

# MiniHSM & MiniHSM for nShield Edge F3

Non-proprietary Security Policy for FIPS 140-2 Level 3 Version: 1.1

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## 1 Introduction

# 1.1 Scope

This document defines the non-proprietary Security Policy enforced by the nShield Hardware Security Module, i.e. the Cryptographic Module, to meet with the security requirements in FIPS 140-2.

The following product hardware variants and firmware version(s) are in scope of this Security Policy.

Variant name	Marketing model number	Firmware version
MiniHSM	nC4031Z-10	12.72.0
MiniHSM inside nShield Edge F3	nC4031U-10	

**Table 1 Variants** 

All modules are supplied at build standard "N"

## 1.2 Security level

The Cryptographic Module meets overall **FIPS 140-2 Security Level 3**. The following table specifies the security level in detail.

Security requirements section	Level
Cryptographic Module Specification	3
Module Ports and Interfaces	3
Roles, Services and Authentication	3
Finite State Model	3
Physical Security	3
Operational Environment	N/A
Cryptographic Key Management	3
EMI/EMC	3
Self-Tests	3
Design Assurance	3
Mitigation of Other Attacks	N/A

#### Table 2 Security level of security requirements

## 1.3 Cryptographic module description

The nShield MiniHSM is a multi-chip embedded Cryptographic Module as defined in FIPS 140-2, which comes in a small custom packaged form factor protected by a tamper resistant enclosure, and performs encryption, digital signing, and key management on behalf of an extensive range of commercial and custom-built applications including public key infrastructures (PKIs), identity management systems, application-level encryption and tokenization, SSL/TLS, and code signing.

The nShield MiniHSM is embedded inside the nShield Edge, which is a portable HSM with integrated smart card reader and USB connection.

The table below shows the nShield MiniHSM and the nShield Edge



Table 3 nShield MiniHSM (left) and nShield Edge (right)

The cryptographic boundary is delimited in red in the images in the table below. It is delimited by the component package.

The Cryptographic Module provides the following physical ports and interfaces, which remain outside of the cryptographic boundary:

- Set of 4 serial pins: RTS, CTS, data, ground (data input/output, control input, status output). The services provided by the module are transported through this interface.
- Set of 4 serial pins: RTS, CTS, data, ground (data input/output, control input, status output) for connecting a smartcard reader.
- Clear pin (control input)
- Reset pin (control input)
- Mode pin (control input)

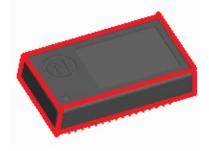


Figure 1 Cryptographic module boundary

# 1.4 Operational environment

The FIPS 140-2 Operational Environment requirements are not applicable because the cryptographic module contains a limited operational environment.

# 2 Cryptographic Functionality

## 2.1 Security World overview

The security model of the module is based around the Security World concept for secure management of cryptographic keys.

A Security World includes:

- An Administrator Card Set (ACS), a set of Administrator smart cards used to perform administrative operations,
- Optionally, one or more Operator Card Sets (OCSs), a set or sets of Operator smart cards used to control access to application keys and to authorise certain operations,
- Optionally, a set of Softcards used to control access to application keys,
- Key Blobs, which contain cryptographic keys and their associated Access Control List (ACL), whose confidentiality and integrity are protected by approved algorithms. They are stored outside the Cryptographic Module.

# 2.2 Keys and Critical Security Parameters

The Cryptographic Module uses and protects the following keys and Critical Security Parameters (CSPs):

CSP	Туре	Description	Generation	Input	Output	Storage	Zeroization
KRE - Recovery Confidentiality Key	RSA 3072-bit	Key used to protect recovery keys (KR).  KTS cert #A1931	DRBG	Load Blob - encrypted with LT	Make Blob - encrypted with LT	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Initialize Unit
KR - Recovery Key	AES 256-bit	Key used to derive (using SP 800-108 KDF in counter mode) the keys Ke (AES 256-bit) and Km (HMAC-SHA256) that protect an archive copy of an application key.  • AES cert #A1931	DRBG	Load Blob - encrypted with KRE	Make Blob - encrypted with KRE	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Initialize Unit, Clear Unit, power cycle or reboot.
Impath session keys	AES 256-bit in CBC mode. Integrity with HMAC SHA-256.	Used for secure channel between two modules. It consists of a set of four session keys used in an Impath session for encryption, decryption, MAC generation and MAC validation.  • AES cert #A1931  • HMAC cert #A1931	3072-bit DH key exchange	No	No	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Clear Unit, new session, power cycle or reboot.
KJSO - JSO key	DSA 3072-bit	nShield Junior Security Officer key used with its associated certificate to perform the operations allowed by the NSO.  DSA cert #A1931	DRBG	Load Blob - encrypted with LT	Make Blob - encrypted with LT	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Destroy, Initialize Unit, Clear Unit,

CSP	Туре	Description	Generation	Input	Output	Storage	Zeroization
							power cycle or reboot.
KA - Application key	AES 128, 192, 256 bits  HMAC with key sizes >= 112 bits  RSA with key sizes >= 2048 bits  DSA, DH with key sizes >= 2048 bits  ECDSA, ECDH, EC MQV with curves:  • P-224, P-256, P-384, P-521  • K-233, K-283, K-409, K-571  • B-233, B-283, B-409, B-571  • Brainpool	• KTS cert # <u>A1931</u>	DRBG	Load Blob - encrypted with LT or KR	Make Blob - encrypted with LT or KR	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Destroy, Initialize Unit, Clear Unit, power cycle or reboot

CSP	Туре	Description	Generation	Input	Output	Storage	Zeroization
KM - Module Key	AES 256-bit	Key used to protect logical tokens and associated module Key Blobs.  • AES cert #A1931	DRBG	Load Blob - encrypted with LT	Make Blob - encrypted with LT	Non-volatile memory	Initialize Unit
KML - Module Signing Key	DSA 3072-bit	Module Signing Key used by the module to sign key generation and module state certificates.  When the nShield module is initialized, it automatically generates this key that it uses to sign certificates using DSA with SHA-256. This key is only ever used to verify that a certificate was generated by a specific module.  • DSA cert #A1931	DRBG	No	No	Non-volatile memory	Initialize Unit
KNSO - NSO key	DSA 3072-bit	nShield Security Officer key used for NSO authorisation and Security World integrity. Used to sign Delegation Certificates and to directly authorize commands during recovery operations  • DSA cert #A1931	DRBG	Load Blob - encrypted with LT	Make Blob - encrypted with LT	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Destroy, Initialize Unit, Clear Unit, power cycle or reboot.
LT - Logical Token	AES 256-bit	Key used to derive the keys that are used to protect token protected key blobs. Logical Tokens are split in shares (encrypted with Share Key) between one or more smartcards or a softcard, using the Shamir Secret Sharing scheme.	DRBG	Read Share - encrypted with Share Key	Write Share - encrypted with Share Key	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Destroy, Initialize Unit, power cycle or reboot

CSP	Туре	Description	Generation	Input	Output	Storage	Zeroization
		<ul> <li>AES cert #<u>A1931</u></li> <li>KBKDF cert #<u>A1931</u></li> <li>HMAC cert #<u>A1931</u></li> </ul>					
Share Key	AES 256-bit	Protects a share when written to a smartcard or softcard. This key is used to derive (using SP 800-108 AES CTR KDF) the keys Ke (AES 256-bit) and Km (HMAC-SHA256) that wrap the share.  • AES cert #A1931  • KBKDF cert #A1931	DRBG	No	No	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	N/A
Remote Administration session keys	AES 256-bit in CBC mode Integrity with CMAC	Used for secure channel between the module and a smartcard. This is a set of four AES 256-bit session keys, namely K <sub>m-e</sub> (for encrypting data send to the smartcard), K <sub>c-e</sub> (for decrypting data from the smartcard), K <sub>m-a</sub> (for CMAC generation) and K <sub>c-a</sub> (for CMAC verification).  • AES cert #A1931	ECDH P-521 key agreement	No	No	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Clear Unit, new session, power cycle or reboot.
KAL - Key Audit Logging	DSA 3072-bit	Used for signing the log trail.  • DSA cert #A1931	DRBG	No	No	Non-volatile memory	Initialize Unit

CSP	Туре	Description	Generation	Input	Output	Storage	Zeroization
DRBG internal state	Hash_DRBG	The module uses the Hash_DRBG with SHA-256 compliant with SP800-90A.  • Hash DRBG cert #A1931	Entropy source	No	No	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Clear Unit, power cycle or reboot.
DRBG entropy input	520 bits	Entropy input string used to initialize and re-seed the DRBG.	Entropy source	No	No	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.	Clear Unit, power cycle or reboot.

Table 4 CSP table

The following table describes the public keys handled by the module:

Public Key	Туре	Description	Generation	Input	Output	Storage
Firmware Integrity key (KFI)	DSA 3072- bit	Public key used to ensure the integrity of firmware updates. The module validates the signature before new firmware is written to non-volatile storage.  • DSA cert #A1931	At Entrust	Firmware update	No	In firmware
KJWAR	ECDSA P- 521	Entrust root warranting public key for Remote Administrator Cards and Remote Operator Cards  • ECDSA cert #A1931	At Entrust	Firmware update	None	Persistent storage in plaintext inside the module (EEPROM)
Application keys public key	See description	Public keys associated with private Application keys:	At creation of the	Load Blob - encrypted with LT	Key export	Stored in the key blob of the application key

Public Key	Туре	Description	Generation	Input	Output	Storage
		<ul> <li>RSA cert #A1931</li> <li>DSA cert #A1931</li> <li>ECDSA cert #A1931</li> <li>Key Agreement (KAS) cert #A1931</li> <li>KTS cert #A1931</li> </ul>	application key			
KJSO public key	DSA 3072- bit	Public key associated to KJSO  • DSA cert #A1931	At creation of the KJSO	Load Blob - encrypted with LT	Key export	Public key hash stored in the module persistent storage
KNSO public key	DSA 3072- bit	<ul><li>Public key associated to KNSO</li><li>DSA cert #A1931</li></ul>	At creation of the KNSO	Load Blob - encrypted with LT	Key export	Public key hash stored in the module persistent storage
KML public key	DSA 3072- bit	Public key associated to KML  • DSA cert #A1931	At creation of KML	No	Key export	Public key hash stored in the module persistent storage
KAL public key	DSA 3072- bit	<ul><li>Public key associated to KAL</li><li>DSA cert #A1931</li></ul>	At creation of KAL	No	Included in the audit trail	Public key hash stored in the module persistent storage

Public Key	Туре	Description	Generation	Input	Output	Storage
KRE public key	RSA 3072- bit	Public key associated to KRE  • KTS cert #A1931	At creation of the KNSO	Load Blob - encrypted with LT	Key export	Stored in a key blob
FET public key	DSA 1024- bit	Feature Enable Tool (FET) public key used to verify FET certificates  • DSA cert <u>#TBD</u>	At Entrust	Firmware update	No	Persistent storage in plaintext inside the module (EEPROM)
Impath DH public key	DH 3072- bit	Public key from peer used in the Impath DH key agreement  • KAS cert #A1931	No	Loaded with Cmd_ImpathKXFinish	No	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.
Remote Administration ECDH public key	NIST P-521	Public key from peer used in the Remote Administration ECDH key agreement  • KAS cert #A1931	No	Loaded with Cmd_DynamicSlotExchangeAPDUs	No	Ephemeral, stored in volatile RAM.

Table 5 Public key table

# 2.3 Supported cryptographic algorithms

## 2.3.1 FIPS Approved or Allowed Algorithms

The following tables describe the Approved or allowed cryptographic algorithms supported by the Cryptographic Module.

Cert #	Algorithm and mode	Standard	Key sizes	Use
A1931	Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)	FIPS 197 SP800- 38A SP800- 38D	128 bits 192 bits 256 bits	Data encryption/decryption
<u>A1931</u>	<ul> <li>AES Key Wrapping (AES KW)</li> <li>AES Key Wrapping with Padding (AES KWP)</li> <li>AES GCM</li> </ul>	SP800- 38F SP800- 38D	128 bits 192 bits 256 bits	Key wrapping/unwrapping
A1931	• RSA OAEP	SP 800- 56Brev2	2048 bits 3072 bits 4096 bits Caveat: Cert. #A1931 key establishment methodology provides between 112 and 152 bits of encryption strength.	Key transport (encapsulation, un- encapsulation)
A1931	PKCS#1 v1.5 PSS	FIPS 186- 4	1024 bits (verification only) 2048 bits 3072 bits 4096 bits	Key generation Signature generation and verification
<u>A1931</u>	Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA)	FIPS 186- 4	• NIST P- 224, P-	Signature generation and verification

Cert #	Algorithm and mode	Standard	Key sizes	Use
			256, P- 384, P-521  NIST K- 233, K- 283, K- 409, K-571  NIST B- 233, B- 283, B- 409, B-571	
A1931	Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA)	FIPS 186- 4	L = 1024 bits, N = 160 bits (verification only) L = 2048 bits, N = 224 bits L = 2048 bits, N = 256 bits L = 3072 bits, N = 256 bits	Signature generation and verification
<u>A1931</u>	HMAC-SHA1 HMAC-SHA2	FIPS 198- 1	>= 112 bits	MAC generation and verification
<u>A1931</u>	Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)  • CMAC	SP800- 38B	128 bits 192 bits 256 bits	MAC generation and verification
A1931	◆ Diffie-Hellman (DH)	SP 800- 56Arev3	MODP-2048 MODP-3072 MODP-4096 MODP-6144 MODP-8192 FB	Key establishment
A1931	<ul><li>KAS-ECC</li><li>Elliptic Curve Diffie- Hellman (ECDH)</li></ul>	SP 800- 56Arev3	• NIST P- 224, P- 256, P- 384, P-521	Key establishment

Cert #	Algorithm and mode	Standard	Key sizes	Use
			<ul> <li>NIST K- 233, K- 283, K- 409, K-571</li> <li>NIST B- 233, B- 283, B- 409, B-571</li> </ul>	
A1931	Elliptic Curve Menezes—     Qu–Vanstone (ECMQV)	SP 800- 56Arev3	<ul> <li>NIST P- 224, P- 256, P- 384, P-521</li> <li>NIST K- 233, K- 283, K- 409, K-571</li> <li>NIST B- 233, B- 283, B- 409, B-571</li> </ul>	Key establishment
<u>A1931</u>	Key Based KDF (KBKDF):  • counter mode	SP 800- 108	n/a	Key derivation
<u>A1931</u>	SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA-256, SHA- 384, SHA-512	FIPS 180- 4	n/a	Message digest
<u>A1931</u>	Hash-based DRBG	SP 800- 90A	n/a	Random bit generation
ENT (P)	Hardware based entropy source This cryptographic module has been validated for compliance with NIST SP 800-90B. Based on noise source testing and analysis, the estimated minimum amount of entropy per the source output bit is about 0.356 bits. The overall amount of generated entropy meets the required security strength of 256 bits based on the entropy per bit and amount of entropy requested by the module.	SP800- 90B	n/a	Random bit generation

Cert #	Algorithm and mode	Standard	Key sizes	Use
Vendor affirmed	CKG	SP800- 133	Symmetric keys are generated using the unmodified output of the approved DRBG.	Key generation

Table 6 Approved algorithms

Cert #	Algorithm and mode	Standard	Key sizes	Use
A1931	Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) using non-NIST elliptic curves	FIPS 186-4 RFC 5639	<ul> <li>(112 bits of strength)</li> <li>brainpoolP256r1/P256t1 (128 bits of strength)</li> <li>brainpoolP320r1/P320t1 (160 bits of strength)</li> <li>brainpoolP384r1/P384t1 (192 bits of strength)</li> </ul>	Signature generation and verification
A1931	EC Diffie-Hellman using	SP 800-	<ul><li>brainpoolP512r1/P512t1 (256 bits of strength)</li><li>brainpoolP224r1/P224t1</li></ul>	Key establishment
	non-NIST elliptic curves	56Arev3 RFC 5639	<ul> <li>(112 bits of strength)</li> <li>brainpoolP256r1/P256t1 (128 bits of strength)</li> <li>brainpoolP320r1/P320t1 (160 bits of strength)</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>brainpoolP384r1/P384t1 (192 bits of strength)</li> <li>brainpoolP512r1/P512t1 (256 bits of strength)</li> </ul>	
A1931	EC MQV using non-NIST elliptic curves	SP 800- 56Arev3 RFC 5639	<ul> <li>brainpoolP224r1/P224t1 (112 bits of strength)</li> <li>brainpoolP256r1/P256t1 (128 bits of strength)</li> <li>brainpoolP320r1/P320t1 (160 bits of strength)</li> </ul>	Key establishment

Cert #	Algorithm and mode	Standard	Key sizes	Use
			<ul> <li>brainpoolP384r1/P384t1 (192 bits of strength)</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>brainpoolP512r1/P512t1 (256 bits of strength)</li> </ul>	

**Table 7 Allowed algorithms** 

## 2.3.2 Non-Approved Algorithms

The following table describes the non-approved cryptographic algorithms supported by the Cryptographic Module in non-Approved mode.

Algorithm
Symmetric encryption and decryption
DES
Triple DES encryption, MAC generation
AES GCM with externally generated IV
AES CBC MAC
Aria
Camellia
Arc Four (compatible with RC4)
CAST 256 (RFC2612)
SEED (Korean Data Encryption Standard)
Asymmetric
KTS-OAEP-basic with SHA-256 with key size less than 2048 bits
ElGamal (encryption using Diffie-Hellman keys)
KCDSA (Korean Certificate-based Digital Signature Algorithm)
RSA digital signature generation with SHA-1 or key size less than 2048 bits
DSA digital signature generation with SHA-1 or key size less than 2048 bits

Algorithm ECDSA digital signature generation with SHA-1 or curves P-192, K-163, B-163 DH with key size p < 2048 bits or q < 224 bits, or non-compliant with SP800-56Arev3 ECDH with curves P-192, K-163, B-163, or non-compliant with SP800-56Arev3 EC MQV with curves P-192, K-163 or B-163, or non-compliant with SP800-56Arev3 Deterministic DSA compliant with RFC6979 Ed25519 public-key signature X25519 key exchange ECIES encryption/wrapping and decryption/unwrapping ECKA-EG key agreement Hash HAS-160 MD5 RIPEMD-160 Tiger **Message Authentication Codes** HMAC with MD5, RIPEMD-160 and Tiger HMAC with key size less than 112 bits Other PKCS#8 padding

EMV support:

Cryptogram (ARQC) generation and verification (includes EMV2000, M/Chip 4 and Visa Cryptogram Version 14, EMV 2004, M/Chip 2.1, Visa Cryptogram Version 10)

Watchword generation and verification

Hyperledger client side KDF

#### **Table 8 Non-approved algorithms**

## 3 Roles and Services

## 3.1 Roles

The Cryptographic Module supports the following roles:

- nShield Security Officer (NSO)
- Junior Security Officer (JSO)
- User

#### nShield Security Officer (NSO)

This role is represented by Administrator Card holders, which have access to KNSO and are responsible for the overall management of the Cryptographic Module.

To assume this role, an operator or group of operators need to present a quorum m of N of smartcards, and the KNSO Key Blob. Each operator is identified by its individual smartcard, which contains a unique logical token share.

#### **Junior Security Officer (JSO)**

This role is represented by either Administrator Card or Operator Card holders with a KJSO and an associated Delegation Certificate signed by KNSO, authorising a set of commands.

To assume this role, an operator or group of operators need to present a quorum m of N of smartcards and the associated Delegation Certificate. Each operator is identified by its individual smartcard or Softcard, which contains a unique logical token share.

#### User

This role is represented by Application key owners, which are authorised to perform approved services in the module using those keys.

To assume this role, an operator or group of operators need to present a quorum m of N of smartcards or a Softcard, and the Key Blob. Each operator is identified by its individual Smartcard or Softcard, which contains a unique logical token share.

## 3.2 Strength of authentication mechanisms

Authentication mechanism	Type of authentication	Strength of Mechanism
Smartcard	Identity based	A logical token share stored in a Smartcard or Softcard is
Softcard	Identity based	encrypted and MAC'ed. An attacker would need to guess the encrypted share value and the associated MAC in order to be able to load a valid Logical token share into the module. This requires, as a minimum, guessing a 256-bit HMAC-SHA256 value, which gives a probability of 2^-256. This probability is less than 10^-6.

Authentication mechanism	Type of authentication	Strength of Mechanism
		The module can process around 2^16 commands per minute. This gives a probability of success in a one minute period of 2^-240, which is less than 10^-5.

Table 9 Strength of authentication table

## 3.3 Services

The following table describes the services provided by the Cryptographic Module and the access policy.

The Access column presents the access level given to the CSP, R for Read, W for Write, Z for Zeroise

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
Big number operation  Cmd_BignumOp	Performs an operation on a large integer.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Make Blob Cmd_MakeBlob	Creates a Key blob containing the key. Note that the key ACL needs to authorize the operation.	User / JSO / NSO	W	KA, KRE, KR, KJSO, KM, KNSO, LT
Buffer operations  Cmd_CreateBuffer  Cmd_LoadBuffer	Mechanism for loading of data into the module volatile memory. The data can be loaded in encrypted form which can be decrypted inside the module with a key that has been previously loaded.	Unauthenticated	R	KA
Bulk channel  Cmd_ChannelOpen  Cmd_ChannelUpdate	Provides a bulk processing channel for encryption / decryption, MAC generation / verification and signature generation / verification.	User	R	KA

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
Check User Action  Cmd_CheckUserAction	Determines whether the ACL associated with a key allows a specific operator defined action.	User / JSO / NSO	R	KNSO, KJSO; KA
Clear Unit Cmd_ClearUnit	Zeroises all keys, tokens and shares that are loaded into the module. Will cause the module to reboot and perform self-tests.	Unauthenticated	Z	KA, KR, Impath keys, KJSO, remote administration session keys
Set Module Key Cmd_SetKM	Allows a key to be stored internally as a Module key (KM) value. The ACL needs to authorize this operation.	NSO	W	KM
Remove Module Key Cmd_RemoveKM	Deletes a given KM from non-volatile memory.	NSO	Z	KM
Duplicate key handle  Cmd_Duplicate	Creates a second instance of a Key with the same ACL and returns a handle to the new instance.  Note that the source key ACL needs to authorize this operation.	User / JSO / NSO	R	KA
Enable feature  Cmd_StaticFeatureEnable	Enables the service. This service requires a certificate signed by the Master Feature Enable key.	Unauthenticated	_	None
Encryption / decryption  Cmd_Encrypt  Cmd_Decrypt	Encryption and decryption using the provided key handle.	User	R	KA

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
Erase from smartcard /softcard  Cmd_EraseFile  Cmd_EraseShare	Removes a file or a share from a smartcard or softcard	NSO / JSO / User	-	None
Format Token Cmd_FormatToken	Formats a smartcard or a softcard.	NSO / JSO	-	None
File operations  Cmd_FileCopy  Cmd_FileCreate  Cmd_FileErase  Cmd_FileOp	Performs file operations in the module.	NSO / JSO	_	None
Firmware Authenticate  Cmd_FirmwareAuthenticate	Reports firmware version, using a zero knowledge challenge response protocol based on HMAC.  The protocol generates a random value to use as the HMAC key.  Note: in FIPS Level 3 mode this services is not available.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Force module to fail  Cmd_Fail	Causes the module to enter a failure state.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Foreign Token open Cmd_ForeignTokenOpen	Opens a channel for direct data access to a Smartcard Requires Feature Enabled.	NSO / JSO	-	None
Foreign Token command  Cmd_ForeignTokenCommand	Sends an ISO-7816 command to a smartcard over the channel opened by ForeignTokenOpen.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Firmware Update Cmd_Maintenance	Perform a firmware update. Restricted	Unauthenticated	R	KFI

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
Cmd_ProgrammingBegin	service to Entrust			
Cmd_ProgrammingBeginChunk	signed Firmware.			
Cmd_ProgrammingLoadBlock				
Cmd_ProgrammingEndChunk				
Cmd_ProgrammingEnd				
Cmd_ProgrammingGetKeyList				
Generate prime number	Generates a random	Unauthenticated	R, W	DRBG internal
Cmd_GeneratePrime	prime number.			state
Generate random number	Generates a random	Unauthenticated	R, W	DRBG internal
Cmd_GenerateRandom	number from the Approved DRBG.			state
Get ACL	Get the ACL of a	User	R	KA
Cmd_GetACL	given key.			
Get key application data	Get the application	User	R	KA
Cmd_GetAppData	data field from a key.			
Get challenge	Get a random	Unauthenticated	R, W	DRBG internal
Cmd_GetChallenge	challenge that can be used in fresh certificates.			state
Get KLF2	Get a handle to the	Unauthenticated	-	None
Cmd_GetKLF2	Module Long Term (KLF2) public key.			
Get Key Information	Get the type, length	NSO / JSO / User	R	КА
Cmd_GetKeyInfo	and hash of a key.			
Cmd_GetKeyInfoEx				
Get module signing key	Get a handle to the	Unauthenticated	R	KML
Cmd_GetKML	KML public key.			
Get list of slot in the module	Get the list of slots	Unauthenticated	-	None
Cmd_GetSlotList	that are available from the module.			
Get Logical Token Info	Get information	NSO / JSO / User	R	LT
Cmd_GetLogicalTokenInfo	about a Logical Token: hash, state			
Cmd_GetLogicalTokenInfoEx	and number of shares.			

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
Get list of module keys Cmd_GetKMList	Get the list of the hashes of all module keys and the KNSO.	Unauthenticated	R	KM, KNSO
Get module state  Cmd_GetModuleState	Returns unsigned data about the current state of the module.	Unauthenticated	_	None
Get real time clock Cmd_GetRTC	Get the current time from the module Real Time Clock.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Get share access control list Cmd_GetShareACL	Get the Share's ACL.	NSO / JSO / User	R	Share Key
Get Slot Information  Cmd_GetSlotInfo	Get information about shares and files on a Smartcard that has been inserted in a module slot.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Get Ticket  Cmd_GetTicket	Get a ticket (an invariant identifier) for a key. This can be passed to another client or to a SEE World which can redeem it using Redeem Ticket to obtain a new handle to the object.	NSO / JSO / User	-	None
Initialize Unit  Cmd_InitializeUnit  Cmd_InitializeUnitEx	Causes a module in the pre-initialization state to enter the initialization state. When the module enters the initialization state, it erases all Module keys (KM), the module's signing key (KML), and the hash of the Security Officer's keys, HKNSO. It then	Unauthenticated	Z	KA, KRE, KR, KJSO, KM, KAL, KML, KNSO, LT

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
	generates a new KML and KM.			
Insert a Softcard  Cmd_InsertSoftToken	Allocates memory on the module that is used to store the logical token share and other data objects.	Unauthenticated	R	Share Key
Remove a Softcard  Cmd_RemoveSoftToken	Removes a Softcard from the module. It returns the updated shares and deletes them from the module's memory.	Unauthenticated	Z	Share Key
Impath secure channel  Cmd_ImpathGetInfo  Cmd_ImpathKXBegin  Cmd_ImpathKXFinish  Cmd_ImpathReceive  Cmd_ImpathSend	Support for Impath secure channel. Requires Feature Enabled.	NSO / JSO / User	R, W	KML, Impath keys
Key generation  Cmd_GenerateKey  Cmd_GenerateKeyPair	Generates a cryptographic key of a given type with a specified ACL. It returns a handle to the key. Optionally, it returns a KML signed certificate with the hash of the key and its ACL information.	NSO / JSO	R, W	KML, DRBG internal state, KA, KJSO,
Key import Cmd_Import	Loads a plain text key into the module. If the module is initialized in FIPS level 3 mode, this service is available for public keys only.	NSO / JSO	R	KA, KJSO
Derive Key	Performs key wrapping,	NSO / JSO / User	R, W	KA, KJSO

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
Cmd_DeriveKey	unwrapping, transport, exchange and derivation. The ACL needs to authorize this operation.			
Load Blob Cmd_LoadBlob	Load a Key blob into the module. It returns a handle to the key suitable for use with module services.	NSO / JSO / User	W	KA, KRE, KR, KJSO, KM, KNSO
Load Logical Token  Cmd_LoadLogicalToken	Initiates loading a Logical Token from Shares, which can be loaded with the Read Share command.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Generate Logical Token  Cmd_GenerateLogicalToken	Creates a new Logical Token with given properties and secret sharing parameters.		W	KM, LT, KJSO
Message digest Cmd_Hash	Computes the cryptographic hash of a given message.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Modular Exponentiation  Cmd_ModExp  Cmd_ModExpCrt  Cmd_RSAImmedVerifyEncrypt  Cmd_RSAImmedSignDecrypt	Performs a modular exponentiation (standard or CRT) on values supplied with the command.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Module hardware information  Cmd_ModuleInfo	Reports detailed hardware information.	Unauthenticated	-	None
No Operation Cmd_NoOp	No operation.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Change Share Passphrase Cmd_ChangeSharePIN Cmd_ChangeShareGroupPIN	Updates the passphrase of a Share.	NSO / JSO / User	R, W	Share Keys

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
NVRAM Allocate	Allocation in NVRAM.	NSO / JSO	-	None
Cmd_NVMemAllocate				
NVRAM Free	Deallocation from	NSO / JSO	-	None
Cmd_NVMemFree	NVRAM.			
Operation on NVM list		Unauthenticated	-	None
Cmd_NVMemList	in NVRAM.			
Operation on NVM files	Operation on an	Unauthenticated		None
Cmd_NVMemOp	NVRAM file.			
Key export	Exports a key in plain	NSO / JSO / User	R	KA
Cmd_Export	text.			
	Note: in FIPS level 3 mode, only public			
	keys can be exported.			
Pause for notifications	Wait for a response	Unauthenticated		None
Cmd_PauseForNotifications	from the module.			
Read file	Reads data from a file	NSO / JSO	-	None
Cmd_ReadFile	on a Smartcard or Softcard. The ACL			
	needs to authorize			
	this operation.			
Read share	Reads a share from a	NSO / JSO / User	R	Share Keys, LT
Cmd_ReadShare	Smartcard or Softcard. Once a			
	quorum of shares			
	have been loaded, the module re-			
	assembles the Logical			
	Token.			
Send share to remote slot	Reads a Share and	NSO / JSO / User	R	Impath Keys,
Cmd_SendShare	encrypts it with the Impath session keys			Share Keys
	for transmission to			
	the peer module.			
Receive share from remote slot	Receives a Share encrypted with the	NSO / JSO / User	R	Impath Keys, Share Keys
Cmd_ReceiveShare	Impath session keys			Silare Neys
	by a remote module.			

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
Redeem Ticket  Cmd_RedeemTicket	Gets a handle in the current name space for the object referred to by a ticket created by Get Ticket.	NSO / JSO / User	-	None
Remote Administration  Cmd_DynamicSlotCreateAssociation  Cmd_DynamicSlotExchangeAPDUs  Cmd_DynamicSlotsConfigure  Cmd_DynamicSlotsConfigureQuery  Cmd_VerifyCertificate	Provides remote presentation of Smartcards using a secure channel between the module and the Smartcard.	NSO / JSO / User	R, W	Remote administration session keys
Destroy Cmd_Destroy	Remove handle to an object in RAM. If the current handle is the only one remaining, the object is deleted from RAM.	Unauthenticated	Z	KA, KJSO, KNSO, LT
Report statistics  Cmd StatGetValues  Cmd_StatEnumTree	Reports the values of the statistics tree.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Show Status Cmd_NewEnquiry	Report status information.	Unauthenticated	-	None
Secure Execution Engine  Cmd_CreateSEEWorld  Cmd_GetWorldSigners  Cmd_SEEJob  Cmd_SetSEEMachine  Cmd_TraceSEEWorld	Creation and interaction with SEE machines.	NSO / JSO	-	None
Set ACL Cmd_SetACL	Replaces the ACL of a given key with a new ACL. The ACL needs to authorize this operation.	NSO / JSO / User	W	KA

Service	Description	Authorized roles	Access	CSPs
Set key application data  Cmd_SetAppData	Writes the application information field of a key.	User	W	КА
Set NSO Permissions  Cmd_SetNSOPerms	Sets the NSO key hash and which permissions require a Delegation Certificate.	NSO	-	None
Set real time clock Cmd_SetRTC	Sets the Real-Time Clock value.	NSO / JSO	_	None
Signature generation Cmd_Sign	Generate a digital signature or MAC value.	NSO / JSO / User	R	KA, KNSO, KJSO
Sign Module State  Cmd_SignModuleState	Returns a signed certificate that contains data about the current configuration of the module.	Unauthenticated	R	KML
Signature verification  Cmd_Verify	Verifies a digital signature or MAC value.	NSO / JSO / User	R	KA
Write file Cmd_WriteFile	Writes a file to a Smartcard or Softcard.	NSO / JSO	-	None
Write share Cmd_WriteShare	Writes a Share to a Smartcard or Softcard.	Unauthenticated	-	None

Table 10 Service table

# 4 Physical Security

The product is a multi-chip embedded Cryptographic Module, as defined in FIPS 140-2. It is enclosed in a hard and opaque epoxy resin which meets the physical security requirements of FIPS 140-2 level 3.

Note: The module hardness testing was only performed at a single temperature and no assurance is provided for Level 3 hardness conformance at any other temperature.

To ensure physical security, the module should be inspected periodically for evidence of tamper attempts, including the entire enclosure including the epoxy resin security coating for obvious signs of damage.

The module has a clear pin, which puts the module into the self-test state, clearing all stored key objects, Logical Tokens and impath keys and running all self-tests. The long term security critical parameters, NSO's key, module keys and module signing key can be cleared by returning the module to the factory state.

## 5 Rules

This section describes how to accept, initialise and operate the module in the FIPS approved mode.

## 5.1 Delivery

The nShield Cryptographic Module is sent to the customers using a standard carrier service. After accepting the delivery of the module, the Crypto Officer shall perform a physical inspection of the module (refer to Physical Security). This inspection is done to ensure that the module has not been tampered with during transit. If the inspection results indicate that the module has not been tampered with, the Crypto Officer can then proceed with installation and configuration of the module.

The module must be installed and configured according to the User Guides and the Initalization procedures described below.

## 5.2 Initialization procedures

To configure the Cryptographic Module in FIPS approved mode, the following steps must be followed:

- 1. Put the module in pre-initialization mode.
- 2. Create a FIPS 140-2 level 3 compliant Security World using Entrust supplied utility new-world and setting the mode to *fips-140-2-level-3*.
- 3. Put the module in Operational mode.

An operator can verify that the module is configured in FIPS approved mode with the command line utility enquiry, which reports the following active modes:

or

active modes
StrictSP80056Ar3

UseFIPSApprovedInternalMechanisms FIPSLevel3Enforcedv2

## 5.3 Creation of new Operators

#### **New User**

To create a new User, the following steps must be followed:

- 1. Authenticate as NSO or JSO role.
- 2. Create a new Logical Token, LTU.

- 3. Split the LTU into one or more smartcards or a Softcard.
- 4. Generate a new Application key with the ACL configured so that the key can only be blobbed under LTU.
- 5. Generate a Key Blob for the Application key protected by LTU.
- 6. Give to the Operator the Key Blob, the Operator Cards or Softcard.

#### **New Junior Security Officer (JSO)**

To create a new JSO, the following steps must be followed:

- 1. Authenticate as NSO or JSO role.
- 2. Generate a new Logical Token, LTJSO.
- 3. Split LTJSO into one or more smartcards or Softcard.
- 4. Generate a new asymmetric key pair (KJSOpriv, KJSOpub):
  - a. Set the ACL of KJSOpriv to allow Sign and UseAsSigningKey,
  - b. Set the ACL of KJSOpub to allow ExportAsPlain
- 5. Generate a Key Blob for KJSOpriv protected by LTJSO
- 6. Export KJSOpub.
- 7. Create a Delegation Certificate signed by NSO or an already existing JSO, which includes KJSOpriv as the certifier and authorises the following actions
  - a. OriginateKey, which authorises generation of new keys,
  - b. GenerateLogToken, which authorises the creation of new Logical Tokens,
  - c. ReadFile, WriteFile,
  - d. FormatToken.
- 8. Give the Operator the Certificate, the Key Blob, the smartcards or Softcard.

## 6 Self-tests

The Cryptographic Module performs power-up and conditional self-tests. It also supports power-up self-tests upon request by resetting the module, either by pressing the Clear button or by sending the Clear Unit command.

In the event of a self-test failure, the module enters an error state which is signalled by the SOS morse pattern flashing in the output LED. While in this state, the module does not process any commands.

## 6.1 Power-up self-tests

In the self-test state the module clears the RAM, thus ensuring any loaded keys or authorization information is removed and then performs the following:

- Power-up self-test on hardware components,
- Firmware integrity verification,
- Cryptographic self-tests as specified below.

Algorithm	Description
AES	Known Answer Test: ECB encryption and decryption with 128, 192 and 256-bit keys
AES CMAC	Known Answer Test: 128-bit key
SHA1	SHA1 KAT test, other size are tested along with KAT HMAC
HMAC with SHA1, SHA224, SHA256, SHA384, SHA512	Known Answer Test
RSA	Known Answer Test: sign/verify, encrypt/decrypt with 2048-bit key Pair-Wise consistency test: sign/verify
DSA	Known Answer Test: sign/verify with 2048-bit key Pair-Wise consistency test: sign/verify
ECDSA	Pair-Wise consistency test: sign/verify with curves P-224 and B-233
Key Agreement	Shared Secret Computation Known Answer Test for DH
Key Agreement	Shared Secret Computation Known Answer Test for ECDH with curves P-384 and B-233
One-step KDF	Known Answer Test with SHA-256 auxiliary function
Two-step KDF	Known Answer Test with HMAC-SHA256 auxiliary function

Algorithm	Description
KBKDF	Known Answer Test
DRBG	Health Tests according to SP 800-90A
Entropy source	SP800-90B section 4.4 health tests: adaptive proportion test and repetition count test

Table 11 Cryptographic algorithm self-tests

## 6.2 Conditional self-tests

The module performs pair-wise consistency checks when RSA, DSA and ECDSA keys are generated and the continuous test on the entropy source.

### 6.3 Firmware load test

The Cryptographic Module supports firmware upgrades in the field, with authenticity, integrity and roll-back protection for the code. Entrust provides signed firmware images with the Firmware Integrity Key.

The module performs the following actions before replacing the current image:

- Code signature verification with the public Firmware Integrity Key.
- Image decryption with the Firmware Confidentiality Key.
- Verification that the Version Security Number (VSN) of the new image is not less than the VSN of the current image.

Note: updating the firmware to a non-FIPS validated version of the firmware will result in the module operating in a non-Approved mode.

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