







NIAP Policy #5

 "All cryptography in the TOE for which NIST provides validation testing of FIPS-approved and NISTrecommended cryptographic algorithms and their individual components must be NIST validated (CAVP and/or CMVP). At minimum an appropriate NIST CAVP certificate is required before a NIAP CC Certificate will be awarded."

DoD mandates a CMVP (FIPS 140-2) certificate for products procured for use in DoD







NIAP and NIST CAVP/CMVP Relationship

- CAVP/CMVP integral to NIAP certification almost all COTS products in the market incorporate cryptographic functionality.
- NIST crypto standards are applicable to and used by private and public sectors.
- NIAP works with NIST to ensure CAVP/CMVP activities are incorporated into NIAP evaluations.
- Ensures all crypto functionality is evaluated to a consistent level of rigor.







NIAP Recognition of CAVP/CMVP

- Streamlines the NIAP evaluation process,
- Reduces cost, and
- Eliminates redundant activities certain NIAP Assurance Activities are met by the CC Test Lab if that testing is conducted as part of a NIST CAVP or CMVP validation.







NIAP Verification of CAVP/CMVP Certificates

- Product Name
- Operational Environment (CAVP); HW/SW defined in Security Policy (CMVP)
 - Not always easy comparing what's in the ST to the CAVP Operational Environment
- CAVP/CMVP Certificate numbers
- SFRs for which certificates apply
- All public facing documentation (ST, AAR, VR, PCL listing, Admin Guide)







Documentation Review

- Historical CAVP/CMVP lists are not valid (example, RNG transition).
- TSS must match SFR claims.
- The DRBG claimed in the ST must match the DRBG described in the Entropy Analysis Report.
- Misleading terms If there are no CMVP claims they may not claim FIPS 140-2.
- Claiming both CMVP and CAVP the CAVP certificates must be included in the CMVP Security Policy.







How do you know what to look for?

- Some algorithms have different test methods, only some of which apply to the requirement.
 - RSA Key Generation
 - RSA Signature Generation
 - RSA Signature Verification
- Older certificates may be for older standards (186-2 vs. 186-4 for DSS).
- Multiple lists may seem to apply.
 - KAS, CVL for 800-56A
- Some requirements (for crypto) not obvious.
 - Algorithms used in Cryptographic Protocols







CAVP Mapping Document, Version 1.0

- Addresses all Crypto Requirements.
 - Details what CAVP validation lists to look at
 - Details what to look for on each list

ECC schemes using "NIST curves that meet the following: FIPS PUB 186-4, "Digital Signature Standard (DSS)", Appendix B.4	ECDSA Validation List FIPS 186-4 PKG: Curves ((P-256 v P-384 v P-521) and PKV: Curves ((P-256 v P-384 v P521)
	NOTE: Hash algorithms following each of the relevant curves must include what has been selected in FCS_COP

Requirements not addressed must be performed by CCTL.







- NIAP supports the charter of the CMVP WG.
- Updating the CAVP mapping document for evaluators/validators to verify certificates are valid for requirements/assurance activities.
 - Addressing protocols
 - Adding new FIPS-approved and NIST-recommended cryptographic algorithms or components
- US continued support to the CC International Crypto WG to develop internationally-accepted cryptographic evaluation requirements and assurance activities.







- SP800-56A
 - SP800-56A and DH Group 14 (see NDcPP 2.0 for interim solution until SP800-56rev3 is published).
- SP800-56B
 - SP800-56B relooking into assurance activities and applicability of NIST certificates. NIST is revising after SP800-56Arev3 is complete. Once NIST has testing, certificate will be required.
- Mapping Document updates
 - Addressing protocols (TLS, IPSEC, SSH) primitives and KDF (SP800-135).
 - Adding new FIPS-approved and NIST-recommended cryptographic algorithms or components







- SP800-56C
 - Optional KDF which uses expansion and extraction method. Currently drafting AA and will be added to MDF. Once NIST has testing, certificate will be required.
- SP800-132
 - PBKDF for Storage Applications. Once NIST has testing, certificate will be required.







- SHA-1
 - Currently allowed for non-digital signature applications. NIAP will be removing SHA-1 from PPs.
- SP800-131Ar1 NIST Transitions
 - Beginning 2018, Key agreement and Key Transport must be SP800-56A or SP800-56B compliant. This does not affect NIAP as our PPs already require this already.
- CAVS
 - NIST will not be adding new tests to CAVS, therefore, no certificates will be available until the automated tool is ready (12+ months).



Questions, Comments, Suggestions?

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