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# 1 Scope

The present specification provides the stage 3 definition of the Policy Authorization Service of the 5G System.

The 5G System Architecture is defined in 3GPP TS 23.501 [2]. The stage 2 definition and related procedures for the Npcf Policy Authorization Service are specified in 3GPP TS 23.502 [3] and 3GPP TS 23.503 [4].

The 5G System stage 3 call flows are provided in 3GPP TS 29.513 [7].

The Technical Realization of the Service Based Architecture and the Principles and Guidelines for Services Definition are specified in 3GPP TS 29.500 [5] and 3GPP TS 29.501 [6].

The Policy Authorization Service is provided by the Policy Control Function (PCF). This service creates policies as requested by the authorised AF for the PDU Session to which the AF session is bound.

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# 2 References

The following documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of the present document.

- References are either specific (identified by date of publication, edition number, version number, etc.) or non-specific.
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- [4] 3GPP TS 23.503: "Policy and Charging Control Framework for the 5G System; Stage 2".
- [5] 3GPP TS 29.500: "5G System; Technical Realization of Service Based Architecture; Stage 3".
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- [30] 3GPP TS 26.114: "IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS); Multimedia telephony; Media handling and interaction".
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- [32] 3GPP TS 24.229: "IP Multimedia Call Control Protocol based on SIP and SDP; Stage 3".
- [33] 3GPP TS 23.228: "IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS); Stage 2".
- [34] IETF RFC 5031: "A Uniform Resource Name (URN) for Emergency and Other Well-Known Services".
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## 3 Definitions and abbreviations

### 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. A term defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same term, if any, in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

**Application Function (AF):** Element offering application(s) that use PDU session resources.

**AF Application identifier:** An identifier that refers to the particular service the NF service consumer session belongs to. In the context of application detection control, it refers to the application identifier used by the PCF in the PCC rule as specified in 3GPP TS 29.512 [8].

**AF application session context:** Application level session context established by an application level signalling protocol offered by the AF that requires a session context set-up with explicit session context description before the use of the service.

**MCS session:** A session for which priority treatment is applied for allocating and maintaining radio and network resources to support the Mission Critical Service (MCS). MCS is defined in 3GPP TS 22.179 [45], 3GPP TS 22.280 [46], 3GPP TS 22.281 [47], and 3GPP TS 22.282 [48].

**MPS session:** A session for which priority treatment is applied for allocating and maintaining radio and network resources to support the Multimedia Priority Service (MPS). MPS is defined in 3GPP TS 22.153 [23].

**PCC rule:** Set of information enabling the detection of a service data flow and providing parameters for policy control and/or charging control.

**Service information:** Set of information conveyed from the AF/NEF to the PCF by the Npcf\_PolicyAuthorization service to be used as a basis for PCC decisions at the PCF, including information about the AF/NEF application session context (e.g. application identifier, type of media, bandwidth, IP address and port number).

**Service data flow:** An aggregate set of packet flows.

## 3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1] and the following apply. An abbreviation defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same abbreviation, if any, in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

5G-RG	5G Residential Gateway
AF	Application Function
ARP	Allocation and Retention Priority
ATSSS	Access Traffic Steering, Switching and Splitting
BAT	Burst Arrival Time
BBF	Broadband Forum
BSSID	Basic Service Set Identifier
CHEM	Coverage and Handoff Enhancements using Multimedia error robustness feature
CHF	Charging Function
DCCF	Data Collection Coordination Function
DEI	Drop Eligible Indicator
DetNet	Deterministic Networking
DNAI	DN Access Identifier
DNN	Data Network Name
DS-TT	Device-side TSN translator
DSL	Digital Subscriber Line
DTS	Data Transport Service
EAS	Edge Application Server
ECN	Explicit Congestion Notification
ePDG	evolved Packet Data Gateway
E-UTRA	Evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access
FLUS	Framework for Live Uplink Streaming
FN-RG	Fixed Network Residential Gateway
GEO	Geosynchronous Orbit
GPSI	Generic Public Subscription Identifier
HFC	Hybrid Fiber-Coaxial
H-PCF	PCF in the HPLMN
IMS	IP-Multimedia Subsystem
JSON	JavaScript Object Notation
L4S	Low Latency Low Loss Scalable Throughput
LEO	Low Earth Orbit
MA	Multi-Access
MCPTT	Mission Critical Push to Talk Service
MCVideo	Mission Critical Video
MEO	Medium Earth Orbit
MPS	Multimedia Priority Service
MTU	Maximum Transmission Unit
NEF	Network Exposure Function
NID	Network Identifier
NR	New Radio
NRF	Network Repository Function
NWDAF	Network Data Analytics Function
NW-TT	Network-side TSN translator
PCC	Policy and Charging Control
PCF	Policy Control Function
PCP	Priority Code Point
P-CSCF	Proxy Call Session Control Function
PDV	Packet Delay Variation
PEI	Permanent Equipment Identifier
PMIC	Port Management Information Container
PON	Passive Optical Network
PRA	Presence Reporting Area
PSA	PDU Session Anchor
PSDB	PDU Set Delay Budget
PSER	PDU Set Error Rate