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1. Overview

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1.1 Scope

The scope of this standard is to define services, operating at the network and transport layers, in support of wireless connectivity among vehicle-based devices, and between fixed roadside devices and vehicle-based devices using the 5.9 GHz DSRC/WAVE mode.

1.2 Purpose

WAVE networking services represents layers 3 and 4 of the OSI communications stack. The purpose of this standard is to provide addressing and routing services within a WAVE system, enabling multiple stacks of upper layers above WAVE networking services and multiple lower layers beneath WAVE networking services. Upper layer support includes in-vehicle applications offering safety and convenience to their users.

1.3 Document organization

The document contains both normative and informative text. Clause 1 provides an overview of the document. Clause 2 and Clause 3 contain references, definitions, and abbreviations, respectively. Clause 4 provides extensive explanatory information about the architecture and behavior of the overall WAVE system, including aspects beyond WAVE networking services. Clause 5 specifies the data plane elements of

1Information on references can be found in Clause 2.
WAVE networking services, which carry user data through the system. Clause 6 specifies the management plane functions that support system operations. Clause 7 defines the primitives used to communicate between WAVE networking services and other system entities. Annex A and Annex B contain a description, and formal definition, of the management information employed by WAVE networking services. Annex C provides an informative bibliography and definitions. Annex D provides a protocol implementation conformance statement (PICS) proforma.

1.4 Document conventions

Unless otherwise noted, conventions follow those in IEEE Std 802.11, including conventions for the ordering of information within data items as defined in Clause 7.

Numbers are decimal unless otherwise noted, except IP addresses, which are hexadecimal per the conventions defined in RFC 2373. Numbers preceded by 0x indicate hexadecimal numbers, so that 0xFF is equivalent to “FF hexadecimal.”

Words in italics refer to data items that are defined as either a field in an interface primitive or as an internal data item.

Descriptive, informative information is generally found at the beginning of a clause or subclause, with normative text following. Figures are used for illustration and are informative, unless otherwise noted.

1.5 System overview

The system described herein supports high-rate, low latency communications between WAVE devices. Generic IPv6 traffic is supported (not IPv4), as well as a specialized short message service. A control channel provides a common channel for signaling. IP application data is restricted to service channels; short message application data may be sent on either type of channel. Applications benefiting from the WAVE communications can reside on the WAVE devices, or reside on generic devices located on other networks connected to these devices. A more complete description of a WAVE system is provided in Clause 4.

1.6 Applicability

This protocol supports wireless communications between any and all WAVE devices. These devices may be mobile, portable, or stationary. The mobile devices include vehicles operating at the high speeds occurring on open highways. A common characteristic of WAVE systems is the need for extremely low communications latency (measured in milliseconds) from initially encountering a device that provides services to completing a set of data transfers.

This standard is consistent with the vehicle-to-roadside and vehicle-to-vehicle communications needs of various ITS Architectures. Its intent is to ensure interoperability and robust safety/public safety communications among these WAVE devices.

2. Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments or corrigenda) applies.
IEE Std 802.2™ [ISO/IEC 8802-2], IEEE Standard for Information technology—Telecommunications and information exchange between systems—Local and metropolitan area networks—Specific requirements—Part 2: Logical link control.\(^2\), \(^3\)

IEE Std 802.11, IEEE Standard for Information technology—Telecommunications and information exchange between systems—Local and metropolitan area networks—Specific requirements—Part 11: Wireless LAN Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) specifications.

IEE P802.11p, Draft Amendment to STANDARD FOR Information technology—Telecommunications and information exchange between systems—LAN/MAN Specific Requirements—Part 11: Wireless LAN Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) specifications: Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments (WAVE).\(^4\)


IETF Request for Comments: RFC 768, User Datagram Protocol.\(^5\)


IETF Request for Comments: RFC 2461, Neighbor Discovery for IP Version 6 (IPv6).


### 3. Definitions and acronyms

#### 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply. *The Authoritative Dictionary of IEEE Standard Terms* [B2]\(^6\) should be referenced for terms not defined in this clause.

**3.1.1 air interface:** A radio frequency communication interface, from the physical layer of one device to that of a remote device, such as the interface defined by WAVE.
3.1.2 **application priority:** A priority level associated with an application that determines which application is given precedence by WME in case of a conflict in initiating or joining a WBSS.

3.1.3 **control channel (CCH):** A radio channel used for exchange of management frames and WAVE Short Messages.

3.1.4 **data plane:** A set of communication protocols defined to carry application and management data. The data plane provides protocol stack(s) for the transfer of data through a device for transfer over the air.

3.1.5 **EtherType:** The Ethernet Type field defined in RFC 1042, used to identify the higher layer protocol above Logical Link Control.

3.1.6 **management plane:** A collection of functions performed in support of the communication functions provided by the data plane, but not directly involved in passing application data. The management plane provides a path outside the data plane to transfer management information.

3.1.7 **networking services:** A collection of management plane and data plane functions at the network layer and transport layer, as defined in IEEE Std 1609.3, supporting WAVE communications.

3.1.8 **non-persistent WBSS:** A non-persistent WBSS is one that is announced only when it is established. It would typically be used for a transitory exchange among a group of devices whose membership does not change for the duration of the WBSS.

3.1.9 **notification:** An indication of an event of interest, sent to an application.

3.1.10 **onboard unit (OBU):** A WAVE device that can operate when in motion and supports the information exchange with roadside units or other OBUs.

3.1.11 **OBU to vehicle host interface (OVHI):** An interface on the OBU offering access to WAVE capabilities by other vehicle-based devices.

3.1.12 **persistent WBSS:** A persistent WBSS is one that is announced periodically, during each CCH interval. It would typically be used for an ongoing WBSS whose services and device participation may change over the duration of the WBSS.

3.1.13 **provider:** Initiator of a WBSS, or sender of WSMs. See also: user.

3.1.14 **Provider Service Context (PSC):** A field associated with a PSID containing supplementary information related to the service. The format of the PSC is PSID dependent.

3.1.15 **Provider Service Identifier (PSID):** A number that identifies a service provided by an application.

3.1.16 **Provider Service Table (PST):** A collection of data describing the applications that are registered with and available through a WAVE device, with supporting channel information.

3.1.17 **registration:** A process for providing application parameters and channel characteristics that will facilitate the management of the communication system in support of the application.

3.1.18 **roadside unit (RSU):** A WAVE device that operates only when stationary and supports information exchange with OBUs.

3.1.19 **service channel (SCH):** Secondary channels used for application specific information exchanges.
3.1.20 **transmission priority:** A priority level assigned to a packet that is ready for transmission, which determines its treatment at the MAC layer.

3.1.21 **user:** Joiner of a WBSS, or receiver of WSMs. *See also:* provider.

3.1.22 **vehicle host:** In-vehicle device running applications that communicate to external WAVE devices using the WAVE system through the OBU vehicle host interface.

3.1.23 **WAVE basic service set (WBSS):** A set of cooperating WAVE stations consisting of a single WBSS provider and none or multiple WBSS users.

3.1.24 **WAVE device:** A device that contains a WAVE-conformant medium access control (MAC) and physical layer (PHY) interface to the wireless medium. (See IEEE P802.11p and IEEE Std 1609.4.)

3.1.25 **WAVE management entity (WME):** A set of management functions required to provide WAVE networking services.

3.1.26 **WAVE Routing Advertisement (WRA):** Network configuration information broadcast by the RSU.

3.1.27 **WAVE Service Advertisement (WSA):** A data structure containing information that announces the availability of a service. A WSIE is composed of such structures.

3.1.28 **WAVE service information element (WSIE):** A field in a WAVE Announcement action frame used to advertise the WAVE services being offered. The WSIE is comprised of a Secured WSA, Timing Quality, and in the case of the RSU the WAVE Routing Advertisement.

3.1.29 **WAVE short message protocol (WSMP):** A protocol for rapid, reliable exchange of messages in a rapidly-varying RF environment where low-latency is also an important objective.

3.1.30 **wireline:** A connection via a traditional communications interface other than a wireless interface.

### 3.2 Acronyms

- **CCH**  control channel
- **DHCP**  Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
- **DA**  Destination Address
- **DS**  Distribution System
- **DSRC**  Dedicated Short Range Communications
- **FCC**  Federal Communications Commission
- **FOT**  Field Operational Testing
- **FHWA**  Federal Highway Administration
- **GPS**  Global Positioning System
- **IETF**  Internet Engineering Task Force
- **IP**  Internet Protocol
- **IPv6**  Internet Protocol version 6
- **ITS**  Intelligent Transportation Systems
- **LLC**  logical link control
LSAP  link service access point
MAC  medium access control
MIB  management information base
MLME  MAC sublayer management entity
MTU  maximum transmission unit
NSAP  network service access point
OBU  onboard unit
OVHI  OBU to vehicle host interface
PDU  protocol data unit
PHY  physical layer
PLME  physical layer management entity
PSC  Provider Service Context
PSID  Provider Service Identifier
PST  Provider Service Table
RA  receiver address
RCPI  Received Channel Power Indicator
RFC  Request for Comments
RSU  roadside unit
SA  source address
SAP  service access point
SCH  service channel
SME  Station Management Entity
SSID  Service Set Identifier
Ta  Transmitter Address
TCP  Transmission Control Protocol
UDP  User Datagram Protocol
UTC  Coordinated Universal Time
WAVE  Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments
WBSS  WAVE basic service set
WME  WAVE management entity
WRA  WAVE Routing Advertisement
WSA  WAVE Service Advertisement
WSIE  WAVE service information element
WSM  WAVE short message
WSMP  WAVE short message protocol
4. General description

WAVE provides a communication protocol stack optimized for the vehicular environment, employing both customized and general-purpose elements. The components of the protocol stack, as defined in standards, are shown in Figure 1.

This clause provides an overview of the WAVE system architecture and operations. WAVE components, along with an identification of defining specifications, are illustrated in Figure 1 and described below. The architectural components, including WAVE networking services, lower layers, upper layers, and radio service security, are introduced in 4.1. In 4.2, the different communications methods and device types supported by the system are described. Subclause 4.3 describes how the system operates in performing specific functions.

![Figure 1—WAVE standards](image)

4.1 The WAVE system

WAVE networking services provides LLC, network, and transport layer functions. The general WAVE protocol stack, from the perspective of WAVE networking services, is shown in Figure 2. The stack consists of the following:

- Data plane, which contains the communication protocols and hardware used for delivering data. The data plane carries traffic primarily generated by, or destined for, applications. It also carries traffic between management plane entities on different machines, or between management plane entities and applications (e.g., for notification). Throughout this document, descriptions assume that all the WAVE protocol entities shown in Figure 2 reside in a single physical device, but this need not be the case.

- Management plane, which performs system configuration and maintenance functions. Management functions employ the data plane services to pass management traffic between devices. Specific Management Entities are defined for certain individual layers, e.g., physical layer management entity (PLME), and MAC layer management entity (MLME). The WAVE management entity (WME) is a more general collection of management services. Note that the WME provides its management interface to all data plane entities, including WSMP, though this is not explicitly illustrated in Figure 2 and elsewhere.
The WAVE networking services management and data plane are described in more detail in 4.1.1.

4.1.1 WAVE networking services

WAVE networking services is defined in this specification and consists of the data plane’s middle layers and most of the management plane (the WME) as shown by the dashed lines in Figure 2. These are introduced in 4.1.1.1 and 4.1.1.2 and specified in Clause 5 and Clause 6.

4.1.1.1 Data services

Data plane components of WAVE networking services are specified in Clause 5, and consist of the following:
- Logical Link Control (LLC)
- Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6)
- User Datagram Protocol (UDP) and Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)
- WAVE short message (WSM) and protocol (WSMP)

4.1.1.2 Management services

Management plane components of WAVE networking services are specified in Clause 6, and consist of the following:
- Application registration
- WBSS management
- Channel usage monitoring
- IPv6 configuration
- Received Channel Power Indicator (RCPI) monitoring
4.1 Lower layers

4.1.2 Lower layers

Lower layers are the medium access control (MAC) and physical layers (PHY). They are defined in IEEE Std 802.11 as amended by IEEE P802.11p and also in IEEE Std 1609.4 (defining multi-channel operation).

4.1.3 Upper layers

WAVE is intended to provide support for a range of existing and yet-to-be developed upper layer entities and applications. WAVE provides an interface in support of the functions required by the applications, such as data transfer, WBSS management, system configuration, and notification. The interfaces are defined in terms of primitives in Clause 7.

4.1.4 WAVE service security

WAVE security services provide features such as authentication of control information. The security functions are performed in conjunction with WAVE networking services processing, and specified in IEEE Std 1609.2.

4.1.5 External entities

The WAVE standards, which specifically address communications over the radio medium, can be used in a system that also supports external entities (i.e., not connected to the air interface), such as vehicle-based host processors or remote servers accessed via the Internet.

4.2 WAVE system attributes

This subclause describes important aspects of the WAVE system, which is provided as a base for better understanding the material in subsequent clauses.

4.2.1 Channel types

For the purposes of this standard, WAVE distinguishes between two classes of radio channel: a single control channel (CCH), and multiple service channels (SCH). By default, WAVE devices operate on the CCH, which is reserved for short, high-priority application and system control messages. Service channel visits are arranged between devices via a WBSS in support of general-purpose application data transfers. See IEEE Std 1609.4 for more information.

4.2.2 Communication protocols

WAVE accommodates two protocol stacks: standard Internet Protocol (IPv6) and the unique WAVE short message protocol (WSMP) designed for optimized operation in the WAVE environment. WAVE short messages (WSMs) may be sent on any channel. IP traffic is allowed only on SCHs. In addition to these traffic types, system management frames are sent on the CCH as described in IEEE Std 1609.4.

The WSMP allows applications to directly control physical layer characteristics, e.g., channel number and transmitter power, used in transmitting the messages. A sending application also provides the MAC address of the destination device, including the possibility of a broadcast address. WSMs are delivered to the correct application at a destination based on Provider Service Identifier (PSID). WSMs are designed to consume minimal channel capacity and are allowed on both the CCH and SCHs.
4.2.3 Communication service types

Applications can choose to send their traffic in the context of a WAVE BSS (WBSS, see IEEE P802.11p). If the applications do not employ a WBSS, their communication options are limited to WSMs sent on the CCH. Participating on a WBSS allows applications to use either WSMs or IP traffic on the SCH associated with that WBSS.

A WBSS is established to support traffic to/from specific applications, and its presence is announced for other devices with compatible applications to join. A persistent WBSS is announced periodically, and could be used to support an ongoing service of indefinite duration, such as general Internet access. A non-persistent WBSS is announced only on WBSS initiation, and might be used to support a WBSS with limited duration.

More on the use of WBSS in WAVE is found in IEEE Std 1609.4.

4.2.4 Device WBSS roles

Devices take the role of either provider or user on a given WBSS. This is determined by the role chosen by the requesting application. The provider device generates the announcements that inform other devices of the existence of the WBSS and the presence of the associated application service(s). The user role is assumed by any devices that join the WBSS based on receipt of the announcement. A device may change roles as it participates on different WBSSs over time. Application roles are covered in Clause 6. The terms provider and user do not imply any particular behavior of the applications once the WBSS is initiated or joined.

The WBSS announcement indicates the presence of one or more applications providing services. A user of such services joins the WBSS for all of the application services that apply, thus allowing a single device to simultaneously support multiple applications. Also, a service provider could have multiple users joined with the WBSS at any one time, each of which uses any possible combination of the application services being provided.

4.2.5 Priorities

The concept of priority is used in multiple ways. Applications have an application priority level, which is used by WAVE networking services to help decide which applications have first access to the communication services. An example of a conflict would be two applications, each with the concurrent need to announce or join a WBSS on a different channel. In this situation, WME would use application priority to choose which application(s) to service, as specified in Clause 6. In addition, the lower layers use a separate MAC transmission priority to prioritize packets for transmission on the medium. IP packets are assigned the MAC priority associated with the traffic class of the generating application. The MAC priority for WSM packets is assigned by the generating application on a packet-by-packet basis. Any relationship between application and transmission values is within the application, and outside the scope of this standard. See IEEE Std 1609.4 for more on MAC transmission priority.

4.2.6 Device types

WAVE defines two device types: roadside unit (RSU), and onboard unit (OBU). These can be thought of as stationary and mobile devices, respectively. RSUs and OBUs can be either a provider or a user of services. While a unit may switch between being a provider and a user of a particular service, it cannot be both simultaneously.
4.2.7 Channel coordination

Transmit and receive operation on WAVE control and service channels is coordinated based on sync intervals that are synchronized using a common system time base that is preferably generated by a global time reference (e.g., UTC/GPS). A sync interval is composed of a CCH interval followed by a SCH interval. During the CCH interval, all devices monitor the CCH. Devices participating in a WBSS exchange data on the designated SCH for that WBSS. See IEEE Std 1609.4 for more information.

4.3 WAVE system operations

This subclause describes fundamental WAVE operations from a system point of view, and provides an introduction to the normative material found in Clause 6. The interactions of the applications and the WAVE networking services’ WAVE management entity (WME) are given particular attention.

The objective of WAVE is to provide communication services to applications. To do so, it provides two communications methods, or protocol stacks: WSMP and IPv6. WSMP is unique to this standard and is expected to be used by specialized applications. Applications using WSMP may initiate a WBSS to make a SCH available for their use, but this is not required since WSMs may be exchanged on the CCH.

The set of channels on which WBSSs may be initiated is contained in the WME MIB. These channels may be dependent upon the regulatory domain in which the unit is operating.

An OBU may initiate a WBSS on the channel identified in 6.3 and entered in the WME MIB.

Prior to initiating or joining a WBSS, an application registers with the WME as described in 4.3.4.

4.3.1 Operation without a WBSS

Data exchanges without a WBSS use WSMP on the CCH only. The following is a scenario involving WSMP use without a WBSS:

a) A source application composes WSM data for transmission, and addresses it to the broadcast MAC address. Based on its configuration, the application selects appropriate radio channel information (power level, data rate) to control the transmission, and passes the resulting WSM request primitive (WSM-WaveShortMessage.request) to the WSMP for delivery to the lower layers and subsequent transmission on the CCH.

b) A receiving device accepts the packet and passes it up the communication stack. WSMP delivers it to locally registered application(s), based on PSID. At this point, the receiving application knows the existence and address of the provider device, and can continue the exchange on the CCH if desired, using either unicast or broadcast addresses, as appropriate.

4.3.2 Operation with a WBSS

A WBSS consists of time and frequency (channel) resources, at some set of participating devices within communication range, allocated to support one or more applications. The WBSS is initiated at the request of the application at one device (the provider), and announced on the CCH.

As described in IEEE Std 1609.4, WAVE supports two types of WBSS: persistent and non-persistent—the distinction being that a persistent WBSS is announced during CCH interval, and a non-persistent WBSS is announced only on initiation. A usage of the persistent WBSS would be to offer an ongoing service to any devices that come into range. A usage of the non-persistent WBSS would be to support an on-demand service. Since an OBU does not need to offer services to devices beyond the local area (i.e., having global IPv6 Prefix), a provider OBU announces only IPv6 link local addresses to identify its service provider hosts.
This prevents any disruption of service provided by the OBU as it moves and its coverage area changes. An RSU identifies its providers via either local or global addresses.

4.3.2.1 The WAVE service information element (WSIE)

Applications offering services to potential user applications are announced on the air interface via a WAVE service information element (WSIE) inside a WAVE announcement frame. The WSIE is composed as shown in Figure 3 and described below.

Figure 3—Building the WSIE

The process of creating a WSIE and transmitting it is initiated when an application requests to initiate a WBSS and offer services. On receipt of the WME-Application.request, the WME builds an MLME-WSA.request, to start the WBSS. The WSA is built as follows; see Figure 4. Additional details are found in 6.2.1.1, IEEE Std 1609.4, and IEEE P802.11p.

1) Prior to operation (e.g., at network configuration), system parameters are loaded into the provider device’s WME MIB, including operational channels and their characteristics, and (if applicable) a WAVE Routing Advertisement (WRA) containing IP network configuration info.

2) Applications register their parameters with the WME; the WME enters the parameters into the WME MIB. Provider services include their channel of operation, address information, and application priority; user services include a ConfirmBeforeJoin flag. See 4.3.4 for a discussion of registration.

3) A provider application may request a WBSS initiation, including a ProviderServiceContext, and the Repeats (number of announcement repetitions per CCH visit) and Persistence characteristics used by MLME.

4) The WME generates a WAVE Service Advertisement (WSA), which will be transmitted to potential service users. The WME collects the application information describing the services being offered, previously registered in its MIB, and channel information describing the WBSS characteristics, also from the MIB, and inserts them into the WSA. Additional parameters are set as specified in 6.2.1.1 and 7.2.1. This combination of data is known as the Provider Service Table. In addition, if a WAVE Routing Advertisement (WRA) exists in the MIB, it is included in the WSA.
5) The WSA is signed, guaranteeing its validity, with security header and trailer added, per IEEE Std 1609.2.

6) The secured WSA is provided to MLME in the announcement request. MLME adds a parameter reflecting the quality of its timing information, to be used in the receiving devices’ synchronization function, with the resulting collection known as a WAVE service information element (WSIE). (The timing information itself is within the MAC header.) At this point, over-the-air headers and footers are added and the frame is ready for transmission.

Figure 4—Building the WSA

4.3.2.2 WBSS initiation

This subclause provides a description of WBSS initiation from the application perspective, and ignores some of the detailed processing at lower layers, such as addressing, security credentials, and time synchronization verification. A WBSS is triggered by a provider application via a request to the WME (WME-Application.request). The request specifies the provider service context, the persistence, the destination MAC address (individual or broadcast) of the intended recipient devices, the number of announcement repetitions per CCH visit, and the SCH to be used. (Optionally, the request directs the WME to choose the “best available” SCH.) These WBSS parameters are transmitted over the air in a WAVE announcement frame, in the Provider Service Table component of the WAVE service information element (WSIE). See Figure 3 and Figure 17.

After the WAVE Announcement is accepted by the lower layers on the receiving device, the receiving WME checks whether any of the provider applications identified by PSIDs in the WSA are of interest to any locally registered user applications. When a PSID match is found (and assuming the WME’s check of credentials, priority, etc., are satisfied), the WME will take one of two actions, depending again on an application registration parameter. In the simple case, the WME will generate the necessary MAC primitives to cause the local device to join the WBSS and to set lower layer configuration parameters appropriately to
support communications on the WBSS. Alternately, if the application has chosen to do so, it confirms the joining of the WBSS. This gives the user application an additional level of control, for example allowing it to decline to participate in a service if it has recently accomplished any objectives it might have on that WBSS. When it causes the local device to join the WBSS, the WME sends a notification of this fact to the affected application(s).

The announcement frame containing the WSIE is the only WAVE message sent over-the-air when setting up a WBSS; there is no lower-layer over-the-air coordination used to confirm WBSS initiation.

4.3.2.3 WBSS communications

Upon receipt of the notification from the WME informing it of the WBSS initiation, an application (whether provider or user) is free to generate data packets (WSM or IP) for transmission on the SCH. Any received packets destined for the application will be delivered to the application via the (WSMP or IP) stack. The WBSS remains active at the local device until it is ended as described in 4.3.2.4.

4.3.2.4 WBSS termination

Once a WBSS is active at a device (i.e., initiated by a provider or joined by a user), it remains active at that device until it is locally terminated. There is no protocol exchange over the air interface to confirm the termination of a WBSS. The WME communicates the termination decision to MLME so that it can take action, and also to the affected applications through a notification. The WME terminates participation on a WBSS for any of the following reasons:

- All applications have indicated the completion of their activities on the WBSS, i.e., the WBSS is no longer in use by locally-registered applications (6.2.4.1).
- Participation on a conflicting WBSS (e.g., on another channel) is required to support a higher priority application (6.2.1.2).
- A user device may terminate its participation in the WBSS if the lower layer indicates the SCH has been idle (6.2.4.2), implying an irrecoverable loss of the WBSS.

4.3.2.5 Adding and subtracting services from a WBSS

A non-persistent WBSS is announced only when it is initiated by the provider. It uses a unicast or broadcast MAC address for its announcement. Since there is no ongoing announcement, user devices not receiving the announcement are not expected to join the non-persistent WBSS throughout its existence. There is no provision for provider applications to be added to a non-persistent WBSS once it has been initiated.

For a persistent WBSS, on the other hand, the provider MAC generates announcements every CCH interval. Different sets of applications may be offered over time on the same WBSS, i.e., the contents of the announced Provider Service Table may be dynamic. To support this feature, the announcement's destination MAC address is constrained to be the broadcast address. Applications come and go from the provider's WBSS as triggered by the application request primitive. The WME will update the announcement information in the MLME MIB when the WSA information changes (as it does when updated security credentials are generated), indicating a change in service. The provider WME ends the persistent WBSS under the conditions described in 4.3.2.4.

Applications come and go from the provider’s WBSS as triggered by the application request primitive from the provider application. This is accomplished through the application request primitive (WME-Application.request), with the WME maintaining the active/inactive status of each application. The user device WME will join and end local participation on the WBSS as required based on the application’s status.
4.3.3 Addresses and Identifiers in WAVE

There are several addresses and identifiers used to route traffic to devices and applications in the WAVE system. These are described in 4.3.3.1 through 4.3.3.4 and used throughout the document.

4.3.3.1 MAC address

Each device operating in an IEEE 802® network, such as IEEE 802.11 or IEEE 802.3, is assigned a MAC (layer 2) address that is used in transferring packets across a data link. A device has one MAC address per physical interface, e.g., a device with both WAVE and Ethernet interfaces will have a MAC address for each. The MAC address is 48 bits. Besides unicast addresses, a broadcast MAC destination address is supported. Use of multicast MAC addressing is permitted, but not required. MAC addresses can change as a result of external (external to this standard) requests.

In WAVE, MAC addresses are used in several ways, but primarily in delivering packets over the air to the addressed physical layer. MAC addresses of service provider devices are included in the service advertisements to facilitate the delivery of packets through WAVE devices that act as portals between external links (e.g., Ethernet) and the WAVE air interface.

4.3.3.2 IP address

Each device operating as an IP host or router has one or more IP (layer 3) addresses. IPv6 distinguishes between the global address type and the link-local address type. A given device can have both. Global addresses are assumed globally unique, share a prefix with the network to which they are attached, and allow packets to be routed across multiple interconnected networks. Link-local addresses are derived by the device and are not assumed to be globally unique, and can only be used within the scope of a single network, i.e., are not routable. IPv6 also supports special multicast addresses.

IP addresses of service provider devices are included in the service advertisements (if the application uses IP-based services).

4.3.3.3 Protocol/port

Most applications running over IP in a WAVE environment are expected to use UDP (rather than TCP) for their transport layer protocol because it matches well with the connectionless nature of WAVE transmissions. (UDP is not intrinsically more efficient than TCP. It is a matter of the most appropriate Protocol for the job at hand.) In order to deliver an IP packet to an application through UDP (or TCP), its port number must be known. The port number can be chosen by the application from any available in the device.

Port numbers of service provider applications are included in the service advertisements (if the application uses IP-based services).

4.3.3.4 Application identification

Applications are higher layer entities that employ the WAVE communications stack. From the point of view of networking services, each application is uniquely identified by a Provider Service Identifier (PSID).

The PSID and Provider Service Context (PSC) of service provider applications are included in the service advertisements. Received PSIDs are compared to those registered at the receiving user devices to determine whether a WBSS is of potential interest to the user devices. The PSC is associated with a PSID and contains supplementary information, e.g., version number, specific to that service. It can be used by the user application to determine whether the WBSS should be joined.
4.3.4 Application registration

In order to operate in a WAVE environment, an application registers with the WME, using the interface primitives in 7.2.6. Applications register as either service providers (applications that can initiate a WBSS) or service users (applications that can join a WBSS) or both.

4.4 Distribution system (DS) portal at roadside unit

IEEE Std 802.11 describes a portal function between the wireless network and a distribution system (e.g., wireline local area network). All addresses mentioned in this subclause are MAC addresses. For OBU and RSU all addresses mentioned in this subclause are WAVE MAC address. This standard supports a system configured with portal function at the RSU, between the WAVE network and a wired network. It does not explicitly support, but also does not preclude, a portal function at the OBU, connecting the WAVE network to the OBU to vehicle host interface (OVHI). Figure 5 illustrates the support for portals in this standard.

![Figure 5—RSU Portal Function](image)

The portal approach operates at the Data Link layer of the protocol stack, and thus employs MAC addressing for packet delivery. Three packet delivery and addressing scenarios are accommodated, accounting for four possible device roles: transmitter and receiver (on the wireless link), and packet source and destination (if different from the transmitter or receiver). The transmitter and source roles can be performed by the same device, depending on whether a portal is employed on the sending side. Likewise, the receiver and destination roles can be performed by the same device, depending on whether a portal is employed on the receiving side. These roles are indicated in the packet header by the FromDS and ToDS flags, which respectively indicate whether the source is different from the transmitter and the destination different from the receiver.

The use of the parameters in the MAC header is specified in IEEE Std 802.11 and summarized for the WAVE application in Table 1. The BSSID is assumed in this discussion to be equivalent to the address of the RSU. Note that the fourth scenario (involving an OVHI Host and both DS flags set) is not explicitly supported by this standard and is not shown in the table.
The first scenario involves a packet passed only on the WAVE link, i.e., no DS, either from RSU to OBU, OBU to RSU, or OBU to OBU. In this case, both ToDS and FromDS are 0, and only the SA and DA are used. The SA indicates the transmitter of the packet, to which the DA responds with an acknowledgement.

In the second scenario, the OBU generates a packet for a Host reached via a distribution system (e.g., Ethernet) connected to the RSU. In this case, ToDS is set, the OBU inserts its own MAC address in Address2 and the RSU’s address (BSSID) in Address1. Address3 is set to the Host’s address if the Host is on the DS; it is set to the Router’s address if the Host is reached via the Router. The RSU acknowledges the packet on the WAVE interface and relays it to the DS for delivery to the Host or Router.

In the third scenario, the Host behind the RSU generates a packet for the OBU. Now, the FromDS flag is set, Address1 is set to the OBU’s address (or broadcast address), and Address2 is set to the RSU’s address (BSSID). Address3 is set to the address of the Host if the Host is on the DS; it is set to the Router’s address if the Host is reached via the Router.

The three flows are described in more detail in the following paragraphs.

### Scenario 1: Service advertised by RSU or OBU, No DS

In the first scenario (illustrated in Figure 6), a WAVE device (here assumed to be an RSU) offering a service sends the advertisement to the broadcast (or multicast) MAC address. ProviderDeviceAddressing in the WAVE Service Advertisement is set to “Provider device is same as announcement device”. Any packets sent

#### Table 1—Use of IEEE 802.11 MAC header fields

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Scenario</th>
<th>ToDS</th>
<th>FromDS</th>
<th>Address 1</th>
<th>Address 2</th>
<th>Address 3</th>
<th>Address 4</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>No DS</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>DA</td>
<td>SA</td>
<td>BSSID</td>
<td>Not used</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DS on receiving side</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>BSSID (RSU)</td>
<td>SA (OBU)</td>
<td>DA (Host or Router)</td>
<td>Not used</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DS on sending side</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>DA (OBU)</td>
<td>BSSID (RSU)</td>
<td>SA (Host or Router)</td>
<td>Not used</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

RSU-RSU communications are not specifically addressed by this standard though they are not prohibited by it either.
in response to the announcing device carry the address of the responder. After this exchange, packets can be addressed with unicast addresses in both directions.

Scenario 2: Service advertised by RSU, provider host on DS

In this case, illustrated in Figure 7, the RSU generates the broadcast (or multicast) WAVE Service Advertisement, including the IP and MAC addresses of the provider host, and port number of the provider application. ProviderDeviceAddressing is set to “Provider device is not the same as announcement device.” Any responding device sets to the provider host device address in the Address3 field of the MAC header, inserting the received RSU address in Address1, and its own address is Address2, and setting the ToDS flag as shown in the second scenario in Table 1. The RSU relays the packet over the DS to the Host.

After receiving the response, the Host can transmit to the OBU over the DS. The RSU, as DS portal, relays the packets on the WAVE airlink, setting the FromDS flag, as shown in the third scenario of Table 1. Address1 is set to the received OBU address; Address2 is set to the received RSU address; Address3 is set to the Host’s own address.

Subsequent packets between the two devices are sent similarly.

Scenario 3: Service advertised by RSU, provider host beyond DS

In this case, illustrated in Figure 8, the RSU generates the broadcast (or multicast) WAVE Service Advertisement, including the IP address of the provider host, the port number of the provider application,
and the MAC addresses of the router providing egress from the DS. ProviderDeviceAddressing is set to “Provider device is not the same as announcement device.”

Any responding OBU replies using the provider’s IPv6 address, setting the ToDS flag as shown in the second scenario in Table 1. The OBU inserts the router device address in the Address3 field of the MAC header, the received RSU address in Address1, and its own address is Address2. The packet is relayed to the router on the DS by the RSU portal function, and is ultimately delivered to the provider via layer 3 routing.

The Host can then communicate with the OBU via the OBU IPv6 address. The packet reaches the RSU over the DS via layer 3 routing. The RSU portal function relays the packet to the WAVE airlink using the FromDS flag, as shown in the third scenario of Table 1. Address1 is set to the previously-received OBU address; Address2 is set to the RSU’s own address; Address3 is set to the router’s address received over the DS.

Subsequent packets between the two devices are sent similarly.

![Figure 8—Non-DS host service information exchange scenario](image)

**4.5 IPv6 Neighbor Cache**

IPv6 has provisions for neighbor discovery in which a Neighbor Cache is populated with IP addresses and associated MAC addresses of devices within communications range. This is accomplished via a multicast-response mechanism, as specified in RFC 2461, and generates a substantial amount of traffic on the channel. For WAVE implementations, it is desirable to keep traffic on the control channel to a minimum, so alternate methods for generating the Neighbor Cache are defined. Note that neighbor discovery is not precluded in cases where it might be needed.

In a WAVE system, the population of the Neighbor Cache is accomplished based on the information in received packets that contain both MAC and IP addresses. Upon joining a WBSS, a user host participating in a non-routed service (i.e., one where packets to the service provider do not transit a router) adds an entry to its Neighbor Cache for the service provider, if possible. If the service is routed, the user host adds an entry to its Neighbor Cache for the gateway router, if possible. In addition, a WAVE device learns Neighbor Cache associations from ICMPv6 and IPv6 PDUs received from a link-local IPv6 address by associating the source IP address with the SA MAC address from the MAC header.

**4.6 Security considerations**

IEEE Std 1609.2 provides WAVE security services. The services applicable to this document include the following:

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a) Signing of service advertisements
b) Validation of service advertisements

Other aspects of security are outside the scope of WAVE and are expected to be provided by system implementers (e.g., protection of sensitive data stores and configuration items such as the MIB).

5. Data plane services

This clause specifies the components of the data plane, which are optimized for air interface efficiency and low latency in support of vehicular applications. The WSMP layer is unique to this standard and supports a mechanism that provides direct control over power, and data rate on a frame-by-frame basis. WSMP also allows applications to identify the radio channel. An IPv6 protocol stack is also provided, with UDP chosen as the primary transport protocol because of its low overhead and latency. The primitives defined for exchanging information between the data plane components are described in Clause 7.

5.1 Logical Link Control (LLC)

WAVE Networking Service shall support the connectionless unacknowledged Type 1 Operation of the LLC as specified in IEEE Std 802.2, the Subnetwork Access Protocol specified in IEEE Std 802, and the standard for transmission of IP datagrams over IEEE 802 networks specified in RFC 1042. Different Ethernet Type (EtherType) values identify the different network layer protocols used in WAVE. WAVE use of EtherType is also described in IEEE Std 1609.4. IPv6 type packets received from the lower layers with an Ethernet Type value of 0x86DD are delivered to the IPv6 protocol. WSM packets received from the lower layers with an Ethernet Type of 0x88DC are delivered to the WSM protocol. IPv6 packets for transmission shall have Ethernet Type set to 0x86DD. WSM packets for transmission shall have Ethernet Type set to 0x88DC.

5.2 Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6)

WAVE networking services shall support the IPv6 as specified in RFC 2460. Related features defined in other RFCs are specified in 6.4.

5.3 User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

WAVE networking services shall support UDP as specified in RFC 768.

5.4 Optional protocols, including Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)

WAVE networking services may support TCP as specified in RFC 793. Manufacturers may elect to implement any suitable IETF specification to enhance the performance or capabilities of their devices under the condition that such additions do not compromise interoperability with other WAVE devices.

5.5 WAVE Short Message (WSM) Protocol

WAVE short messages can be delivered to multiple destinations. Applications take responsibility for message signing (per IEEE Std 1609.2) and providing the channel information for transmission.

Implementations of WSMP shall support a WSM forwarding function as specified in the following paragraphs.
On receipt of WSM-WaveShortMessage.request, WSMP shall verify the length of WSM Data is less than the value of the WME MIB parameter WsmMaxLength. The WSM-WaveShortMessage.request may be received from a local application or from a remote application via the forwarding function’s UDP port, as specified in the WME MIB. Upon verification of WsmMaxLength, WSMP shall pass it to the LLC layer for air interface transmission by means of DL-UNITDATA.request. Otherwise, WSM Data is not passed.

On receipt of DL-UNITDATA.indication from LLC, WSMP shall pass it to the destination application, as determined by the PSID, in the form of a WSM-WaveShortMessage.indication. The destination application may reside on the WAVE device, or on a separate device, in which case the application registration will have indicated how to perform delivery via the UDP/IP stack, using the address and port number from the UserServiceInfo.

6. Management plane services

The following subclauses specify the services associated with the management plane. In general, introductory and descriptive information is found in the higher-level subclauses with requirements following. The primitives defined for exchanging information between the WME and other system components are described in Clause 7.

6.1 Application registration

Before they will be supported by management plane services, e.g., WBSS establishment, or IP-based data plane services, applications register with the WME. An application residing off the WAVE device may need to be registered as a user application so that WME can forward received WSM data to the correct IP address and port. The registration information is used as specified in 7.2.6 to populate three MIB structures as specified in the list below. See Annex A and Annex B for a specification of MIB contents.

- **ProviderServiceInfo**. This MIB structure contains the application information that is used (in conjunction with the application’s request and the pre-configured channel information) to generate the announcements that will initiate and advertise a WBSS in support of the application’s service offering. Each registered provider application has an entry PstEntry in this table. In the case of OBUs, only link-local addresses (as defined in RFC 3513) shall be accepted in the IPv6Address of the PstEntry.

- **UserServiceInfo**. This MIB structure is used in detecting whether a received service advertisement is of interest to applications supported by the local device. It is not sent over the air. Each registered user application has an entry UstEntry in this table.

- **ApplicationStatusTable**. This MIB structure shall be initialized at registration, and used locally in the maintenance of the WBSSs that support application traffic. Each registered application has an entry in this table.

In addition, information about the radio channels available for use by the device are entered directly into the MIB (i.e., not through the registration process), in the form of the ChannelInfo.

Each application registers with a unique PSID.

6.1.1 Adding registration entries

Upon receipt of WME-ApplicationRegistration.request, with RegistrationAction indicating an addition, the WME verifies that a unique record is being requested. For a PstEntry, the request shall be accepted if the ProviderServiceIdentifier in the request does not already exist in the WME MIB ProviderServiceInfo. For a UstEntry, the request shall be accepted if the ProviderServiceIdentifier in the request does not already exist in the WME MIB UserServiceInfo.
If a registration request is accepted, WME shall send a WME-ApplicationRegistration.confirm to the requesting application indicating the result. If a registration request is not accepted, WME shall send a WME-ApplicationRegistration.confirm to the requesting application indicating the reason for the rejection.

When a WME-ApplicationRegistration.request is accepted, WME shall place the contained service information (PstEntry or UstEntry) in the appropriate WME MIB structure.

In conjunction with the service table entry, each registered application has a corresponding ApplicationStatusTable entry, which is added and removed at the same time as the application’s service table entry, and maintained as specified in 6.2.5. If present, the NotificationIPv6Address and NotificationPort from the WME-ApplicationRegistration.request shall be placed in the ApplicationStatusTable entry. If present, the ApplicationPriority from the WME-ApplicationRegistration.request shall be placed in the ApplicationStatusTable entry.

6.1.2 Removing registration entries

Upon receipt of WME-ApplicationRegistration.request with RegistrationAction indicating a removal, the WME shall delete any WME MIB service information with the same ProviderServiceIdentifier. If the ApplicationStatusTable changes from having one application with ApplicationStatus of Active, to having no applications Active, the WME ends the current WBSS as specified in 6.2.4.

6.2 WBSS management

Upon determining that an application requires service, via a WSA request from a remote device or a request from a local application, the WME may initiate a WBSS. No more than one WBSS shall be established or joined by a WAVE device in support of a given application at a given time. There are several processes involved in WME WBSS management. These are illustrated in Figure 9 and specified in 6.2.1 through 6.2.5.

Figure 9—WBSS transitions
6.2.1 Link establishment

Based on an application request, a WAVE device may establish a WBSS on an SCH, and announce its presence on the CCH for other devices to join that WBSS. WBSSs are initiated based on application priority and the availability of radio resources. This subclause specifies the establishment of a new WBSS; modifications to an existing persistent WBSS are specified in 6.2.2.

Information flows for WBSS initiation are illustrated in Figure 10; processing is specified in 6.2.1.1 and 6.2.1.2.

![Figure 10—WBSS initiation sequence chart](image)

6.2.1.1 Provider side processing

This subclause specifies the WME processing on the initiation of a WBSS at the request of a provider application. In summary, the request will fail and result in a negative confirmation message in any of the following cases:

- If the request fails WME checks for format, content, or priority.
- If the request fails MLME service-related checks.
- In the case of a request for an IPv6 service, if the request fails MLME transmitter-setup-related checks.

If the request does not fail any of these checks, WME responds with a positive confirmation message, and a notification indicating WBSS active.

Upon receipt of a WME-Application.request with RequestType equal to Active from an application in the ProviderServiceInfo, the WME shall start the link establishment processing specified here. The WME confirms each WME-Application.request with a WME-Application.confirm indicating whether the request has been accepted by the WME and MLME, or whether the request has been rejected.
The WME shall initiate WBSSs based on the priority of the requesting application. If the WME accepts the request, it shall generate an MLME-WSA.request as specified in 6.2.1.1.1. If the resulting MLME-WSA.confirm does not indicate a failure and if the MLME-WSA.request contains IPv6Address in its ProviderServiceInfo, the WME shall also send an MLME-REGISTERTXPROFILE.request populated as specified in 6.2.1.1.2. If either the MLME-WSA.confirm or the MLME-REGISTERTXPROFILE.confirm does not indicate success, the WME shall stop processing the request, and shall indicate the failure to the requesting application in the WME-Application.confirm.

In order to free radio resources to accept a new higher priority WBSS, it may be necessary for the WME to preempt an active lower priority WBSS. Any WBSSs that are preempted by higher priority services shall be ended by the WME as specified in 6.2.4.3.

The WME shall reject requests from applications that are not registered in the ProviderServiceInfo, or which have ChannelNumber that does not appear in the MIB ChannelInfo. The WME shall reject requests for WBSSs that cannot be initiated, e.g., due to lack of available channel resources, or lack of sufficient priority. If the WME rejects the request, it shall generate a WME-Application.confirm indicating the appropriate ReasonCode and stop processing the request.

If neither the WSA nor the transmit profile registration request results in a failure, the WBSS is established. The WME shall set the application ApplicationStatus equal to Active in the ApplicationStatusTable entry, set the ProviderServiceContext in the ApplicationStatusTable entry equal to that in the WME-Application.request, and send the application WME-Notification.indication with Event code indicating LinkActive.

### 6.2.1.1.1 WBSS announcement parameters

The parameters in the MLME-WSA.request shall be set as follows:

**SSID.** This is the identifier of the WBSS. The default value from the WME MIB is used.

**BSSBasicRateSet.** The set of data rates must be supported by all devices to join this WBSS. This parameter is set equivalent to the DataRate value in the ChannelInfo associated with the channel set in the ServiceChannelNumber parameter.

**OperationalRateSet.** This defines the set of all possible data rates used on the WBSS. This parameter contains the DataRate value in the ChannelInfo associated with the channel set in the ServiceChannelNumber parameter. If the Adaptable flag is set in the ChannelInfo associated with the channel set in the ServiceChannelNumber parameter, then the ChannelInfo also contains any other data rates supported by the device (as specified in Annex B).

**ServiceChannelNumber.** This defines the channel of operation for this WBSS. If the ChannelSelection of the WBSS request is not Best-available-channel, ServiceChannelNumber is set to the channel number indicated by ChannelSelection. Otherwise, the ServiceChannelNumber is set as follows. The set of possible SCHs is the set of WAVE channels specified in IEEE P802.11p. The WME shall choose the channel that has least recently been received in a WSA within the allowed channels for that application, as specified in 6.3.

**Secured WSA.** This contains the information to be sent announcing the WBSS. The WME composes a WaveServiceAdvertisement per 8.1. The WaveServiceAdvertisement shall be digitally signed and secured per IEEE Std 1609.2 and the resulting secured WSA inserted into the request Secured WSA. The service information includes a Provider Service Table consisting of ProviderServiceInfo containing the PstEntry of the requesting application(s), and the ChannelInfo corresponding to any ChannelNumber(s) contained in the ProviderServiceInfo. If a WaveRoutingAdvertisement exists in the WME MIB, it shall be included in the WaveServiceAdvertisement to announce the availability of internetwork connectivity.


Peer MAC address. This contains the destination of the WBSS announcement. This parameter is copied from the WME-Application.request. If Persistence is True, Peer MAC address shall be set to the broadcast value of all ones (binary).

Repeats. This defines the number of times the MAC will repeat transmission of the WBSS announcement in a control channel interval. This parameter is copied from the WME-Application.request.

Persistence. This defines whether the MAC will repeat transmission of the WBSS announcement each control channel interval. This parameter is copied from the WME-Application.request.

6.2.1.1.2 Transmit profile registration parameters for provider

The parameters in the MLME-REGISTERTXPROFILE.request shall be set as follows:

ServiceChannelNumber is set to the ServiceChannelNumber indicated in the corresponding WSA as specified in 6.2.1.1.1.

Other parameters are set to the corresponding parameters within the ChannelInfo of the WaveServiceAdvertisement in the corresponding MLME-WSA.request, with the exception that PowerLevel is set to the TxPwr_Level.

6.2.1.2 User side processing

The recipient of the service advertisement performs the processing specified below, determining whether the WBSS being announced will be joined by the local device. Figure 11 illustrates the high-level decisions related to generation of service primitives in joining a WBSS. WBSS completion is specified in 6.2.4. If multiple applications from one WBSS are matched, the WME shall process these applications simultaneously based on transmission priority.
Figure 11—WME user side WBSS join primitives
WME actions on receipt of an MLME-WSA.indication, coupled with device configuration and WBSS characteristics, are illustrated in Figure 11 and specified in following subclauses. Reference numbers in the text refer to lines in Table 2.

The WME shall verify the Secured WSA within the received MLME-WSA.indication as specified in IEEE Std 1609.2. The result of the verification is returned to the MLME in a MLME-WSA.response. If the verification results in a failure (Ref. 1) the WME does not process the indication further.

The WME attempts to match each ProviderServiceIdentifier in the indication, with those in the WME MIB’s UserServiceInfo. If multiple applications are matched, the WME shall process applications on a priority basis, with the highest priority application serviced first, based on the ApplicationPriority in the received indication. Multiple matched applications with the same ChannelNumber may share the WBSS.

If no match is found, the WME takes no action (Ref. 2).

If a match is found, the ApplicationPriority of each matched application in the indication’s ProviderServiceInfo is compared with the ApplicationPriority of each application in the ApplicationStatusTable with ApplicationStatus of Active. If there is an active application with higher priority than any matched application, the WME takes no action (Ref. 3).

If a match is found, and there is no active application or no higher priority active application, and

a) Any of the matched applications was registered with the ConfirmBeforeJoin flag not set (Ref. 4), the WME shall join the WBSS as specified in 6.2.1.2.2. In the case of a pre-existing lower priority WBSS, the WME shall first end participation on that WBSS as specified in 6.2.4.3.

b) All of the matched applications were registered with the ConfirmBeforeJoin flag set (Ref. 5), the WME shall perform the WBSS confirmation specified in 6.2.1.2.1.

### 6.2.1.2.1 Confirming a WBSS

When confirming a WBSS, per the decisions specified in 6.2.1.2, the WME shall generate a WME-Application.indication to the matched application. The WME-Application.indication includes ProviderServiceContext, Peer MAC address, IPv6Address, and Persistence from the received announcement, if available. If the returned WME-Application.response has a LinkConfirm equal to Join WBSS, the WME shall join the WBSS as specified in 6.2.1.2.2. Otherwise, no action is required.

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Table 2—MLME-WSA.indication processing

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<tr>
<th>Ref. No.</th>
<th>Application match</th>
<th>Credentials OK</th>
<th>Pre-existing WBSS has priority</th>
<th>Confirm flag set</th>
<th>WME action</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>NO</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Don’t join</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>No match</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Don’t join</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Match</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Don’t join</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Match</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
<td>NO</td>
<td>Join</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Match</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>Confirm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

KEY:* = Don’t care
6.2.1.2.2 Joining a WBSS

When joining a WBSS, based on the decisions specified in 6.2.1.2, the WME shall generate an MLME-WAVEJOIN.request. If the returned MLME-JOIN.confirm does not indicate success, the WME stops processing the WBSS announcement.

If the returned MLME-WAVEJOIN.confirm does indicate success, and if the associated MLME-WSA.request contains IPv6Address in its ProviderServiceInfo, the WME shall also issue an MLME-REGISTERTXPROFILE.request as specified in 6.2.1.2.2. If the returned MLME-REGISTERTXPROFILE.confirm does not indicate success, the WME stops processing the WSA associated with the WBSS.

If neither the join request nor the transmit profile registration request results in a failure, the WBSS is joined. The WME shall set the application ApplicationStatus equal to Active, the ApplicationPriority and ProviderServiceContext equal to those in the received ProviderServiceInfo, in the ApplicationStatusTable, and send each affected application a WME-Notification.indication with Event code indicating LinkActive.

Upon WBSS establishment, if the MLME-WSA.indication includes a WaveRoutingAdvertisement, the WaveRoutingAdvertisement shall be processed as specified in 6.4.

6.2.1.2.2.1 WBSS join parameters

The parameters in the MLME-WAVEJOIN.request shall be set as follows:

— BSSID. This is the address that defines the WBSS. The value of Peer MAC address from the associated MLME-WSA.indication is used.

— SSID. This is the identifier of the WBSS. The SSID value from the associated MLME-WSA.indication is used.

— OperationalRateSet. This is the required data rate of the WBSS. The OperationalRateSet value from the associated MLME-WSA.indication is used.

— EDCA Parameter Set. This is defined in IEEE Std 802.11. The EDCA Parameter Set value from the associated MLME-WSA.indication is used.

— Secured WSA. This contains the channel information associated with the WBSS. The Secured WSA value from the associated MLME-WSA.indication is used.

— ChannelNumber. This is the service channel of the WBSS. The ChannelNumber value from the ProviderServiceInfo within the Secured WSA of the associated MLME-WSA.indication is used.

— TimeStamp. This is defined in IEEE Std 802.11. The TimeStamp value from the associated MLME-WSA.indication is used.

— Local Time. This is defined in IEEE Std 802.11. The Local Time value from the associated MLME-WSA.indication is used.

6.2.1.2.2.2 Transmit profile registration parameters for user

The parameters in the MLME-REGISTERTXPROFILE.request shall be set equal to the parameters in the ChannelInfo associated with the application information within the received WSA that was matched to a local application as described in 6.2.1.2. PowerLevel is set to the TxPwr_Level of the ChannelInfo.

6.2.2 Dynamic WBSS

The WME allows provider applications to be added to and removed from the periodic announcements on a persistent WBSS. An example of the information flow is illustrated in Figure 12, and specified in the following subclauses. Additionally, the PSC of an existing application may be modified during the course of an ongoing WBSS, illustrated in Figure 13. This has no direct effect on user applications already
participating on the service (since it can be expected that they are aware of the application context), but is available for applications considering whether to join the WBSS at other devices.

![Figure 12—Successful dynamic WBSS update](image)

**Figure 12—Successful dynamic WBSS update**

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**Figure 13—PSC update to ongoing service**

### 6.2.2.1 Provider side processing

Provider services may be added to an ongoing WBSS. If the device is already operating as a provider on a persistent WBSS, and a WME-Application.request is received with RequestType equal to Active, Persistence equal to True, and ChannelSelection either equal to Best available channel or to the ChannelNumber of the existing WBSS, the WME shall add the application’s ProviderServiceInfo to the WaveServiceAdvertisement that was used to initiate the WBSS. The WaveServiceAdvertisement shall be digitally signed and secured per IEEE Std 1609.2 and the resulting Secured WSA inserted into the MLME's MIB via an MLME-Set.request. If the Repeats value associated with the new request is higher than that currently associated with the WBSS, it shall also be written to the MLME MIB. The WME shall set the application’s ApplicationStatus equal to Active in the ApplicationStatusTable and send the application a WME-Notification.indication with Event code indicating WBSSActive.

Provider services may be removed from an ongoing WBSS. If the device is operating as a provider on a persistent WBSS, with more than one Active application, and a WME-Application.request is received from
one of those applications with RequestType equal to Inactive, the WME shall remove the application’s ProviderServiceInfo from the WaveServiceAdvertisement that was used to initiate the WBSS. The WaveServiceAdvertisement shall be digitally signed and secured per IEEE Std 1609.2 and the resulting Secured WSA inserted into the MLME’s MIB via an MLME-Set.request. If the Repeats value associated with the departing application is higher than that of any other application currently associated with the WBSS, the next-highest Repeats value (from the other Active applications’ WME-Application.requests) shall be written to the MLME MIB. The WME shall set the application ApplicationStatus equal to Inactive in the ApplicationStatusTable and send the application a WME-Notification.indication with Event code indicating WBSSTerminated.

The PSC of an application active on an ongoing WBSS may be modified. If the device is already operating as a provider on a persistent WBSS, and a WME-Application.request is received with ProviderServiceIdentifier equal to one of Active status, and with RequestType equal to UpdatePSC, Persistence equal to True, the WME shall replace the application’s ProviderServiceContext in the Secured WSA and insert it into the MLME’s MIB via an MLME-Set.request. The Secured WSA need not be re-signed if the secure contents have not changed.

6.2.2.2 User side processing

Changes in the services offered on a joined persistent WBSS (as well as changes in the credentials) will result in an MLME-WSAUpdate.indication to the WME. WME actions on receipt of an MLME-WSA.indication, coupled with device configuration and WBSS characteristics, are illustrated in Table 3. Reference numbers in the text refer to lines in Table 3.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Ref.</th>
<th>Application match</th>
<th>Credentials OK</th>
<th>Confirm flag set</th>
<th>WME action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>NO</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Ignore WSAUpdate</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Fewer matches (service lost)</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Set application Inactive</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Same matches (service retained)</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>No action</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>More matches (service gained)</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>Set application Active</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The WME shall verify the Secured WSA of a received MLME-WSAUpdate.indication as specified in IEEE Std 1609.2. The result of the verification is returned to the MLME in a MLME-WSAUpdate.response. If the verification result is not a success (Ref. 1), the WME shall take no further action.

The WME attempts to match each ProviderServiceIdentifier in the indication, with those in the WME MIB’s UserServiceInfo. A match is found if the ProviderServiceIdentifier of a local application match those in the announcement.

If there are any applications with ApplicationStatus equal to Active in the ApplicationStatusTable, which are not matched in the indication (Ref. 2), their status shall be set to Inactive. In the case of no applications matched, all applications going inactive will cause the WME to end operation on the WBSS as specified in 6.2.4.1.
For any active applications that are matched in the indication (Ref. 3), no action is required. (Note that receipt of a PSC change in an ongoing WBSS does not require WME to send a notification to the active user application.)

If a match is found with an application with inactive status (Ref. 4), the WME shall set that application’s status to Active, and send to the application a notification indicating LinkActive. Confirmation is not required, because the device is already operating on the WBSS.

6.2.3 WBSS credentials

The information in the service advertisement is only valid when coupled with time-sensitive security information that is generated during the signing process as described in 6.2.1.1.

6.2.3.1 Provider side processing

The credentials of a transmitted announcement are signed as specified in 6.2.1.1. In addition, for the case of a WBSS initiated by a WME-Application.request with Persistence equal to True, the WaveServiceAdvertisement shall be freshly signed within the time constraints specified in IEEE Std 1609.2, and the resulting Secured WSA inserted into the MLME MIB via an MLME-SET.request for use in announcement transmission.

6.2.3.2 User side processing

The credentials of a WSA received within a MLME-WSAUpdate.indication are verified as specified in 6.2.2.2. This verifies system information content validity during the operation of a WBSS, as well as verifying the source of timing information used by the MAC.

6.2.4 WBSS completion

The WME ends its participation in a WBSS based on decisions involving preemption by a higher priority application (6.2.1.2), application completion (6.2.4.1), application deregistration (6.1.2), or channel inactivity (6.2.4.2).

6.2.4.1 Application completion

An application may terminate its participation in a WBSS when it completes its activities. Upon receipt of a WME-Application.request with RequestType equal Inactive, the WME shall set the application’s ApplicationStatus in the ApplicationStatusTable to Inactive. Under conditions described throughout Clause 6, the WME may also set an application’s status to Inactive.

When the ApplicationStatusTable changes from having one or more applications with ApplicationStatus of Active, to having no applications Active, the WME shall end the current WBSS as specified in 6.2.4.3.

6.2.4.2 Channel inactivity monitoring

The MLME monitors channel activity and generates an internal indication if a channel of interest has been idle longer than a specified time. The timer expiry is indicated to the WME by the MLME as described in IEEE Std 1609.4. This function indicates to the WME that there is no activity on the current channel and that a user device should cease operation on the current WBSS.

Upon receipt of a MLME-CHANNELINACTIVITY.indication, for a WBSS on which it is active as a user, the WME shall end the WBSS as specified in 6.2.4.3.
6.2.4.3 Ending a WBSS

When ending a WBSS, based on the decisions specified throughout Clause 6, the WME shall generate an MLME-WAVEEND.request, as specified in 6.2.4.3.2 If an MLME-REGISTERTXPROFILE was used in joining or initiating the WBSS, the WME issues an MLME-DELETETXPROFILE.request, as specified in 6.2.4.3.3, prior to sending the MLME-WAVEEND.request. Additionally, for each application with status Active in the WME MIB’s ApplicationStatusTable, the WME shall generate a notification per 6.2.5.2, with Event code indicating LinkTerminated with the appropriate Reason code, and set the application’s ApplicationStatus in the ApplicationStatusTable to Inactive.

6.2.4.3.1 Releasing the IP configuration

If IP configuration processing (6.4) was performed when the WBSS was joined, then the WME shall cease use of the IP configuration parameters upon the ending of the WBSS.

6.2.4.3.2 WBSS end parameters

The parameters in the MLME-WAVEEND.request shall be set to the SSID and BSSID parameter values utilized in the corresponding MLME-WSA.request (provider) or MLME-WAVEJoin.request (user).

6.2.4.3.3 Transmit profile deletion parameters

The parameters in the MLME-DELETETXPROFILE.request shall be set as follows:

— ServiceChannelNumber. This identifies the service channel used in a WBSS, and is set to the value used in the MLME-REGISTERTXPROFILE.request used to initiate the corresponding WBSS.

6.2.5 Application WBSS status maintenance

6.2.5.1 Application status transitions

The WME maintains the status of each registered application, based on supporting WBSS status and application availability (as set by the application). Use of the ApplicationStatusTable is specified at appropriate places throughout Clause 6, described below, and illustrated in Figure 14. As a WME MIB item, its contents are shown in Table 4. Besides the application identification and status, this table includes the application priority, notification IP address, and port. The notification address and port are populated based on registration information, and may be used in routing notifications to the application. For applications in the ProviderServiceInfo, ApplicationPriority is set equal to the ApplicationPriority in the registration that populated the application’s service entry. For applications in the UserServiceInfo, ApplicationPriority is set equal to the ApplicationPriority in the WSA that triggered joining the WBSS.

Applications by default have status set to Inactive. The WME attempts to match received WSAs (in the MLME-WSA.indication) with locally registered applications in the UserServiceInfo, and when a match is found, may initiate a supporting WBSS as specified in 6.2.1.2.

While operating on a WBSS, applications have status set to Active. Active applications may generate traffic for transmission on service channels.

A user application may choose to become Unavailable rather than remove its registration information from the MIB. This is accomplished using the WME-Application.request primitive. Unavailable status indicates a user application does not require the WME to join a WBSS on its behalf. The WME shall treat an application with ApplicationStatus equal to Unavailable as if it is not present in the UserServiceInfo.
Upon receipt of WME-Application.request requesting Inactive or Unavailable status the WME shall set the status of the requesting application in the ApplicationStatusTable to the requested value, and performs other operations as specified in 6.2.2 and 6.2.4.1. Also, depending on current WBSS availability, the WME sets the status of an application to Active or Inactive as specified throughout Clause 6.

![Application status diagram]

**Figure 14—Application status**

### 6.2.5.2 Application notifications

The WME notifies applications when it changes their WBSS status. The WME-Notification.indication primitive is used to notify the affected application. The Event code LinkActive shall be sent when setting an application’s ApplicationStatus to Active. The Event code LinkTerminated shall be sent when setting an application’s ApplicationStatus to Inactive. The appropriate Reason value, specified in 7.5 and defined in Table 4, shall be sent.

**Table 4—Values of the Reason parameter**

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<th>Return value</th>
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<td>Unspecified</td>
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<tr>
<td>ApplicationRequested</td>
<td>Used when WBSS goes active, or is ended due to an application request</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ChannelInactivity</td>
<td>Used when a WBSS is ended due to channel inactivity</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ApplicationComplete</td>
<td>Used when a WBSS is ended due to no active applications</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PriorityPreemption</td>
<td>Used when a WBSS is ended due to a new, higher-priority WBSS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SecurityCredentialFailure</td>
<td>Used when a WBSS is ended due to failure of the provider’s security credentials</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
6.3 Channel usage monitoring

The WME keeps track of SCHs that are in use by nearby WAVE devices, so that, when called upon to do so (see 6.2.1.1), it can choose a WBSS SCH that is less likely to be congested. How this is to be done is not specified in this standard. An example would be that for each possible SCH, the WME keeps track of the most recent time at which a WSA was received that used each available SCH. When the application requests the best available channel, the WME would then use the least recently used SCH.

NOTE—Some channels may be reserved for public safety only applications.7

6.4 IPv6 configuration

The IPv6 information used by an RSU is provided by a network administrator. The OBU derives the information that allows it to operate on an infrastructure network from a device (RSU) connected to that network. Device link-local addresses are derived locally by any WAVE device and may be used without any external configuration information.

Each WAVE device shall support link-local, global, and multicast IPv6 addresses on its WAVE interface per RFC 2373, for both transmission and reception.

The link-local address is derived from the device MAC address per RFC 2462.

The derivation of the global address of the RSU may occur through any means, such as administrative entry, and is not specified here.

The OBU WME shall calculate its global IPv6 address via a stateless configuration procedure. This is the procedure described in RFC 3513, except the OBU uses its MAC address in conjunction with the IpPrefix received in the WaveRoutingAdvertisement in the MLME-WSA.indication from an RSU, rather than in a Router Advertisement message.

OBUs shall accept IPv6 packets addressed to pre-defined Host multicast addresses per RFC 2462. RSUs shall accept IPv6 packets addressed to pre-defined Router multicast addresses per RFC 2462. In addition, WAVE devices shall support multicast addresses for application traffic.

7Notes in text, tables, and figures are given for information only and do not contain requirements needed to implement the standard.
6.5 Received Channel Power Indicator (RCPI) polling

WAVE allows an application to initiate a query of received signal strength, indicative of channel quality, at a remote device, with the measurement report returned to the requesting application. The resulting information flow is illustrated in Figure 15.

![Figure 15—RCPI information flow](image)

If WME supports RCPI, it shall ignore a WME-RCPIREQUEST.request with a Peer MAC Address equal to the broadcast address. Otherwise, upon receipt of a WME-RCPIREQUEST.request, the WME shall generate an MLME-MREQUEST.request. The WME shall insert a Dialog Token, incremented modulo 255, for each MLME-MREQUEST.request.

On receipt of an MLME-MREPORT.indication, the WME shall generate a WME-RCPIREPORT.indication. The WME-RCPIREPORT.indication shall be passed to the application associated with the original WME-RCPIREQUEST.request, as determined by the Dialog Token value.

Note that on the responding device, the reporting is handled by the MLME so WME action is not required. See IEEE P802.11p for specification of MLME operation.

6.6 MIB maintenance

The WME shall maintain a MIB containing the configuration and status information identified in Annex A and specified in Annex B.

7. Service primitives

Service access points (SAPs) are shown in Figure 16 to support communications between WAVE networking services entities and other WAVE entities in the same device. The WSM SAP and WME SAP are specific to this standard. Where there are no unique requirements to this specification, e.g., in the case of the Transport Service Access Point (TSAP), the SAP is specified by reference to the defining standard. No unique management SAPs are defined for the upper data protocols; where necessary, upper protocols may use the WME SAP to access WME services.

The primitives used on each interface are summarized in Table 5 and described in 7.1 through 7.4. The details of the parameters used within primitives are provided in 7.5. The implementation of the primitives and their exchange protocols are not specified, but are left as design decisions.
Where error indications or failure responses are considered critical to Networking Service operation, they are specified. Otherwise, they are left undefined, as a choice for the implementer.

**Figure 16—Service access points**
### Table 5—Summary of primitives

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### 7.1 WSMP SAP

The WSM primitives may allow applications to send and receive WSMs.
7.1.1 WSM-WaveShortMessage.request

7.1.1.1 Function

The WSM-WaveShortMessage.request primitive is used by an application to request sending a WAVE short message.

7.1.1.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WSM-WaveShortMessage primitive are as follows:

```plaintext
WSM-WaveShortMessage.request
    (ChannelInfo, WsmVersion, SecurityType, ProviderServiceIdentifier, TransmissionPriority, Length, Data, Peer MAC address )
```

7.1.1.3 When generated

The WSM-WaveShortMessage.request primitive is generated by the application layer to request sending a WAVE short message.

7.1.1.4 Effect of receipt

Upon receipt of the WSM-WaveShortMessage.request primitive, the WSMP delivers the WAVE short message to the LLC.

7.1.2 WSM-WaveShortMessage.indication

7.1.2.1 Function

The WSM-WaveShortMessage.indication primitive indicates that a WAVE short message has been received for a local application.

7.1.2.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WSM-WaveShortMessage.indication primitive are as follows:

```plaintext
WSM-WaveShortMessage.indication
    (ChannelInfo, WsmVersion, SecurityType, ProviderServiceIdentifier, TransmissionPriority, Length, Data, Peer MAC address )
```
7.1.2.3 When generated

The WSM-WaveShortMessage.indication primitive is generated by the WSMP to deliver a WSM to a registered application. The SecurityType value indicates the security processing (defined in IEEE Std 1609.2) applied to the message by the sending application.

7.1.2.4 Effect of receipt

The WAVE Short Message is processed as determined by the receiving application.

7.2 WME SAP

The WME primitives allow applications to access WME functions (registration/deregistration, WBSS initiation and joining, application status changes, MIB access, and RCPI measurement) and also allow the WME to notify applications. Designers are not constrained on their implementation of the WME SAP. For example, they may choose to implement the SAP in the form of function calls or in the form of messages passed through the IP protocol layer.

Note that the identification of the application receiving or sending a WME primitive is not explicitly shown as part of the primitive.

7.2.1 WME-Application.request

7.2.1.1 Function

The WME-Application.request primitive allows a provider application to request the initiation of a WBSS, or a user application to control whether or not to be notified of a WBSS, or either type of application to end a WBSS.

7.2.1.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-Application.request primitive are as follows:

```
WME-Application.request(
    ProviderServiceIdentifier,  
    ProviderServiceContext,    
    RequestType,               
    Peer MAC address (optional),
    Repeats (optional),        
    Persistence,              
    ChannelSelection (optional)
)
```

7.2.1.3 When generated

The WME-Application.request primitive is generated by an application to request a WBSS establishment, or request a change to the application’s WBSS status, or a change to the PSC of an active service. When the RequestType equals Active, then the Peer MAC Address, Repeats, Persistence, and ChannelSelection parameters are included. Use of Peer MAC Address, Repeats, and Persistence are specified in IEEE Std 1609.4; use of ChannelSelection is specified in 6.2.1.1.1.
7.2.1.4 Effect of receipt

Upon receipt of the WME-Application.request primitive, the WME attempts to establish a WBSS, or sets the application Inactive (and possibly ends its operation on a WBSS), or sets the application status to Unavailable, or updates the application’s PSC, depending on the RequestType, as specified in this document. The SecurityType value indicates the security processing (defined in IEEE Std 1609.2) expected of the receiving application.

7.2.2 WME-Application.confirm

7.2.2.1 Function

The WME-Application.confirm primitive is used to indicate the status of an application request.

7.2.2.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-Application.confirm primitive are as follows:

WME-Application.confirm(
    ResultCode
)

7.2.2.3 When generated

The WME-Application.confirm primitive is generated in response to, and indicates the result of, a WME-Application.request.

7.2.2.4 Effect of receipt

The requesting application may take action based on the ResultCode value.

7.2.3 WME-Application.indication

7.2.3.1 Function

The WME-Application.indication primitive is used to inform an application of the availability of a new WBSS and request confirmation on whether the application chooses to join the offered WBSS.

7.2.3.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-Application.indication primitive are as follows:

WME-Application.indication(
    ProviderServiceContext,
    Peer MAC address (optional),
    IPv6Address (optional),
)

7.2.3.3 When generated

The WME-Application.indication primitive is generated by the WME, when a MLME-WSA.indication is received, with a service matching one in the local UserServiceInfo, and when the matched application has its ConfirmBeforeJoin flag set.
7.2.3.4 Effect of receipt

Upon receipt of the WME-Application.indication primitive, the application responds with WME-Application.response.

7.2.4 WME-Application.response

7.2.4.1 Function

The WME-Application.response primitive is used by an application to respond to a WME-Application.indication that informs the application of the availability of a new WBSS.

7.2.4.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-Application.response primitive are as follows:

\[
\text{WME-Application.response(}
\text{LinkConfirm}
\)\]

7.2.4.3 When generated

The WME-Application.response primitive is generated in response to a WME-Application.indication.

7.2.4.4 Effect of receipt

The WME will either join or ignore the WBSS based on the value of \textit{LinkConfirm} (see Table 7 for acceptable values for \textit{LinkConfirm}).

7.2.5 WME-Notification.indication

7.2.5.1 Function

The WME-Notification.indication primitive indicates to a registered application that a WBSS of interest has changed status.

7.2.5.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-Notification.indication primitive are as follows:

\[
\text{WME-Notification.indication(}
\text{Event,}
\text{Reason,}
\text{ProviderServiceContext (optional),}
\text{Certificate (optional),}
\text{IPv6 Address (optional),}
\text{ServicePort (optional),}
\text{Peer MAC address (optional),}
\text{DefaultGateway (optional),}
\text{GatewayMacAddress (optional),}
\text{ChannelInfo (optional),}
\text{BSSID (optional),}
\text{SSID (optional),}
\text{Timestamp (optional),}
\text{Local time (optional),}
\)\]
BSSBasicRateSet (optional),
OperationalRateSet (optional),
EDCA Parameter Set (optional),
RCPI (optional)
)

7.2.5.3 When generated

The WME-Notification.indication primitive is sent when an application's WBSS status has been modified by the WME. For transitions to Inactive or Unavailable status, only Event and Reason are used. For a transition to Active, the certificate is set equal to the certificate output by the signed WSA verification process as specified in IEEE Std 1609.2. ProviderServiceContext, IPv6Address, Port, Peer MAC address, and ChannelInfo are set equal to the parameter values in the received WaveServiceAdvertisement. DefaultGateway and GatewayMacAddress are set to those in the WaveRoutingAdvertisement, if available. Other parameter values are from the received MLME indication primitive.

7.2.5.4 Effect of receipt

The notification is processed as determined by the receiving application.

The service provider’s IPv6 Address and Peer MAC address, and the DefaultGateway and GatewayMacAddress, may be used by the receiving application as described in 4.4.

7.2.6 WME-ApplicationRegistration.request

7.2.6.1 Function

The WME-ApplicationRegistration.request primitive is used by an application to request an application registration.

7.2.6.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-ApplicationRegistration.request primitive are as follows:

WME-ApplicationRegistration.request
(  RegistrationAction,
    CHOICE (UstEntry, PstEntry) (optional),
    NotificationIPv6Address (optional),
    NotificationPort (optional)
)

Table 6 describes the application registration parameters. The parameters are listed in the left column. Categories of application are indicated across the top row: applications residing on or off the WAVE device; provider and user type applications; and applications employing the IP or WSM protocol. Each category of application requires a slightly different set of supporting registration parameters, which are indicated in the body of the table. A description of the parameters to be registered and the usage codes are found in the text following Table 6. The final column of the table indicates whether the parameter is transmitted in the provider's service announcement, and if so, whether the parameter is covered by the accompanying security credentials.
Table 6—Application registration parameters

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Service info parameter</th>
<th>Application Category</th>
<th>Included in WSA?</th>
<th>Secured?</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>local (on device)</td>
<td>remote (off device)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Provider</td>
<td>User</td>
<td>Provider</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>IP WSM</td>
<td>IP WSM</td>
<td>IP WSM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PSID</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>E</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Application Priority</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>X.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Channel</td>
<td>O</td>
<td>O</td>
<td>X.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Service IPv6 address</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Service port (UDP or TCP)</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Service Provider MAC address</td>
<td>O</td>
<td>O</td>
<td>X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Notification IP address</td>
<td>C.1</td>
<td>C.1</td>
<td>C.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Confirm before join</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>O</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

KEY:
E  Expected to be provided by the application
O  Optionally provided by the application
X  Not used
X.1 Not used in registration; the parameter is set by the user WME based on provider info in announcement
X.2 Not used in registration; the parameter is set by user application based on provider info in announcement
C.1 Mandatory if IP is used for local notifications, otherwise X
C.2 Mandatory if UDP is used for notifications, otherwise X

Each of the parameters used in application registration is briefly described as follows:

— ProviderServiceIdentifier (PSID). Identifies the application; matched between provider and user.
— Application Priority. Determines whether an existing WBSS is abandoned for a new one. Must be consistent with the information in the application’s certificate.
— Channel. Defines the channel of operation for the offered service. The WME will choose if none is provided.
— Service IP address. Defines the end point of the offered IP service. Used by a user application in addressing packets. For remote WSM applications, this provides the WME with the ability to deliver the received WSMs.
— Service port (UDP or TCP). Defines the end point of offered IP service. Used by a user application in addressing packets. Applications have advanced knowledge of the network protocol they use. For remote WSM applications, this provides the WME the ability to deliver the received WSMs.
— **Service Provider MAC address.** Defines the end point of an offered service. Used by a user application in addressing packets.

— **Notification IP address.** Address of the application. Used by the WME in delivering notifications. Only needed if IP is used for notifications.

— **Notification port.** UDP port of the application. Used by the WME in delivering notifications. Only needed if UDP is used for notifications.

— **Confirm before join.** A flag used by the user’s WME in handling link initiation; default is FALSE.

### 7.2.6.3 When generated

The WME-ApplicationRegistration.request primitive is generated by an application to request an application registration. NotificationIPv6Address and NotificationPort are included when adding application information, and provides addressing information for notifications sent to the application.

### 7.2.6.4 Effect of receipt

Upon receipt of the WME-ApplicationRegistration.request primitive, the application and service information are added to or removed from the WME MIB’s `ProviderServiceInfo` or `UserServiceInfo`, depending on the `RegistrationAction`. It is recommended that implementers and operators consider any security implications associated with the installation and registration of applications in their devices.

### 7.2.7 WME-ApplicationRegistration.confirm

#### 7.2.7.1 Function

The WME-ApplicationRegistration.confirm primitive is used by the WME to respond to an application to requested registration.

#### 7.2.7.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-ApplicationRegistration.confirm primitive are as follows:

```plaintext
WME-ApplicationRegistration.confirm
  ( ResultCode )
```

#### 7.2.7.3 When generated

The WME-ApplicationRegistration.confirm primitive is generated in response to a WME-ApplicationRegistration.request.

#### 7.2.7.4 Effect of receipt

The requesting application may take action based on the `ResultCode` value.

### 7.2.8 WME-Get.request

#### 7.2.8.1 Function

The WME-Get.request primitive is generated by an application to retrieve the value of a specific WME MIB attribute.
7.2.8.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-Get.request primitive are as follows:

\[
\text{WME-Get.request} \\
\quad ( \\
\quad \quad \text{MIBattribute} \\
\quad )
\]

7.2.8.3 When generated

The WME-Get.request primitive is generated by an application to request the value of the specified \text{MIBattribute}.

7.2.8.4 Effect of receipt

Upon receipt of the WME-Get.request primitive, the WME returns the \text{MIBattribute} value from the WME MIB.

7.2.9 WME-Get.confirm

7.2.9.1 Function

The WME-Get.confirm primitive returns the result of the WME-Get.request.

7.2.9.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-Get.confirm primitive are as follows:

\[
\text{WME-Get.confirm(} \\
\quad \text{Status,} \\
\quad \quad \text{MIBattribute,} \\
\quad \quad \text{MIBattributevalue} \\
\quad )
\]

7.2.9.3 When generated

The WME-Get.confirm primitive is used to confirm the result of the WME-Get.request.

7.2.9.4 Effect of receipt

The receipt of the WME-Get.confirm primitive returns the appropriate WME MIB attribute value if \text{Status} equals success; otherwise, it returns an error indication in the \text{Status} field. Possible error status values include “invalid MIB attribute” and “attempt to get write-only MIB attribute.”

7.2.10 WME-Set.request

7.2.10.1 Function

The WME-Set.request primitive is generated by an application to set the value of a specific WME MIB attribute.

7.2.10.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-Set.request primitive are as follows:
WME-Set.request(
    MIBattribute,
    MIBattributevalue
)

7.2.10.3 When generated

The WME-Set.request primitive is generated by an application to request that the value of the specified MIBattribute be set to the indicated value. The MIB represents sensitive data; implementers are responsible for protecting sensitive data, though this standard does not specify the means for doing so.

7.2.10.4 Effect of receipt

Upon receipt of the WME-Set.request primitive, the WME returns WME-Set.confirm, and, if it is able, sets the MIB attribute value in the WME MIB.

7.2.11 WME-Set.confirm

7.2.11.1 Function

The WME-Set.confirm primitive returns the result of the WME-Set.request.

7.2.11.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-Set.confirm primitive are as follows:

WME-Set.confirm(
    Status,
    MIBattribute
)

7.2.11.3 When generated

The WME-Set.confirm primitive is used to confirm the result of the WME-Set.request.

7.2.11.4 Effect of receipt

If Status equals Success, this confirms that the indicated MIB attribute was set to the requested value; otherwise, it returns an error condition in Status field. If this MIBattribute implies a specific action, then this confirms that the action was performed. Possible error Status values include “invalid MIB attribute” and “attempt to set read-only MIB attribute”.

7.2.12 WME-RCPIREQUEST.request

7.2.12.1 Function

The WME-RCPIREQUEST.request primitive indicates that an RCPI request frame should be generated by the device.

7.2.12.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-RCPIREQUEST.request primitive are as follows:

WME-RCPIREQUEST.request( 
    Peer MAC Address, 
)
Measurement Request

7.2.12.3 When generated

The WME-RCPIREQUEST.request primitive is passed to the WME from a higher layer, when signal strength information is desired from a remote device.

7.2.12.4 Effect of receipt

On receipt, the WME generates an associated MLME-MREQUEST.request to MLME.

7.2.13 WME-RCPIREQUEST.indication

7.2.13.1 Function

The WME-RCPIREQUEST.indication primitive indicates that a RCPI report frame has been received by the device.

7.2.13.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The parameters of the WME-RCPIREQUEST.indication primitive are as follows:

\[
\text{WME-RCPIREQUEST.indication(}
\begin{align*}
&\text{Peer MAC Address,} \\
&\text{Dialog Token,} \\
&\text{Measurement Report Set}
\end{align*}
\)

7.2.13.3 When generated

The WME-RCPIREQUEST.indication primitive is passed from WME to a higher layer upon receipt of an MLME-MREPORT.indication from MLME.

7.2.13.4 Effect of receipt

The requesting application may take action based on the returned information.

7.3 LSAP

LLC primitives, identified by the “DL-UNITDATA” prefix, pass data packets into and out of the LLC layer, and are specified in IEEE Std 802.2.

7.4 MLME SAP

The MLME primitives allow communication between the WME and the MAC layer management entity as specified in the documents referenced in Table 5. The Secured WSA used in certain MLME primitives is specified in IEEE Std 1609.2 and Clause 8.

7.5 SAP parameter definitions and frame formats

This subclause provides definitions of the parameters used within networking services exchanges. Subclause 7.5.1 describes the parameters used within the primitives of 7.1 and 7.2. Subclause 8.1 specifies the format
of the *WAVE Service Advertisement* sent over the air; 8.2 specifies the format of the *WAVE Short Message* sent over the air.

### 7.5.1 SAP parameter definitions

Parameters used in networking services WSMP SAP and WME SAP primitives are described in Table 7. Internal representation of parameters is an implementation choice.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Valid range</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Adaptable</strong></td>
<td>Boolean</td>
<td>0: FALSE 1: TRUE</td>
<td>Indicates whether <em>DataRate</em> is interpreted as the minimum rate allowed and, <em>TxPwr_Level</em> as the maximum level allowed. If FALSE, parameters are not adaptable.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>ApplicationPriority</strong></td>
<td>INTEGER</td>
<td>0.63</td>
<td>63 is the highest value; 0 the lowest.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>BSSBasicRateSet</strong></td>
<td>Per IEEE Std 802.11</td>
<td></td>
<td>The minimum set of data rates that may be used on the WBSS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Certificate</strong></td>
<td>Per IEEE Std 1609.4</td>
<td></td>
<td>A data item used in security processing.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Channel contents</strong></td>
<td>Bit String</td>
<td></td>
<td>Binary flags indicating the presence of individual parameters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>0x0001: <em>ChannelNumber</em></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>0x0002: <em>Adaptable</em></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>0x0004: <em>DataRate</em></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>0x0008: <em>TxPwr_Level</em></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>ChannelInfo</strong></td>
<td>SEQUENCE</td>
<td>SEQUENCE OF <em>CitEntry</em></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>ChannelNumber</strong></td>
<td>Per IEEE P802.11p</td>
<td></td>
<td>Used to identify the radio channel of a WBSS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>ChannelSelection</strong></td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
<td>0..255</td>
<td>Used to identify the radio channel, or to allow WAVE to select the best channel. 255 indicates Best-available-channel; otherwise <em>ChannelNumber</em> per IEEE P802.11p.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| **CitEntry**                | Sequence      |                  | *
| **ConfirmBeforeJoin**       | Boolean       | 0: FALSE 1: TRUE | If FALSE, automatically join WBSS on service match. If TRUE, application confirmation required before joining WBSS. |
Table 7—Parameters used in WME primitives  (continued)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Valid range</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Count</td>
<td>Integer</td>
<td>0..255</td>
<td>Number of table entries following.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data</td>
<td>Octet String</td>
<td>variable</td>
<td>Application-provided data.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DataRate</td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
<td>1=3 Mbps, 2=4.5 Mbps, 3=6 Mbps,</td>
<td>Channel data rate.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>4=9 Mbps, 5=12 Mbps, 6=18 Mbps,</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>7=24 Mbps, 8=27 Mbps, 9=36 Mbps,</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>10=48 Mbps, 11=54 Mbps</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DefaultGateway</td>
<td>IPv6Address</td>
<td></td>
<td>Used in IP configuration.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCA Parameter</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std</td>
<td></td>
<td>Channel access priority parameters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Set</td>
<td>802.11e</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Event</td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
<td>WBSSTerminated, WBSSActive</td>
<td>Type of event being reported.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GatewayMacAd-</td>
<td>Same as Peer</td>
<td></td>
<td>Layer 2 address of the DefaultGateway.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>dress</td>
<td>MAC address in</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>IEEE P802.11p</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IpPrefix</td>
<td>Per RFC 3513</td>
<td></td>
<td>Used in IP configuration.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I Pv6Address</td>
<td>Per RFC 3513</td>
<td></td>
<td>IP address of the provider application’s host.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Length</td>
<td>Integer</td>
<td>Usage/content dependant</td>
<td>Number of octets in the following data.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LinkConfirm</td>
<td>Boolean</td>
<td>0: FALSE 1: TRUE</td>
<td>FALSE indicates the WBSS should be ignored. TRUE indicates the WBSS should</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>be joined.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Local time</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std</td>
<td></td>
<td>The time at which the start of the announcement was received.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>802.11</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Measurement</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std</td>
<td></td>
<td>Measurement information from a remote device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Report Set</td>
<td>802.11h</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Measurement</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std</td>
<td></td>
<td>A request for measurement info from a remote device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Request</td>
<td>802.11h</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MIBattribute</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std</td>
<td></td>
<td>Identifier of an object in the MIB.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>802.11</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MIBattributevalue</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std</td>
<td></td>
<td>Contents of an object in the MIB.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>802.11</td>
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<tr>
<td>Name</td>
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<td>-----------------------------------------------------------------------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NotificationIPv6Address</td>
<td>IPv6Address</td>
<td></td>
<td>Address where application notifications will be delivered.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NotificationPort</td>
<td>Integer</td>
<td>0..65535</td>
<td>UDP port where application notifications will be delivered.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OperationalRateSet</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std 802.11</td>
<td></td>
<td>The desired set of data rates to be used on the WBSS; a superset of BSSBasicRateSet.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Peer MAC address</td>
<td>Per IEEE P802.11p</td>
<td></td>
<td>Link layer address of a device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Persistence</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std 1609.4</td>
<td></td>
<td>Used by the MAC in generating announcements. Indicates a persistent link, which is announced periodically.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PrimaryDns</td>
<td>IPv6Address</td>
<td></td>
<td>Used in IP configuration</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ProviderDeviceAddressing</td>
<td>Boolean</td>
<td></td>
<td>Used in determining the MAC layer addressing methodology.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>0: Provider device is same as announcement device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1: Provider device is not the same as announcement device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ProviderContents</td>
<td>Bit String</td>
<td></td>
<td>Binary flags indicating the presence of individual parameters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>0x0001: ProviderServiceIdentifier</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>0x0002: ApplicationPriority</td>
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<td>0x0004: ChannelSelection</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>0x0008: IPv6Address</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
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<td></td>
<td>0x0010: ServicePort</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
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<td></td>
<td>0x0020: ProviderDeviceAddressing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>0x0040: Peer MAC Address</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ProviderServiceContext</td>
<td>Sequence</td>
<td></td>
<td>Length, PSC Contents</td>
</tr>
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Table 7—Parameters used in WME primitives (continued)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Valid range</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ProviderService-Iden</td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
<td>0x0000 0001 through 0x7FFF FFFF</td>
<td>Defines an application.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>0: system</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
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<td></td>
<td>1: automatic-fee-collection</td>
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<td></td>
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<td></td>
<td>2: freight-fleet-management</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>3: public-transport</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>4: traffic-traveler-information</td>
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<td></td>
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<td></td>
<td>5: traffic-control</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>6: parking-management</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>7: geographic-road-database</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>8: medium-range-preinformation</td>
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<td>9: man-machine-interface</td>
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<td></td>
<td>10: intersystem-interface</td>
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<td>11: automatic-vehicle-identification</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>12: emergency-warning</td>
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<td>13: private</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>14: multi-purpose-payment</td>
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<td></td>
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<td></td>
<td>15: dsr-resource-manager</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
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<td></td>
<td>16: after-theft-systems</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
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<td>17: cruise-assist- highway-system</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>18: multi-purpose-information system</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>19: public-safety</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>20: vehicle-safety</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>21: general-purpose-internet-access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>22: onboard diagnostics</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>23: security manager</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>24: signed WSN</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>25: ACI</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>other values: Reserved</td>
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<td>NOTE—The values shown here were assigned at the time of original public-</td>
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<td>cation. The list will be maintained by the IEEE RAC outside this standar-</td>
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<td></td>
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<td></td>
<td>d in the future.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>See <a href="http://standards.ieee.org/regauth/rac.html">http://standards.ieee.org/regauth/rac.html</a> for latest assigned values</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>and forms for requesting new values.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ProviderServiceInfo</th>
<th>SEQUENCE</th>
<th>SEQUENCE OF PstEntry</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ProviderService-Table</td>
<td>Sequence</td>
<td>Count, ProviderServiceInfo,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Count, ProviderServiceInfo,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>SEQUENCE OF ChannelInfo</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PSC Contents</td>
<td>Octet String</td>
<td>0 to 31 octets</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
|                      |                     | Used in conjunction with PSID; pro-
<p>|                      |                     | vides supplementary information   |
|                      |                     | related to the service.           |
| PstEntry             | Sequence            | Length, ProviderContents, ProviderServiceIdentifier, ApplicationPriority, ChannelSelection, IPv6Address OPTIONAL ServicePort OPTIONAL, ProviderDeviceAddressing OPTIONAL, Peer MAC Address OPTIONAL |</p>
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Valid range</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Reason</td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
<td>Unspecified, ApplicationRequested, ChannelInactivity, ApplicationComplete, PriorityPreemption, SecurityCredentialFailure</td>
<td>Provides additional information about the event being reported. See 7.2.5.2.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RegistrationAction</td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
<td>Add provider, Add user, Remove provider, Remove user</td>
<td>Indicates the type of application, and whether it is to be added to or removed from the stored service information.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Repeats</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std 1609.4</td>
<td></td>
<td>Used by the MAC in generating announcements.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RequestType</td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
<td>Active, Inactive, Unavailable, UpdatePSC</td>
<td>Indicates whether the application wishes to start, end, or not be notified of, a WBSS, or to change its announced PSC.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ResultCode</td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
<td>Success, Unspecified Failure, Invalid Parameters, PSID conflict, Insufficient Priority</td>
<td>Indicates the result of a request primitive. Success: Request completed Unspecified Failure: Failure not described by a more specific result code Invalid parameters: Parameter value out of range, or other syntax error PSID conflict: Can not register application because of a conflicting entry in the service table Insufficient Priority: WBSS not initiated due to an active WBSS with higher priority.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RouterLifetime</td>
<td>Per RFC 2461</td>
<td></td>
<td>Used in IP configuration.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SecondaryDns</td>
<td>IPv6Address</td>
<td></td>
<td>Used in IP configuration.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Secured WSA</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std 1609.2</td>
<td>WSA plus security header and trailer.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SecurityType</td>
<td>Enumeration</td>
<td>Unsecured, Signed, Encrypted</td>
<td>Describes the WSM contents.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SeparateGateway-Mac</td>
<td>Boolean</td>
<td>TRUE, FALSE</td>
<td>When true, indicates the gateway WAVE device is different from the announcing WAVE device. (0:TRUE, 1:FALSE)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ServicePort</td>
<td>Integer</td>
<td>0..65535</td>
<td>Higher-layer protocol interface; used in addressing an IP-based application.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Status</td>
<td>Per IEEE Std 802.11</td>
<td></td>
<td>Indicates the result of the get/set operation.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### Table 7—Parameters used in WME primitives (continued)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Valid range</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Transmission Priority</td>
<td>Integer</td>
<td>0..7</td>
<td>The priority of the associated user data, per IEEE Std 1609.4.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TxPwr_Level</td>
<td>Per IEEE P802.11p</td>
<td></td>
<td>Radio transmit control.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UserServiceInfo</td>
<td>SEQUENCE</td>
<td></td>
<td>SEQUENCE OF UstEntry</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UstEntry</td>
<td>Sequence</td>
<td></td>
<td>ProviderServiceIdentifier, ConfirmBeforeJoin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WaveRoutingAdvertisement</td>
<td>Sequence</td>
<td></td>
<td>WRA contents, RouterLifetime, IpPrefix, Prefix-Length, DefaultGateway, GatewayMacAddress, SeparateGatewayMac, PrimaryDns, SecondaryDns OPTIONAL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WaveServiceAdvertisementa</td>
<td>Sequence</td>
<td></td>
<td>Length, WaveVersion, ProviderServiceTable, Length, WaveRoutingAdvertisement OPTIONAL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WaveVersion</td>
<td>Integer</td>
<td>0: Implementation conformant to this standard</td>
<td>Indicates the system version implemented.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WRA contents</td>
<td>Bit String</td>
<td></td>
<td>Binary flags indicating the presence of individual parameters. 0x0001: RouterLifetime 0x0002: IpPrefix 0x0004: Prefix-Length 0x0008: DefaultGateway 0x0010: GatewayMacAddress 0x0020: SeparateGatewayMac 0x0040: PrimaryDns 0x0080: SecondaryDns</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WSMVersion</td>
<td>Integer</td>
<td>0: Implementation conformant to this standard</td>
<td>Indicates the WSM protocol version implemented.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*aWaveServiceAdvertisement and its components are used to compose the MLME-WSA.request, and are illustrated in Figure 12.*
8. Over-the-air frame formats

This clause provides definitions of the formats of over the air frames originating within networking services exchanges. Subclause 8.1 specifies the format of the WAVE Service Advertisement sent over the air; 8.2 specifies the format of the WAVE Short Message sent over the air.

Over the air frame formats shall adhere to the following conventions, compatible with those employed by IEEE Std 802.11 and IEEE P802.11p.

The frames are described as a sequence of fields in specific order. Figure 17 depicts the fields/subfields as they appear in the MAC frame and in the order in which they are passed to the physical layer convergence procedure (PLCP), from left to right.

Bits within fields are numbered, from 0 to \( k \), where the length of the field is \( k + 1 \) bit. The octet boundaries within a field can be obtained by taking the bit numbers of the field modulo 8. Octets within numeric fields that are longer than a single octet are depicted in increasing order of significance, from lowest numbered bit to highest numbered bit. The octets in fields longer than a single octet are sent to the PLCP in order from the octet containing the lowest numbered bits to the octet containing the highest numbered bits.

Any field containing a CRC is an exception to this convention and is transmitted commencing with the coefficient of the highest-order term.

MAC addresses are assigned as ordered sequences of bits. The Individual/Group bit is always transferred first and is bit 0 of the first octet.

Values specified in decimal are coded in natural binary unless otherwise stated.

Reserved fields and subfields are set to 0 upon transmission and are ignored upon reception.

8.1 WAVE Service Advertisement (WSA) format

WSA information passed over the air shall be formatted as illustrated in Figure 17, and described in 8.1.1 through 8.1.4. The Secured WSA referenced in IEEE Std 1609.4 consists of the WaveServiceAdvertisement, plus security header and trailer as specified in IEEE Std 1609.2.

Control fields are shown shaded. Parameter lengths shown in the illustrations are in bits. Field ordering shall not be changed. “Contents” fields are bit maps indicating which fields are present. This allows optional fields to be left out, and also allows new fields to be added in future versions of the standard.

“Length” fields are always present and indicate the length in octets of the related data, excluding the “length” field itself. Unless otherwise specified, length may equal zero. If the data associated with a “length” does not end on an octet boundary, trailing fill bits shall be added. “Count” fields indicate the number of instances of provider or channel information.
For this standard, the value of the *WAVE Version* is 0. All other values are reserved. The revision level will be incremented only when a fundamental incompatibility exists between a new revision and the prior edition of the standard. A device that receives a frame with a higher revision level than it supports will discard the frame.

### 8.1.2 Provider Service Table

As depicted in Table 7, the PST consists of an 8-bit *Provider Count*, a variable length *ProviderServiceInfo*, an 8-bit *Channel Count*, and a variable length *ChannelInfo*.

*Provider Count* is 8 bits and indicates the number of instances of *PstEntry* found within the *ProviderServiceInfo* and has a range of 1 to 32.

*PstEntry* is specified in 8.1.2.1.

*Channel Count* is 8 bits and indicates the number of instances of *CitEntry* found within the *ChannelInfo* and has a range of 1 to 32.

*CitEntry* is specified in 8.1.2.3.
8.1.2.1 PstEntry

There may be multiple instances of PstEntry in the WSA, as indicated by Provider Count. Each provides a definition of one provider service and contains the fields listed in 8.1.2.1.1 through 8.1.2.1.5.

8.1.2.1.1 Provider Length

Provider Length is 8 bits with a range of 9 to 64 and indicates the length in octets of this instance of PstEntry (excluding Provider Length itself).

8.1.2.1.2 Provider Contents

Provider Contents is a bit string, where the value of each bit indicates the presence or absence of a specific optional field in this instance of PstEntry as specified below. A bit value of 0 indicates the field is not present; a bit value of 1 indicates the field is present.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>BIT</th>
<th>Optional Field</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>B0–B8</td>
<td>Reserved</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B9</td>
<td>Peer MAC Address</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B10</td>
<td>ProvideDeviceAddressing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B11</td>
<td>ServicePort</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B12</td>
<td>IPv6Address</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B13</td>
<td>ChannelSelection</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B14</td>
<td>Application Priority</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B15</td>
<td>ProviderServiceIdentifier</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

8.1.2.1.3 Provider Service Identifier

Provider Service Identifier identifies the provider application offering service. Provider Service Identifier takes values from 0x0000 0001 through 0x7FFF FFFF.

8.1.2.1.4 Provider Service Context

Provider Service Context consists of an 8-bit PSC Field Length followed by a variable length PSC Contents.

PSC Field Length indicates the length in octets of the following PSC Contents field. PSC Field Length takes values from 0 through 31.

PSC Contents provides supplementary information related to the service with which it is associated. PSC Contents is an octet string of length 0 through 31, as indicated by PSC Field Length.
8.1.2.1.5 Application Priority

Application Priority is an 8-bit field ranging in value from 0 to 63, where 0 is the lowest value and 63 is the highest value. It indicates the priority of the provider application, and is used by networking services in prioritizing communications.

8.1.2.2 IPv6 Address (optional)

IPv6 Address is the 128-bit IPv6 address of the device hosting the provider application and is formatted per RFC 3513. This is present when the provider service employs IP addressing.

8.1.2.2.1 Service Port (optional)

Service Port is the 16-bit port number of the provider application, and takes values from 0 to 65 535. Present when the provider service employs IP addressing.

8.1.2.2.2 Provider Device Addressing (optional)

Provider Device Addressing is 8 bits in length, is coded as in Table 8, and indicates whether the device transmitting the WSA is also the device hosting the provider application. Present when the provider service employs IP addressing.

Table 8—Provider Device Addressing parameter coding

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>Provider device is same as announcement device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Provider device is not the same as announcement device</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

8.1.2.2.3 MAC Address (optional)

MAC Address is the 48-bit MAC address of the device hosting the provider application. This is present if different from the MAC address of the device transmitting the WSA.

8.1.2.2.4 ChannelNumber

ChannelNumber indicates the ServiceChannelNumber of the WBSS on which the service is being provided. The same ChannelNumber shall also appear in exactly one CitEntry. It is 8 bits in length and coded as specified in IEEE P802.11p.

8.1.2.3 CitEntry

There may be multiple instances of CitEntry in the WSA, as indicated by Channel Count. Each indicates the characteristics of one channel associated with one or more PstEntry and contains the fields listed in 8.1.2.3.1 through 8.1.2.3.6.

8.1.2.3.1 Channel Length

Channel Length is 8 bits with a range of 6–255, and indicates the length in octets of this instance of CitEntry (excluding Channel Length itself). Note that in this version of the standard there are no optional CitEntry fields, so Channel Length will be set to 6.
8.1.2.3.2 Channel Contents

*Channel Contents* is a bit string, where the value of each bit indicates the presence or absence of a specific optional field in this instance of *CitEntry*. A bit value of 0 indicates the field is not present; a bit value of 1 indicates the field is present. Note that in this version of the standard there are no optional *CitEntry* fields, so all bits are currently reserved.

8.1.2.3.3 ChannelNumber

*ChannelNumber* indicates the *ServiceChannelNumber* of the WBSS on which the service is being provided. The same *ChannelNumber* shall not appear in two instances of *CitEntry* in the same *WSA*. It is 8 bits in length and coded as specified in IEEE P802.11p.

8.1.2.3.4 Adaptable

*Adaptable* is 8 bits long and indicates whether *Data Rate* and *TxPwr_Level* are boundary values or fixed values. A value of 1 indicates *Data Rate* is interpreted as the minimum rate allowed and *TxPwr_Level* as the maximum level allowed. A value 0 indicates that *Data Rate* and *TxPwr_Level* are interpreted as fixed values.

8.1.2.3.5 Data Rate

*Data Rate* indicates the data rate used on the channel. It is coded as specified in IEEE P802.11p. If *Adaptable* is set, *Data Rate* is interpreted as the minimum rate allowed and any higher rate is also allowed.

8.1.2.3.6 TxPwr_Level

*TxPwr_Level* indicates the transmit power used on the channel. It is coded as specified in IEEE P802.11p. If *Adaptable* is set, *TxPwr_Level* is interpreted as the maximum power allowed, and any lower power is also allowed.

8.1.3 WRA Length

*WRA Length* is 8 bits with a range of 0–255, and indicates the length in octets of *WAVE Routing Advertisement*.

8.1.4 WAVE Routing Advertisement (optional)

*WAVE Routing Advertisement* provides information about infrastructure internetwork connectivity, allowing receiving devices to be configured to participate on the advertised IPv6 network. As depicted in Figure 17, the *WAVE Routing Advertisement* contains the fields specified in 8.1.4.1 through 8.1.4.8. If the *WAVE Routing Advertisement* is present, all fields are mandatory unless otherwise indicated.

8.1.4.1 Router Lifetime

*Router Lifetime* is 16 bits and indicates the duration for which the *Default Gateway* and associated information is valid. It is coded and interpreted as specified in RFC 2461.

8.1.4.2 IpPrefix

*IpPrefix* is 128 bits and indicates the IPv6 subnet prefix of the link, as described in RFC 3513.
8.1.4.3 Prefix Length

Prefix Length is 8 bits and indicates how many of the higher-order bits of IpPrefix are significant, as described in RFC 3513.

8.1.4.4 Default Gateway

Default Gateway is the 128-bit IPv6 address of a router that provides internetwork connectivity to the subnet.

8.1.4.5 Gateway MAC Address

Gateway MAC Address is the 48-bit MAC address associated with the Default Gateway.

8.1.4.6 Separate Gateway MACs

Separate Gateway MAC is 8 bits in length, is coded as in Table 9, and indicates whether the device transmitting the WSA is also the device acting as default gateway.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>Default gateway device is not the announcement device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Provider device is also the announcement device</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

8.1.4.7 Primary DNS

Primary DNS is the 128-bit IPv6 address of a device that can provide DNS lookup for the subnet devices.

8.1.4.8 Secondary DNS (optional)

Secondary DNS is the 128-bit IPv6 address of an alternate device that can provide DNS lookup for the subnet devices.

8.2 WSM format

WSM information passed over the air shall be formatted as illustrated in Table 10 and described in 8.2.1 through 8.2.8. Lengths are in octets.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>1</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>Variable</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>WSM Version</td>
<td>Security Type</td>
<td>Channel Number</td>
<td>Data Rate</td>
<td>TxPwr Level</td>
<td>Provider Service Identifier</td>
<td>WSM Length</td>
<td>WSM Data</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
8.2.1 WSM Version

For this standard, the value of the WSM Version is 0. All other values are reserved. The revision level will be incremented only when a fundamental incompatibility exists between a new revision and the prior edition of the standard. A device that receives a frame with a higher revision level than it supports will discard the frame.

8.2.2 Security Type

Security Type indicates the security processing of the WSM Data. It is set as specified in Table 11.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>Unsecured</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Signed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Encrypted</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

8.2.3 ChannelNumber

ChannelNumber is used to identify the radio channel used for the WSM. It is coded as specified in IEEE P802.11p.

8.2.4 Data Rate

Data Rate indicates the data rate used for the WSM. It is coded as specified in IEEE P802.11p.

8.2.5 TxPwr_Level

TxPwr_Level indicates the transmit power used for the WSM. It is coded as specified in IEEE P802.11p.

8.2.6 Provider Service Identifier

Provider Service Identifier identifies the application that originated the WSM. Provider Service Identifier takes values from 0x0000 0001 through 0x7FFF FFFF.

8.2.7 WSM Length

WSM Length indicates the length in octets of the following WSM Data field. WSM Length takes values from 1 through WsmMaxLength.

8.2.8 WSM Data

WSM Data contains the application data being transferred. WSM Data is an octet string of length 1 through WsmMaxLength.

8.3 WSM encoding

The WSM encoding conventions are the same as those used for the WSA, specified in 8.1.
Annex A

(normative)

WME MIB table

The contents of the WME MIB are illustrated in Table A.1. Table A.1 uses the names of the parameters used throughout the body of this standard; the ASN.1 definitions of these names are in Annex B.

Table A.1—WME MIB contents

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MIB item</th>
<th>Table entry</th>
<th>Contents</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>WaveRoutingAdvertisement</td>
<td></td>
<td>RouterLifetime, IpPrefix, Prefix-Length, DefaultGateway, GatewayMacAddress, SeparateGatewayMac, PrimaryDns, SecondaryDns</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AddressInfo</td>
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Annex B
(normative)

ASN.1 encoding of the WME MIB

```
-- **********************************************************************
-- * IEEE P1609 Management Information Base
-- **********************************************************************
IEEE1609dot3-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN
IMPORTS
  MODULE-IDENTITY, OBJECT-TYPE, Integer32, Unsigned32 FROM SNMPv2-SMI
  MacAddress, TruthValue, TimeStamp FROM SNMPv2-TC
  MODULE-COMPLIANCE, OBJECT-GROUP FROM SNMPv2-CONF
  ifIndex FROM RFC1213-MIB
  Ipv6Address, Ipv6AddressPrefix FROM IPV6-TC;
  
-- **********************************************************************
-- * MODULE IDENTITY
-- **********************************************************************
  ieee1609dot3v1mib MODULE-IDENTITY
LAST-UPDATED "200610170000Z"
ORGANIZATION "IEEE P1609"
CONTACT-INFO
"WG E-mail: stds-p1609@ieee.org
Chair: Tom Kurihara
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132 Pomer Road
Southampton, MA 01073 USA
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Fax: +1 413 527 9146
E-mail: LRA@tiac.net"
DESCRIPTION
"The MIB module for IEEE P1609.3 entities.
iso(1) iso-identified-organization(3) ieee(111)"
```
standards-association-numbered-series-standards(2) wave-stds(1609) dot3(3)
v1mib(1)*
REVISION "200610170000Z"
DESCRIPTION
"Consistent with the forthcoming 1609.3 D21."
::= {ieeeP1609 3 1}
ieeeP1609 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= 
{1 iso-identified-organization (3) ieee (111)
standards-association-numbered-series-standards (2) wave-stds (1609)}
-- **********************************************************************
-- This MIB includes system related info, as well as application-related info.
-- System related info:
--  Network Information (Routing Advertisement)
--  Address Information (local MAC addresses)
--  Local Information (e.g., default local parameters)
-- Application related info:
--  Provider Services  (registered application info)
--  User Services  (registered application info)
--  Channel Information (parameters about the usable radio channels)
--  Application Status Table (dynamic indication of each registered application's status)
dot3systemMib OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {ieee1609dot3v1mib 1}
dot3applicationMib OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {ieee1609dot3v1mib 2}

-- ******************************************************************************
-- * WAVE Network Information (Routing Advertisement)
-- ******************************************************************************
-- WAVE Network Information
dot3NetworkInfo OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {dot3systemMib 1}
-- DEFINED AS "Parameters controlling operation in the WAVE IP network";

dot3routerLifetime OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX INTEGER (0..65535)
UNITS "seconds"
MAX-ACCESS read-write
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Duration for which the IP information is valid, per RFC 2461."
::= {dot3NetworkInfo 1}
dot3ipPrefix OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  Ipv6AddressPrefix
  MAX-ACCESS read-write
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
  "Most significant portion of the IP address."
 ::= { dot3NetworkInfo 2 }

dot3ipPrefixLength OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  INTEGER (1..128)
  MAX-ACCESS read-write
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
  "Number of significant bits in the IP prefix."
 ::= { dot3NetworkInfo 3 }

dot3defaultGateway OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  Ipv6Address
  MAX-ACCESS read-write
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
  "IPv6 address of the default gateway."
 ::= { dot3NetworkInfo 4 }

dot3gatewayMacAddress OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  MacAddress
  MAX-ACCESS read-write
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
  "MAC address of the default gateway."
 ::= { dot3NetworkInfo 5 }

dot3separateGatewayMac OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  TruthValue
  MAX-ACCESS read-write
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
  "When true, indicates the gateway WAVE device is different
 from the announcing WAVE device."
 ::= { dot3NetworkInfo 6 }
dot3primaryDns OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  Ipv6Address
   MAX-ACCESS read-write
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "Address of the primary DNS server."
 ::= { dot3NetworkInfo 7 }

dot3secondaryDns OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  Ipv6Address
   MAX-ACCESS read-write
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "Address of the secondary DNS server."
 ::= { dot3NetworkInfo 8 }

-- **********************************************************************
-- * End of WAVE Network Information
-- **********************************************************************
-- **********************************************************************
-- **********************************************************************
-- * WAVE Address Information
-- **********************************************************************

dot3AddressInfo OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  SEQUENCE OF Dot3AddressEntry
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "Interface address attributes."
 ::= { dot3systemMib 2}

dot3AddressEntry OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  Dot3AddressEntry
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "The addresses associated with an interface."
INDEX \{dot3AiIndex\}
::= \{ dot3AddressInfo \ 1 \}

Dot3AddressEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
   dot3AiIndex INTEGER,
   macAddress MacAddress}

dot3AiIndex OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  INTEGER \{ 0..127 \}
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "Table index."
::= \{ dot3AddressEntry \ 1 \}

macAddress OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  MacAddress
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "MAC address."
::= \{ dot3AddressEntry \ 2 \}

-- **********************************************************************
-- * End of WAVE Address Information
-- **********************************************************************
-- **********************************************************************
-- * WAVE Local Information
-- **********************************************************************

-- DEFINED AS "Parameters controlling operation in the WAVE RF network"

dot3Ssid OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  OCTET STRING
   MAX-ACCESS read-write
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "Default identifier of a WBSS announced by the device"
::= \{ dot3LocalInfo \ 1 \}
dot3OperationalRateSet OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  OCTET STRING (SIZE(1..126))
   MAX-ACCESS read-write
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "This attribute specifies the set of data rates at which the station
   may transmit data, per 802.11."
::= { dot3LocalInfo 2 }

dot3NumberOfChannelsSupported OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  INTEGER (0..200)
   MAX-ACCESS read-write
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "Number of simultaneous channels on which the device may operate."
::= { dot3LocalInfo 3 }

dot3RegistrationPort OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  INTEGER
   MAX-ACCESS read-write
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "UDP port number used for registration of external applications."
::= { dot3LocalInfo 4 }

dot3WaveForwarderPort OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  INTEGER
   MAX-ACCESS read-write
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "UDP port number used by the WSM forwarding function."
::= { dot3LocalInfo 5 }

dot3WsmMaxLength OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX  INTEGER
   MAX-ACCESS read-write
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
   "Maximum size in octets of the variable length portion of a WSM,
including Data.
The default value is 1400."
::= { dot3LocalInfo 6 }

-- **********************************************************************
-- * End of WAVE Local Information
-- **********************************************************************

-- **********************************************************************
-- * WAVE Provider Service Info
-- **********************************************************************
dot3ProviderServiceInfo OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF Dot3PstEntry
MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Provider Service Info."
::= { dot3applicationMib 1}

dot3PstEntry OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX Dot3PstEntry
MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Information registered by a provider application."
INDEX {dot3PstIndex}
::= { dot3ProviderServiceInfo 1}

Dot3PstEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
dot3PstIndex INTEGER,
dot3PstProviderServiceIdentifier Unsigned32,
dot3PstProviderServiceContext OCTET STRING,
dot3PstApplicationPriority INTEGER,
dot3PstIpv6Address Ipv6Address,
dot3PstPort INTEGER,
dot3PstProviderDeviceAddressing INTEGER,
dot3PstMacAddress MacAddress,
dot3PstChannelSelection INTEGER}
SYNTAX INTEGER {0..127}
MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Table index."
::= { dot3PstEntry 1 }

dot3PstProviderServiceIdentifier OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX Unsigned32 (0..4294967295)
MAX-ACCESS read-only
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"PSID."
::= { dot3PstEntry 2 }

dot3PstProviderServiceContext OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX OCTET STRING {SIZE(0..31)}
MAX-ACCESS read-only
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"PSC."
::= { dot3PstEntry 3 }

dot3PstApplicationPriority OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX INTEGER {0..63}
MAX-ACCESS read-write
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Priority level associated with the application."
::= { dot3PstEntry 4 }

dot3PstIpv6Address OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX Ipv6Address
MAX-ACCESS read-write
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"IP address associated with the application service."
::= { dot3PstEntry 5 }

dot3PstPort OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX INTEGER
MAX-ACCESS read-write
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Application layer port number used by the transport layer, associated with the application service."
::= { dot3PstEntry 6 }

dot3PstProviderDeviceAddressing OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX INTEGER
{ provider-device-is-the-same-as-announcement-device(1),
  provider-device-is-not-the-same-as-announcement-device(2) }
MAX-ACCESS read-write
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Link layer address associated with the provided service."
::= { dot3PstEntry 7 }

dot3PstMacAddress OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX MacAddress
MAX-ACCESS read-write
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Link layer address associated with the provided service."
::= { dot3PstEntry 8 }

dot3PstChannelSelection OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX INTEGER (0..255)
MAX-ACCESS read-write
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"An indication of the applications' desired channel of operation, per 802.11, or, with a value of 255, permission to use the 'best available' channel."
::= { dot3PstEntry 9 }

-- **********************************************************************
-- * End of Provider Service Info
-- **********************************************************************
-- * WAVE User Service Info

-- **********************************************************************
dot3UserServiceInfo OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX        SEQUENCE OF Dot3UstEntry
   MAX-ACCESS   not-accessible
   STATUS       current
   DESCRIPTION  "User Service Info."
 ::= { dot3applicationMib 2}

dot3UstEntry OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX        Dot3UstEntry
   MAX-ACCESS   not-accessible
   STATUS       current
   DESCRIPTION  "Information registered by a user application."
   INDEX {dot3UstIndex}
 ::= { dot3UserServiceInfo 1}

Dot3UstEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
   dot3UstIndex INTEGER,
   dot3UstProviderServiceIdentifier Unsigned32,
   dot3UstIpv6Address Ipv6Address,
   dot3UstPort INTEGER,
   dot3UstConfirmBeforeJoin TruthValue}

dot3UstIndex OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX        INTEGER (0..127)
   MAX-ACCESS   not-accessible
   STATUS       current
   DESCRIPTION  "Table index."
 ::= { dot3UstEntry 1 }

dot3UstProviderServiceIdentifier OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX        Unsigned32 (0..4294967295)
   MAX-ACCESS   read-only
   STATUS       current
   DESCRIPTION  "PSID."
 ::= { dot3UstEntry 2 }

dot3UstIpv6Address OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  Ipv6Address
  MAX-ACCESS read-write
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
  "IP address associated with the application service."
 ::= { dot3UstEntry 3 }

dot3UstPort OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  INTEGER
  MAX-ACCESS read-write
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
  "Application layer port number used by the transport layer, associated with the application service."
 ::= { dot3UstEntry 4 }

dot3UstConfirmBeforeJoin OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX TruthValue
  MAX-ACCESS read-write
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
  "Defines whether the WME will confirm the service with this application before joining a WBSS."
 ::= { dot3UstEntry 5 }

-- *******************************************************************************
-- * End of User Service Info
-- *******************************************************************************
-- *******************************************************************************
-- * WAVE Channel Info
-- *******************************************************************************
dot3ChannelInfo OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF Dot3CitEntry
  MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
  "Channel Info."
::= { dot3applicationMib 3}

dot3CitEntry OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX Dot3CitEntry
MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Channel parameters."
INDEX {dot3CitIndex}
::= { dot3ChannelInfo 1}

Dot3CitEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
    dot3CitIndex INTEGER,
    dot3CitChannelNumber INTEGER,
    dot3CitAdaptable TruthValue,
    dot3CitDataRate INTEGER,
    dot3CitTxPower INTEGER}

dot3CitIndex OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX INTEGER {0..127}
MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Table index."
::= { dot3CitEntry 1 }

dot3CitChannelNumber OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX INTEGER {0..200}
MAX-ACCESS read-only
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Channel number associated with the application service."
::= { dot3CitEntry 2 }

dot3CitAdaptable OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX TruthValue
MAX-ACCESS read-only
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Defines whether the power and data rate values should be treated
as adaptable.*
 ::= { dot3CitEntry 3 }

dot3CitDataRate OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX INTEGER (2..127)
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
      "Data rate associated with the application service, per 802.11."
 ::= { dot3CitEntry 4 }

dot3CitTxPower OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX INTEGER (0..64)
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
      "Transmit power associated with the application service, per 802.11p."
 ::= { dot3CitEntry 5 }

-- **********************************************************************
-- * End of Channel Info
-- **********************************************************************

-- **********************************************************************
-- * WAVE Application Status Table
-- **********************************************************************

dot3ApplicationStatusTable OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF Dot3AstEntry
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
      "Application Status Table."
 ::= { dot3applicationMib 4}

dot3AstEntry OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX Dot3AstEntry
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
"Status of an application."
INDEX (dot3AstIndex)
::= { dot3ApplicationStatusTable 1}

Dot3AstEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
  dot3AstIndex INTEGER,
  dot3AstProviderServiceIdentifier Unsigned32,
  dot3AstProviderServiceContext OCTET STRING,
  dot3AstApplicationType INTEGER,
  dot3AstApplicationStatus INTEGER,
  dot3AstApplicationPriority INTEGER,
  dot3AstNotificationIpv6Address Ipv6Address,
  dot3AstNotificationPort INTEGER}

dot3AstIndex OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  INTEGER (0..127)
  MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
    "Table index."
::= { dot3AstEntry 1 }

dot3AstProviderServiceIdentifier OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  Unsigned32 (0..4294967295)
  MAX-ACCESS read-only
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
    "PSID."
::= { dot3AstEntry 2 }

dot3AstProviderServiceContext OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  OCTET STRING
  MAX-ACCESS read-only
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
    "PSC."
::= { dot3AstEntry 3 }

dot3AstApplicationType OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX  INTEGER {


provider(1),
user(2)
}
MAX-ACCESS read-only
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Application type."
::= { dot3AstEntry 4 }

dot3AstApplicationStatus OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX  INTEGER {
    inactive(1),
    active(2),
    unavailable(3)
}
MAX-ACCESS read-only
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Current status."
::= { dot3AstEntry 5 }


dot3AstApplicationPriority OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX  INTEGER (0..63)
MAX-ACCESS read-only
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"Application priority."
::= { dot3AstEntry 6 }


dot3AstNotificationIpv6Address OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX  Ipv6Address
MAX-ACCESS read-write
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
"IP address associated with the application notification reception function."
::= { dot3AstEntry 7 }


dot3AstNotificationPort OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX  INTEGER
MAX-ACCESS read-write

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION
"Application layer port number used by the transport layer,
associated with the application notification reception function."

::= { dot3AstEntry 8 }
Annex C

(informative)

Supplemental bibliography and definitions

C.1 Bibliography


C.2 Definitions

The following definitions are from The Authoritative Dictionary of IEEE Standards Terms [B6], provided here as an aid to the reader. Additional explanation is provided to tailor the definition slightly to this standard. Such additions are provided for explanatory purposes, not to alter the core definition from The Authoritative Dictionary of IEEE Standards Terms [B2].

C.2.1 Onboard equipment (OBE)

From The Authoritative Dictionary of IEEE Standards Terms [B2]:

onboard equipment (OBE) Equipment located within a vehicle that supports the information exchange with roadside equipment (RSE). (SCC32) 1455-1999

As applied to this standard:

This former terminology is what this standard now refers to as “onboard unit” (OBU), which is essentially the radio with the IEEE Std 802.11 and IEEE 1609 protocol stack. The change is intended to reflect that there is an evolving transition from totally self-contained OBUs (which when they were a totally self-contained system could properly be referred to as the onboard equipment), to an onboard system of which the OBU is but a part. There will be onboard

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networks, computers, and other devices that need to be identified as an entity of the total communications system and this overall set is now being referred to as the “onboard equipment,” or OBE to distinguish it from the radio itself that is now the OBU.

C.2.2 Roadside equipment (RSE)

From *The Authoritative Dictionary of IEEE Standards Terms* [B2]:

roadside equipment (RSE) Equipment located at a fixed position along the road transport network, providing communication and data exchange with the onboard equipment (OBE). (SCC32) 1455-1999

As applied to this standard:

This former terminology is what this standard now refers to as “roadside unit” (RSU), which is essentially the radio with the IEEE 802.11 and IEEE 1609 protocol stack. The change is intended to reflect the need to change from OBE to OBU, maintaining this same ability to distinguish between the radio and the rest of the communication system that uses the radio.
Annex D

(normative)

Protocol Implementation Conformance Statement (PICS) proforma

D.1 General

The supplier of a protocol implementation that is claimed to conform to IEEE Std 1609.3 shall complete the following protocol implementation conformance statement (PICS) proforma.

A completed PICS proforma is the PICS for the implementation in question. The PICS is a statement of which capabilities and options of the protocol have been implemented. The PICS can have a number of uses, including use by the following:

a) Protocol implementer, as a checklist to reduce the risk of failure to conform to the standard through oversight.

b) Supplier and acquirer, or potential acquirer, of the implementation, as a detailed indication of the capabilities of the implementation, stated relative to the common basis for understanding provided by the standard PICS proforma.

c) User, or potential user, of the implementation, as a basis for initially checking the possibility of interworking with another implementation (note that, while interworking can never be guaranteed, failure to interwork can often be predicted from incompatible PICS proformas).

d) Protocol tester, as the basis for selecting appropriate tests against which to assess the claim for conformance of the implementation.

D.2 Abbreviations and special symbols

D.2.1 Symbols for status column

M mandatory
O optional
O.<n> optional, but support of at least one of the group of options labeled by the same <n> is required
pred:<N> conditional symbol, including predicate identification

D.3 Instructions for completing the PICS proforma

D.3.1 General structure of the PICS proforma

The first parts of the PICS proforma, implementation identification and protocol summary, are to be completed as indicated with the information necessary to identify fully both the supplier and the implementation.

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The main part of the PICS proforma is a fixed questionnaire, divided into subclauses, each containing a number of individual items. Answers to the questionnaire items are to be provided in the rightmost column, either by simply marking an answer to indicate a restricted choice (usually Yes or No) or by entering a value or a set or a range of values. (Note that there are some items where two or more choices from a set of possible answers may apply. All relevant choices are to be marked in these cases.)

Each item is identified by an item reference in the first column. The second column contains the question to be answered. The third column contains the reference or references to the material that specifies the item in the main body of this standard. The remaining columns record the status of each item, i.e., whether support is mandatory, optional, or conditional, and provide the space for the answers (see also A.3.4). Marking an item as supported is to be interpreted as a statement that all relevant requirements of the subclauses and normative annexes, cited in the References column for the item, are met by the implementation.

A supplier may also provide, or be required to provide, further information, categorized as either additional information or exception information. When present, each kind of further information is to be provided in a further subclause of items labeled A<1> or X<1>, respectively, for cross-referencing purposes, where <1> is any unambiguous identification for the item (e.g., simply a numeral). There are no other restrictions on its format or presentation.

The PICS proforma for an implementation consists of A.4.1 through A.4.5 corresponding to the network services implemented.

A completed PICS proforma, including any additional information and exception information, is the PICS for the implementation in question.

NOTE—Where an implementation is capable of being configured in more than one way, a single PICS may be able to describe all such configurations. However, the supplier has the choice of providing more than one PICS, each covering some subset of the implementation’s capabilities, if this makes for easier and clearer presentation of the information.

### D.3.2 Additional information

Items of additional information allow a supplier to provide further information intended to assist in the interpretation of the PICS. It is not intended or expected that a large quantity of information will be supplied, and a PICS can be considered complete without any such information. Examples of such additional information might be an outline of the ways in which an implementation can be set up to operate in a variety of environments and configurations, or information about aspects of the implementation that are outside the scope of this standard but have a bearing upon the answers to some items.

References to items of additional information may be entered next to any answer in the questionnaire and may be included in items of exception information.

### D.3.3 Exception information

It may happen occasionally that a supplier will wish to answer an item with mandatory status (after any conditions have been applied) in a way that conflicts with the indicated requirement. No preprinted answer will be found in the Support column for this. Instead, the supplier shall write the missing answer into the Support column, together with an X<1> reference to an item of exception information, and shall provide the appropriate rationale in the exception information item itself.

An implementation for which an exception information item is required in this way does not conform to this standard.

NOTE—A possible reason for the situation described above is that a defect in this standard has been reported, a correction for which is expected to change the requirement not met by the implementation.
D.3.4 Conditional status

The PICS proforma contains a number of conditional items. These are items for which both the applicability of the item itself and its status if it does apply, mandatory or optional, are dependent upon whether or not certain other items are supported.

Where a group of items is subject to the same condition for applicability, a separate preliminary question about the condition appears at the head of the group, with an instruction to skip to a later point in the questionnaire if the N/A answer is selected. Otherwise, individual conditional items are indicated by a conditional symbol in the Status column.

A conditional symbol is of the form “<pred>:<N>”, where “<pred>” is a predicate as described below, and “<N>” is one of the status symbols M or O.

If the value of the predicate is true, the conditional item is applicable, and its status is given by S: the support column is to be completed in the usual way. Otherwise, the conditional item is not relevant and the N/A answer is to be marked.

A predicate is one of the following:

a) An item-reference for an item in the PICS proforma—the value of the predicate is true if the item is marked as supported, and is false otherwise.

b) A Boolean expression constructed by combining item-references using the Boolean operator OR—the value of the predicate is true if one or more of the items is marked as supported, and is false otherwise.

Each item referenced in a predicate, or in a preliminary question for grouped conditional items, is indicated by an asterisk in the Item column.

D.4 PICS proforma—IEEE Std 1609.3

D.4.1 Implementation identification

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<td>Contact point for queries about the PICS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Implementation Name(s) and Version(s)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other information necessary for full identification, e.g., name(s) and version(s) of the machines and/or operating system(s), system names</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

NOTE 1—Only the first three items are required for all implementations. Other information may be completed as appropriate in meeting the requirement for full identification.

NOTE 2—The terms Name and Version should be interpreted appropriately to correspond with a supplier’s terminology (e.g., Type, Series, Model).
## D.4.2 Protocol summary

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Identification of protocol standard</th>
<th>IEEE Std 1609.3 Networking Services</th>
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<tr>
<td>Identification of amendments and corrigenda to this PICS proforma that have been completed as part of this PICS</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Have any exception items been required? (See A.3.3; the answer Yes means that the implementation does not conform to IEEE Std 1609.3)</td>
<td></td>
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<td>Date of statement (dd/mm/yy)</td>
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## D.4.3 Normative section

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