADES_BB/STI/1

Normative source: [1] - Clause 5.2.1

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, the value to be included in SigningTime attribute in CMS signature by applications is encoded as UTC time for dates between 1 January 1950 and 31 December 2049 (inclusive) and as GeneralizedTime for any dates with year values before 1950 or after 2049.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

5.3.1.3 Test assertions specific to CADES baseline signatures

TA id: CADES_BS/STI/1

Normative source: [1] - Clause 6.3

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include SigningTime attribute in CMS signature.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline signatures.

5.3.2 Testing Enhanced Security Services (ESS)

5.3.2.1 General

The following clauses define the test assertions for ESS attribute presence in CMS signature.

5.3.2.2 Test assertions common to CADES baseline and extended signatures

TA id: CADES_BB/ESS/1

Normative source: [1] - Clause 5.2.2

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include the ESS signing-certificate or signing-certificate-v2 attribute in signedAttrs for every signerInfo in CMS signature.

Prescription level: mandatory

Tag: CADES baseline and extended signatures.

TA id: CADES_BB/ESS/2

Normative source: [1] - Clause 5.2.2

Target: CADES signature generator claiming conformance to CADES signatures as specified in [1] or in [2]

Predicate: For new signatures, applications include the ESS-signing-certificate in signedAttrs for every signerInfo in CMS signature if SHA-1 hash algorithm is used.

Prescription level: mandatory