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- *Part 2: Security functional components*
- *Part 3: Security assurance components*

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Introduction

Security assurance components, as defined in this part of ISO/IEC 15408, are the basis for the security assurance requirements expressed in a Protection Profile (PP) or a Security Target (ST).

These requirements establish a standard way of expressing the assurance requirements for TOEs. This part of ISO/IEC 15408 catalogues the set of assurance components, families and classes. This part of ISO/IEC 15408 also defines evaluation criteria for PPs and STs and presents evaluation assurance levels that define the predefined ISO/IEC 15408 scale for rating assurance for Targets of Evaluation (TOEs), which is called the Evaluation Assurance Levels (EALs).

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Part 3: Security assurance components

1 Scope

This part of ISO/IEC 15408 defines the assurance requirements of ISO/IEC 15408. It includes the evaluation assurance levels (EALs) that define a scale for measuring assurance for component Targets of Evaluation (TOEs), the composed assurance packages (CAPs) that define a scale for measuring assurance for composed TOEs, the individual assurance components from which the assurance levels and packages are composed, and the criteria for evaluation of Protection Profiles (PPs) and Security Targets (STs).

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) applies.

ISO/IEC 15408-1, *Information technology — Security techniques — Evaluation criteria for IT security — Part 1: Introduction and general model*

ISO/IEC 15408-2, *Information technology — Security techniques — Evaluation criteria for IT security — Part 2: Security functional components*

3 Terms and definitions, symbols and abbreviated terms

For the purposes of this document, the terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviated terms given in ISO/IEC 15408-1 apply.

4 Overview

4.1 Organisation of this part of ISO/IEC 15408

Clause 5 describes the paradigm used in the security assurance requirements of this part of ISO/IEC 15408.

Clause 6 describes the presentation structure of the assurance classes, families, components, evaluation assurance levels along with their relationships, and the structure of the composed assurance packages. It also characterises the assurance classes and families found in Clauses 9 through 16.

Clause 7 provides detailed definitions of the EALs.

Clause 8 provides detailed definitions of the CAPs.

Clauses 9 through 16 provide the detailed definitions of this part of ISO/IEC 15408 assurance classes.

Annex A provides further explanations and examples of the concepts behind the Development class.

Annex B provides an explanation of the concepts behind composed TOE evaluations and the Composition class.

Annex C provides a summary of the dependencies between the assurance components.

Annex D provides a cross reference between PPs and the families and components of the APE class.

Annex E provides a cross reference between the EALs and the assurance components.

Annex F provides a cross reference between the CAPs and the assurance components.

5 Assurance paradigm

The purpose of this clause is to document the philosophy that underpins ISO/IEC 15408 approach to assurance. An understanding of this clause will permit the reader to understand the rationale behind this part of ISO/IEC 15408 assurance requirements.

5.1 ISO/IEC 15408 philosophy

ISO/IEC 15408 philosophy is that the threats to security and organisational security policy commitments should be clearly articulated and the proposed security measures be demonstrably sufficient for their intended purpose.

Furthermore, measures should be adopted that reduce the likelihood of vulnerabilities, the ability to exercise (i.e. intentionally exploit or unintentionally trigger) a vulnerability, and the extent of the damage that could occur from a vulnerability being exercised. Additionally, measures should be adopted that facilitate the subsequent identification of vulnerabilities and the elimination, mitigation, and/or notification that a vulnerability has been exploited or triggered.

5.2 Assurance approach

ISO/IEC 15408 philosophy is to provide assurance based upon an evaluation (active investigation) of the IT product that is to be trusted. Evaluation has been the traditional means of providing assurance and is the basis for prior evaluation criteria documents. In aligning the existing approaches, ISO/IEC 15408 adopts the same philosophy. ISO/IEC 15408 proposes measuring the validity of the documentation and of the resulting IT product by expert evaluators with increasing emphasis on scope, depth, and rigour.

ISO/IEC 15408 does not exclude, nor does it comment upon, the relative merits of other means of gaining assurance. Research continues with respect to alternative ways of gaining assurance. As mature alternative approaches emerge from these research activities, they will be considered for inclusion in ISO/IEC 15408, which is so structured as to allow their future introduction.

5.2.1 Significance of vulnerabilities

It is assumed that there are threat agents that will actively seek to exploit opportunities to violate security policies both for illicit gains and for well-intentioned, but nonetheless insecure actions. Threat agents may also accidentally trigger security vulnerabilities, causing harm to the organisation. Due to the need to process sensitive information and the lack of availability of sufficiently trusted products, there is significant risk due to failures of IT. It is, therefore, likely that IT security breaches could lead to significant loss.

IT security breaches arise through the intentional exploitation or the unintentional triggering of vulnerabilities in the application of IT within business concerns.

Steps should be taken to prevent vulnerabilities arising in IT products. To the extent feasible, vulnerabilities should be:

- a) eliminated -- that is, active steps should be taken to expose, and remove or neutralise, all exercisable vulnerabilities;

- b) minimised -- that is, active steps should be taken to reduce, to an acceptable residual level, the potential impact of any exercise of a vulnerability;
- c) monitored -- that is, active steps should be taken to ensure that any attempt to exercise a residual vulnerability will be detected so that steps can be taken to limit the damage.

5.2.2 Cause of vulnerabilities

Vulnerabilities can arise through failures in:

- a) requirements -- that is, an IT product may possess all the functions and features required of it and still contain vulnerabilities that render it unsuitable or ineffective with respect to security;
- b) development -- that is, an IT product does not meet its specifications and/or vulnerabilities have been introduced as a result of poor development standards or incorrect design choices;
- c) operation -- that is, an IT product has been constructed correctly to a correct specification but vulnerabilities have been introduced as a result of inadequate controls upon the operation.

5.2.3 ISO/IEC 15408 assurance

Assurance is grounds for confidence that an IT product meets its security objectives. Assurance can be derived from reference to sources such as unsubstantiated assertions, prior relevant experience, or specific experience. However, ISO/IEC 15408 provides assurance through active investigation. Active investigation is an evaluation of the IT product in order to determine its security properties.

5.2.4 Assurance through evaluation

Evaluation has been the traditional means of gaining assurance, and is the basis of ISO/IEC 15408 approach. Evaluation techniques can include, but are not limited to:

- a) analysis and checking of process(es) and procedure(s);
- b) checking that process(es) and procedure(s) are being applied;
- c) analysis of the correspondence between TOE design representations;
- d) analysis of the TOE design representation against the requirements;
- e) verification of proofs;
- f) analysis of guidance documents;
- g) analysis of functional tests developed and the results provided;
- h) independent functional testing;
- i) analysis for vulnerabilities (including flaw hypothesis);
- j) penetration testing.

5.3 ISO/IEC 15408 evaluation assurance scale

ISO/IEC 15408 philosophy asserts that greater assurance results from the application of greater evaluation effort, and that the goal is to apply the minimum effort required to provide the necessary level of assurance. The increasing level of effort is based upon:

- a) scope -- that is, the effort is greater because a larger portion of the IT product is included;

- b) depth -- that is, the effort is greater because it is deployed to a finer level of design and implementation detail;
- c) rigour -- that is, the effort is greater because it is applied in a more structured, formal manner.

6 Security assurance components

6.1 Security assurance classes, families and components structure

The following subclauses describe the constructs used in representing the assurance classes, families, and components.

Figure 1 illustrates the SARs defined in this part of ISO/IEC 15408. Note that the most abstract collection of SARs is referred to as a class. Each class contains assurance families, which then contain assurance components, which in turn contain assurance elements. Classes and families are used to provide a taxonomy for classifying SARs, while components are used to specify SARs in a PP/ST.

6.1.1 Assurance class structure

Figure 1 illustrates the assurance class structure.

6.1.1.1 Class name

Each assurance class is assigned a unique name. The name indicates the topics covered by the assurance class.

A unique short form of the assurance class name is also provided. This is the primary means for referencing the assurance class. The convention adopted is an "A" followed by two letters related to the class name.

6.1.1.2 Class introduction

Each assurance class has an introductory subclause that describes the composition of the class and contains supportive text covering the intent of the class.

6.1.1.3 Assurance families

Each assurance class contains at least one assurance family. The structure of the assurance families is described in the following subclause.

Common criteria assurance requirements

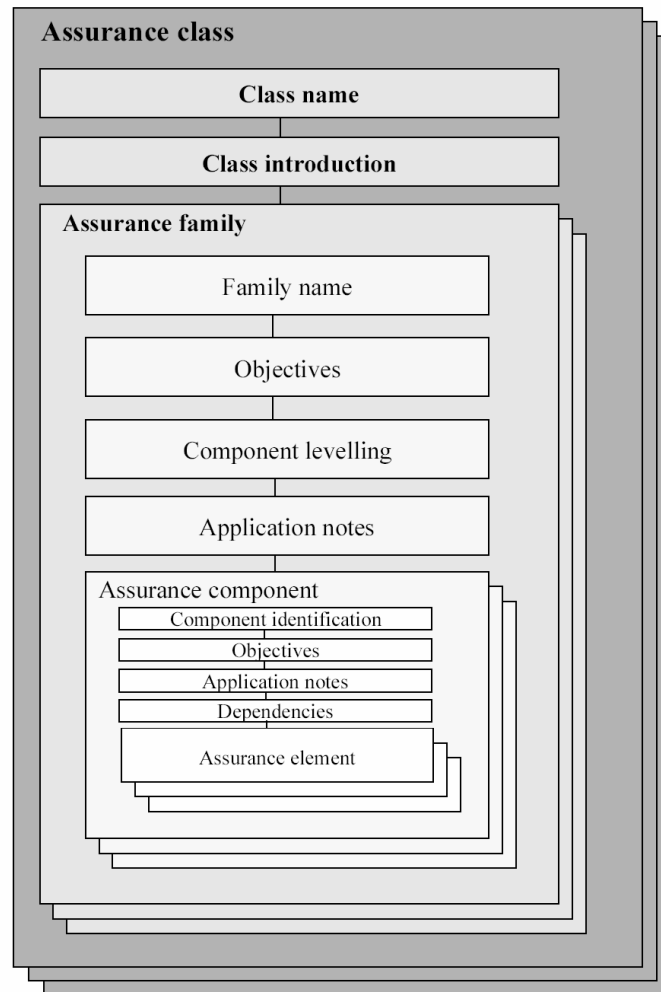


Figure 1 — Assurance class/family/component/element hierarchy

6.1.2 Assurance family structure

Figure 1 illustrates the assurance family structure.

6.1.2.1 Family name

Every assurance family is assigned a unique name. The name provides descriptive information about the topics covered by the assurance family. Each assurance family is placed within the assurance class that contains other families with the same intent.

A unique short form of the assurance family name is also provided. This is the primary means used to reference the assurance family. The convention adopted is that the short form of the class name is used, followed by an underscore, and then three letters related to the family name.

6.1.2.2 Objectives

The objectives subclause of the assurance family presents the intent of the assurance family.

This subclause describes the objectives, particularly those related to ISO/IEC 15408 assurance paradigm, that the family is intended to address. The description for the assurance family is kept at a general level. Any specific details required for objectives are incorporated in the particular assurance component.

6.1.2.3 Component levelling

Each assurance family contains one or more assurance components. This subclause of the assurance family describes the components available and explains the distinctions between them. Its main purpose is to differentiate between the assurance components once it has been determined that the assurance family is a necessary or useful part of the SARs for a PP/ST.

Assurance families containing more than one component are levelled and rationale is provided as to how the components are levelled. This rationale is in terms of scope, depth, and/or rigour.

6.1.2.4 Application notes

The application notes subclause of the assurance family, if present, contains additional information for the assurance family. This information should be of particular interest to users of the assurance family (e.g. PP and ST authors, designers of TOEs, evaluators). The presentation is informal and covers, for example, warnings about limitations of use and areas where specific attention may be required.

6.1.2.5 Assurance components

Each assurance family has at least one assurance component. The structure of the assurance components is provided in the following subclause.

6.1.3 Assurance component structure

Figure 2 illustrates the assurance component structure.

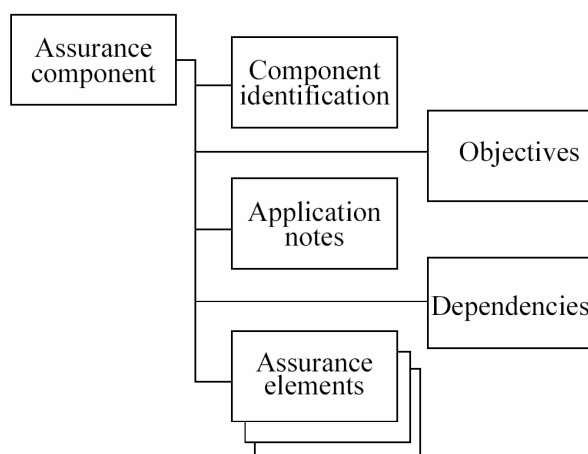


Figure 2 — Assurance component structure

The relationship between components within a family is highlighted using a bolding convention. Those parts of the requirements that are new, enhanced or modified beyond the requirements of the previous component within a hierarchy are bolded.

6.1.3.1 Component identification

The component identification subclause provides descriptive information necessary to identify, categorise, register, and reference a component.

Every assurance component is assigned a unique name. The name provides descriptive information about the topics covered by the assurance component. Each assurance component is placed within the assurance family that shares its security objective.

A unique short form of the assurance component name is also provided. This is the primary means used to reference the assurance component. The convention used is that the short form of the family name is used,

followed by a period, and then a numeric character. The numeric characters for the components within each family are assigned sequentially, starting from 1.

6.1.3.2 Objectives

The objectives subclause of the assurance component, if present, contains specific objectives for the particular assurance component. For those assurance components that have this subclause, it presents the specific intent of the component and a more detailed explanation of the objectives.

6.1.3.3 Application notes

The application notes subclause of an assurance component, if present, contains additional information to facilitate the use of the component.

6.1.3.4 Dependencies

Dependencies among assurance components arise when a component is not self-sufficient, and relies upon the presence of another component.

Each assurance component provides a complete list of dependencies to other assurance components. Some components may list “No dependencies”, to indicate that no dependencies have been identified. The components depended upon may have dependencies on other components.

The dependency list identifies the minimum set of assurance components which are relied upon. Components which are hierarchical to a component in the dependency list may also be used to satisfy the dependency.

In specific situations the indicated dependencies might not be applicable. The PP/ST author, by providing rationale for why a given dependency is not applicable, may elect not to satisfy that dependency.

6.1.3.5 Assurance elements

A set of assurance elements is provided for each assurance component. An assurance element is a security requirement which, if further divided, would not yield a meaningful evaluation result. It is the smallest security requirement recognised in ISO/IEC 15408.

Each assurance element is identified as belonging to one of the three sets of assurance elements:

- a) Developer action elements: the activities that shall be performed by the developer. This set of actions is further qualified by evidential material referenced in the following set of elements. Requirements for developer actions are identified by appending the letter “D” to the element number.
- b) Content and presentation of evidence elements: the evidence required, what the evidence shall demonstrate, and what information the evidence shall convey. Requirements for content and presentation of evidence are identified by appending the letter “C” to the element number.
- c) Evaluator action elements: the activities that shall be performed by the evaluator. This set of actions explicitly includes confirmation that the requirements prescribed in the content and presentation of evidence elements have been met. It also includes explicit actions and analysis that shall be performed in addition to that already performed by the developer. Implicit evaluator actions are also to be performed as a result of developer action elements which are not covered by content and presentation of evidence requirements. Requirements for evaluator actions are identified by appending the letter “E” to the element number.

The developer actions and content and presentation of evidence define the assurance requirements that are used to represent a developer's responsibilities in demonstrating assurance in the TOE meeting the SFRs of a PP or ST.

The evaluator actions define the evaluator's responsibilities in the two aspects of evaluation. The first aspect is validation of the PP/ST, in accordance with the classes APE and ASE in Clause APE: Protection Profile

evaluation and ASE: Security Target evaluation. The second aspect is verification of the TOE's conformance with its SFRs and SARs. By demonstrating that the PP/ST is valid and that the requirements are met by the TOE, the evaluator can provide a basis for confidence that the TOE in its operational environment solves the defined security problem.

The developer action elements, content and presentation of evidence elements, and explicit evaluator action elements, identify the evaluator effort that shall be expended in verifying the security claims made in the ST of the TOE.

6.1.4 Assurance elements

Each element represents a requirement to be met. These statements of requirements are intended to be clear, concise, and unambiguous. Therefore, there are no compound sentences: each separable requirement is stated as an individual element.

6.1.5 Component taxonomy

This part of ISO/IEC 15408 contains classes of families and components that are grouped on the basis of related assurance. At the start of each class is a diagram that indicates the families in the class and the components in each family.



Figure 3 — Sample class decomposition diagram

In Figure 3, above, the class as shown contains a single family. The family contains three components that are linearly hierarchical (i.e. component 2 requires more than component 1, in terms of specific actions, specific evidence, or rigour of the actions or evidence). The assurance families in this part of ISO/IEC 15408 are all linearly hierarchical, although linearity is not a mandatory criterion for assurance families that may be added in the future.

6.2 EAL structure

Figure 4 illustrates the EALs and associated structure defined in this part of ISO/IEC 15408. Note that while the figure shows the contents of the assurance components, it is intended that this information would be included in an EAL by reference to the actual components defined in ISO/IEC 15408.

Part 3 Assurance levels

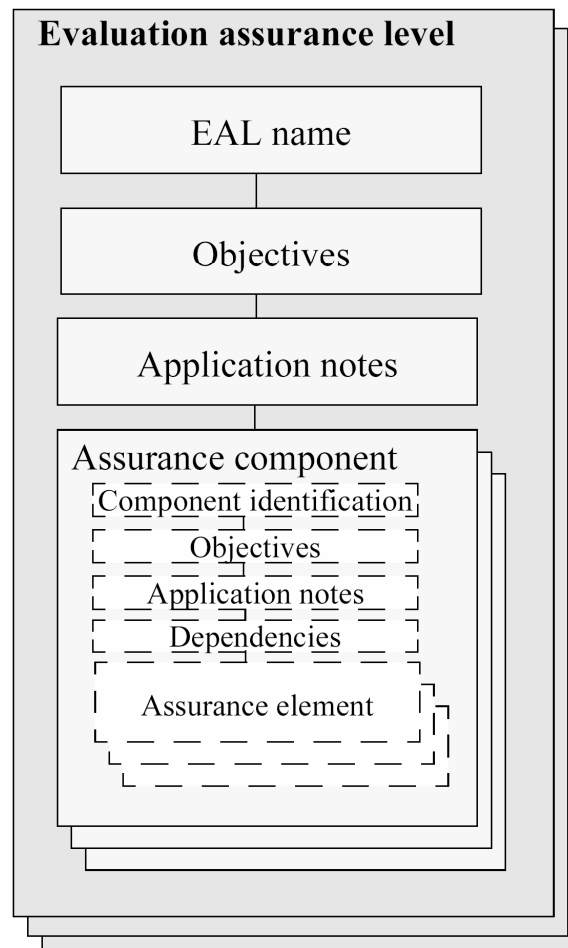


Figure 4 — EAL structure

6.2.1 EAL name

Each EAL is assigned a unique name. The name provides descriptive information about the intent of the EAL.

A unique short form of the EAL name is also provided. This is the primary means used to reference the EAL.

6.2.2 Objectives

The objectives subclause of the EAL presents the intent of the EAL.

6.2.3 Application notes

The application notes subclause of the EAL, if present, contains information of particular interest to users of the EAL (e.g. PP and ST authors, designers of TOEs targeting this EAL, evaluators). The presentation is

informal and covers, for example, warnings about limitations of use and areas where specific attention may be required.

6.2.4 Assurance components

A set of assurance components have been chosen for each EAL.

A higher level of assurance than that provided by a given EAL can be achieved by:

- a) including additional assurance components from other assurance families; or
- b) replacing an assurance component with a higher level assurance component from the same assurance family.

6.2.5 Relationship between assurances and assurance levels

Figure 5 illustrates the relationship between the SARs and the assurance levels defined in ISO/IEC 15408. While assurance components further decompose into assurance elements, assurance elements cannot be individually referenced by assurance levels. Note that the arrow in the figure represents a reference from an EAL to an assurance component within the class where it is defined.

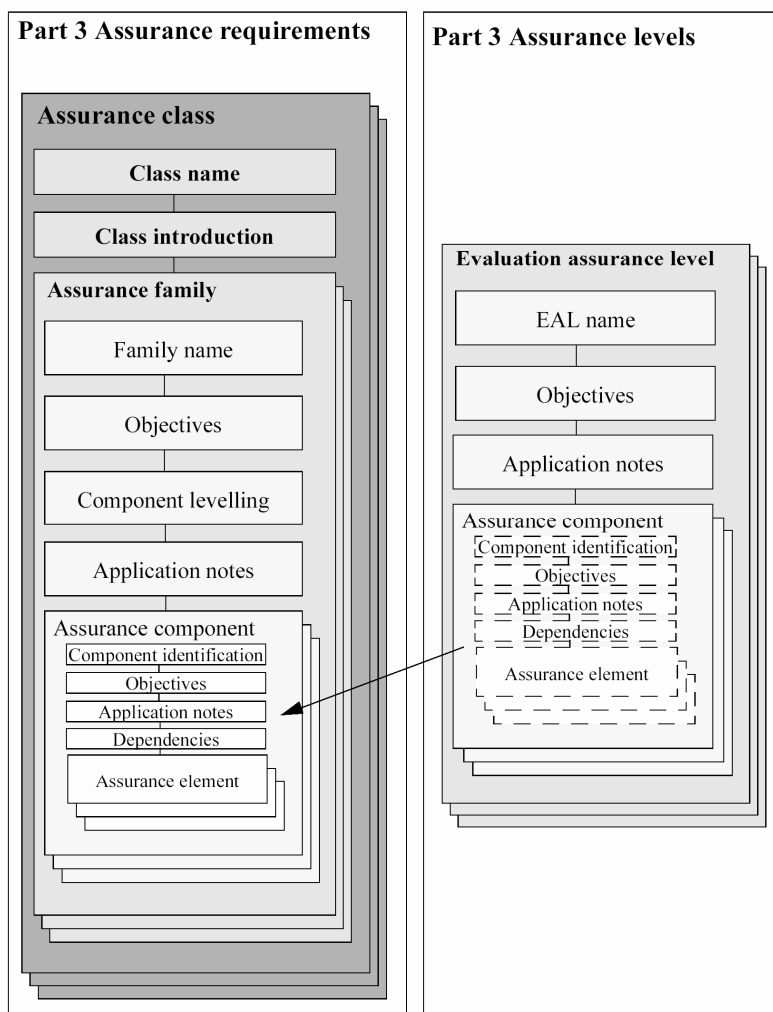


Figure 5 — Assurance and assurance level association

6.3 CAP structure

The structure of the CAPs is similar to that of the EALs. The main difference between these two types of package is the type of TOE they apply to; the EALs applying to component TOEs and the CAPs applying to composed TOEs.

Figure 6 illustrates the CAPs and associated structure defined in this part of ISO/IEC 15408. Note that while the figure shows the contents of the assurance components, it is intended that this information would be included in a CAP by reference to the actual components defined in ISO/IEC 15408.

Part 3 Assurance Packages

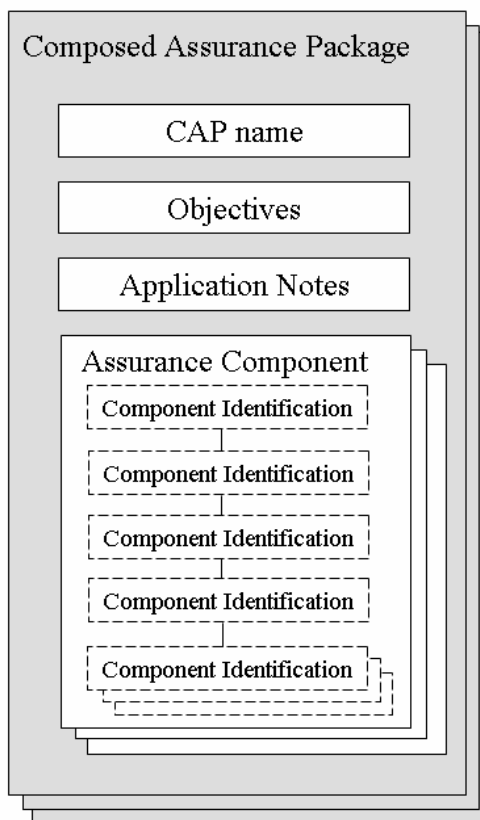


Figure 6 — CAP structure

6.3.1 CAP name

Each CAP is assigned a unique name. The name provides descriptive information about the intent of the CAP.

A unique short form of the CAP name is also provided. This is the primary means used to reference the CAP.

6.3.2 Objectives

The objectives subclause of the CAP presents the intent of the CAP.

6.3.3 Application notes

The application notes subclause of the CAP, if present, contains information of particular interest to users of the CAP (e.g. PP and ST authors, integrators of composed TOEs targeting this CAP, evaluators). The presentation is informal and covers, for example, warnings about limitations of use and areas where specific attention may be required.

6.3.4 Assurance components

A set of assurance components have been chosen for each CAP.

Some dependencies identify the activities performed during the evaluation of the dependent component on which the composed TOE activity relies. Where it is not explicitly identified that the dependency is on a dependent component activity, the dependency is to another evaluation activity of the composed TOE.

A higher level of assurance than that provided by a given CAP can be achieved by:

- a) including additional assurance components from other assurance families; or
- b) replacing an assurance component with a higher level assurance component from the same assurance family.

The ACO: Composition components included in the CAP assurance packages should not be used as augmentations for component TOE evaluations, as this would provide no meaningful assurance for the component.

6.3.5 Relationship between assurances and assurance levels

Figure 7 illustrates the relationship between the SARs and the composed assurance packages defined in ISO/IEC 15408. While assurance components further decompose into assurance elements, assurance elements cannot be individually referenced by assurance packages. Note that the arrow in the figure represents a reference from a CAP to an assurance component within the class where it is defined.

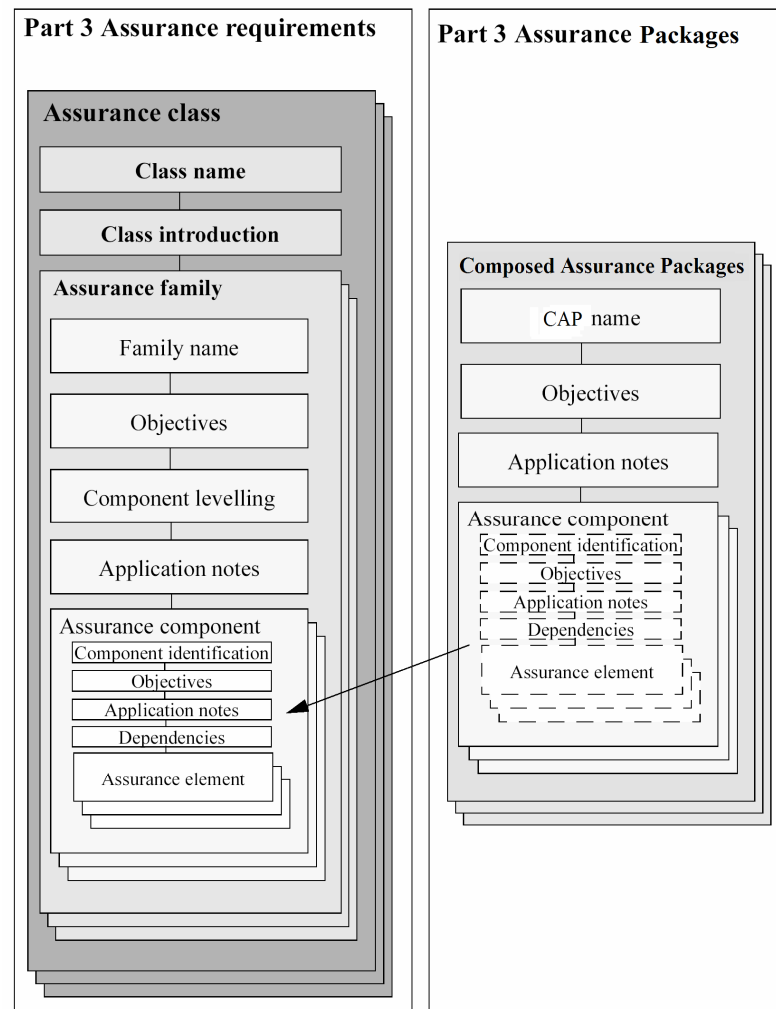


Figure 7 — Assurance and composed assurance package association

7 Evaluation assurance levels

The Evaluation Assurance Levels (EALs) provide an increasing scale that balances the level of assurance obtained with the cost and feasibility of acquiring that degree of assurance. ISO/IEC 15408 approach identifies the separate concepts of assurance in a TOE at the end of the evaluation, and of maintenance of that assurance during the operational use of the TOE.

It is important to note that not all families and components from this part of ISO/IEC 15408 are included in the EALs. This is not to say that these do not provide meaningful and desirable assurances. Instead, it is expected that these families and components will be considered for augmentation of an EAL in those PPs and STs for which they provide utility.

7.1 Evaluation assurance level (EAL) overview

Table 1 represents a summary of the EALs. The columns represent a hierarchically ordered set of EALs, while the rows represent assurance families. Each number in the resulting matrix identifies a specific assurance component where applicable.

As outlined in the next subclause, seven hierarchically ordered evaluation assurance levels are defined in ISO/IEC 15408 for the rating of a TOE's assurance. They are hierarchically ordered inasmuch as each EAL represents more assurance than all lower EALs. The increase in assurance from EAL to EAL is accomplished by substitution of a hierarchically higher assurance component from the same assurance family (i.e. increasing rigour, scope, and/or depth) and from the addition of assurance components from other assurance families (i.e. adding new requirements).

These EALs consist of an appropriate combination of assurance components as described in Clause 6 of this part of ISO/IEC 15408. More precisely, each EAL includes no more than one component of each assurance family and all assurance dependencies of every component are addressed.

While the EALs are defined in ISO/IEC 15408, it is possible to represent other combinations of assurance. Specifically, the notion of "augmentation" allows the addition of assurance components (from assurance families not already included in the EAL) or the substitution of assurance components (with another hierarchically higher assurance component in the same assurance family) to an EAL. Of the assurance constructs defined in ISO/IEC 15408, only EALs may be augmented. The notion of an "EAL minus a constituent assurance component" is not recognised by the standard as a valid claim. Augmentation carries with it the obligation on the part of the claimant to justify the utility and added value of the added assurance component to the EAL. An EAL may also be augmented with extended assurance requirements.

Assurance class	Assurance Family	Assurance Components by Evaluation Assurance Level						
		EAL1	EAL2	EAL3	EAL4	EAL5	EAL6	EAL7
Development	ADV_ARC		1	1	1	1	1	1
	ADV_FSP	1	2	3	4	5	5	6
	ADV_IMP				1	1	2	2
	ADV_INT					2	3	3
	ADV_SPM						1	1
	ADV_TDS		1	2	3	4	5	6
Guidance documents	AGD_OPE	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	AGD_PRE	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC	1	2	3	4	4	5	5
	ALC_CMS	1	2	3	4	5	5	5
	ALC_DEL		1	1	1	1	1	1
	ALC_DVS			1	1	1	2	2
	ALC_FLR							
	ALC_LCD			1	1	1	1	2
	ALC_TAT				1	2	3	3
Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	ASE_ECD	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	ASE_INT	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	ASE_OBJ	1	2	2	2	2	2	2
	ASE_REQ	1	2	2	2	2	2	2
	ASE_SPD		1	1	1	1	1	1
	ASE_TSS	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tests	ATE_COV		1	2	2	2	3	3
	ATE_DPT			1	1	3	3	4
	ATE_FUN		1	1	1	1	2	2
	ATE_IND	1	2	2	2	2	2	3
Vulnerability assessment	AVA_VAN	1	2	2	3	4	5	5

Table 1 — Evaluation assurance level summary

7.2 Evaluation assurance level details

The following subclauses provide definitions of the EALs, highlighting differences between the specific requirements and the prose characterisations of those requirements using bold type.

7.3 Evaluation assurance level 1 (EAL1) - functionally tested

7.3.1 Objectives

EAL1 is applicable where some confidence in correct operation is required, but the threats to security are not viewed as serious. It will be of value where independent assurance is required to support the contention that due care has been exercised with respect to the protection of personal or similar information.

EAL1 requires only a limited security target. It is sufficient to simply state the SFRs that the TOE must meet, rather than deriving them from threats, OSPs and assumptions through security objectives.

EAL1 provides an evaluation of the TOE as made available to the customer, including independent testing against a specification, and an examination of the guidance documentation provided. It is intended that an EAL1 evaluation could be successfully conducted without assistance from the developer of the TOE, and for minimal outlay.

An evaluation at this level should provide evidence that the TOE functions in a manner consistent with its documentation.

7.3.2 Assurance components

EAL1 provides a basic level of assurance by a limited security target and an analysis of the SFRs in that ST using a functional and interface specification and guidance documentation, to understand the security behaviour.

The analysis is supported by a search for potential vulnerabilities in the public domain and independent testing (functional and penetration) of the TSF.

EAL1 also provides assurance through unique identification of the TOE and of the relevant evaluation documents.

This EAL provides a meaningful increase in assurance over unevaluated IT.

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ADV: Development	ADV_FSP.1 Basic functional specification
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.1 Labelling of the TOE
	ALC_CMS.1 TOE CM coverage
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.1 Security objectives for the operational environment
	ASE_REQ.1 Stated security requirements
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification
ATE: Tests	ATE_IND.1 Independent testing - conformance
AVA: Vulnerability assessment	AVA_VAN.1 Vulnerability survey

Table 2 — EAL1

7.4 Evaluation assurance level 2 (EAL2) - structurally tested

7.4.1 Objectives

EAL2 requires the co-operation of the developer in terms of the delivery of design information and test results, but should not demand more effort on the part of the developer than is consistent with good commercial practise. As such it should not require a substantially increased investment of cost or time.

EAL2 is therefore applicable in those circumstances where developers or users require a low to moderate level of independently assured security in the absence of ready availability of the complete development record. Such a situation may arise when securing legacy systems, or where access to the developer may be limited.

7.4.2 Assurance components

EAL2 provides assurance by a **full** security target and an analysis of the SFRs in that ST, using a functional and interface specification, guidance documentation **and a basic description of the architecture of the TOE**, to understand the security behaviour.

The analysis is supported by independent testing of the TSF, **evidence of developer testing based on the functional specification, selective independent confirmation of the developer test results, and a vulnerability analysis (based upon the functional specification, TOE design, security architecture description and guidance evidence provided) demonstrating resistance to penetration attackers with a basic attack potential.**

EAL2 also provides assurance through **use of a configuration management system and evidence of secure delivery procedures.**

This EAL **represents** a meaningful increase in assurance **from EAL1** by requiring **developer testing, a vulnerability analysis (in addition to the search of the public domain), and independent testing based upon more detailed TOE specifications.**

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ADV: Development	ADV_ARC.1 Security architecture description
	ADV_FSP.2 Security-enforcing functional specification
	ADV_TDS.1 Basic design
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.2 Use of a CM system
	ALC_CMS.2 Parts of the TOE CM coverage
	ALC_DEL.1 Delivery procedures
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.2 Security objectives
	ASE_REQ.2 Derived security requirements
	ASE_SPD.1 Security problem definition
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification
ATE: Tests	ATE_COV.1 Evidence of coverage
	ATE_FUN.1 Functional testing
	ATE_IND.2 Independent testing - sample
AVA: Vulnerability assessment	AVA_VAN.2 Vulnerability analysis

Table 3 — EAL2

7.5 Evaluation assurance level 3 (EAL3) - methodically tested and checked

7.5.1 Objectives

EAL3 permits a conscientious developer to gain maximum assurance from positive security engineering at the design stage without substantial alteration of existing sound development practises.

EAL3 is applicable in those circumstances where developers or users require a moderate level of independently assured security, and require a thorough investigation of the TOE and its development without substantial re-engineering.

7.5.2 Assurance components

EAL3 provides assurance by a full security target and an analysis of the SFRs in that ST, using a functional and interface specification, guidance documentation, and **an architectural** description of the **design** of the TOE, to understand the security behaviour.

The analysis is supported by independent testing of the TSF, evidence of developer testing based on the functional specification **and TOE design**, selective independent confirmation of the developer test results, and a vulnerability analysis (based upon the functional specification, TOE design, security architecture description and guidance evidence provided) demonstrating resistance to penetration attackers with a basic attack potential.

EAL3 also provides assurance through **the** use of **development environment controls**, **TOE** configuration management, and evidence of secure delivery procedures.

This EAL represents a meaningful increase in assurance from **EAL2** by requiring **more complete** testing **coverage** of the **security functionality** and **mechanisms and/or procedures** that **provide some confidence that the TOE will not be tampered with during development.**

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ADV: Development	ADV_ARC.1 Security architecture description
	ADV_FSP.3 Functional specification with complete summary
	ADV_TDS.2 Architectural design
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.3 Authorisation controls
	ALC_CMS.3 Implementation representation CM coverage
	ALC_DEL.1 Delivery procedures
	ALC_DVS.1 Identification of security measures
	ALC_LCD.1 Developer defined life-cycle model
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.2 Security objectives
	ASE_REQ.2 Derived security requirements
	ASE_SPD.1 Security problem definition
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification
ATE: Tests	ATE_COV.2 Analysis of coverage
	ATE_DPT.1 Testing: basic design
	ATE_FUN.1 Functional testing
	ATE_IND.2 Independent testing - sample
AVA: Vulnerability assessment	AVA_VAN.2 Vulnerability analysis

Table 4 — EAL3

7.6 Evaluation assurance level 4 (EAL4) - methodically designed, tested, and reviewed

7.6.1 Objectives

EAL4 permits a developer to gain maximum assurance from positive security engineering based on good commercial development practises which, though rigorous, do not require substantial specialist knowledge, skills, and other resources. EAL4 is the highest level at which it is likely to be economically feasible to retrofit to an existing product line.

EAL4 is therefore applicable in those circumstances where developers or users require a moderate to high level of independently assured security in conventional commodity TOEs and are prepared to incur additional security-specific engineering costs.

7.6.2 Assurance components

EAL4 provides assurance by a full security target and an analysis of the SFRs in that ST, using a functional and **complete** interface specification, guidance documentation, a description of the **basic modular** design of the TOE, and a **subset of the implementation**, to understand the security behaviour.

The analysis is supported by independent testing of the TSF, evidence of developer testing based on the functional specification and TOE design, selective independent confirmation of the developer test results, and a vulnerability analysis (based upon the functional specification, TOE design, **implementation representation**, security architecture description and guidance evidence provided) demonstrating resistance to penetration attackers with **an Enhanced-Basic** attack potential.

EAL4 also provides assurance through the use of development environment controls and **additional** TOE configuration management **including automation**, and evidence of secure delivery procedures.

This EAL represents a meaningful increase in assurance from **EAL3** by requiring more **design description**, the **implementation representation for the entire TSF**, and **improved** mechanisms and/or procedures that provide confidence that the TOE will not be tampered with during development.

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ADV: Development	ADV_ARC.1 Security architecture description
	ADV_FSP.4 Complete functional specification
	ADV_IMP.1 Implementation representation of the TSF
	ADV_TDS.3 Basic modular design
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.4 Production support, acceptance procedures and automation
	ALC_CMS.4 Problem tracking CM coverage
	ALC_DEL.1 Delivery procedures
	ALC_DVS.1 Identification of security measures
	ALC_LCD.1 Developer defined life-cycle model
	ALC_TAT.1 Well-defined development tools
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.2 Security objectives
	ASE_REQ.2 Derived security requirements
	ASE_SPD.1 Security problem definition
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification
ATE: Tests	ATE_COV.2 Analysis of coverage
	ATE_DPT.1 Testing: basic design
	ATE_FUN.1 Functional testing
	ATE_IND.2 Independent testing - sample
AVA: Vulnerability assessment	AVA_VAN.3 Focused vulnerability analysis

Table 5 — EAL4

7.7 Evaluation assurance level 5 (EAL5) - semiformally designed and tested

7.7.1 Objectives

EAL5 permits a developer to gain maximum assurance from security engineering based upon rigorous commercial development practises supported by moderate application of specialist security engineering techniques. Such a TOE will probably be designed and developed with the intent of achieving EAL5 assurance. It is likely that the additional costs attributable to the EAL5 requirements, relative to rigorous development without the application of specialised techniques, will not be large.

EAL5 is therefore applicable in those circumstances where developers or users require a high level of independently assured security in a planned development and require a rigorous development approach without incurring unreasonable costs attributable to specialist security engineering techniques.

7.7.2 Assurance components

EAL5 provides assurance by a full security target and an analysis of the SFRs in that ST, using a functional and complete interface specification, guidance documentation, a description of the design of the TOE, and the implementation, to understand the security behaviour. **A modular TSF design is also required.**

The analysis is supported by independent testing of the TSF, evidence of developer testing based on the functional specification, TOE design, selective independent confirmation of the developer test results, and an **independent** vulnerability analysis demonstrating resistance to penetration attackers with a **moderate** attack potential.

EAL5 also provides assurance through the use of a development environment controls, and **comprehensive** TOE configuration management including automation, and evidence of secure delivery procedures.

This EAL represents a meaningful increase in assurance from **EAL4** by requiring **semiformal design descriptions, a more structured (and hence analysable) architecture**, and improved mechanisms and/or procedures that provide confidence that the TOE will not be tampered with during development.

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ADV: Development	ADV_ARC.1 Security architecture description
	ADV_FSP.5 Complete semi-formal functional specification with additional error information
	ADV_IMP.1 Implementation representation of the TSF
	ADV_INT.2 Well-structured internals
	ADV_TDS.4 Semiformal modular design
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.4 Production support, acceptance procedures and automation
	ALC_CMS.5 Development tools CM coverage
	ALC_DEL.1 Delivery procedures
	ALC_DVS.1 Identification of security measures
	ALC_LCD.1 Developer defined life-cycle model
	ALC_TAT.2 Compliance with implementation standards
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.2 Security objectives
	ASE_REQ.2 Derived security requirements
	ASE_SPD.1 Security problem definition
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification
ATE: Tests	ATE_COV.2 Analysis of coverage
	ATE_DPT.3 Testing: modular design
	ATE_FUN.1 Functional testing
	ATE_IND.2 Independent testing - sample
AVA: Vulnerability assessment	AVA_VAN.4 Methodical vulnerability analysis

Table 6 — EAL5

7.8 Evaluation assurance level 6 (EAL6) - semiformally verified design and tested

7.8.1 Objectives

EAL6 permits developers to gain high assurance from application of security engineering techniques to a rigorous development environment in order to produce a premium TOE for protecting high value assets against significant risks.

EAL6 is therefore applicable to the development of security TOEs for application in high risk situations where the value of the protected assets justifies the additional costs.

7.8.2 Assurance components

EAL6 provides assurance by a full security target and an analysis of the SFRs in that ST, using a functional and complete interface specification, guidance documentation, the design of the TOE, and the implementation to understand the security behaviour. **Assurance is additionally gained through a formal model of select TOE security policies and a semiformal presentation of the functional specification and TOE design.** A modular, **layered and simple** TSF design is also required.

The analysis is supported by independent testing of the TSF, evidence of developer testing based on the functional specification, TOE design, selective independent confirmation of the developer test results, and an

independent vulnerability analysis demonstrating resistance to penetration attackers with a **high** attack potential.

EAL6 also provides assurance through the use of a **structured** development **process**, **development** environment controls, and comprehensive TOE configuration management including **complete** automation, and evidence of secure delivery procedures.

This EAL represents a meaningful increase in assurance from **EAL5** by requiring **more comprehensive analysis**, a **structured representation of the implementation**, more **architectural structure** (e.g. **layering**), **more comprehensive independent vulnerability analysis**, and improved **configuration management and development environment controls**.

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ADV: Development	ADV_ARC.1 Security architecture description
	ADV_FSP.5 Complete semi-formal functional specification with additional error information
	ADV_IMP.2 Complete mapping of the implementation representation of the TSF
	ADV_INT.3 Minimally complex internals
	ADV_SPM.1 Formal TOE security policy model
	ADV_TDS.5 Complete semiformal modular design
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.5 Advanced support
	ALC_CMS.5 Development tools CM coverage
	ALC_DEL.1 Delivery procedures
	ALC_DVS.2 Sufficiency of security measures
	ALC_LCD.1 Developer defined life-cycle model
	ALC_TAT.3 Compliance with implementation standards - all parts
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.2 Security objectives
	ASE_REQ.2 Derived security requirements
	ASE_SPD.1 Security problem definition
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification
ATE: Tests	ATE_COV.3 Rigorous analysis of coverage
	ATE_DPT.3 Testing: modular design
	ATE_FUN.2 Ordered functional testing
	ATE_IND.2 Independent testing - sample
AVA: Vulnerability assessment	AVA_VAN.5 Advanced methodical vulnerability analysis

Table 7 — EAL6

7.9 Evaluation assurance level 7 (EAL7) - formally verified design and tested

7.9.1 Objectives

EAL7 is applicable to the development of security TOEs for application in extremely high risk situations and/or where the high value of the assets justifies the higher costs. Practical application of EAL7 is currently limited to TOEs with tightly focused security functionality that is amenable to extensive formal analysis.

7.9.2 Assurance components

EAL7 provides assurance by a full security target and an analysis of the SFRs in that ST, using a functional and complete interface specification, guidance documentation, the design of the TOE, and **a structured presentation of the implementation** to understand the security behaviour. Assurance is additionally gained through a formal model of select TOE security policies and a semiformal presentation of the functional specification and TOE design. A modular, layered and simple TSF design is also required.

The analysis is supported by independent testing of the TSF, evidence of developer testing based on the functional specification, TOE design **and implementation representation, complete** independent confirmation of the developer test results, and an independent vulnerability analysis demonstrating resistance to penetration attackers with a high attack potential.

EAL7 also provides assurance through the use of a structured development process, development environment controls, and comprehensive TOE configuration management including complete automation, and evidence of secure delivery procedures.

This EAL represents a meaningful increase in assurance from **EAL6** by requiring more comprehensive analysis **using formal representations and formal correspondence, and comprehensive testing.**

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ADV: Development	ADV_ARC.1 Security architecture description
	ADV_FSP.6 Complete semi-formal functional specification with additional formal specification
	ADV_IMP.2 Complete mapping of the implementation representation of the TSF
	ADV_INT.3 Minimally complex internals
	ADV_SPM.1 Formal TOE security policy model
	ADV_TDS.6 Complete semiformal modular design with formal high-level design presentation
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.5 Advanced support
	ALC_CMS.5 Development tools CM coverage
	ALC_DEL.1 Delivery procedures
	ALC_DVS.2 Sufficiency of security measures
	ALC_LCD.2 Measurable life-cycle model
	ALC_TAT.3 Compliance with implementation standards - all parts
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.2 Security objectives
	ASE_REQ.2 Derived security requirements
	ASE_SPD.1 Security problem definition
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification
ATE: Tests	ATE_COV.3 Rigorous analysis of coverage
	ATE_DPT.4 Testing: implementation representation
	ATE_FUN.2 Ordered functional testing
	ATE_IND.3 Independent testing - complete
AVA: Vulnerability assessment	AVA_VAN.5 Advanced methodical vulnerability analysis

Table 8 — EAL7

8 Composed assurance packages

The Composed Assurance Packages (CAPs) provide an increasing scale that balances the level of assurance obtained with the cost and feasibility of acquiring that degree of assurance for composed TOEs.

It is important to note that there are only a small number of families and components from this part of ISO/IEC 15408 included in the CAPs. This is due to their nature of building upon evaluation results of previously evaluated entities (base components and dependent components), and is not to say that these do not provide meaningful and desirable assurances.

8.1 Composed assurance package (CAP) overview

CAPs are to be applied to composed TOEs, which are comprised of components that have been (are going through) component TOE evaluation (see Annex B). The individual components will have been certified to an EAL or another assurance package specified in the ST. It is expected that a basic level of assurance in a composed TOE will be gained through application of EAL1, which can be achieved with information about the components that is generally available in the public domain. (EAL1 can be applied as specified within to both component and composed TOEs.) CAPs provide an alternative approach to obtaining higher levels of assurance for a composed TOE than application of the EALs above EAL1.

While a dependent component can be evaluated using a previously evaluated and certified base component to satisfy the IT platform requirements in the environment, this does not provide any formal assurance of the interactions between the components or the possible introduction of vulnerabilities resulting from the composition. Composed assurance packages consider these interactions and, at higher levels of assurance, ensure that the interface between the components has itself been the subject of testing. A vulnerability analysis of the composed TOE is also performed to consider the possible introduction of vulnerabilities as a result of composing the components.

Table 9 represents a summary of the CAPs. The columns represent a hierarchically ordered set of CAPs, while the rows represent assurance families. Each number in the resulting matrix identifies a specific assurance component where applicable.

As outlined in the next subclause, three hierarchically ordered composed assurance packages are defined in ISO/IEC 15408 for the rating of a composed TOE's assurance. They are hierarchically ordered inasmuch as each CAP represents more assurance than all lower CAPs. The increase in assurance from CAP to CAP is accomplished by substitution of a hierarchically higher assurance component from the same assurance family (i.e. increasing rigour, scope, and/or depth) and from the addition of assurance components from other assurance families (i.e. adding new requirements). These increases result in greater analysis of the composition to identify the impact on the evaluation results gained for the individual component TOEs.

These CAPs consist of an appropriate combination of assurance components as described in Clause 6 of this part of ISO/IEC 15408. More precisely, each CAP includes no more than one component of each assurance family and all assurance dependencies of every component are addressed.

The CAPs only consider resistance against an attacker with an attack potential up to Enhanced-Basic. This is due to the level of design information that can be provided through the ACO_DEV, limiting some of the factors associated with attack potential (knowledge of the composed TOE) and subsequently affecting the rigour of vulnerability analysis that can be performed by the evaluator. Therefore, the level of assurance in the composed TOE is limited, although the assurance in the individual components within the composed TOE may be much higher.

Assurance class	Assurance Family	Assurance Components by Composition Assurance Package		
		CAP-A	CAP-B	CAP-C
Composition	ACO_COR	1	1	1
	ACO_CTT	1	2	2
	ACO_DEV	1	2	3
	ACO_REL	1	1	2
	ACO_VUL	1	2	3
Guidance documents	AGD_OPE	1	1	1
	AGD_PRE	1	1	1
Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC	1	1	1
	ALC_CMS	2	2	2
	ALC_DEL			
	ALC_DVS			
	ALC_FLR			
	ALC_LCD			
	ALC_TAT			
Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL	1	1	1
	ASE_ECD	1	1	1
	ASE_INT	1	1	1
	ASE_OBJ	1	2	2
	ASE_REQ	1	2	2
	ASE_SPD		1	1
	ASE_TSS	1	1	1

Table 9 — Composition assurance level summary

8.2 Composed assurance package details

The following subclauses provide definitions of the CAPs, highlighting differences between the specific requirements and the prose characterisations of those requirements using bold type.

8.3 Composition assurance level A (CAP-A) - Structurally composed

8.3.1 Objectives

CAP-A is applicable when a composed TOE is integrated and confidence in the correct security operation of the resulting composite is required. This requires the cooperation of the developer of the dependent component in terms of delivery of design information and test results from the dependent component certification, without requiring the involvement of the base component developer.

CAP-A is therefore applicable in those circumstances where developers or users require a low to moderate level of independently assured security in the absence of ready availability of the complete development record.

8.3.2 Assurance components

CAP-A provides assurance by analysis of a security target for the composed TOE. The SFRs in the composed TOE ST are analysed using the outputs from the evaluations of the component TOEs (e.g. ST, guidance documentation) and a specification for the interfaces between the component TOEs in the composed TOE to understand the security behaviour.

The analysis is supported by independent testing of the interfaces of the base component that are relied upon by the dependent component, as described in the reliance information, evidence of developer testing based on the reliance information, development information and composition rationale, and selective independent confirmation of the developer test results. The analysis is also supported by a vulnerability review of the composed TOE by the evaluator.

CAP-A also provides assurance through unique identification of the composed TOE (i.e. IT TOE and guidance documentation).

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ACO: Composition	ACO_COR.1 Composition rationale
	ACO_CTT.1 Interface testing
	ACO_DEV.1 Functional Description
	ACO_REL.1 Basic reliance information
	ACO_VUL.1 Composition vulnerability review
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.1 Labelling of the TOE
	ALC_CMS.2 Parts of the TOE CM coverage
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.1 Security objectives for the operational environment
	ASE_REQ.1 Stated security requirements
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification

Table 10 — CAP-A

8.4 Composition assurance level B (CAP-B) - Methodically composed

8.4.1 Objectives

CAP-B permits a conscientious developer to gain maximum assurance from understanding, at a subsystem level, the affects of interactions between component TOEs integrated in the composed TOE, whilst minimising the demand of involvement of the base component developer.

CAP-B is applicable in those circumstances where developers or users require a moderate level of independently assured security, and require a thorough investigation of the composed TOE and its development without substantial re-engineering.

8.4.2 Assurance components

CAP-B provides assurance by analysis of a **full** security target for the composed TOE. The SFRs in the composed TOE ST are analysed using the outputs from the evaluations of the component TOEs (e.g. ST, guidance documentation), a specification for the interfaces between the component TOEs **and the TOE design (describing TSF subsystems) contained** in the composed **development information** to understand the security behaviour.

The analysis is supported by independent testing of the interfaces of the base component that are relied upon by the dependent component, as described in the reliance information (**now also including TOE design**), evidence of developer testing based on the reliance information, development information and composition rationale, and selective independent confirmation of the developer test results. The analysis is also supported by a vulnerability **analysis** of the composed TOE by the evaluator **demonstrating resistance to attackers with basic attack potential**.

This CAP represents a meaningful increase in assurance from CAP-A by requiring more complete testing coverage of the security functionality.

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ACO: Composition	ACO_COR.1 Composition rationale
	ACO_CTT.2 Rigorous interface testing
	ACO_DEV.2 Basic evidence of design
	ACO_REL.1 Basic reliance information
	ACO_VUL.2 Composition vulnerability analysis
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.1 Labelling of the TOE
	ALC_CMS.2 Parts of the TOE CM coverage
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.2 Security objectives
	ASE_REQ.2 Derived security requirements
	ASE_SPD.1 Security problem definition
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification

Table 11 — CAP-B

8.5 Composition assurance level C (CAP-C) - Methodically composed, tested and reviewed

8.5.1 Objectives

CAP-C permits a developer to gain maximum assurance from positive analysis of the interactions between the components of the composed TOE, which, though rigorous, do not require full access to all evaluation evidence of the base component.

CAP-C is therefore applicable in those circumstances where developers or users require a moderate to high level of independently assured security in conventional commodity composed TOEs and are prepared to incur additional security-specific engineering costs.

8.5.2 Assurance components

CAP-C provides assurance by analysis of a full security target for the composed TOE. The SFRs in the composed TOE ST are analysed using the outputs from the evaluations of the component TOEs (e.g. ST, guidance documentation), a specification for the interfaces between the component TOEs and the TOE design (describing TSF **modules**) contained in the composed development information to understand the security behaviour.

The analysis is supported by independent testing of the interfaces of the base component that are relied upon by the dependent component, as described in the reliance information (now including TOE design), evidence of developer testing based on the reliance information, development information and composition rationale, and selective independent confirmation of the developer test results. The analysis is also supported by a vulnerability analysis of the composed TOE by the evaluator demonstrating resistance to attackers with **Enhanced-Basic** attack potential.

This CAP represents a meaningful increase in assurance from **CAP-B** by requiring more **design description and demonstration of resistance to a higher attack potential**.

Assurance Class	Assurance components
ACO: Composition	ACO_COR.1 Composition rationale
	ACO_CTT.2 Rigorous interface testing
	ACO_DEV.3 Detailed evidence of design
	ACO_REL.2 Reliance information
	ACO_VUL.3 Enhanced-Basic Composition vulnerability analysis
AGD: Guidance documents	AGD_OPE.1 Operational user guidance
	AGD_PRE.1 Preparative procedures
ALC: Life-cycle support	ALC_CMC.1 Labelling of the TOE
	ALC_CMS.2 Parts of the TOE CM coverage
ASE: Security Target evaluation	ASE_CCL.1 Conformance claims
	ASE_ECD.1 Extended components definition
	ASE_INT.1 ST introduction
	ASE_OBJ.2 Security objectives
	ASE_REQ.2 Derived security requirements
	ASE_SPD.1 Security problem definition
	ASE_TSS.1 TOE summary specification

Table 12 — CAP-C

9 Class APE: Protection Profile evaluation

Evaluating a PP is required to demonstrate that the PP is sound and internally consistent, and, if the PP is based on one or more other PPs or on packages, that the PP is a correct instantiation of these PPs and packages. These properties are necessary for the PP to be suitable for use as the basis for writing an ST or another PP.

This clause should be used in conjunction with Annexes A, B and C in ISO/IEC 15408-1:2009, as these annexes clarify the concepts here and provide many examples.

This standard defines two assurance packages for PP evaluation as follows:

- a) Low assurance PP evaluation package;
- b) (Standard) PP evaluation package.

The assurance components for these packages are defined by table 13.

Assurance class	Assurance family	Assurance component	
		Low Assurance PP	PP
Protection Profile evaluation	APE_CCL	1	1
	APE_ECD	1	1
	APE_INT	1	1
	APE_OBJ	1	2
	APE_REQ	1	2
	APE_SPD		1

Table 13 — PP assurance packages

Figure 8 shows the families within this class, and the hierarchy of components within the families.

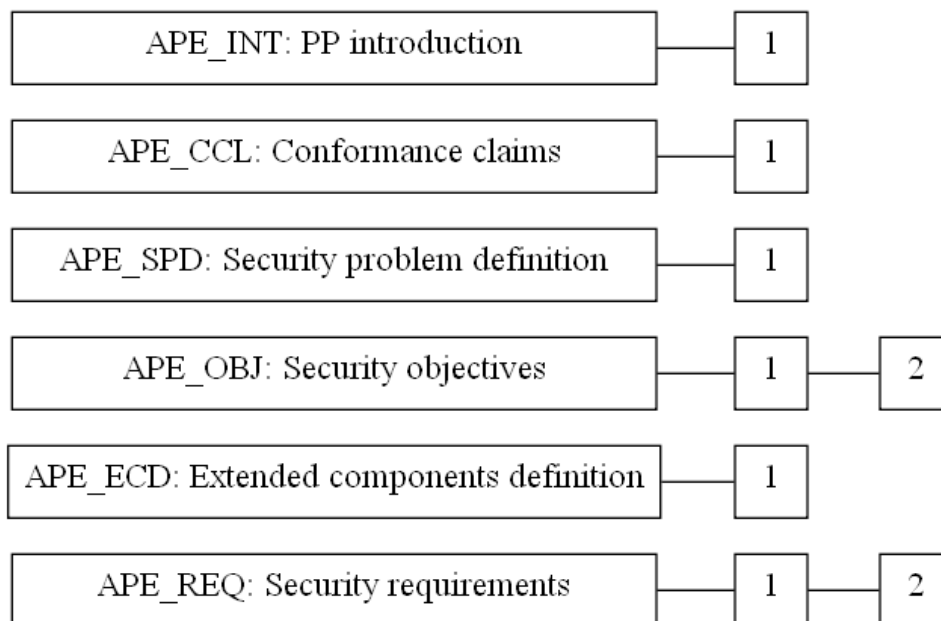


Figure 8 — APE: Protection Profile evaluation class decomposition

9.1 PP introduction (APE_INT)

9.1.1 Objectives

The objective of this family is to describe the TOE in a narrative way.

Evaluation of the PP introduction is required to demonstrate that the PP is correctly identified, and that the PP reference and TOE overview are consistent with each other.

9.1.2 APE_INT.1 PP introduction

Dependencies: No dependencies.

9.1.2.1 Developer action elements

9.1.2.1.1 APE_INT.1.1D

The developer shall provide a PP introduction.

9.1.2.2 Content and presentation elements

9.1.2.2.1 APE_INT.1.1C

The PP introduction shall contain a PP reference and a TOE overview.

9.1.2.2.2 APE_INT.1.2C

The PP reference shall uniquely identify the PP.

9.1.2.2.3 APE_INT.1.3C

The TOE overview shall summarise the usage and major security features of the TOE.

9.1.2.2.4 APE_INT.1.4C

The TOE overview shall identify the TOE type.

9.1.2.2.5 APE_INT.1.5C

The TOE overview shall identify any non-TOE hardware/software/firmware available to the TOE.

9.1.2.3 Evaluator action elements**9.1.2.3.1 APE_INT.1.1E**

The evaluator shall confirm that the information provided meets all requirements for content and presentation of evidence.

9.2 Conformance claims (APE_CCL)**9.2.1 Objectives**

The objective of this family is to determine the validity of the conformance claim. In addition, this family specifies how STs and other PPs are to claim conformance with the PP.

9.2.2 APE_CCL.1 Conformance claims

Dependencies: APE_INT.1 PP introduction

APE_ECD.1 Extended components definition

APE_REQ.1 Stated security requirements

9.2.2.1 Developer action elements**9.2.2.1.1 APE_CCL.1.1D**

The developer shall provide a conformance claim.

9.2.2.1.2 APE_CCL.1.2D

The developer shall provide a conformance claim rationale.

9.2.2.1.3 APE_CCL.1.3D

The developer shall provide a conformance statement.

9.2.2.2 Content and presentation elements**9.2.2.2.1 APE_CCL.1.1C**

The conformance claim shall contain an ISO/IEC 15408 conformance claim that identifies the version of ISO/IEC 15408 to which the PP claims conformance.

9.2.2.2.2 APE_CCL.1.2C

ISO/IEC 15408 conformance claim shall describe the conformance of the PP to ISO/IEC 15408-2 as either ISO/IEC 15408-2 conformant or ISO/IEC 15408-2 extended.

9.2.2.2.3 APE_CCL.1.3C

ISO/IEC 15408 conformance claim shall describe the conformance of the PP to this part of ISO/IEC 15408 as either this part of ISO/IEC 15408 conformant or this part of ISO/IEC 15408 extended.

9.2.2.2.4 APE_CCL.1.4C

ISO/IEC 15408 conformance claim shall be consistent with the extended components definition.

9.2.2.2.5 APE_CCL.1.5C

The conformance claim shall identify all PPs and security requirement packages to which the PP claims conformance.

9.2.2.2.6 APE_CCL.1.6C

The conformance claim shall describe any conformance of the PP to a package as either package-conformant or package-augmented.

9.2.2.2.7 APE_CCL.1.7C

The conformance claim rationale shall demonstrate that the TOE type is consistent with the TOE type in the PPs for which conformance is being claimed.

9.2.2.2.8 APE_CCL.1.8C

The conformance claim rationale shall demonstrate that the statement of the security problem definition is consistent with the statement of the security problem definition in the PPs for which conformance is being claimed.

9.2.2.2.9 APE_CCL.1.9C

The conformance claim rationale shall demonstrate that the statement of security objectives is consistent with the statement of security objectives in the PPs for which conformance is being claimed.

9.2.2.2.10 APE_CCL.1.10C

The conformance claim rationale shall demonstrate that the statement of security requirements is consistent with the statement of security requirements in the PPs for which conformance is being claimed.

9.2.2.2.11 APE_CCL.1.11C

The conformance statement shall describe the conformance required of any PPs/STs to the PP as strict-PP or demonstrable-PP conformance.

9.2.2.3 Evaluator action elements

9.2.2.3.1 APE_CCL.1.1E

The evaluator shall confirm that the information provided meets all requirements for content and presentation of evidence.

9.3 Security problem definition (APE_SPD)

9.3.1 Objectives

This part of the PP defines the security problem to be addressed by the TOE and the operational environment of the TOE.

Evaluation of the security problem definition is required to demonstrate that the security problem intended to be addressed by the TOE and its operational environment, is clearly defined.

9.3.2 APE_SPD.1 Security problem definition

Dependencies: No dependencies.

9.3.2.1 Developer action elements

9.3.2.1.1 APE_SPD.1.1D

The developer shall provide a security problem definition.

9.3.2.2 Content and presentation elements

9.3.2.2.1 APE_SPD.1.1C

The security problem definition shall describe the threats.

9.3.2.2.2 APE_SPD.1.2C

All threats shall be described in terms of a threat agent, an asset, and an adverse action.

9.3.2.2.3 APE_SPD.1.3C

The security problem definition shall describe the OSPs.

9.3.2.2.4 APE_SPD.1.4C

The security problem definition shall describe the assumptions about the operational environment of the TOE.

9.3.2.3 Evaluator action elements

9.3.2.3.1 APE_SPD.1.1E

The evaluator shall confirm that the information provided meets all requirements for content and presentation of evidence.

9.4 Security objectives (APE_OBJ)

9.4.1 Objectives

The security objectives are a concise statement of the intended response to the security problem defined through the Security problem definition (APE_SPD) family.

Evaluation of the security objectives is required to demonstrate that the security objectives adequately and completely address the security problem definition and that the division of this problem between the TOE and its operational environment is clearly defined.

9.4.2 Component levelling

The components in this family are levelled on whether they prescribe only security objectives for the operational environment, or also security objectives for the TOE.

9.4.3 APE_OBJ.1 Security objectives for the operational environment

Dependencies: No dependencies.

9.4.3.1 Developer action elements

9.4.3.1.1 APE_OBJ.1.1D

The developer shall provide a statement of security objectives.

9.4.3.2 Content and presentation elements

9.4.3.2.1 APE_OBJ.1.1C

The statement of security objectives shall describe the security objectives for the operational environment.

9.4.3.3 Evaluator action elements

9.4.3.3.1 APE_OBJ.1.1E

The evaluator shall confirm that the information provided meets all requirements for content and presentation of evidence.

9.4.4 APE_OBJ.2 Security objectives

Dependencies: APE_SPD.1 Security problem definition

9.4.4.1 Developer action elements

9.4.4.1.1 APE_OBJ.2.1D

The developer shall provide a statement of security objectives.

9.4.4.1.2 APE_OBJ.2.2D

The developer shall provide a security objectives rationale.

9.4.4.2 Content and presentation elements

9.4.4.2.1 APE_OBJ.2.1C

The statement of security objectives shall describe the security objectives for the TOE and the security objectives for the operational environment.

9.4.4.2.2 APE_OBJ.2.2C

The security objectives rationale shall trace each security objective for the TOE back to threats countered by that security objective and OSPs enforced by that security objective.

9.4.4.2.3 APE_OBJ.2.3C

The security objectives rationale shall trace each security objective for the operational environment back to threats countered by that security objective, OSPs enforced by that security objective, and assumptions upheld by that security objective.

9.4.4.2.4 APE_OBJ.2.4C

The security objectives rationale shall demonstrate that the security objectives counter all threats.

9.4.4.2.5 APE_OBJ.2.5C

The security objectives rationale shall demonstrate that the security objectives enforce all OSPs.

9.4.4.2.6 APE_OBJ.2.6C

The security objectives rationale shall demonstrate that the security objectives for the operational environment uphold all assumptions.

9.4.4.3 Evaluator action elements**9.4.4.3.1 APE_OBJ.2.1E**

The evaluator shall confirm that the information provided meets all requirements for content and presentation of evidence.

9.5 Extended components definition (APE_ECD)**9.5.1 Objectives**

Extended security requirements are requirements that are not based on components from ISO/IEC 15408-2 or this part of ISO/IEC 15408, but are based on extended components: components defined by the PP author.

Evaluation of the definition of extended components is necessary to determine that they are clear and unambiguous, and that they are necessary, i.e. they may not be clearly expressed using existing ISO/IEC 15408-2 or this part of ISO/IEC 15408 components.

9.5.2 APE_ECD.1 Extended components definition

Dependencies: No dependencies.

9.5.2.1 Developer action elements**9.5.2.1.1 APE_ECD.1.1D**

The developer shall provide a statement of security requirements.

9.5.2.1.2 APE_ECD.1.2D

The developer shall provide an extended components definition.

9.5.2.2 Content and presentation elements**9.5.2.2.1 APE_ECD.1.1C**

The statement of security requirements shall identify all extended security requirements.

9.5.2.2.2 APE_ECD.1.2C

The extended components definition shall define an extended component for each extended security requirement.

9.5.2.2.3 APE_ECD.1.3C

The extended components definition shall describe how each extended component is related to the existing ISO/IEC 15408 components, families, and classes.

9.5.2.2.4 APE_ECD.1.4C

The extended components definition shall use the existing ISO/IEC 15408 components, families, classes, and methodology as a model for presentation.

9.5.2.2.5 APE_ECD.1.5C

The extended components shall consist of measurable and objective elements such that conformance or nonconformance to these elements can be demonstrated.

9.5.2.3 Evaluator action elements

9.5.2.3.1 APE_ECD.1.1E

The evaluator shall confirm that the information provided meets all requirements for content and presentation of evidence.

9.5.2.3.2 APE_ECD.1.2E

The evaluator shall confirm that no extended component may be clearly expressed using existing components.

9.6 Security requirements (APE_REQ)

9.6.1 Objectives

The SFRs form a clear, unambiguous and well-defined description of the expected security behaviour of the TOE. The SARs form a clear, unambiguous and well-defined description of the expected activities that will be undertaken to gain assurance in the TOE.

Evaluation of the security requirements is required to ensure that they are clear, unambiguous and well-defined.

9.6.2 Component levelling

The components in this family are levelled on whether they are stated as is, or whether the SFRs are derived from security objectives for the TOE.

9.6.3 APE_REQ.1 Stated security requirements

Dependencies: APE_ECD.1 Extended components definition

9.6.3.1 Developer action elements

9.6.3.1.1 APE_REQ.1.1D

The developer shall provide a statement of security requirements.