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1 Introduction

The [XMPP Standards Foundation \(XSF\)](#)¹ defines protocol suites for the purpose of compliance testing and software certification. This document specifies compliance levels for XMPP clients and servers; it is hoped that this document will advance the state of the art, and provide guidance and eventual certification to XMPP client and server authors. Unless explicitly noted, support for the listed specifications is REQUIRED for compliance purposes. A feature is considered supported if all comma separated feature providers listed in the "Providers" column are implemented (unless otherwise noted).

2 Compliance Levels

2.1 Core Compliance Suite

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Core features | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | RFC 6120 RFC 6120: Extensible Messag- ing and Presence Protocol (XMPP): Core < http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6120 > RFC 7622 RFC 7622: Extensible Messag- ing and Presence Protocol (XMPP): Address Format < http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7622 > |

¹The XMPP Standards Foundation (XSF) is an independent, non-profit membership organization that develops open extensions to the IETF's Extensible Messaging and Presence Protocol (XMPP). For further information, see <<https://xmpp.org/about/xmpp-standards-foundation>>.

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| TLS | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <p>RFC 7590 RFC 7590: Use of Transport Layer Security (TLS) in the Extensible Messag- ing and Presence Proto- col (XMPP) <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7590> SRV records for XMPP over TLS (XEP-0368) XEP- 0368: SRV records for XMPP over TLS <https://xmpp.org/extensions/xep-0368.html>.Server support means having the ability to accept direct TLS connec- tions. Service Discovery (XEP-0030) XEP-0030: Service Discovery <https://xmpp.org/extensions/xep-0030.html>.</p> |
| Feature discovery | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <p>Service Discovery (XEP-0030) XEP-0030: Service Discovery <https://xmpp.org/extensions/xep-0030.html>.</p> |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Feature broadcasts | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Entity Capabilities (XEP-0115) XEP-0115: Entity Capabilities < https://xmpp.org/extensions/x0115.html >. |
| Server Extensibility | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | Jabber Component Protocol (XEP-0114) XEP-0114: Jabber Component Protocol < https://xmpp.org/extensions/x0114.html >. |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|---|
| Event publishing | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> While 'Personal Eventing Protocol' does not require all the features of 'Publish-Subscribe' to be available on the users' JIDs, and nor does this suite, it is desirable for this to be the case and it is expected that this will a requirement of future Compliance Suites. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Personal Eventing Protocol (XEP-0163) XEP-0163: Personal Eventing Protocol < https://xmpp.org/extensions/x0163.html >. |

2.2 Web Compliance Suite

To be considered XMPP web compliant, all features from the core compliance suite must be met, as well as all features in this suite.

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|---------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| Web Connection Mechanisms | <input type="checkbox"/> Support can be enabled via an external component or an internal server module/-plugin. If claiming compliance using such an addition, the necessary components/-modules/-plugins MUST be detailed. | <input type="checkbox"/> Only one of the recommended providers must be implemented for compliance. | <input type="checkbox"/> Support can be enabled via an external component or an internal server module/-plugin. If claiming compliance using such an addition, the necessary components/-modules/-plugins MUST be detailed. | <input type="checkbox"/> Only one of the recommended providers must be implemented for compliance. | RFC 7395 RFC 7395: An Extensible Messaging and Presence Protocol (XMPP) Subprotocol for Web-Socket -<http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7395> XMPP Over BOSH (XEP-0206) XEP-0206: XMPP Over BOSH -<https://xmpp.org/extensions/0206.html> . (See also: BOSH (XEP-0124) XEP-0124: Bidirectional-streams Over Synchronous HTTP -<https://xmpp.org/extensions/0124.html> .) |

2.3 IM Compliance Suite

To be considered XMPP IM compliant, all features from the core compliance suite must be met, as well as all features in this suite.

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Core features | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | RFC 6121 RFC 6121: Ex-ten- sible Mes- sag- ing and Pres- ence Pro- to- col (XMPP): In- stant Mes- sag- ing and Pres- ence < http://tools.ietf.org/html/ |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|--------------|-------------|---|-----------------|---|--|
| User Avatars | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> Not required for command line or terminal based interfaces. While 'User Avatars' is more modern, 'vCard-Based Avatars' is more widely deployed. Although it is suggested that to maximise interoperability with existing software a client fully supports both it is sufficient to claim | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> Not required for command line or terminal based interfaces. While 'User Avatars' is more modern, 'vCard-Based Avatars' is more widely deployed. Although it is suggested that to maximise interoperability with existing software a client fully supports both it is sufficient to claim | User Avatar (XEP-0084): XEP-0084: User Avatar < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0084.html >.vCard-Based Avatars < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0153.html >. |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|---|
| vcard-temp | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Not required for command line or terminal based interfaces. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Not required for command line or terminal based interfaces. | vcard-temp (XEP-0054) XEP-0054: vcard-temp < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0054.html >. |
| Outbound Message Synchronization | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Message Carbons (XEP-0280) XEP-0280: Message Carbons < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0280.html >. |
| User Blocking | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Blocking Command (XEP-0191) XEP-0191: Blocking Command < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0191.html >. |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| Group Chat | <p>Support can be enabled via an external component or an internal server module/plugin. If claiming compliance using such an addition, the necessary components/mod-ules/plugins MUST be de-tailed.</p> | <p>Support for the Entity Use Cases and Occu-pant Use Cases is RE-QUIRED; support for the main-ing use cases is REC-OM-MENDED</p> | <p>Support can be en-abled via an exter-nal com-ponent or an inter-nal server mod-ule/-plugin. If re-claim-ing com-pliance using such an addi-tion, the nec-essary com-ponents/mod-ules/-plugins MUST be de-tailed.</p> | <p>Support for the Entity Use Cases and Occu-pant Use Cases is RE-QUIRED; support for the main-ing use cases is REC-OM-MENDED</p> | <p>Multi-User Chat (XEP-0045) XEP-0045: Multi-User Chat <https://xmpp.org/extensions/0045.html>.Implementation note that future ver-sions of these com-pliance suites may rely on Medi-ated Infor-mation eX-change (MIX) (XEP-0369) XEP-0369: Medi-ated Infor-mation eX-change (MIX) <https://xmpp.org/extensions/0369.html>. in- stead, Direct MUC</p> |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|---|
| Bookmarks | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Support can be enabled via an external component or an internal server module/plugin. If claiming compliance using such an addition, the necessary components/modules/plugins MUST be detailed. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Bookmark Storage (XEP-0048) XEP-0048: Bookmark Storage < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0048.html >. |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Persistent Storage of Private Data via PubSub | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Best Practices for Persistent Storage of Private Data via Publish-Subscribe (XEP-0223) XEP-0223: Best Practices for Persistent Storage of Private Data via Publish-Subscribe < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0223.html >. |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Private XML Storage | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Private XML Storage (XEP-0049) XEP-0049: Private XML Storage < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0049.html >. |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Session Resumption | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Stream Management (XEP-0198) XEP-0198: Stream Management < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0198.html >. |
| Stanza Acknowledgements | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Stream Management (XEP-0198) XEP-0198: Stream Management < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0198.html >. |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| History Storage / Retrieval | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Message Archive Management (XEP-0313) XEP-0313: Message Archive Management < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0313.html >. |
| Chat States | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A | <input type="checkbox"/> | Chat State Notifications (XEP-0085) XEP-0085: Chat State Notifications < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0085.html >. |

2.4 Mobile Compliance Suite

To be considered XMPP mobile compliant, all features from the core compliance suite must be met, as well as all features in this suite.

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Session Resumption | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Stream Management (XEP-0198) XEP-0198: Stream Management < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0198.html >. |
| Stanza Acknowledgements | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Stream Management (XEP-0198) XEP-0198: Stream Management < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0198.html >. |
| Client State Indication | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Client State Indication (XEP-0352) XEP-0352: Client State Indication < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0352.html >. |

| Feature | Core Server | Core Client | Advanced Server | Advanced Client | Providers |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|---|
| Third Party Push Notifications | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Support can be enabled via an external component or an internal server module/plugin. If claiming compliance using such an addition, the necessary components/modules/plugins MUST be detailed. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Push Notifications (XEP-0357) XEP-0357: Push Notifications < https://xmpp.org/extensions/0357.html >. |

3 Implementation Notes

Some of the protocol specifications referenced herein have their own dependencies; developers need to consult the relevant specifications for further information.

4 Security Considerations

This document introduces no additional security considerations above and beyond those defined in the documents on which it depends.

5 IANA Considerations

This document requires no interaction with the [Internet Assigned Numbers Authority \(IANA\)](#)².

6 XMPP Registrar Considerations

This document requires no interaction with the [XMPP Registrar](#)³.

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²The Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) is the central coordinator for the assignment of unique parameter values for Internet protocols, such as port numbers and URI schemes. For further information, see <http://www.iana.org/>.

³The XMPP Registrar maintains a list of reserved protocol namespaces as well as registries of parameters used in the context of XMPP extension protocols approved by the XMPP Standards Foundation. For further information, see <https://xmpp.org/registrar/>.