

Product Standard

General Interworking: Internet Protocol Version 6

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NAME

Internet Protocol Version 6

LABEL FOR LOGO

Internet Protocol Version 6

DESCRIPTION

This Product Standard defines a set of programming APIs and services in support of the Internet Protocol Version 6.

The Internet Protocol Version 6 Product Standard provides server-side functionality. The emphasis is on services and applications support. A standard server will provide a set of core services to support Internet applications.

The mandatory functionality includes:

- Internet Protocol Suite Version 6

CONFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Human-Computer Interface

Not applicable.

Portability Interface

The Networking interfaces defined within the System Interfaces, Issue 6¹ and Base Definitions, Issue 6,² with the following Option Groups mandated:

- IP6

1. Technical Standard, March 2003, System Interfaces, Issue 6 (XSH), (C032, 1-931624-24-0), published by The Open Group.

2. Technical Standard, March 2003, Base Definitions, Issue 6 (XBD), (C031, 1-931624-23-2), published by The Open Group.

Programming Language Environment

C Language. Dialect ISO C. ISO C source programs invoking the services of this Product Standard must be supported by the registered product.

Interoperability

- TCP/IP Communications Service Interface

A conforming system provides a TCP/IP Communications Service interface, built on Internet Standards.

- IETF RFC 2460, Internet Protocol, Version 6 (IPv6) Specification [December 1998]
- IETF RFC 2461, Neighbor Discovery for IP Version 6 (IPv6) [December 1998]
- IETF RFC 2462, IPv6 Stateless Address Autoconfiguration [December 1998]
- IETF RFC 2463, Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMPv6) for the Internet Protocol Version 6 (IPv6) Specification [December 1998]
- IETF RFC 3513, Internet Protocol Version 6 Addressing Architecture [April 2003]

OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

None.

PORTABILITY ENVIRONMENT

None.

OVERRIDING STANDARDS

All formal standards included within this Product Standard are specified by a direct reference to the formal standard document itself.

INDICATORS OF COMPLIANCE

For the constituent parts of this Product Standard there will be no initial Indicator of Compliance specified. The Open Group intends to introduce tests of application-level interoperability for protocols within this Product Standard and for the IPv6 APIs. Such tests will become a mandatory Indicator of Compliance three months after formal approval for branding. Reference should be made to *Test Suites* to ascertain whether the suite is now available, and whether the three-month period has elapsed.

MIGRATION

This is a new product standard. Migration issues are anticipated to be related to the requirement for hosts to support both IPv4 and IPv6.