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212 clause name is quoted using double quotes, such as in "CIM elements".
- 213 • Important terms that are used for the first time are marked in *italics*.
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# Management Profile Specification Usage Guide

## 222 1 Scope

223 This guide defines the usage of and requirements for management profiles and management profile  
224 specification documents.

225 A *management profile* (short: *profile*) defines a management interface between implementations of a  
226 WBEM service and a WBEM client. In addition, a profile may define a management interface between a  
227 WBEM service and a WBEM listener for the delivery of indications. The management interfaces establish  
228 a contract between the involved WBEM components, but are not an API because they do not define a  
229 programming interface. A profile defines a model and its behavior in the context of a management  
230 domain. Model and behavior are defined by selecting, specializing and sometimes constraining elements  
231 from a schema and the set of operations and indications<sup>1</sup> for a particular purpose. A profile establishes a  
232 relationship between the model and the management domain. A profile defines use-cases on the model  
233 that illustrate client visible behavior.

234 A *management profile specification* document (short: *profile specification*) contains the textual specifica-  
235 tion of one or more management profiles and may also contain content that does not specify a profile.

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237 The audience for this guide is anyone creating profiles or profile specifications (regardless of whether  
238 these are published by DMTF or published by other organizations), and implementers of profiles.

239 NOTE This guide is not a template for a profile specification. To create a profile specification, start with the  
240 publishing organization's template and add clauses as described in this guide. For profiles published by  
241 DMTF, use [DSP1000](#).

242 NOTE This guide is not a profile specification; it defines the requirements for creating profiles or profile specifica-  
243 tions.

## 244 2 Normative references

245 The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this guide. For dated or  
246 versioned references, only the edition cited (including any corrigenda or DMTF update versions) applies.  
247 For undated and unversioned references, the latest published edition of the referenced document  
248 (including any corrigenda or DMTF update versions) applies.

249 DMTF DSP0004, *CIM Infrastructure Specification 2.6*  
250 [http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published\\_documents/DSP0004\\_2.6.pdf](http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published_documents/DSP0004_2.6.pdf)

251 DMTF DSP1033, *Profile Registration Profile 1.0*  
252 [http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published\\_documents/DSP1033\\_1.0.pdf](http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published_documents/DSP1033_1.0.pdf)

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254 [http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published\\_documents/DSP1054\\_1.0.pdf](http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published_documents/DSP1054_1.0.pdf)

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256 [http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published\\_documents/DSP0200\\_1.3.pdf](http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published_documents/DSP0200_1.3.pdf)

257 DMTF DSP0215, *Server Management Managed Element Addressing Specification 1.0*  
258 [http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published\\_documents/DSP0215\\_1.0.pdf](http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published_documents/DSP0215_1.0.pdf)

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<sup>1</sup> In this case the term indication is used as an interaction between a WBEM service and a WBEM listener.

- 259 DMTF DSP0223, *Generic Operations 1.0*  
260 [http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published\\_documents/DSP0223\\_1.0.pdf](http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published_documents/DSP0223_1.0.pdf)
- 261 DMTF DSP0228, *Message Registry XML Schema 1.0*  
262 [http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published\\_documents/DSP0228\\_1.0.xsd](http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published_documents/DSP0228_1.0.xsd)
- 263 DMTF DSP4004, *DMTF Release Process 2.0*  
264 [http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published\\_documents/DSP4004\\_2.0.pdf](http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published_documents/DSP4004_2.0.pdf)
- 265 DMTF DSP8016, *WBEM Operations Message Registry 1.0*  
266 [http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/messageregistry/1/dsp8016\\_1.0.xml](http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/messageregistry/1/dsp8016_1.0.xml)
- 267 DMTF DSP8020, *Message Registry XML Schema Specifiation 1.0*  
268 [http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published\\_documents/DSP8020\\_1.0.xsd](http://www.dmtf.org/standards/published_documents/DSP8020_1.0.xsd)
- 269 IETF RFC3629, *UTF-8, a transformation format of ISO 10646*, November 2003  
270 <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc3629>
- 271 IETF RFC5234, *ABNF: Augmented BNF for Syntax Specifications*, January 2008  
272 <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc5234>
- 273 ISO/IEC Directives, Part2:2004, *Rules for the structure and drafting of International Standards*  
274 <http://isotc.iso.org/livelink/livelink.exe?func=ll&objId=4230456&objAction=browse&sort=subtype>
- 275 OMG UML Superstructure, *OMG Unified Modeling Language (OMG UML) Superstructure 2.1.2*
- 276 Regular Expressions, in The Open Group, *The Single UNIX® Specification, Version 2*  
277 <http://www.opengroup.org/onlinepubs/7908799/xbd/re.html>

## 278 **3 Terms and definitions**

279 In this guide, some terms have a specific meaning beyond the normal English meaning. Those terms are  
280 defined in this clause.

### 281 **3.1 General**

282 The terms "shall" ("required"), "shall not", "should" ("recommended"), "should not" ("not recommended"),  
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287 alternatives shall be interpreted in their normal English meaning.

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289 in [ISO/IEC Directives, Part2](#), Clause 5.

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291 [Directives, Part2](#), Clause 3. In this guide, clauses, subclauses or annexes indicated with "(informative)" as  
292 well as notes and examples do not contain normative content.

293 The terms defined in [DSP0004](#) and [DSP0223](#) apply to this guide.

### 294 **3.2** 295 **abstract profile**

296 a special kind of profile specifying common elements and behavior as a base for derived profiles. For a  
297 complete definition, see 7.6.3.11 .

### 298 **3.3** 299 **adaptation**

300 short form for class adaptation.

- 301 **3.4**  
302 **adaptation instance**  
303 an instance of an adapted class that complies with all requirements of the class adaptation. For details  
304 see 5.3 .
- 305 **3.5**  
306 **adapted class**  
307 a class that is the subject of a class adaptation. For details, see 7.10 .
- 308 **3.6**  
309 **autonomous profile**  
310 a profile that addresses an autonomous and self-contained management domain. For details, see  
311 7.6.5.2 .
- 312 **3.7**  
313 **backward compatibility**  
314 a characteristic of profiles enabling clients written against prior minor versions of a profile to use the  
315 functionality specified by that version in context of an implementation of a later minor version, without  
316 requiring modifications of the client; for a complete definition, see 7.14 .
- 317 **3.8**  
318 **base adaptation**  
319 a class adaptation that is used as the base for another class adaptation; for details, see 7.10.2.2 .
- 320 **3.9**  
321 **base profile**  
322 a profile that is derived by one or more other profiles. For a details, see 7.6.2 and 7.6.3 .
- 323 **3.10**  
324 **central class adaptation**  
325 a specifically designated class adaptation in a subject profile. The central class adaptation is the focal  
326 point of the subject profile. For a complete definition, see 7.6.5.4 .
- 327 **3.11**  
328 **schema element**  
329 generally, refers to schema elements as defined in [DSP0004](#). In this guide, the term is used for the  
330 subset of schema elements that may be constrained by profiles: classes (including associations and  
331 indications), properties (including references), methods, and parameters.
- 332 **3.12**  
333 **class**  
334 if used without qualification this term refers to a CIM class that may also be an association or an indica-  
335 tion. To refer to a CIM class that is not an association or an indication, use the term "ordinary class". For a  
336 complete definition, see [DSP0004](#).
- 337 **3.13**  
338 **class adaptation**  
339 a named profile element that defines requirements and constraints on a class. A class adaptation adapts  
340 a class definition from a schema for a particular purpose and may be based on other class adaptations.  
341 For a complete definition, see 7.10 .
- 342 **3.14**  
343 **client**  
344 in this guide, a WBEM client or a WBEM listener that acts as a consumer of an implementation. See also  
345 the term "implementation".

- 346 **3.15**  
347 **component profile**  
348 a profile that addresses a subset of a management domain. For details, see 7.6.5.3 .
- 349 **concrete profile**  
350 any profile that is not an abstract profile. For a complete definition, see 7.6.4.2 .
- 351 **3.16**  
352 **conditional**  
353 a requirement level designating profile elements or referenced profiles if their implementation is required  
354 under specified conditions, with no deviation permitted.
- 355 **3.17**  
356 **conditional profile**  
357 a referenced profile that is referenced with the conditional requirement level.
- 358 **3.18**  
359 **deprecated**  
360 keyword indicating that a profile element or profile defined behavior is outdated and has been replaced by  
361 newer constructs. For details see 7.14 .
- 362 **3.19**  
363 **derived profile**  
364 a profile that is based on one or more other profiles. For a complete definition, see 7.6.3 .
- 365 **3.20**  
366 **effective class adaptation**  
367 a class adaptation constructed at implementation time that in context of an implementation profile set  
368 merges all implementation requirements from all base adaptations. For details, see 8.1.2 .
- 369 **3.21**  
370 **event**  
371 the occurrence of a phenomenon of interest to a client. For details, see 6.8 .
- 372 **3.22**  
373 **existence of instances**  
374 an adaptation instance exists in a namespace if it is observable by clients. Existence of an instance does  
375 not imply a physical representation of the instance such as for example a record in a database.
- 376 **3.23**  
377 **exposed property or method**  
378 a property or method that is available to clients using an adaptation. The set of properties or methods  
379 exposed by an adaptation is the union of all properties or methods defined in the adapted class and its  
380 superclasses. In the case where a property or method overrides a property or method defined in a  
381 superclass, the combined effects are exposed as a single property or method.
- 382 **3.24**  
383 **feature**  
384 a profile element that groups the decisions for the implementation of one or more profile elements into a  
385 single decision. This grouping is established by defining the implementation of other profile elements  
386 dependent on the implementation of the feature. For a complete definition, see 7.12 .
- 387 **3.25**  
388 **implementation**  
389 synonym for profile implementation

- 390 **3.26**  
391 **implementation adaptation set**  
392 the set of effective class adaptations to be implemented in context of an implementation profile set. For  
393 details, see 8.1.2 .
- 394 **3.27**  
395 **implementation-required**  
396 a phrase indicating that the implementation of a profile element is required within an implementation of  
397 one or more profiles, including the case where an optional profile element was selected to be imple-  
398 mented. For details, see 8.1.2 .
- 399 **3.28**  
400 **implementation profile set**  
401 the set of profiles that is implemented. For details, see 8.1.2 .
- 402 **3.29**  
403 **incompatibility**  
404 a change that breaks backward compatibility.
- 405 **3.30**  
406 **management domain**  
407 area of work or field of activity with common management requirements, common terminology, and  
408 related management functionality. For details, see 6.2 .
- 409 **3.31**  
410 **managed environment**  
411 a concrete occurrence of the management domain. A managed environment is composed of managed  
412 objects. For details, see 6.4 .
- 413 **3.32**  
414 **managed object**  
415 a physical entity, a service, or other kind of resource that exists independently of its use in management.  
416 Managed objects exist in managed environments. For details, see 6.4 .
- 417 **3.33**  
418 **managed object type**  
419 a conceptual generalization or type of manageable things. For details, see 6.3 .
- 420 **3.34**  
421 **management profile**  
422 definition of a management interface between a WBEM service and a WBEM client or a WBEM listener.  
423 For a complete definition, see clause 1 .
- 424 **3.35**  
425 **management profile specification**  
426 a specification document that contains the textual specification of one or more management profiles and  
427 optionally content that does not represent a management profile. For a complete definition, see clause 1 .
- 428 **3.36**  
429 **mandatory**  
430 a requirement level designating profile elements if their implementation is strictly required and no devia-  
431 tion is permitted.
- 432 **3.37**  
433 **mandatory profile**  
434 a referenced profile that is referenced with the mandatory requirement level.

- 435 **3.38**  
436 **match**  
437 keyword indicating that a property or parameter value is within the values specified by a pattern. For  
438 details see 9.2.5 .
- 439 **3.39**  
440 **method requirement**  
441 a requirement stated as part of a class adaptation that defines requirements and constraints on a method  
442 exposed by the adapted class. For details, see 7.10.3.1 .
- 443 **3.40**  
444 **message registry**  
445 a published repository of messages formatted as defined in [DSP0228](#).
- 446 **3.41**  
447 **metrics registry**  
448 a published repository of metric definitions, and optionally statistics definitions, formatted as defined in  
449 [DSP8020](#).
- 450 **3.42**  
451 **named profile element**  
452 a profile element that is assigned a name with profile name scope. For details, see 7.3 .
- 453 **3.43**  
454 **operation requirement**  
455 a requirement stated as part of a class adaptation that defines requirements and constraints on an  
456 operation defined in an operation specification. For details, see 7.10.3.2 .
- 457 **3.44**  
458 **optional**  
459 a requirement level designating profile elements or referenced profiles if their implementation is at the  
460 choice of the implementation, with no implied preference.
- 461 **3.45**  
462 **optional profile**  
463 a referenced profile that is referenced with the optional requirement level.
- 464 **3.46**  
465 **ordinary class**  
466 a class that is not an association or an indication. For a complete definition, see [DSP0004](#).
- 467 **3.47**  
468 **organization**  
469 in this guide, refers to a consortium, standards group, or company creating a management profile.
- 470 **3.48**  
471 **pattern**  
472 specification of the permissible values for a property or parameter. See also the term "match". For details  
473 see 9.2.5 .
- 474 **3.49**  
475 **profile**  
476 synonym for management profile, see 3.34 . For a complete definition, see clause 1 .

- 477 **3.50**  
478 **profile defined model**  
479 a model of a management domain (or a subset of a management domain) defined by a profile that is  
480 composed of class adaptations. For details, see 6.1 .
- 481 **3.51**  
482 **profile document**  
483 synonym for management profile specification. It is preferred to use the term profile specification instead.
- 484 **3.52**  
485 **profile element**  
486 an event, a feature, a profile reference, a registry reference, an adaptation, a method requirement, an  
487 operation requirement or a property requirement.
- 488 **3.53**  
489 **profile implementation**  
490 the WBEM service side realization of a profile. For example, in server side infrastructures using CIM  
491 providers, profile implementation refers to the CIMOM and the set of providers implementing the profile.
- 492 **3.54**  
493 **profile specification**  
494 synonym for management profile specification, see 3.35 . For a complete definition see clause 1 .
- 495 **3.55**  
496 **profile reference**  
497 a profile element that references another profile. For details, see 7.6.2 .
- 498 **3.56**  
499 **property requirement**  
500 a requirement stated as part of a class adaptation that defines requirements and constraints on a property  
501 exposed by the adapted class. For details, see 7.10.2.5 .
- 502 **3.57**  
503 **referenced profile**  
504 a profile that is referenced by a profile with a requirement level. For a complete definition, see 7.6 .
- 505 **3.58**  
506 **referencing profile**  
507 a profile that references another profile. For a complete definition, see 7.6 .
- 508 **3.59**  
509 **registry reference**  
510 a profile element referencing message registry or a metrics registry. For details, see 7.8 .
- 511 **3.60**  
512 **related profile**  
513 a referenced profile or a base profile.
- 514 **3.61**  
515 **requirement level**  
516 designator that indicates the requirement for implementing profile elements or referenced profiles.
- 517 **3.62**  
518 **schema**  
519 a named set of classes with a single defining authority or owning organization. The classes in a schema  
520 have the same schema prefix in their class name. For a complete definition, see [DSP0004](#).

521 NOTE DMTF defines two schemas: The Common Information Model (schema prefix CIM) and the Problem  
522 Resolution Schema (schema prefix PRS)

### 523 **3.63**

#### 524 **scoping class adaptation**

525 a specifically designated class adaptation in a subject profile that is the algorithmic focal point for identify-  
526 ing profile conformance when using the scoping class methodology. For a complete definition, see  
527 7.6.5.5 .

### 528 **3.64**

#### 529 **scoped profile**

530 a profile that receives a scope provided by a scoping profile. Synonymous to component profile. For  
531 details, see 7.6.5 .

### 532 **3.65**

#### 533 **scoping path**

534 an association traversal path between the central class adaptation and the scoping class adaptation. For  
535 details, see 7.6.5.6 .

### 536 **3.66**

#### 537 **scoping profile**

538 a profile that provides a scope to a scoped profile by defining a class adaptation that is compatible with  
539 the scoping class adaptation defined by a scoped profile. For details, see 7.6.5 .

### 540 **3.67**

#### 541 **span of a class adaptation**

542 the directed acyclic graph that contains the class adaptation, all (direct or indirect) base adaptations of the  
543 class adaptation, the adapted class and all its superclasses. For a complete definition, see 7.10.2.2 .

### 544 **3.68**

#### 545 **subject profile**

546 a profile created or verified in conformance to this guide.

### 547 **3.69**

#### 548 **trivial class adaptation**

549 a class adaptation that does not add requirements beyond those defined by the adapted class and, if  
550 defined, by its base adaptations. For details, see 9.4.7.4 .

### 551 **3.70**

#### 552 **WBEM client**

553 a CIM client (see DSP0004) that supports a WBEM protocol. For details, see [DSP0223](#)..

### 554 **3.71**

#### 555 **WBEM listener**

556 a CIM listener (see DSP0004) that supports a WBEM protocol.

### 557 **3.72**

#### 558 **WBEM protocol**

559 a communications protocol between WBEM client, WBEM service and WBEM listener. A WBEM protocol  
560 defines how the WBEM operations and WBEM indications work, on top of an underlying protocol layer  
561 (for example, HTTP, SOAP, or TCP). For details, see [DSP0223](#).

### 562 **3.73**

#### 563 **WBEM service**

564 a CIM service (see DSP0004) that supports a WBEM protocol. For details, see [DSP0223](#).



## 565 4 Symbols and abbreviated terms

566 Most of these symbols and abbreviated terms are applicable also to profile specifications.

567 NOTE A list of symbols and abbreviated terms to be included in profile specifications is provided in [DSP1000](#).

568 For the purposes of this guide, the following symbols and abbreviated terms apply, in addition to those  
569 defined in [DSP0004](#) and [DSP0223](#):

### 570 4.1

#### 571 UFcT

572 User Friendly class Tag, as defined in [DSP0215](#).

### 573 4.2

#### 574 UFiT

575 User Friendly instance Tag, as defined in [DSP0215](#).

### 576 4.3

#### 577 CSD

578 DMTF collaboration structure diagram. For details, see 9.2.2.3 .

## 579 5 Conformance

580 This clause defines conformance requirements for profiles, profile specifications, implementations and  
581 instances.

### 582 5.1 Profile and profile specification conformance

583 A profile is conformant to this guide if it satisfies all normative requirements defined in this guide for  
584 profiles. The normative requirements for profiles are detailed in clause 7 .

585 A profile specification is conformant to this guide if it satisfies all normative requirements defined in this  
586 guide for profile specifications. The normative requirements for profile specifications are detailed in  
587 clause 9 .

### 588 5.2 Implementation conformance

#### 589 5.2.1 Interface implementation conformance

590 An implementation of a profile is interface conformant to the profile if it conforms to all profile require-  
591 ments that are defined only in terms of the profile defined model. Interface implementation conformance  
592 does not cover the relationship of instances and managed objects.

593 Interface conformance can be validated exclusively by the use of the profile defined interface; this  
594 validation approach is also referred to as black box testing.

595 Requirements only defined in terms of the model are for example:

- 596 • Value constraints that restrict a property value to a set of possible values, such as for example  
597 restricting the value of an EnabledState property to the values 2 (Enabled) or 3 (Disabled).
- 598 • Requirements for the existence of instances as a result of the successful execution of an opera-  
599 tion or method

600 Requirements that are not only defined in terms of the model are for example:

- 601 • The requirement that specific managed objects are to be represented by instances
- 602 • The requirement that a property value shall reflect a part of the state of a managed object, such  
603 as for example stating that the value 2 (Enabled) of an EnabledState property corresponds to  
604 the On state of the managed object.

- The requirement that the execution of an operation or method causes a specified change in the managed environment, such as for example the activation of a managed object in the case where a change of the EnabledState property to 2 (Enabled) is requested.

## 608 5.2.2 Full implementation conformance

609 Full implementation conformance extends interface implementation conformance by also taking into  
610 account profile defined requirements that also take into consideration the managed environment. For  
611 example, such requirements establish the relationship of the profile defined model and the managed  
612 environment.

613 Functional conformance can only be validated by crosschecking the situation in the managed environ-  
614 ment with the situation as viewed through the profile defined interface. Functional conformance validation  
615 requires direct access to the managed environment such that the situation inspected through that direct  
616 access can be cross checked against the situation presented by an implementation through the profile  
617 defined model; this validation approach is also referred to as white box testing.

## 618 5.2.3 Implementation conformance of multiple profiles

619 An implementation that implements multiple profiles is conformant to that set of profiles, if it is conformant  
620 to each profile.

621 NOTE Profiles may have dependencies such as for example class adaptations in one profile being based on  
622 class adaptations in other profiles.

## 623 5.2.4 Implementation conformance of profile versions

624 Profile versions are identified with the complete set of version numbers as defined in [DSP4004](#): Major,  
625 minor and update version number. However, as defined in 7.6.2, a subject profile refers to related profiles  
626 by specifying only the major and minor version number, implying the latest published update versions of  
627 the related profiles. Consequently it is possible that various implementations of a comprehensive set of  
628 profiles (such an identified version of a particular subject profile and all its related profiles) that are  
629 created at different points in time use different update versions of the related profiles.

630 As a consequence, conformance of a profile implementation to a profile is only defined with regard to a  
631 specific update version of that profile.

632 For example, if a particular profile P1 was written when version 1.0.1 of a referenced profile P2 was  
633 published, P2 is referenced as version 1.0 in the related profiles table of P1. At this point in time, an  
634 implementation of P1 and P2 would implement version 1.0.1 of P2. Once version 1.0.2 of P2 is published,  
635 that version should now be implemented by any new implementation of P1 and P2. In this case the first  
636 implementation conforms to version 1.0.1 of P2, and the second implementation conforms to version  
637 1.0.2 of P2. In addition, the backward compatibility rules defined in 7.14 strive for only permitting changes  
638 that do not invalidate of the second implementation to version 1.0.1 of P2; however – as outlined before -  
639 it cannot be completely ruled out that version 1.0.2 introduces incompatible changes; for details,  
640 see 7.14 .

## 641 5.2.5 Client implementation conformance

642 There is no explicit concept of client conformance. However, a client intending to successfully interoper-  
643 ate with an implementation needs to adhere to the preconditions defined by the profile and by other  
644 specifications referenced by the profile that the implementation conforms to.

## 645 5.3 Instance conformance

646 An instance of a CIM class is conformant to a class adaptation if it satisfies all normative requirements of  
647 the class adaptation, including those originating from base adaptations and from the schema.

648 NOTE The collection of normative requirements of a particular class adaptation in context of the implementation  
649 of a set of profiles is a complex process considering all involved sources of requirements such as base

650 adaptations defined in referenced profiles, the schema and operation specifications; see 8.1.2 for a de-  
 651 tailed description of that process.

652 **5.4 DMTF conformance requirements**

653 The following rules apply to management profiles and management profile specifications owned by  
 654 DMTF:

- 655 • Management profiles owned by DMTF shall conform to this guide. The normative requirements  
 656 for profiles are detailed in clause 7 .
- 657 • Management profile specifications owned by DMTF shall conform to this guide. The normative  
 658 requirements for profile specifications are detailed in clause 9 . In addition, the standard DMTF  
 659 specification format (see [DSP1000](#)) applies to DMTF owned management profile specifications.

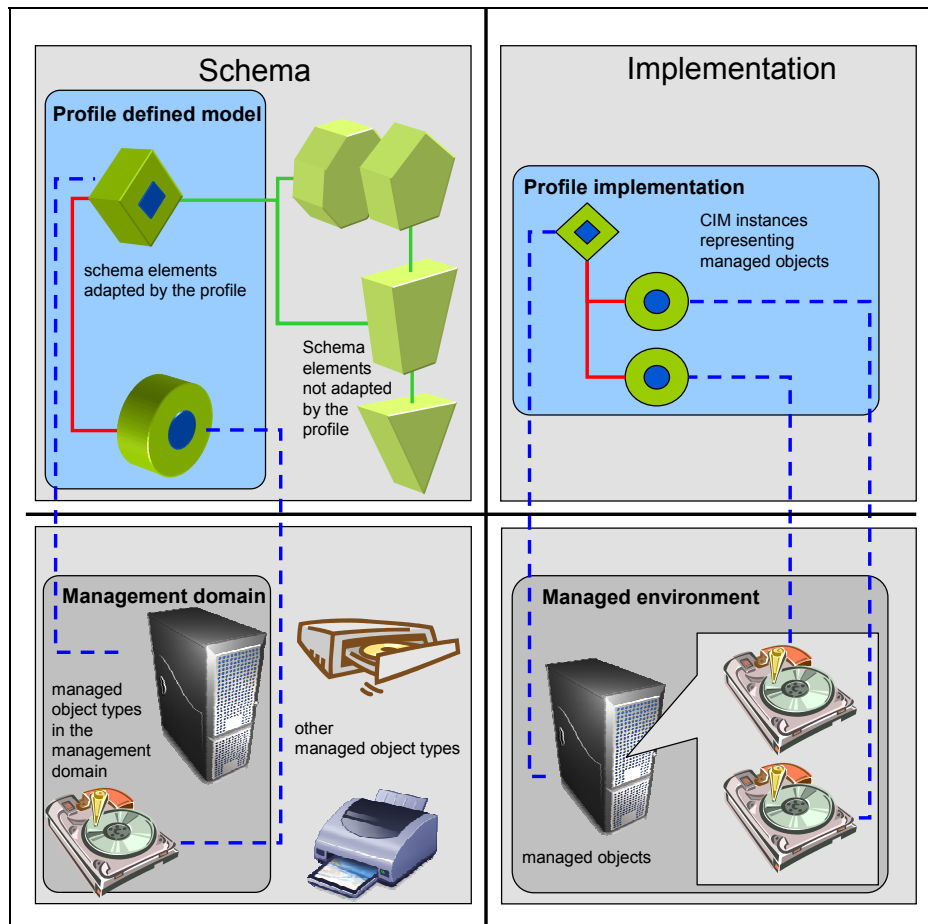
660 **NOTE** Other organizations may create their own guidelines for management profile specifications they publish. If  
 661 such profile specifications are to be conformant to this guide, these guidelines would have to incorporate  
 662 or reference, and optionally extend the requirements defined in this guide.

663 **6 Concepts**

664 This clause presents an informative introduction to general profile concepts established by this guide.

665 **6.1 Overview**

666 Figure 1 illustrates the profile defined model and its relationship to the management domain, as well as a  
 667 related profile implementation and its relationship to a managed environment.



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**Figure 1 – Profile and management domain**

670 The left side of Figure 1 shows the profile defined model and its related management domain. Model and  
671 behavior are defined by selecting, specializing and sometimes constraining elements from a schema and  
672 the set of operations for a particular purpose; in other words, the profile adapts elements from a schema  
673 for a particular purpose. The management domain is composed of managed object types. The classes  
674 adapted by a profile model aspects of these object types. A profile establishes a relationship between the  
675 model and the management domain. In addition, a profile defines use-cases on the model that illustrate  
676 client visible behavior.

677 The right side of Figure 1 shows a profile implementation and a related managed environment. Each  
678 profile implementation provides access to a set of related CIM instances to a CIM client. These CIM  
679 instances represent corresponding managed objects in the managed environment and conform to the  
680 client visible management interfaces and behaviors defined in the profile. Note that the right side of  
681 Figure 1 shows only one profile implementation and only one related managed environment; however, in  
682 reality potentially multiple implementations of a profile coexist, and each profile implementation typically  
683 provides management capabilities for multiple related managed environments.

**684 6.2 Management domain**

685 A profile describes a *management domain* by defining the set of *managed object types* that compose the  
686 management domain. In addition, the profile may define requirements and constraints on the components  
687 of the management domain.

688 A management domain is area of work or field of activity. Commonalities in a management domain are a  
689 set of common management requirements, a common terminology, and related functionality. Examples  
690 for management domains are computer system, system virtualization or file system.

691 Complex management domains may be subdivided into smaller management domains where each  
692 subdomain narrows down the area of work or field of activity. For example a subdivision of the file system  
693 management domain might contain management subdomains such as file access, file locking or file  
694 representation.

695 If a management domain is subdivided into a set of subdomains, these may be likewise covered by  
696 separate profiles. This guide defines several types of profile relationships enabling this decomposition.

**697 6.3 Managed object type**

698 An *managed object type* is a conceptual generalization or type of manageable things in a management  
699 domain. Examples for managed object types composing the computer system management domain are  
700 system, device or service. Examples for managed object types composing the file system management  
701 domain are file, directory, access list or lock.

702 Relationships may exist between managed object types. For example, in the file system management  
703 domain directories are composed out of files, and files may be linked to each other.

**704 6.4 Managed environment and managed objects**

705 A *managed environment* is a concrete occurrence of a management domain, and is composed of  
706 *managed objects*. For example, a managed environment within the file system management domain is a  
707 concrete Linux ext3 file system that resides on some storage media, and is composed of objects such as  
708 the file system itself, its files, directories, links, access lists or quotas. For a particular type of managed  
709 environment (such as for example Linux ext3 file systems) specific management instrumentation (such as  
710 a set of commands, or an API) may exist that allow the inspection and manipulation of managed objects  
711 in respective managed environments. For example, instances of the Linux ext3 filesystem in a desktop  
712 installation may be inspected and manipulated through means of the Linux ext3 file system device  
713 drivers.

714 Profiles are implemented for one or more types of managed environments. For example, for a profile  
715 addressing the file system management domain one implementation might cover the Linux ext3 file  
716 system and another separate implementation might cover the FAT file system and the Microsoft NTFS file  
717 system.

## 718 6.5 Profile definition

719 A profile defines a management interface for a management domain. The semantics of that management  
720 interface as well as the behavior of the managed objects in their managed environment are defined by a  
721 model that is composed of a set of class adaptations. Each class adaptation defines a set of requirements  
722 and constraints on the use of a class for a particular purpose. Class adaptations are defined in 7.10 .

## 723 6.6 Relationships between profile definition and management domain

724 A profile defines the following mappings:

- 725 • the mapping of managed object types composing a management domain to CIM classes
- 726 • the mapping of managed objects composing a managed environment to CIM instances

727 These mappings have a substantial impact on the applicability of the profile and should be stated with  
728 great care, particularly when specifying the exact set or subset of managed objects that are to be repre-  
729 sented by CIM instances.

730 In a managed environment the managed objects or relationships between them potentially appear,  
731 disappear or change at any time.

732 For example in a file system files are frequently created, deleted or modified. Such changes may be  
733 effected by means of the management interface defined by the profile as described in 6.7, but in general  
734 the cause for such changes is outside of the scope of the implementation of a profile.

735 Profiles define the lifecycle of CIM instances and how each CIM instance represents an aspect of a  
736 managed object in a managed environment. Profiles do not define a data representation for CIM in-  
737 stances, or a physical representation of the managed objects that they represent. The lifecycle of a CIM  
738 instance defines the conditions under which each CIM instance exists. Existence of a CIM instance  
739 means that the instance is visible to clients; existence does *not* imply or define a permanent physical  
740 representation of the CIM instance (like for example an entry in a management database). Instead, a CIM  
741 instance is considered a formalized view of an aspect of a managed object that is part of the managed  
742 environment.

743 Consequently, the only cause for a change in a CIM instance is a respective change in the managed  
744 object represented by the instance. It is emphasized that this is also the case if the change was caused  
745 by the execution of a method on a CIM instance that represents that managed object. In this case the  
746 execution of the method needs to effect the change on the managed object first, and only as a result of  
747 that change is the CIM instance changed.

748 CIM instances represent managed objects in the managed environment. This includes reflecting the state  
749 of the managed object after completing changes effected through the model, such as the invocation of  
750 methods (see 7.10.3.1) or operations (see 7.10.3.2). However, after, or coincident with such a change,  
751 other actions not effected through the model can also affect the state and are represented by the CIM  
752 instance. This situation drives the need for profiles to define the means that indicate completion for model  
753 effected changes.

754 CIM instances are inherently volatile. A profile intending to enable a client to continuously monitor the  
755 state of a managed object existing in a managed environment has two possibilities:

- 756 • require the client to continuously poll the information from the implementation. In this situation  
757 the client could repeatedly invoke the GetInstance( ) operation of the CIM instance representing  
758 the specific aspect being monitored. In a more comfortable case the profile could adapt a class  
759 providing a specific method designed to return information about any changes since the last  
760 poll.

- 761       • model indications as described in 6.8

762 NOTE    If an implementation of a profile binds keys of CIM instances to attributes of managed objects that can be  
763 renamed or in cases where previously used values can be reused for new instances,, a polling client in-  
764 specting these instances may not be able to detect deletion or removal of the object represented by that  
765 instance and its subsequent replacement by another object represented by a CIM instance with an identi-  
766 cal key.

767 A profile establishes the relationship between objects in the managed environment and their representa-  
768 tion in the profile defined model through definitions such as:

- 769       • Definition of the mapping of the object in the managed environment to one or more CIM in-  
770 stances. This defines the set of CIM instances that represent aspects of the managed object. In  
771 many cases this is a one to one mapping, but complex managed objects often require more  
772 than one CIM instance for their representation, with each instance addressing an aspect of the  
773 object.
- 774       • Definition of the mapping of aspects of the state of the managed object to property values in the  
775 CIM instance.
- 776       • Definition of the mapping of relationships between managed objects in a managed environment  
777 and the representation of these relationships through instances of CIM associations.

## 778 **6.7 Model effected control of managed objects in a managed environment**

779 CIM based control of managed objects in a managed environment is requested through invocations of  
780 methods or operations. Methods might be defined on a CIM instance that represents an aspect of the  
781 managed object in the managed environment, or might be defined on CIM instances representing other  
782 entities such as for example services. The profile implementation issues requests to the managed object  
783 in the managed environment in order to perform the defined semantics of the method or operation. The  
784 mechanisms applied for this forwarding are implementation dependent. Depending on conditions that  
785 prevail in the managed environment the request may or may not succeed.

## 786 **6.8 Events and indications**

787 An event is an observable occurrence of a phenomenon in a managed environment. Events are not  
788 published in CIM directly; instead, notifications about an event are published by means of CIM indica-  
789 tions. Profiles define events of interest to clients and the indications reporting the events. Conceptually,  
790 events occur in scope of the managed environment or in scope of CIM model; however note that any  
791 change in the CIM model is only the result of a preceding corresponding change in the managed envi-  
792 ronment. Notifications of events that map onto changes in a CIM instance are typically modeled as  
793 lifecycle indications. Other event notifications are typically modeled through process indications.

794 Lifecycle indications report the following events on CIM instances:

- 795       • Creation
- 796       • Deletion
- 797       • Read operation
- 798       • Modification
- 799       • Invocation of methods

800 Lifecycle indications enable a client to detect and / or continuously monitor changes in the managed  
801 environment through the observation of model changes. Recall that CIM instances represent aspects of  
802 managed objects in managed environments. Lifecycle indications do not necessarily report the creation or  
803 deletion of respective managed objects in the managed environment; instead the lifecycle of CIM in-  
804 stances is defined by profiles, and is ultimately controlled by the implementation. A profile may specify  
805 conditions under which a CIM instance is created. For example, a profile addressing the management  
806 domain of file management might specify that each file system is represented by an instance of the

807 CIM\_FileSystem class. In this case, the lifecycle of the CIM instance is directly coupled to that of the  
808 managed object. However, note that for example in context of mounted filesystems there may be situa-  
809 tions such as a loss of network connectivity, where an implementation is unable to obtain the complete  
810 state required to for the existence of the CIM instance in a namespace. In this case the implementation  
811 would have to indicate a communication error, leaving the client uncertain about the state of the filesys-  
812 tem.

813 On the other hand, if the profile had specified that only *mounted* file systems are represented by an  
814 instance of the CIM\_FileSystem class, then the CIM instance would represent the filesystem only while it  
815 is mounted, and not reflect the lifecycle of the filesystem itself; that is, the CIM instance would be created  
816 whenever the filesystem is mounted and destroyed whenever the filesystem is unmounted, each time  
817 requiring respective lifecycle indications.

818 Process indications report events occurring either within the CIM model or within the managed environ-  
819 ment. For example, a profile covering the file management domain might specify an alert indication that  
820 reports that a disk space threshold is exceeded.

## 821 **7 Profile definitions**

822 This clause defines the requirements for definitions in profiles. It focuses on the profile content, regard-  
823 less of the format that is chosen to specify the profile. Clause 9 defines the requirements for profile  
824 specification documents, focusing on formal document aspects.

### 825 **7.1 Usage of requirement levels**

826 This subclause define the usage of requirement levels by profiles. Requirement levels designate the  
827 requirement for implementing profile elements.

828 The following requirement levels are defined:

- 829 • Mandatory, as defined in 3.36
- 830 • Optional, as defined in 3.44
- 831 • Conditional, as defined in 3.16

832 NOTE Requirement levels are formally defined only for the designation of profile elements including profile  
833 references. However, profiles may state other provisions such as for example instance requirements or in-  
834 dication generation requirements using normative language (e.g. "shall", "may", "should", etc.).

#### 835 **7.1.1 Usage of the "mandatory" requirement level**

836 Profiles shall designate a profile element as mandatory if the functionality defined by the profile element is  
837 required for a functioning implementation of the profile.

#### 838 **7.1.2 Usage of the "optional" requirement level**

839 Profiles shall designate a profile element as optional if the functionality defined by the profile element is  
840 not required, but is auxiliary or complementary for a functioning implementation of the profile.

841 Profiles should specify a mechanism that allows clients to detect whether or not an optional profile  
842 element is implemented.

843 A profile that intends to define multiple optional elements that are useful to clients only as a group should  
844 define an optional feature (see 7.12), and define the elements as conditional on the implementation of  
845 that optional feature.

### 846 7.1.3 Usage of the "conditional" requirement level

847 Profiles shall designate a profile element as conditional if the functionality defined by the profile element is  
848 required only under certain conditions, but is optional otherwise. For any definition designated as  
849 conditional, the condition shall be defined using one of the mechanisms defined in 7.2.

## 850 7.2 Definition of conditions

851 This subclause defines mechanisms for the definition of the condition that determines whether a condi-  
852 tional profile element must be implemented.

### 853 7.2.1 General

854 As defined in 7.1.3, profiles shall define a condition for any conditional elements. Profiles shall apply only  
855 the mechanisms defined in 7.2 defining such conditions. Subclauses 7.2.2 to 7.2.7 define basic types of  
856 conditions. Complex conditions may be expressed as combinations of these basic condition types using the  
857 Boolean operators AND, OR, NOT, XOR, IMPLIES, ANY and ALL.

858 Some of these mechanisms are deprecated. New profiles and revisions of existing profiles should not use  
859 such deprecated mechanisms.

860 NOTE Conditions control conditional implementation requirements. Conditions are resolved at implementation  
861 time and are complied with by implementers as they implement conditional elements in the case where the  
862 condition is true. Conditions themselves are not generally directly observable by clients of profile imple-  
863 mentations; however, the effect of implementing conditional elements is observable by clients.

864 NOTE Conditions are not to be confused with implementation decisions made by profile implementers. A  
865 condition does not need to be based on such decisions. For example, a condition may be tied to circum-  
866 stances in the type of management environment addressed by an implementation, not leaving any room  
867 for a decision to be made.

### 868 7.2.2 Profile implementation condition

869 A profile may specify a condition based on the implementation of a referenced profile. This kind of  
870 condition is called a *profile implementation condition*.

871 A profile implementation condition is true if the referenced profile is implemented.

872 For example, an Example Fan profile might model fan management. This Example Fan profile might  
873 require that the implementation of the *GetAssociatedInstancesWithPath()* operation for its adaptation of  
874 the CIM\_Fan class for the detection of instances of the CIM\_Sensor representing attached fan speed  
875 sensors through the CIM\_AssociatedSensor association is conditional on the implementation of an  
876 Example Sensors profile for those speed sensors. In this example, an implementation decision is made at  
877 the level of implementing the example Sensors profile. The profile implementation condition defined in the  
878 Example Fan profile determines the consequences of such profile implementation for the elements  
879 adapted in the Example Fan profile.

880 NOTE There is no restriction that the referenced profile needs to be implemented in the same WBEM service as  
881 the referencing profile.

882 NOTE Implementing a referenced profile for the purpose of conforming to a profile implementation condition in a  
883 referencing profile is a design time decision and is not to be confused with detecting profile implementa-  
884 tions at run-time. The latter is defined in [DSP1033](#).

### 885 7.2.3 Feature implementation condition

886 A profile may specify a condition based on the implementation of a feature (see 7.12). This kind of  
887 condition is called a *feature implementation condition*.

888 A feature implementation condition is true if the feature is implemented.

889 For example, an example Fan profile might model fan management. This example Fan profile might  
890 define a "FanSpeedSensor" feature. Any elements adapted by the example Fan profile as part of the



891 FanSpeedSensor feature might be defined as conditional on the implementation of the feature. Likewise,  
892 an example Sensors profile modeling the use of sensors might be referenced by the example Fan profile,  
893 on the condition that the FanSpeedSensor feature is implemented. In this example, an implementation  
894 decision is made at the level of implementing the feature. The two feature implementation conditions  
895 defined in the example Fan profile determine the consequences of implementing the feature, in this case  
896 the implementation of the elements adapted by the example Fan profile and related to fan speed sensor-  
897 ing, and implementation of the example Sensors profile in the context of fan speed sensors.

898 NOTE The way this example defines an implementation option in a profile is different from how the example  
899 described in 7.2.2 defines that; in this case there is no implementation difference between using a profile  
900 implementation condition or a feature implementation condition. However, the use of a feature implemen-  
901 tation condition is preferred since it makes explicit a requirement that a set of related elements be imple-  
902 mented as a unit. Additionally, the profile is required to provide a means of detecting that a feature has  
903 been implemented. This generally reduces the number of variations in implementations and therefore the  
904 complexity of clients that must accommodate those variations.

#### 905 **7.2.4 Class adaptation implementation condition**

906 A profile may specify a condition based on the implementation of a non-mandatory class adaptation (see  
907 7.10). This kind of condition is called a *class adaptation implementation condition*.

908 NOTE The decision to implement an optional class adaptation - or a conditional class adaptation in the case  
909 where the condition is not true - is made by an implementer; consequently requirements related to other  
910 elements specified by a profile can be conditioned on the implementation of the class adaptation. A class  
911 adaptation implementation condition is not necessarily directly observable by a client; for example, con-  
912 sider the case where no instances of the class adaptation exist.

913 A class adaptation implementation condition is true if the class adaptation is implemented.

914 For example, the implementation of fan redundancy might be defined in an Example Fan profile such that  
915 the adaptation of the CIM\_RedundancyGroup class is defined as optional, and the definitions of any other  
916 profile elements related to fan redundancy would then be defined as conditional on the implementation of  
917 the adaptation of the CIM\_RedundancyGroup class.

918 NOTE In the example the requirements for some related profile elements are conditioned on the implementation  
919 of a class adaptation, in effect causing the related profile elements to be implemented if an according deci-  
920 sion is made for the begin of the chain; in this situation the definition of a feature along with respective fea-  
921 ture implementation conditions on the class adaptation and the related profile elements is considered a  
922 better choice.

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#### 923 **Deprecated content - start**

#### 924 **7.2.5 Instance existence condition**

925 Instance existence conditions are deprecated; see deprecation notice below.

926 A profile may specify a condition based on the existence of a particular CIM instance. This kind of  
927 condition is called an *instance existence condition*.

928 An instance existence condition is true if the CIM instance as defined by the profile exists. The profile  
929 shall define a discovery mechanism for the CIM instance, for example one or more of the following:

- 930 • Define values of the key properties that identify the CIM instance
- 931 • Define one or more association paths that connect the CIM instance with CIM instances con-  
932 trolled by the profile or one of its referenced or referencing profiles

933 For example, a profile that optionally adapts a specialization of the CIM\_Service class that has several  
934 domain specific service methods might state that the CIM\_HostedService association that models the  
935 relationship between the service and the system hosting the service shall only be implemented if the  
936 CIM\_Service instance exists.

937 NOTE The concept of instance existence conditions is problematic because it implies that the implementation of  
 938 conditional elements (such as adaptations) depends on the existence of CIM instances. Thus a design  
 939 time decision (such as implementing a class adaptation) depends on a situation that is the result of an im-  
 940 plementation and is observable at runtime only (such as the existence of a CIM instance). As a conse-  
 941 quence a profile implementer who needs to make the design time decision (e.g. implement the adaptation)  
 942 would have to figure out potential runtime situations (e.g. the existence of CIM instances) that are only the  
 943 result of an implementation; this is considered a cumbersome and potentially error prone exercise.

944 **Deprecation notice:** Instance existence conditions are an unnecessary complication and indirection of  
 945 the decision process for implementing a conditional element. New profiles and revisions of existing  
 946 profiles should use feature implementation conditions rather than instance existence conditions.

947 NOTE It is emphasized that the deprecation of instance existence conditions does not prohibit profiles to specify  
 948 the existence of instances as a means for clients to detect the result of design time decisions. Quite the  
 949 contrary is the case: This guide encourages the explicit use of the existence of CIM instances to convey  
 950 the result of implementation decisions. This significantly differs from instance existence conditions insofar  
 951 as here a design time decision (e.g. the implementation of a class adaptation) is made first, and as a con-  
 952 sequence the implementation is required to provide detection elements (e.g. CIM instances) that enable  
 953 clients to detect the implementation of the conditional element.

954 **Deprecated content - end**

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955 **Deprecated content - start**

## 956 7.2.6 Property value condition

957 Property value conditions are deprecated; see deprecation notice below.

958 A profile may specify a condition based on the value of a property of a particular CIM instance. This kind  
 959 of condition is called a *property value condition*.

960 A property value condition is true if the CIM instance exists and the values of one or more properties in  
 961 the instance match a pattern defined by the profile.

962 For example, a profile that adapts a specialization of the CIM\_Service class that defines several methods  
 963 might in addition adapt a specialization of the CIM\_Capabilities class that defines an array property and a  
 964 corresponding value set, where each element of the value set designates one of the methods from the  
 965 CIM\_Service class. Implementation of a particular method would be required if the corresponding value is  
 966 set as an element of the array property.

967 NOTE The concept of property value conditions is problematic because it implies that the implementation of  
 968 conditional elements (such as adaptations) depends on values of properties in CIM instances. Thus a de-  
 969 sign time decision (such as implementing a class adaptation) depends on a situation that is the result of an  
 970 implementation and is observable at runtime only (such as a certain value of a property in a CIM instance).  
 971 As a consequence a profile implementer who needs to make the design time decision (e.g. implement the  
 972 adaptation) would have to figure out potential runtime situations (e.g. property values in CIM instances)  
 973 that are only the result of an implementation; this is considered a cumbersome and potentially error prone  
 974 exercise.

975 **Deprecation notice:** Property value conditions are an unnecessary complication and indirection of the  
 976 decision process for implementing a conditional element. New profiles and revisions of existing profiles  
 977 should use feature implementation conditions rather than property value conditions.

978 NOTE It is emphasized that the deprecation of property value conditions does not prohibit profiles to specify  
 979 property values as a means for clients to detect the result of design time decisions. Quite the contrary is  
 980 the case: This guide encourages the explicit use of property values to convey the result of implementation  
 981 decisions. This significantly differs from property value conditions insofar as here a design time decision  
 982 (e.g. the implementation of a class adaptation) is made first, and as a consequence the implementation is  
 983 required to provide detection elements (e.g. CIM instances with specific property values) that enable cli-  
 984 ents to detect the implementation of the conditional element.

985 **Deprecated content - end**

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### 986 7.2.7 Managed environment condition

987 A profile may specify a condition based on circumstances in the managed environment. This kind of  
988 condition is called a *managed environment condition*.

989 Managed environment conditions are specified in profiles using plain text that refers to the managed  
990 environment and its object types.

991 A managed environment condition is true if the conditions specified in the text are true for the particular  
992 type of managed environment for that the profile is implemented.

993 For example, a profile addressing the management domain of storage host bus adapters might adapt the  
994 CIM\_FCPort class modeling fiber channel host SCSI initiator ports. The profile might state that the  
995 implementation of its adaptations of the CIM\_AlarmDevice class and of the CIM\_AssociatedAlarm  
996 association are conditional, and is only to be implemented if the type of managed environment for that the  
997 profile is implemented provides a client callable interface to blink an LED for those fiber channel ports that  
998 are represented by instances of the CIM\_FCPort class.

999 NOTE Managed environment conditions allow the formulation of conditions in profiles such that an implementa-  
1000 tion of the profile is required to implement the conditional element only if respective means are available to  
1001 the implementation in the particular type of managed environment. In the example above the implementa-  
1002 tion of the CIM\_AlarmDevice class only makes sense if the implementation does have means at its dis-  
1003 posal to blink the LEDs.

1004 NOTE Of course managed environment conditions are only testable using white box testing where the test code  
1005 does also have access to specific means to test the managed environment condition. Ideally these means  
1006 would be different from those used by a profile implementation.

## 1007 7.3 Naming conventions for named profile elements

1008 This subclause defines the naming conventions and rules for the names of named profile elements.

1009 The following profile elements are defined as named profile elements:

- 1010 • profile references (see 7.6.2)
- 1011 • registry references (see 7.8)
- 1012 • events (see 7.9)
- 1013 • features (see 7.12)
- 1014 • adaptations (see 7.10)

1015 The name shall uniquely identify the element within the scope of a profile.

1016 The name shall conform to the format defined for the ABNF rule IDENTIFIER in Annex A of [DSP0004](#).

1017 The name should be composed of a concatenated sequence of words, with each word starting with a  
1018 capital letter.

1019 Profile element names are part of the normative definitions of a profile; the rules for backward compatibil-  
1020 ity and deprecation as defined in 7.14 and 7.16 apply.

1021 For example, StateManagement might name a feature that defines a model for the management of the  
1022 state of managed objects. Examples of adaptation names are Fan for an adaptation of the CIM\_Fan  
1023 class, or SystemFan for an adaptation of the CIM\_SystemDevice association modeling the relationship  
1024 between systems and fans. Examples of profile reference names are DiskSpeedSensors and DiskTem-  
1025 peratorSensors for two profile reference of an Example Disk profile to an Example Sensors profile for the  
1026 purpose of modeling disk speed sensors and disk temperature sensors.

## 1027 7.4 Definition of the profile identification

1028 This subclause defines the elements of a profile identification.

### 1029 7.4.1 General

1030 A profile shall uniquely identify itself through a registered profile name (see 7.4.2), version (see 7.4.3) and  
1031 organization (see 7.4.4).

1032 NOTE Profile identification identifies a specific version of a profile, not implementations of a profile. Within one  
1033 WBEM service there may be multiple implementations of the same profile version.

### 1034 7.4.2 Registered profile name

1035 The registered profile name should provide end-user recognition and should not include CIM class  
1036 names.

1037 The registered profile name shall be unique within the defining organization.

1038 The registered profile name shall not be changed in any future version of the profile.

1039 The registered profile name shall not include the word "profile". However, in profile specifications, textual  
1040 references to other profiles should append the word "profile" to the registered profile name.

1041 NOTE For example, a profile specification would reference a profile whose value of the registered profile name  
1042 attribute is "System Virtualization" using text such as "If the *System Virtualization* profile (see DSP1042) is  
1043 implemented, then ...".

### 1044 7.4.3 Registered profile version

1045 The registered profile version shall be the full version of the subject profile. The version shall be defined  
1046 following the rules for versioning DMTF specifications defined in [DSP4004](#) that requires a version to take  
1047 the form m.n.u[d[d]], where m is the major version identifier in numeric form, n is the minor version  
1048 identifier in numeric form, u is the update identifier in numeric form and [d[d]] is the optional draft identifier  
1049 in alphabetic form. For a registered profile version the major version identifier, the minor version identifier  
1050 and the update identifier shall always be specified, and a draft identifier shall not be specified.

1051 NOTE This requirement does not preclude profile specification documents to be versioned with a draft identifier,  
1052 but the registered profile version is never specified with a draft identifier.

### 1053 7.4.4 Registered organization name

1054 The registered organization name shall be the name of the organization that is publishing the profile. For  
1055 profiles that are published by DMTF, the registered organization name shall be "DMTF".

### 1056 7.4.5 Organizational contact

1057 A profile shall identify the organizational unit that is the contact for the profile. For profiles owned by  
1058 DMTF details are defined in [DSP4004](#).

## 1059 7.5 Definition of schema references

1060 This subclause defines the elements of a reference to a schema.

### 1061 7.5.1 General

1062 A profile shall reference each schema that defines classes adapted by the profile. Each schema refer-  
1063 ence shall state the schema name (see 7.5.3), the schema version (see 7.5.2), and the schema organiza-  
1064 tion (see 7.5.4), unless default values apply.

### 1065 7.5.2 Schema version

1066 The schema version shall be stated with the major version identifier, the minor version identifier and  
1067 optionally where needed the update identifier, and shall refer to the earliest version of the schema that  
1068 meets the requirements of the profile. Regardless of whether or not an update identifier is stated, the

1069 latest published update version with the stated major and minor version identifier is referenced, as  
1070 defined in [DSP4004](#).

### 1071 **7.5.3 Schema name**

1072 The schema name shall refer to the schema by the name that the owning organization assigned to the  
1073 schema. The specification of this attribute is optional only in the case where only one schema is refer-  
1074 enced; if not specified in this case, the default schema name is "CIM".

### 1075 **7.5.4 Schema organization**

1076 The schema organization shall refer to the organization that owns the schema. The specification of this  
1077 attribute is optional only in the case where only one schema is referenced; if not specified in this case, the  
1078 default schema organization is "DMTF".

### 1079 **7.5.5 Schema experimental flag**

1080 Profiles may reference schemas that are designated as experimental by the organization that defines the  
1081 schema. A reference to an experimental schema shall be marked as experimental.

1082 NOTE See 7.15 for rules for the specification of experimental content.

## 1083 **7.6 Definition of profile relationships**

### 1084 **7.6.1 General**

1085 A profile (the referencing profile) may define relationships to multiple other profiles (the referenced  
1086 profiles). A profile may be referenced by multiple other profiles. The effect of referencing is that the  
1087 definitions of referenced profiles implicitly apply to the referencing profile, without being repeated by the  
1088 referencing profile. However, the referencing profile may refine definitions and requirements established  
1089 by the referencing profile.

1090 The definition of profile relationships causes respective implementation requirements; for details, see  
1091 clause 8 .

1092 A profile shall not reference its previous versions.

1093 The definition of cyclic relationships is allowed; however, there are restrictions for the definition of cyclic  
1094 relationships between derived profiles. For example, it is not possible to define cyclic relationships  
1095 between adaptations; for details, see 7.10.2.2 .

1096 An example of a cyclic relationship between profiles is a profile A that defines a mandatory relationship to  
1097 a profile B, and that profile B defines a mandatory back to profile A. Another example is an autonomous  
1098 profile that defines a relationship to each of its component profiles, and each component profile refers  
1099 back to its scoping profile.

1100 NOTE Generally, component profiles do not reference their scoping profile.

### 1101 **7.6.2 Definition of explicit profile relationships**

1102 Explicit profile relationships are defined by means of profile references. A profile reference defines a use  
1103 of the referenced profile within the context of the referencing profile.

1104 It is possible that a particular profile is referenced more than once by a subject profile, where each profile  
1105 reference would define a separate use of the referenced profile. For example, an Example Fan profile  
1106 addressing the management domain of fans in systems could reference an Example Sensors profile for  
1107 the representation of sensors monitoring fan speed, and for temperature sensors monitoring the tempera-  
1108 ture of cooled elements.

- 1109 A profile reference is a profile element that references a profile by stating the type of the profile relation-  
1110 ship and by identifying the minimally required version of the referenced profile. In addition, the use of the  
1111 referenced profile in context of the referencing profile should be described.
- 1112 A profile reference shall be assigned a name following the conventions defined in 7.3 .
- 1113 The type of the profile relationship shall be either a requirement level, or shall be profile derivation.
- 1114 The type of explicit profile relationship shall be indicated using one of the following keywords:
- 1115 • **Mandatory**  
1116 A mandatory profile relationship indicates that the definitions of the referenced profile strictly  
1117 apply in context of the referencing profile, with no deviation permitted. In this case the  
1118 referenced profile is termed a mandatory profile of the referencing profile.
  - 1119 • **Derivation**  
1120 A derivation profile relationship indicates that the definitions of the referenced profile are the  
1121 base for the referencing profile, as detailed in 7.6.3. In this case the referenced profile is called  
1122 a base profile, and the referencing profile is termed a derived profile. From a client point of view  
1123 a derived profile is substitutable for a base profile..
  - 1124 • **Conditional**  
1125 A conditional profile relationship indicates that the definitions of the referenced profile under  
1126 specified conditions apply in context of the referencing profile. In this case the referenced profile  
1127 is termed a conditional profile of the referencing profile.
  - 1128 • **Optional**  
1129 An optional profile relationship indicates that the definitions of the referenced profile optionally  
1130 apply in context of the referencing profile, as far as elements affected by these definitions are  
1131 selected by an implementer. In this case the referenced profile is termed an optional profile of  
1132 the referencing profile.
- 1133 NOTE Scoping is an implicit profile relationship; for details, see 7.6.5 .
- 1134 The identification of the minimally required version of the referenced profile shall be stated with all of the  
1135 following:
- 1136 • The registered profile name of the referenced profile (see 7.4.2),
  - 1137 • the major version identifier, the minor version identifier and optionally where needed the update  
1138 identifier of the registered profile version of the referenced profile (see 7.4.3), and
  - 1139 • the registered organization (see 7.4.4) of the referenced profile.
- 1140 Regardless of whether or not an update identifier is stated, the latest published update version with the  
1141 stated major and minor version identifier is referenced.
- 1142 A referencing profile shall not redefine mandatory definitions of referenced profiles as conditional or  
1143 optional and shall not redefine conditional definitions of a referenced profile as optional.
- 1144 A referencing profile shall not duplicate definitions of its referenced profiles unless it establishes additional  
1145 constraints.
- 1146 A referencing profile shall not remove any constraints established by its referenced profiles.
- 1147 If a referenced profile defines an adaptation of a class for a particular purpose, then any adaptation  
1148 defined by a referencing profile that is based on the adaptation of the referenced profile (see 7.10.2.2)  
1149 shall address the same or a more specific purpose, and shall adapt the same class or a subclass of the  
1150 class adapted by the referenced profile. For example, if a referenced profile defines a NetworkPort  
1151 adaptation of the CIM\_NetworkPort class for the representation of physical network connectors, and a  
1152 referencing profile defines an adaptation based on the referenced profiles NetworkPort adaptation, then  
1153 the adaptation of the referencing profile shall adapt the CIM\_NetworkPort class or a subclass of the  
1154 CIM\_NetworkPort class, but not a more general class such as for example the CIM\_LogicalPort class.

### 1155 7.6.3 Definition of derived profiles

#### 1156 7.6.3.1 General

1157 The rules in 7.6.3 ensure that a client that exploits the management interface defined by a base profile  
1158 can likewise interact through that management interface with implementations of the base profile or with  
1159 those of derived profiles.

1160 A derived profile shall be based on exactly one *direct* base profile.

1161 However, profile derivation may be applied at more than one level, such that a base profile likewise may  
1162 be a derived profile. For example, a profile A may be based on a profile B, and profile B may be based on  
1163 profile C, and so forth. Consequently a derived profile - while having exactly one *direct* base profile – can  
1164 have additional *indirect* base profiles.

1165 A derived profile inherits definitions of all its (direct or indirect) base profiles, as follows:

- 1166 • management domain context
- 1167 • schema references
- 1168 • events
- 1169 • features
- 1170 • profile references
- 1171 • registry references
- 1172 • adaptations (including property requirements, method requirement and operation requirements)
- 1173 • use-cases

1174 Other definitions of base profiles are not inherited by a derived profile and need to be exclusively defined  
1175 by the derived profile; in some of these cases definitions of 7.6.3 constrain the possible choices of a  
1176 derived profile.

1177 NOTE Special implementation requirements apply for derived profiles. For example, all implementation require-  
1178 ments defined by derived profile need to be merged with those of its base profiles; for details, see  
1179 clause 8 .

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#### 1180 **Deprecated content - start**

1181 Version 1.0 of this guide defined *profile specialization*. This was deprecated and replaced by *profile*  
1182 *derivation*, because profile specialization does not address the possible cases of expanding the man-  
1183 agement domain addressed by, and extending the management interface defined by the base profile.

#### 1184 **Deprecated content - end**

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#### 1185 **Deprecated content - start**

1186 Version 1.0 of this guide allowed multiple inheritance, such that a derived profile could be directly based  
1187 on more than one profile. This was deprecated because it enabled the definition of derived profiles while  
1188 not ensuring polymorphism; i.e., it was not ensured that a client written against the definition of any base  
1189 profile could interact with the implementation of the derived profile. Furthermore, there were no rules with  
1190 respect to the merge of implementation requirements resulting from definitions of the base profiles and  
1191 the derived profiles, and there were no rules that prohibited derived profile from being based on a set of  
1192 base profiles with contradicting requirements.

#### 1193 **Deprecated content - end**

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### 1194 7.6.3.2 Propagation of the management domain

1195 A derived profile may address a management domain that may be restricted, expanded or unchanged  
1196 with respect to the management domains addressed by its (direct or indirect) base profiles. For example if  
1197 a base profile applies to the management domain of network port management, a derived profile may  
1198 restrict that to the management of Ethernet network ports.

1199 The management interface defined by base profiles completely become a part of the interface defined by  
1200 the derived profile for its management domain. This rule ensures that clients exploiting the management  
1201 interface as defined by a base profile can interact with an implementation of a derived profile to the same  
1202 extent as with an implementation of the base profile.

1203 A derived profile may define extensions beyond the management interface defined by base profiles.

### 1204 7.6.3.3 Propagation of constraints

1205 A derived profile inherits constraints on profile elements from its (direct or indirect) base profiles. More  
1206 specifically, if profile elements defined in base profiles are not redefined in the derived profile, the defini-  
1207 tions of the base profiles apply without changes. Also, if a derived profile redefines profile elements  
1208 defined in its base profiles, the constraints defined in the base profiles apply for the redefined profile  
1209 elements as stated in the base profiles and without being restated by the derived profile.

1210 A derived profile may specify additional constraints; in this case the additional constraints shall not  
1211 violate the inherited constraints.

1212 NOTE Implementations of a derived profile are required to satisfies the requirements of all its (direct and indirect)  
1213 base profiles. Thus a client written against the management interface defined by the base profile works  
1214 also with an implementation of a derived profile. Implementation requirements are detailed in clause 8.

1215 NOTE The effects of this rule are different with respect to data sent or received by an implementation. For  
1216 example, if a base profile requires an output parameter to have only the values "4", "5", or "6", definitions  
1217 in the derived profile are restricted to this value set, but may reduce that to any subset such as for example  
1218 "4" and "6". However, in the case of an input parameter, the derived profile is not allowed to further reduce  
1219 the value set, because a client written against the base profile may use all values as defined by the base  
1220 profile. Consequently, for input/output parameters, a derived profile is unable to modify (extend or reduce)  
1221 the value set defined by the base profile. Likewise, this applies to properties that are readable and wri-  
1222 table.

### 1223 7.6.3.4 Propagation of requirement levels

1224 A derived profile inherits profile elements with the same requirement level as that defined by its (direct or  
1225 indirect) base profiles; this means that profile elements defined in base profiles are considered part of a  
1226 derived profile with the same requirement level, without requiring a new definition in the derived profile.

1227 A derived profile may redefine optional profile elements of its base profiles as conditional or mandatory,  
1228 and may redefine conditional profile elements of its base profiles as mandatory.

1229 A derived profile may redefine conditional profile elements of its base profiles as conditional. In this case  
1230 the condition in the derived profile shall be satisfied if the condition in the base profile is satisfied.

1231 NOTE For example, consider a base profile that requires a conditional profile element if either the X feature or the  
1232 Y feature is implemented, then a derived profile would not be allowed to narrow the condition such that it  
1233 would require the conditional profile element only if the X feature is implemented. The reason is that a cli-  
1234 ent of the base profile would expect the conditional profile element also be present in the case where the Y  
1235 feature is implemented.

### 1236 7.6.3.5 Definition of schema references

1237 A derived profile shall reference each schema that defines classes adapted by the profile and by any  
1238 (direct or indirect) base profile; see 7.5 for a definition of the elements of schema references.

1239 A derived profile may introduce new schema references.



- 1240 A derived profile may refine a schema reference of a base profile by requiring a more recent version of  
1241 the referenced schema.
- 1242 **7.6.3.6 Propagation of the central and scoping class adaptations**
- 1243 The scoping class adaptation of a derived profile shall be based on the scoping class adaptation of its  
1244 direct base profile. For the adapted class and for other base adaptations the provisions of 7.10.2.2 apply.
- 1245 The central class adaptation of a derived profile should be based on the central class adaptation of its  
1246 direct base profile. For the adapted class and for other base adaptations the provisions of 7.10.2.2 apply.
- 1247 **7.6.3.7 Propagation of profile references**
- 1248 A derived profile inherits all profile references defined by its (direct or indirect) base profiles. A derived  
1249 profile may introduce new profile references. A derived profile may overwrite profile references made in  
1250 base profiles with profile references that reference profiles derived from the profiles referenced by the  
1251 base profiles.
- 1252 Profile references are named profile elements. A profile reference defined in a derived profile intending to  
1253 override a profile reference defined in a base profile should state the name of the profile reference  
1254 defined in the base profile.
- 1255 **7.6.3.8 Propagation of registry references**
- 1256 A derived profile inherits all registry references defined by its (direct or indirect) base profiles. A derived  
1257 profile may introduce new registry references.
- 1258 **7.6.3.9 Propagation of features**
- 1259 A derived profile inherits all features defined by its (direct or indirect) base profiles. A derived profile may  
1260 introduce new features.
- 1261 If the name of a feature defined by a derived profile is identical to the name of a feature defined in one of  
1262 its base profiles, the feature defined by the derived profile shall be a refinement of the feature defined in  
1263 the base profile.
- 1264 **7.6.3.10 Propagation of adaptations**
- 1265 A derived profile inherits adaptations defined by its (direct or indirect) base profiles. There are two cases:
- 1266 **Case A** : The derived profile defines a new adaptation that is based on one or more adaptations de-  
1267 fined its base profiles, for the same or a more specific purpose. In this case the rules for basing an  
1268 adaptation on other adaptations as defined in 7.10.2.2 apply. The name of the adaptation defined by  
1269 the derived profile may differ from the name of the adaptation defined by the base profile.
- 1270 For example, an Example Ethernet Port profile may define an EthernetPort adaptation of the  
1271 CIM\_EthernetPort class for the representation of Ethernet ports that is based on a NetworkPort  
1272 adaptation of the CIM\_NetworkPort class that is defined by a base Example Network Port profile.
- 1273 **Case B** : Adaptations defined by base profiles not referenced as a base adaptation of one of the  
1274 adaptations defined by the derived profile are propagated without changes into the derived profile,  
1275 including references to properties, methods and operations. The adaptation name defined by the  
1276 base profile becomes an adaptation name of the derived profile. If naming conflicts result from this  
1277 rule, they shall be resolved by the derived profile through the application of case A. For example,  
1278 naming conflicts may occur in the case where a new release of a base profile defined an adaptation  
1279 with a name in use by an already existing derived profile.
- 1280 A derived profile may define new adaptations in addition to those defined by its base profiles.

**1281 7.6.3.11 Propagation of use-cases**

1282 A derived profile inherits all use-cases defined by its (direct or indirect) base profiles. A derived profile  
1283 may introduce new use-cases.

1284 A derived profile may extend use-cases defined in base profiles.

**1285 7.6.4 Definition of abstract and concrete profiles****1286 7.6.4.1 Abstract profile**

1287 An abstract profile is a special kind of profile specifying common elements and behavior as a base for  
1288 derived profiles. An abstract profile is explicitly designated as abstract. An abstract profile shall not be  
1289 implemented. An abstract profile may define class adaptations of concrete classes and/or abstract  
1290 classes.

1291 An abstract profile may be a derived profile, and may be further derived.

1292 Abstract profiles serve two purposes:

- 1293 • Provide a base for derived profiles
- 1294 • Provide a point of reference for referencing profiles

1295 For example, an abstract profile could be defined for the management domain of basic computer system  
1296 management, and derived profiles could tailor that to various types of computer systems such as desktop  
1297 computer systems or virtual computer systems.

1298 Abstract profiles can also be referenced from concrete profiles. In this case implementations of the  
1299 management interface defined by the abstract profile shall be provided by implementations of concrete  
1300 profiles that are derived from the abstract profile.

1301 This concept enables the definition open sets of component profiles. Generally the management interface  
1302 for a particular management domain is defined by an autonomous profile and a set of referenced  
1303 component profiles; in this case the autonomous profile and its referenced component profiles form a  
1304 closed set. However, if the component profiles exhibit a base set of common characteristics, these could  
1305 be addressed by an abstract profile. The component profiles would be derived from the abstract profile,  
1306 and the autonomous profile would only reference the abstract profile and optionally a minimum required  
1307 set of component profiles. Now the set of profiles is open, since it is possible to define additional  
1308 component profiles based on the abstract profile, without requiring that these are referenced by the  
1309 autonomous profile, but still being discoverable by clients.

**1310 7.6.4.2 Concrete profile**

1311 A concrete profile is any profile that is not an abstract profile. Only concrete profiles may be implemented.  
1312 A concrete profile may be a derived profile, and a derived profile may be based on both concrete profiles  
1313 and / or abstract profiles.

1314 If a concrete profile defines a class adaptation of an abstract class it shall require that a concrete sub-  
1315 class of the abstract class is implemented. If possible, the profile should identify to a concrete subclass  
1316 that shall be implemented in the case where a more specific subclass of the abstract class is not imple-  
1317 mented.

1318 For example, if a concrete profile defines a class adaptation of the abstract CIM\_Component association  
1319 then the profile might require the implementation of a concrete subclass of the CIM\_Component associa-  
1320 tion, and, might require the implementation of the CIM\_ConcreteComponent association in the case where  
1321 a more specific subclass of CIM\_Component is not implemented.

1322 In addition, 7.11 defines requirements for concrete profiles related to profile registration.

## 1323 7.6.5 Definition of scoping relationships

### 1324 7.6.5.1 General

1325 Scoping provides a means to subdivide the model defined in context of complex management domains.  
1326 As detailed in subclauses of 7.6.5, this subdivision is achieved by defining a scoping profile (typically an  
1327 autonomous profile) that models overall aspects of a management domain, and provides a scope for  
1328 component profiles (see 7.6.5.3) that each model a subspace of the management domain. Scoping is  
1329 established by defining a central class adaptation, a scoping class adaptation and a scoping path in each  
1330 component profile. In addition, scoping provides a means to simplify the profile conformance advertise-  
1331 ment of component profile implementations by reducing the number of CIM\_ElementConformsToProfile  
1332 association instances; for details, see [DSP1033](#).

### 1333 7.6.5.2 Autonomous profile

1334 An autonomous profile defines a management interface for an autonomous and self-contained manage-  
1335 ment domain. An autonomous profile may be defined without relationships to other profiles (standalone),  
1336 or may be defined with relationships to other profiles that as a set define a management interface for a  
1337 complete management domain.

### 1338 7.6.5.3 Component profile

1339 A component profile defines a management interface of a subset or special aspect of a management  
1340 domain. In most cases it is possible and desirable to specify a component profile independent of its use in  
1341 context of a particular scoping profile, enabling reuse of the component profile in context of many possible  
1342 scoping profiles.

1343 For example, an autonomous profile addressing the management domain of systems might reference a  
1344 component profile for the purpose of addressing the management domain of network ports in system. The  
1345 same component profile might be referenced by another autonomous profile that addresses the man-  
1346 agement domain of network switches, in this case for the purpose of addressing the management domain  
1347 of switch ports.

### 1348 7.6.5.4 Central class adaptation

1349 The central class adaptation is the focal point of a subject profile. It should model the central managed  
1350 object type in the management domain that is addressed by the subject profile.

1351 A profile shall designate exactly one mandatory class adaptation as the central class adaptation.

1352 The central class adaptation like any class adaptation, adapts a class defined in a schema. In addition,  
1353 the central class adaptation shall be based on the CentralElement adaptation defined by [DSP1033](#)  
1354 (Profile Registration profile), and may be based on additional other class adaptations; for details see  
1355 7.10.2.2 .

1356 NOTE The central class adaptation is instrumental in advertising profile implementations, and in identifying profile  
1357 conformance of profile implementations; for details see [DSP1033](#).

### 1358 7.6.5.5 Scoping class adaptation

1359 In a component profile the definition of a scoping class adaptation and of a scoping path provide a scope  
1360 for the central class adaptation.

1361 The definition of the scoping class adaptation in a profile provides an external attach point for use by  
1362 scoping profiles. A scoping profile may connect to that attach point by defining its central class adapta-  
1363 tion based on class adaptations defined in referenced profiles that are designated by those as their  
1364 scoping class adaptations. As a consequence, the implementation of a scoping profile and its referenced  
1365 profiles form an agglomeration of profile implementations controlling sets of instances connected through  
1366 association instances that can be traversed at runtime.

1367 A component profile shall designate exactly one mandatory class adaptation as the scoping class  
1368 adaptation. That scoping class adaptation shall be different from the its designated central class adapta-  
1369 tion (see 7.6.5.4).

1370 An autonomous profile shall either not designate a scoping class adaptation, or shall designate the same  
1371 class adaptation as both the central class adaptation (see 7.6.5.4) and the scoping class adaptation.

1372 The scoping class adaptation, like any class adaptation, shall be based on a schema class. In addition,  
1373 the scoping class adaptation shall be based on the ScopingElement adaptation defined by [DSP1033](#)  
1374 (Profile Registration Profile), and may be based on additional other class adaptations; for details see  
1375 7.10.2.2 .

1376 NOTE The scoping class adaptation is instrumental in advertising profile implementations, and in identifying  
1377 profile conformance of component profile implementations; for details see [DSP1033](#).

### 1378 **7.6.5.6 Scoping path**

1379 A scoping path is an association traversal path defined by the subject profile connection its central class  
1380 adaptation with its scoping class adaptation.

1381 Each component profile shall define a scoping path. The scoping path shall be specified by a set of  
1382 adaptations of associations and ordinary classes that are defined by the subject profile. The scoping path  
1383 shall enable bi-directional navigation between instances of the central class adaptation and instances of  
1384 the scoping class adaptation.

### 1385 **7.6.5.7 Examples of scoping relationships**

- 1386 • Autonomous profile with optional component profiles

1387 Embedded control systems optionally include management interfaces for fans or power supplies. Ele-  
1388 ments related to core functionality of the control systems defined in the autonomous profile. The fan and  
1389 power supply elements are defined in separate component profiles.

- 1390 • Multiple autonomous profiles sharing component profiles

1391 Disk arrays and volume managers provide similar RAID virtualization capabilities from a device of host-  
1392 resident software. The RAID virtualization component profile is shared by, but mandatory for the Array  
1393 (external virtualization hardware) and Volume Manager (host-resident virtualization software) autonomous  
1394 profiles.

- 1395 • Referenced component profiles, scoped to the same autonomous profile

1396 Many types of systems include batteries – sometimes batteries are configured in redundant sets. This  
1397 could be modeled as a battery component profile with a separate, optional battery redundancy compo-  
1398 nent profile. Elements of component profiles are scoped to a System instance defined in the context of a  
1399 top-level autonomous profile in the scoping hierarchy.

- 1400 • Scoping between component profiles

1401 In some cases, CIM defines scoping between non-system elements. For example, the  
1402 CIM\_ServiceStatisticalInformation class is scoped by the CIM\_Service class – which is then scoped to the  
1403 CIM\_System class.

## 1404 **7.7 Definition of the management domain**

1405 A profile should define the set of managed object types from the management domain addressed by the  
1406 profile. These definitions should enable an implementer who implements the profile for a particular type of  
1407 managed environment to establish a mapping of managed objects from the managed environment to CIM  
1408 instances that conform to class adaptations defined by the profile.

1409 In some cases it may be sufficient to refer to respective definitions in the schema definition of adapted  
 1410 classes. However, generally profiles adapt a generic classes to model a more specific managed object  
 1411 type that that described in the schema definition the each adapted class.

1412 For example, in Table 1 a simple definition of a management domain by a profile defining a management  
 1413 interface for the management of files and file systems is shown.

1414 **Table 1 – Example management domain definition**

#### **X-6 Description**

This profile addresses the management domain of file management. The major object types are files, directories and file systems.

A *file system* is a set of files that are collectively stored. A file system and its files are accessible by clients. Each file system contains one root directory.

A *file* is a block of arbitrary information that is stored in a file system. Each file shall have a unique identifier that identifies the file in the scope of a file system. A file may have a name. The name is not required to be unique. The name may be identical with the file identifier. Except the root directory each file is referenced by one or more directories.

A *directory* is a special kind of file that contains a list of references to files; each list entry references one file. A directory may assign a name to each referenced file that is unique in scope of the directory.

1415 The management domain definition shown in Table 1 would enable an implementation of the file man-  
 1416 agement profile for the FAT file system to establish a mapping between object types defined by the file  
 1417 management profile and respective elements defined by the specification of the FAT file system.

## **7.8 Definition of registry references**

1418 Profiles may reference message registries and metrics registries.

1420 A registry reference is a profile element that references a registry by stating the type of the referenced  
 1421 registry and by identifying the minimally required version of the referenced registry.

1422 A registry reference shall be assigned a name as defined in 7.3 .

1423 The type of the referenced registry shall be either message registry or metrics registry.

1424 The identification of the minimally required version of the referenced registry shall be stated with all of the  
 1425 following:

- 1426 • The name of the registry as assigned by the owning organization,
- 1427 • the major version identifier, the minor version identifier and optionally where needed the update  
 1428 identifier of the registry, and
- 1429 • the organization that owns the registry.

1430 Profiles may refer to messages defined in message registries, as part of their other definitions.

1431 Profiles may refer to metrics definitions and statistics definitions defined in metrics registries, as part of  
 1432 their other definitions.

## **7.9 Definition of events**

1434 If indications are specified by a profile, then the events that they indicate shall be named and specified by  
 1435 the profile. With the exception of read operations and method invocations (see 6.8), a profile shall define  
 1436 events in terms of the managed environment.

1437 NOTE Lifecycle indications report events in the CIM model, such as the creation, deletion or modification of CIM  
 1438 instances. However, since any change in the CIM model is caused by a previous corresponding change in

1439 the managed environment, this subclause requires profiles to define events in terms of the managed envi-  
 1440 ronment.

## 1441 7.10 Definition of class adaptations

1442 This subclause specifies how profiles define adaptations of classes for a particular purpose.

### 1443 7.10.1 Purpose of class adaptations

1444 A class adaptation is a named profile element that defines the use of a class defined in a schema for a  
 1445 particular purpose. In addition a class adaptation may be based on one or more other class adaptations.  
 1446 Class adaptations may be referred to simply as *adaptations*.

### 1447 7.10.2 Requirements for definitions of all kinds of class adaptations

1448 This subclause defines requirements for definitions of all kinds of class adaptations: Adaptations of  
 1449 ordinary classes, adaptations of associations and adaptations of indications.

#### 1450 7.10.2.1 Class adaptation name

1451 A profile shall define a name for each adaptation it defines; the name shall be in conformance with the  
 1452 naming conventions defined in 7.3 .

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#### 1453 **Deprecated content - start**

1454 Profiles that were created in conformance with version 1.0 of this guide in most cases did not define  
 1455 adaptation names, but just stated the name of the adapted class with an optional modifier. Minor revisions  
 1456 of profiles specified in compliance with previous version 1.0 of the guide may continue using the following  
 1457 naming convention for adaptations:

1458 `AdaptationName = AdaptedClassName [ "(" Modifier ")" ]`

1459 `AdaptedClassName` is the name of the adapted class. `Modifier` is a short descriptor that describes  
 1460 the use of the adapted class in context of the profile. The modifier should be composed of less than 30  
 1461 characters.

1462 Examples:

1463 `CIM_ComputerSystem`

1464 `CIM_ComputerSystem (Switch)`

1465 `CIM_StoragePool (Primordial pool)`

1466 This naming convention shall only be applied for existing definitions of class adaptations in minor revi-  
 1467 sions of existing profiles. Newly introduced classes in minor revisions shall not apply this naming conven-  
 1468 tion.

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#### 1469 **Deprecated content - end**

#### 1470 7.10.2.2 Adapted class and base adaptations

1471 An adaptation adapts a class defined in a schema for a particular purpose.

1472 In addition, an adaptation may be based on other adaptations, as further defined in this subclause.

1473 For a particular adaptation, the following rules apply:

- 1474 • **Rule I:** One adapted class.

1475 A adaptation shall identify exactly one class defined in a schema as the adapted class.

- 1476 • **Rule II:** Zero or more base adaptations.

1477 A adaptation may reference zero or more adaptations defined in the same or in referenced profiles as  
 1478 base adaptations.

- 1479 • **Rule III:** Compatibility of the adapted class with that of base adaptations.

1480 If a class adaptation A adapts a class C and is based on one or more adaptations A<sub>1</sub> adapting C<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub>  
 1481 adapting C<sub>2</sub>, ..., A<sub>n</sub> adapting C<sub>n</sub>, then C shall be the same or a subclass of any C<sub>i</sub>, i=1...n .

1482 NOTE The last requirement ensures that an implementation of the subject profile can implement class C without  
 1483 verifying whether a base adaptation requires the implementation of a subclass of C. This enables the sup-  
 1484plementary addition of the implementation of a new component profile to a previously existing implementa-  
 1485tion of a set related profiles, where the new component profile is not referenced by the set of related  
 1486profiles.

EDITORIAL NOTE: We also considered the following rule:

- If a class adaptation A adapts a class C and is based on one or more class adaptations A<sub>1</sub>, A<sub>2</sub>, ..., A<sub>n</sub>, then C and all classes adapted by A<sub>i</sub>, i=1...n shall form a single inheritance chain.

In this case the subsequent addition of implementations of "compatible" component profiles to existing implementation sets would require additional provisions by the implementer and not be implicitly ensured by the profile itself.

1487 A class adaptation, its adapted class, its set of base adaptations and their adapted classes form a directed  
 1488acyclic graph (DAG). This graph is called the span of the class adaptation.

1489 Figure 2 shows an example that illustrates how the rules defined in this subclause establish limitations for  
 1490the selection of base adaptations or of adaptable classes, once an initial choice is made.

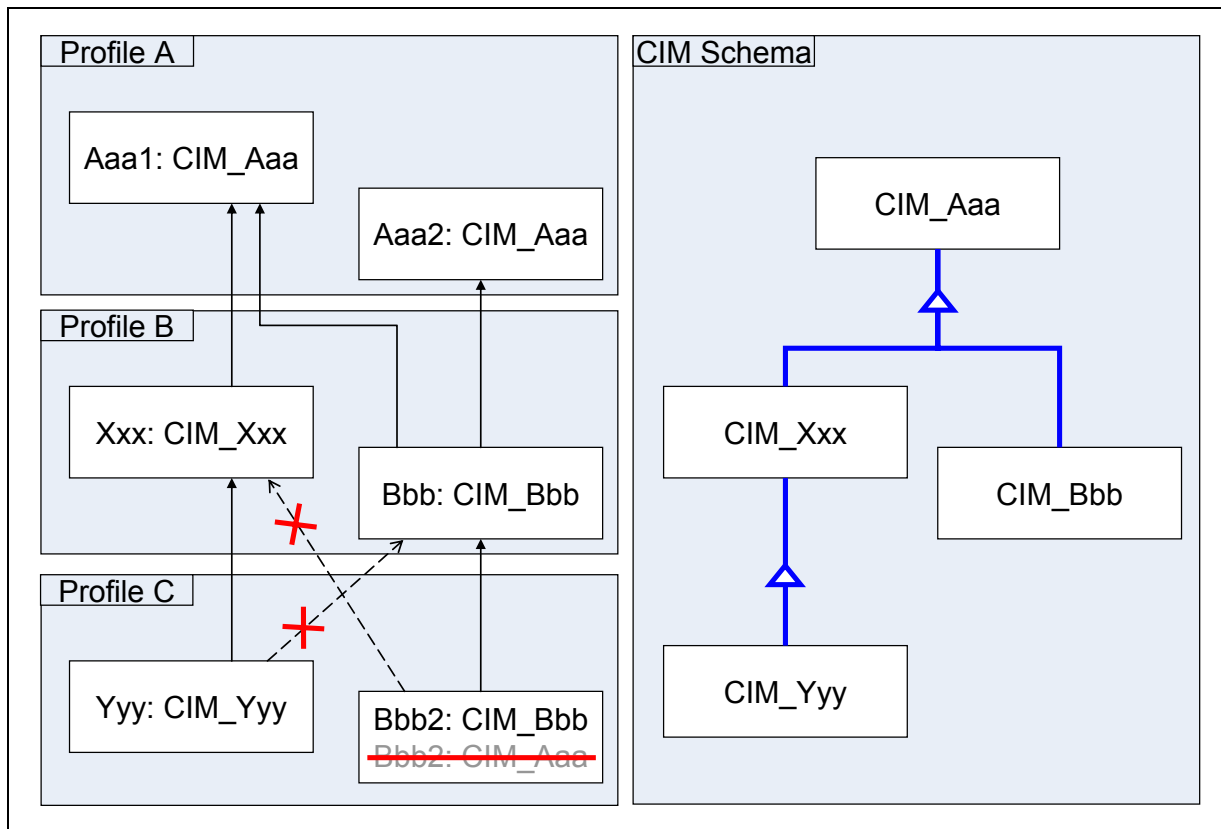


Figure 2 – Class adaptation reference example

1491  
 1492  
 1493 In the example shown in Figure 2, the crossed relationships would violate rule II, as follows:

1494 • Adaptation Yyy must not be based on adaptation Bbb because Yyy adapts CIM\_Yyy, but Bbb  
 1495 adapts CIM\_Bbb that is not CIM\_Yyy or a superclass of CIM\_Yyy; likewise, adaptation Bbb2  
 1496 must not be based on adaptation Xxx.

1497 • Adaptation Bbb2 must not adapt CIM\_Aaa, because Bbb2 is based on Bbb, and Bbb adapts  
 1498 CIM\_Bbb that is a subclass of CIM\_Aaa.

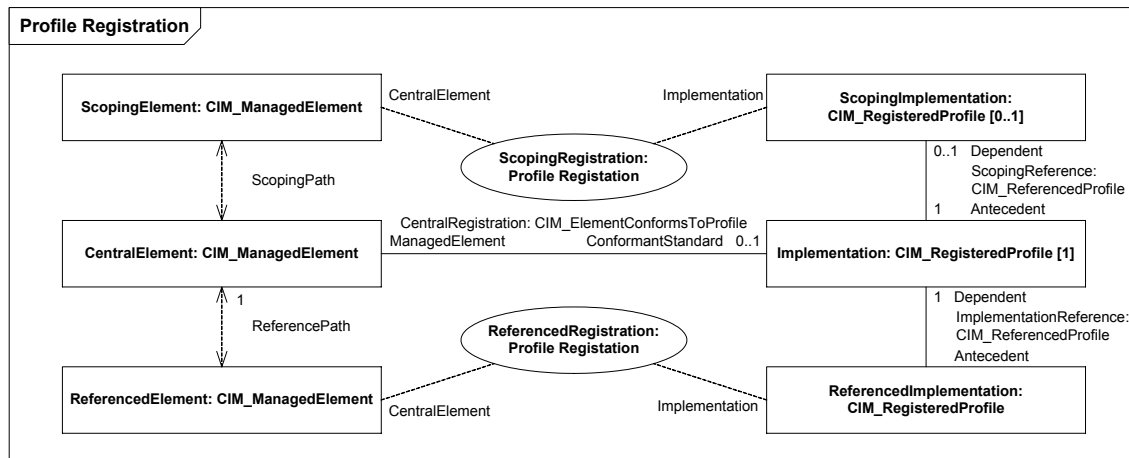
1499 Profiles shall not adapt classes that are marked as deprecated in their schema definition, except in the  
 1500 case where a revision of an existing profile retains an adaptation of a class that was marked as deprecated  
 1501 in a later version of the schema.

1502 If a class adaptation is based on one or more base adaptations, all of the following rules apply for that  
 1503 class adaptation:

1504 • All definitions and requirements defined by base adaptations are propagated into the new class  
 1505 adaptation.

1506 • The set of instances allowed by the class adaptation shall be a subset of the set of instances  
 1507 allowed by each of its base adaptations.

1508 DMTF collaboration structure diagrams (see 9.2.2.3) are specifically tailored to graphically depict the  
 1509 dependencies introduced by basing class adaptations on other class adaptations.



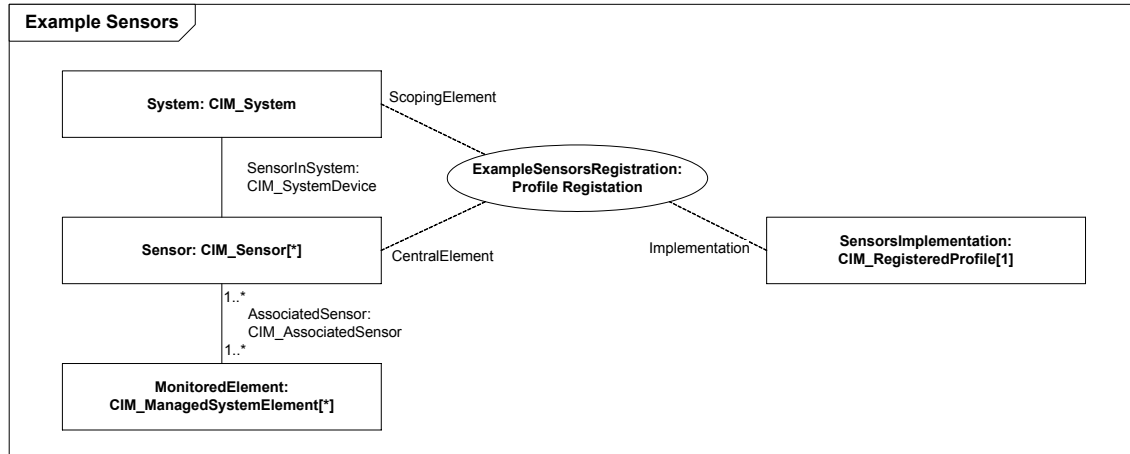
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1511 **Figure 3 – DMTF collaboration structure diagram of the Profile Registration profile**

1512 Figure 3 shows the DMTF collaboration structure diagram of the Profile Registration profile. The CentralElement  
 1513 adaptation (shown as a solid rectangle labeled "CentralElement: CIM\_ManagedElement")  
 1514 encapsulates the profile registration related requirements for central elements, the ScopingElement  
 1515 adaptation (shown as a solid rectangle labeled "ScopingElement: CIM\_ManagedElement") encapsulates  
 1516 the profile registration related requirements for scoping elements. This guide requires profile to base their  
 1517 central and scoping class adaptations on the respective class adaptations of the Profile Registration  
 1518 profile; see and for further details, see [DSP1033](#).

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**Figure 4 – DMTF collaboration structure diagram of an Example Sensors profile**

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Figure 4 shows the DMTF collaboration structure diagram of an Example Sensors profile. The dashed oval labeled "SensorsRegistration: Profile Registration" represents the Example Sensor's profile reference to the Profile Registration profile. The solid rectangle labeled "Sensor: CIM\_Sensor" represents the Example Sensor's Sensor adaptation of the CIM\_Sensor class. The dashed line labeled "CentralElement" indicates that the Sensor adaptation of the Example Sensors profile is based on the CentralElement adaptation of the Profile Registration profile. Likewise, System adaptation of the Example Sensors profile is based on the ScopingElement adaptation of the Profile Registration profile, and the SensorsImplementation adaptation of the Example Sensors profile is based on the Implementation adaptation of the Profile Registration profile.

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**NOTE** An adaptation of the CIM\_ElementConformsToProfile association is not shown in Figure 4. A respective adaptation is defined by the Profile Registration profile that addresses all respective requirements; thus there is no need to refine that adaptation in the Example Sensors profile. Also note that the multiplicity of the Implementation adaptation of the Profile Registration profile in Figure 3 is 1, requiring one instance of that adaptation, but that the multiplicity of the ConformantStandard role is 0..1, allowing an implementation to either implement the central class profile advertisement methodology that requires that association for the central class adaptation, or the scoping class profile advertisement methodology defined in the Profile Registration profile that does not require that association for the central class adaptation; for details, see [DSP1033](#).

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**NOTE** The ability of basing class adaptations defined in one profile on class adaptations defined in referenced profiles provides for a much finer granularity of profile dependencies by enabling the introduction of requirements at the level of class adaptations rather than at the level of profiles. For example, the requirement to base the central and scoping class adaptations on respective adaptations of the Profile Registration profile is much stricter than that of version 1.0 of this guide only requiring a reference to the Profile Registration profile.

**1546 7.10.2.3 Management domain context**

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For each class adaptation it defines, the subject profile shall state the managed object type from the management domain that is modeled by the class adaptation. See 7.7 for requirements on defining the management domain and its managed object types.

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For adaptations of associations, the management domain context may be specified in the form of a relationship such as for example a containment.

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For adaptations of indications, the management domain context may be specified by stating the event that is reported by instances of the adapted indication.

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#### 1554 7.10.2.4 Requirement level

1555 For each adaptation it defines, the subject profile shall designate a requirement level. The subject profile  
1556 may establish further constraints for a adaptation beyond those established by the schema definition of  
1557 the adapted class, or by referenced adaptations.

#### 1558 7.10.2.5 Definition of property requirements

1559 For each adaptation it defines, the subject profile may define property requirements for properties that are  
1560 exposed by the adapted class.

1561 Each property requirement shall be designated with a requirement level.

1562 A profile may specify constraints and requirements for as part of property requirements. Any such  
1563 constraints and requirements apply in addition to, and shall not contradict, any constraints and require-  
1564 ments defined

- 1565 • in the adapted class and in any of its superclasses,
- 1566 • in any base adaptation,
- 1567 • in any class adapted by a base adaptation, and its base classes.

1568 NOTE These rules prohibit any extension of the set of permissible property values as defined by constraints on  
1569 the adapted class, its base classes, its base adaptations, their adapted classes and their base classes.

1570 As part of every property requirement the profile shall specify a relationship to the aspect of managed  
1571 objects represented by adaptation instances that is reflected by the property, unless such a relationship is  
1572 already precisely established by a base adaptation or an adapted class. For example, an Example Fan  
1573 profile referencing the EnabledState property of the CIM\_Fan class in its Fan adaptation would state that  
1574 the value of the EnabledState property represents the state of the represented fan and relate values of  
1575 the value set of the EnabledState property to possible fan states.

1576 If string typed properties are referenced, a format as required by 7.10.2.6 should be specified.

1577 A profile may specify a default value for a property. Profile specified default property values apply with  
1578 regard to output operations in the case where a more specific value is indiscernible by the profile imple-  
1579 mentation. For example, a profile could define a default value of "" for the (schema required) Element-  
1580 Name property. That value would have to be returned in the case where an implementation is unable to  
1581 produce a more specific value.

1582 NOTE The semantics of profile defined default values differ from schema defined default values as defined in  
1583 [DSP0004](#). Schema defined default values only apply with regard to create operations such as for example  
1584 the CreateInstance( ) operation.

1585 Profiles define constraints as part of property requirements for reference properties in association  
1586 adaptations, as follows:

- 1587 • For each reference property a subject profile shall state the adaptation that the reference prop-  
1588 erty refers to. It is required that the referenced adaptation is defined in the subject profile.
- 1589 • The adaptation referenced by a reference property shall be compatible with the class that is ref-  
1590 erenced by the reference property in the adapted association class; for details, see 7.10.2.2 .
- 1591 • Profiles may constrain the multiplicities of references in association adaptations. These multi-  
1592 plicities shall be the same as or narrower than the most narrow multiplicity defined in the  
1593 adapted class and in any base adaptation.

1594 Profiles shall not define property requirements for properties that are marked as deprecated in the  
1595 schema definition of the adapted class, except within revisions of existing profiles that retain a property  
1596 requirement for a property that was marked as deprecated in a subsequent version of the schema after  
1597 the original version of the profile was released.

### 1598 7.10.2.6 Formats for string typed properties and parameters

1599 Profiles may specify a mechanism that conveys the format for the values of string typed properties,  
1600 method parameters and method return values.

1601 For some of the format specification mechanisms that a profile may apply, this guide defines rules that  
1602 govern the application of these mechanisms, as follows:

- 1603 • If a profile uses regular expressions to define the format, the regular expressions shall conform  
1604 to the syntax defined in ANNEX B.
- 1605 • If a profile uses a grammar to define the format, the grammar shall be stated in ABNF (see  
1606 [RFC5234](#)). A profile may define extensions and modifications to ABNF; if so, these shall be  
1607 documented in the profile.

1608 NOTE The specification of units is established in schema definitions through the use of the PUNIT or the  
1609 ISPUNIT qualifiers.

### 1610 7.10.3 Requirements for definitions of adaptations of ordinary classes and associations

1611 This subclause defines requirements for the definition of adaptations of ordinary classes and for the  
1612 definition of adaptations of associations.

#### 1613 7.10.3.1 Definition of method requirements

1614 For each class adaptation of ordinary classes or associations it defines, a profile may define method  
1615 requirements for methods that are exposed by the adapted class.

1616 Each method requirement shall be designated with a requirement level.

1617 A profile may specify constraints and requirements for referenced methods and their parameters. Any  
1618 such constraints and requirements shall not contradict, and apply in addition, to any constraints and  
1619 requirements defined

- 1620 • in the adapted class and its superclasses,
- 1621 • in any base adaptation,
- 1622 • in any class adapted by a base adaptation, and its superclasses.

1623 NOTE This rule prohibits any extension of the set of permissible output parameter values and any reduction of  
1624 the set of permissible input parameter values as defined by constraints on the adapted class, its base  
1625 classes, its base adaptations, their adapted classes and their base classes.

1626 As part of every method requirement a profile shall specify the method semantics with respect to the  
1627 managed environment, unless these are already precisely defined by a base adaptation or by the schema  
1628 definition of an adapted class. The description may adopt text from the schema description of the method,  
1629 but shall rephrase that as standard English text.

1630 For example, an Example Fan profile referencing the RequestStateChange( ) method of the CIM\_Fan  
1631 class in its Fan adaptation would state that the execution of the method shall effect a state change of the  
1632 fan that is represented by the Fan adaptation instance on that the method is invoked.

1633 It is generally not sufficient to only describe the expected state of CIM instances after the method execu-  
1634 tion completes because an implementation is required to effect changes on managed objects in the  
1635 managed environment, and then reflect respective changes in the CIM instances that represent the  
1636 managed objects; see 6.7 for further rationale.

1637 If string typed parameters are referenced, a format as required in 7.10.2.6 should be specified.

1638 Profiles shall not define method requirements for methods that are marked as deprecated in the schema  
1639 definition of the adapted class, except within revisions of existing profiles that retain a method require-  
1640 ment for a method that was marked as deprecated in a subsequent version of the schema after the  
1641 original version of the profile was released.

### 1642 7.10.3.2 Definition of operation requirements

1643 For each class adaptation of ordinary classes or associations it defines, a profile shall reference required  
1644 operations.

1645 Each operation requirement shall be designated with a requirement level.

1646 Operation requirements shall be stated with respect to an operations specification that defines the  
1647 operations, such as [DSP0200](#) or [DSP0223](#). Profiles based on version 1.0 of this guide referred to  
1648 [DSP0200](#). Revisions of such profiles conforming to this version of this guide should be updated to refer to  
1649 [DSP0223](#). References to operations in this guide refer to operations defined in [DSP0223](#) unless other-  
1650 wise stated.

1651 A profile may specify lists of operation requirements, and refer to these lists when specifying the  
1652 operation requirements for individual class adaptations.

1653 A profile shall define operation requirements for operations that enable association traversal as part of the  
1654 operation requirements of association adaptations.

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#### 1655 Deprecated content - start

1656 Minor revisions of profiles initially specified in compliance with version 1.0 of this guide may continue  
1657 defining operation requirements for association traversal operations as part of operation requirements of  
1658 the adaptations of the classes that are referenced by the adapted association if the association was  
1659 already defined in the preceding minor version of the profile.

1660 NOTE This rule was changed because in general different operation sets can be defined for any of the associa-  
1661 tions referencing a particular class. Thus a description of association traversal operation requirements with  
1662 the referenced class would have to be fanned out into separate operation requirements for each referenc-  
1663 ing association. Furthermore operation requirements for association traversal operations potentially had to  
1664 be stated for either association traversal direction. Furthermore, since with this approach the definition of  
1665 association traversal operation requirements for one association was part of the definition of at least three  
1666 different adaptations, the verification of completeness of operation requirements for the association adap-  
1667 tation is aggravated.

#### 1668 Deprecated content - end

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EDITORIAL NOTE: We are still in the process of determining where to place the association traversal operations: With the association adaptation (as specified here), or with the referenced adaptation(s) as (incompletely) specified by version 1.0 of this guide.

This foilset highlights some of the arguments in either direction:

<http://www.dmtf.org/apps/org/workgroup/mrprofiles/download.php/49725/AssociationOperations.ppt>

One possible compromise would be to require the specification with the association adaptation, and then refer to that from the referenced class adaptations.

1669 As part of every operation requirement a profile shall specify the operation semantics with respect to the  
1670 managed environment, unless these are already precisely defined by a base adaptation or by the opera-  
1671 tions specification.

1672 For write operations (such as for example the `ModifyInstance()` operation defined in [DSP0223](#)) it is  
1673 generally not sufficient to only describe the expected state of CIM instances after the operation execution  
1674 completes because an implementation is required to effect changes on managed objects in the managed  
1675 environment, and then reflect respective changes in the CIM instances that represent the affected  
1676 managed objects; see 6.7 for further rationale.

1677 Profiles may limit the effects of write operations to certain properties. For example, an Example Fan  
1678 profile that defines operation requirement for the `ModifyInstance()` operation in its Fan adaptation of the

- 1679 CIM\_Fan class may limit the effects of the operation to the EnabledState property, and state that the  
 1680 operation shall effect a state change of the fan that is represented by Fan adaptation instances.
- 1681 If a profile requires the ModifyInstance( ) operation to be implemented for a particular class, the default  
 1682 interpretation is that all non-key properties defined by the class may be modified through the ModifyIn-  
 1683 stance( ) operation; however, a profile may designate non-key properties as modifiable or unmodifiable.  
 1684 The operations specification describes the behavior of modification operations with respect to properties  
 1685 designated as unmodifiable.
- 1686 Profile shall not define operation requirement for the InvokeMethod( ) operation; this operation is implicitly  
 1687 required if the profile defines any methods.
- 1688 Profiles shall not define operation requirement for operations that are marked as deprecated in the  
 1689 operation specification defining the operation (such as for example [DSP0200](#) or [DSP0223](#)), except within  
 1690 revisions of existing profiles that retain an operation requirement for an operation that was marked as  
 1691 deprecated in the operation specification after the original version of the profile was released.

EDITORIAL NOTE: We also considered the adding the following rules either in this guide, or in the respective operations specification or in a new profile for operations:

Operations specified in the context of class adaptations carry them a number of implied constraints on named parameters that do not need to be respecified within each profile.

These are:

- 1) The value of InstancePath shall reference an instance that is a kind of the class of the ClassAdaptation
- 2) The value of ClassPath shall name a class that is a kind of the class of the Class Adaptation.
- 3) The value of EnumClassPath shall name a class that is a kind of the class of the Class Adaptation.
- 4) The value of SourceInstancePath shall reference an instance that is a kind of the class of the Ordinary Class Adaptation named by one of the references of an Association Class Adaptation.
- 5) The value of AssociationClassName shall be NULL or name a class that is a kind of the class of an Association Class Adaptation. NULL implies the set of all Association Class Adaptations that have at least one reference property constrained to refer to the Ordinary Class Adaptation of the instance named in SourceInstancePath. This set may be further constrained by the values of SourceRoleName and AssociatedRoleName
- 6) The value of AssociatedClassName shall be NULL or name a class that is a kind of the class of an Ordinary Class Adaptation named by one of the references of the Association Class Adaptation(s) named by AssociationClassName. NULL implies the set of all such Ordinary Class Adaptations. This set may be further constrained by the values of SourceRoleName and AssociatedRoleName.  
 If the operation is specified relative to an Ordinary Class Adaptation, then the value of AssociatedClassName name is further constrained to name an opposite referenced class from the point of view of the SourceRoleName and AssociatedRoleName parameters.
- 7) The value of SourceRoleName shall name a reference property of an Association Class Adaptation belonging to the set named or implied by AssociationClassName. If the operation is specified relative to an Ordinary Class Adaptation, then the named reference is further constrained to refer to the Ordinary Class Adaptation of the instance named in SourceInstancePath.
- 8) The value of AssociatedRoleName shall name a reference property of an Association Class Adaptation belonging to the set named or implied by AssociationClassName.

Note, that unless further constrained, rules 4-8 enable bi-directional navigation across all associations. While this makes writing a profile simpler, it imposes a greater burden on the implementation to provide

this capability. Profiles that are expected to be widely specialized should specify their interface requirements as narrowly as possible and allow specialized profiles to extend them as needed.

### 1692 7.10.3.3 Definition of instance requirements

1693 For each adaptation of ordinary classes or associations it defines, a profile shall define instance require-  
1694 ments that precisely define the conditions in the managed environment that require the exposure of  
1695 adaptation instances namespaces, with the adaptation instances representing managed objects.

### 1696 7.10.3.4 Concurrency requirements

1697 Each profile should define concurrency requirements with regard to instances of adaptations.

1698 For example, a profile defining requirements for a method or operation may require exclusive access to a  
1699 subset of the managed environment such that interference from other activities performed on that subset  
1700 are serialized. However, care should be exercised establishing such requirements, because they might  
1701 reduce the set of managed environments for that the profile can be implemented.

### 1702 7.10.3.5 ACID requirements

1703 Profile authors should be aware that protocols, WBEM service infrastructure and adaptation implementa-  
1704 tions affect the behavior with respect to ACID properties. A profile may define ACID requirements for  
1705 operations and methods specified by the profile; if specified, ACID requirements shall be defined at the  
1706 level of the profile defined interface between a WBEM client (or a WBEM listener), and a WBEM service.  
1707 Profile defined ACID requirements shall be stated in a protocol agnostic way.

1708 NOTE ACID properties for operations and methods are defined in [DSP0223](#). Requirements for ACID properties of  
1709 operations and methods in some cases are specified by operations specifications (such as for example  
1710 [DSP0223](#)).

1711 If a profile defines operations that create or destroy CIM instances, it shall specify the effects on the  
1712 managed environment caused by these operations. Profile shall not violate the paradigm that CIM  
1713 instances at any point in time are required to represent (an aspect of) a managed object.

1714 A profile may specify constraints on the existence of CIM instances with respect to the existence of other  
1715 CIM instances. This is generally acceptable in situations where these related CIM instance represent  
1716 different aspects of the same managed object. However, great care should be exercised in the case  
1717 where dependencies of different managed objects are implied by those constraints.

## 1718 7.10.4 Requirements for the definition of indication adaptations

### 1719 7.10.4.1 General

1720 The requirements defined in 7.10.4 for the definition of adaptations of indications apply in addition to the  
1721 requirements defined in 7.10.2 for the definition of adaptations of all kinds of classes.

### 1722 7.10.4.2 Indication profile requirements

1723 A profile that defines indications shall reference [DSP1054](#) as a mandatory profile.

### 1724 7.10.4.3 Indication generation requirements

1725 For each indication adaptation, a profile shall define indication generation requirements. An indication  
1726 generation requirement shall be defined by stating one or more events, (see 7.8), each of which individu-  
1727 ally causes the generation of the indication.

1728 In addition, an indication generation requirement may define additional conditions that control the genera-  
1729 tion of the indication. For example, a profile may state that an indication shall only be generated if the  
1730 event occurs and listeners are subscribed for that indication.



#### 1731 7.10.4.4 Indication filter instance requirements

1732 Indication filters represent the potential of an implementation to produce a particular indication; for details  
1733 see [DSP1054](#). Indication filter instance requirements serve the purpose to indicate the fact that a particu-  
1734 lar indication adaptation is implemented.

1735 For each indication adaptation it defines, a profile shall define an indication filter instance requirement.  
1736 An indication filter instance requirement shall define a CIM\_IndicationFilter instance in terms of its  
1737 properties such that the instance is bijectively correlatable to the indication adaptation.

1738 There are two approaches for defining indication filter instance requirements:

- 1739 • The first approach is to define a specific adaptation of the CIM\_IndicationFilter class (or a sub-  
1740 class of that) for each indication adaptation. For each of these CIM\_IndicationFilter adaptations  
1741 the profile must define constraints on property values so that only that adaptation is bijectively  
1742 correlatable to the indication adaptation.
- 1743 • The second approach is to define a generic adaptation of the CIM\_IndicationFilter class (or a  
1744 subclass of that) that serves for the indication filter instance requirements of more than one in-  
1745 dication adaptation. For each indication adaptation it defines the profile must define a specific  
1746 instance requirement on the generic CIM\_IndicationFilter adaptation of the CIM\_IndicationFilter  
1747 with specifically adjusted constraints on property values (overriding or specializing those of the  
1748 generic CIM\_IndicationFilter adaptation) so that only that required instance is bijectively corre-  
1749 latable to the indication adaptation.

1750 [DSP1054](#) defines interdependent instance requirements for CIM\_IndicationFilter instances, for  
1751 CIM\_FilterCollection instances and for CIM\_MemberOfCollection instances; see [DSP1054](#) for details. A  
1752 profile may specify additional requirements for the exposure of CIM\_IndicationFilter instances in name-  
1753 spaces.

1754 NOTE The requirements defined in this subclause only require a profile that defines indication adaptations to also  
1755 define related indication filter instance requirements. Indication filter instance requirements only require the  
1756 definition of CIM\_IndicationFilter instances (in terms of properties and values), but not the exposure of  
1757 such instances in namespaces. However, [DSP1054](#) defines requirements for the exposure of respective  
1758 CIM\_IndicationFilter instances in specific namespaces.

#### 1759 7.10.4.5 Filter collection instance requirements

1760 Filter collections are used to define a collection of indication filters in the context of a particular profile or  
1761 implementation. Filter collection instance requirements serve the purpose to indicate the fact that one or  
1762 more logically related indication adaptations are implemented.

1763 For each indication adaptation it defines, a profile may define one or more filter collection instance  
1764 requirement(s). A filter collection instance requirement shall define a CIM\_FilterCollection instance in  
1765 terms of its properties such that the instance is correlatable to the indication adaptation.

1766 There are two approaches for defining filter collection requirements:

- 1767 • The first approach is to define a specific adaptation of the CIM\_FilterCollection class (or a sub-  
1768 class of that) that defines constraints on property values so that only that adaptation is correlat-  
1769 able to the indication adaptation.
- 1770 • The second approach is to define a generic adaptation of the CIM\_FilterCollection class (or a  
1771 subclass of that), and define specifically adjusted constraints on property values (overriding or  
1772 specializing those of the generic CIM\_FilterCollection adaptation) so that only that required in-  
1773 stance if correlatable to the indication adaptation.

1774 In addition, a filter collection instance requirement shall state the CIM\_IndicationFilter instances as  
1775 required by 7.10.4.4 that shall be considered a member of the filter collection.

1776 [DSP1054](#) defines interdependent instance requirements for CIM\_IndicationFilter instances, for  
1777 CIM\_FilterCollection instances and for CIM\_MemberOfCollection instances; see [DSP1054](#) for details. A

1778 profile may specify additional requirements for the exposure of CIM\_FilterCollection instances in name-  
1779 spaces.

1780 NOTE This subclause only establishes rules for the definition of indication filter collection instance requirements.  
1781 Indication filter collection instance requirements do not require the exposure of such instances in name-  
1782 spaces. However, [DSP1054](#) defines requirements for the exposure of respective CIM\_FilterCollection in-  
1783 stances in specific namespaces.

### 1784 7.10.5 Examples of class adaptations

1785 An example of a simple adaptation that does not establish additional constraints is a profile that ad-  
1786 dresses the management domain of computer system management, adapts the CIM\_ComputerSystem  
1787 class modeling computer systems and does not specify constraints on properties. A conformant imple-  
1788 mentation of this profile's adaptation of the CIM\_ComputerSystem class is only required to show non-  
1789 NULL values for the properties defined as mandatory in the schema definition of the  
1790 CIM\_ComputerSystem class (key properties).

1791 Typical examples of adaptations that define additional constraints are:

- 1792 • A profile addressing the management of systems defining an adaptation of the  
1793 CIM\_ComputerSystem class for the representation of systems, and constraining the set of prop-  
1794 erties to be implemented to a subset of those defined in the CIM\_ComputerSystem class.
- 1795 • A profile addressing the management of system memory defining an adaptation of the  
1796 CIM\_Memory class for the representation of system memory, and constraining that the value of  
1797 the EnabledState property shall be 2 (Enabled).
- 1798 • A profile addressing the management of disks defining an adaptation of the CIM\_StorageExtent  
1799 class for the representation of RAID disks, and constraining that the value of the ErrorMethod-  
1800 ology property shall match the pattern "RAID3|RAID4|RAID5".
- 1801 • A profile addressing the management of floppy disks defining an adaptation of the  
1802 CIM\_DiskDrive class for the representation of floppy disk drives, and constraining that each in-  
1803 stance of the CIM\_DiskDrive class representing a floppy drive shall be associated with the in-  
1804 stance of the CIM\_ComputerSystem class representing the containing system.

1805 An example for multiple adaptations of a class in one profile is a profile defining an adaptation of the  
1806 CIM\_AllocationCapabilities class to model the allocation capabilities of a resource pool and to model the  
1807 mutability of resource allocations.

1808 An example for multiple adaptations of a class in multiple profiles is the CIM\_System class that is adapted  
1809 by many profiles to model very different forms of systems like general purpose systems, network switch-  
1810 es, storage arrays or storage controllers. Each of these adaptations is implemented separately, and these  
1811 implementations need to coexist within one WBEM service.

1812 An example for multiple adaptations of a class in multiple profiles with adaptation dependencies is the  
1813 adaptation of the CIM\_Processor class by two profiles:

- 1814 • A generic CPU profile defining an adaptation of the CIM\_Processor class modeling processors  
1815 in general. For example, this profile could be implemented for physical processors in physical  
1816 systems, exploiting management instrumentation provided by software components installed in  
1817 the physical system. The set of instances controlled by that implementation would be  
1818 CIM\_Processor instances representing host processors.
- 1819 • A processor resource virtualization profile defining an adaptation of the CIM\_Processor class  
1820 modeling virtual processors, and requiring that this adaptation is based on that of the referenced  
1821 generic CPU profile. Typically this implies a separate implementation of the referenced generic  
1822 CPU profile, exploiting management instrumentation provided by the virtualization platform in  
1823 context of that virtual processors exist. The set of instances provided by that implementation  
1824 would be CIM\_Processor instances representing virtual processors. The advantage resulting  
1825 from the reuse of the CIM\_Processor adaptation is that CIM\_Processor instances representing



1826 virtual processors now are visible through the interface defined by the generic CPU profile; con-  
1827 sequently, a client could manage the virtual processors through that interface in the same way  
1828 as in the physical case. However, it should be noted that in this case the set of CIM\_Processor  
1829 instances is disjoint from that representing the host processors in the physical case.

1830 As detailed in clause 8, a profile implementation is required to conform to the definitions of the profile and  
1831 those of referenced profiles. More specifically, an implementation of an adaptation is required to satisfy all  
1832 requirements of all base adaptations, including instance requirements.

## 1833 7.11 Requirements for profile registration

1834 The CIM schema defines classes that enable the representation of profile implementations and their  
1835 relationships, such as the CIM\_RegisteredProfile class, and the CIM\_ElementConformsToProfile and  
1836 CIM\_ReferencedProfile associations. [DSP1033](#) (Profile Registration Profile) defines a model for the  
1837 representation of profile implementations by defining adaptations of these classes; see [DSP1033](#) for  
1838 details.

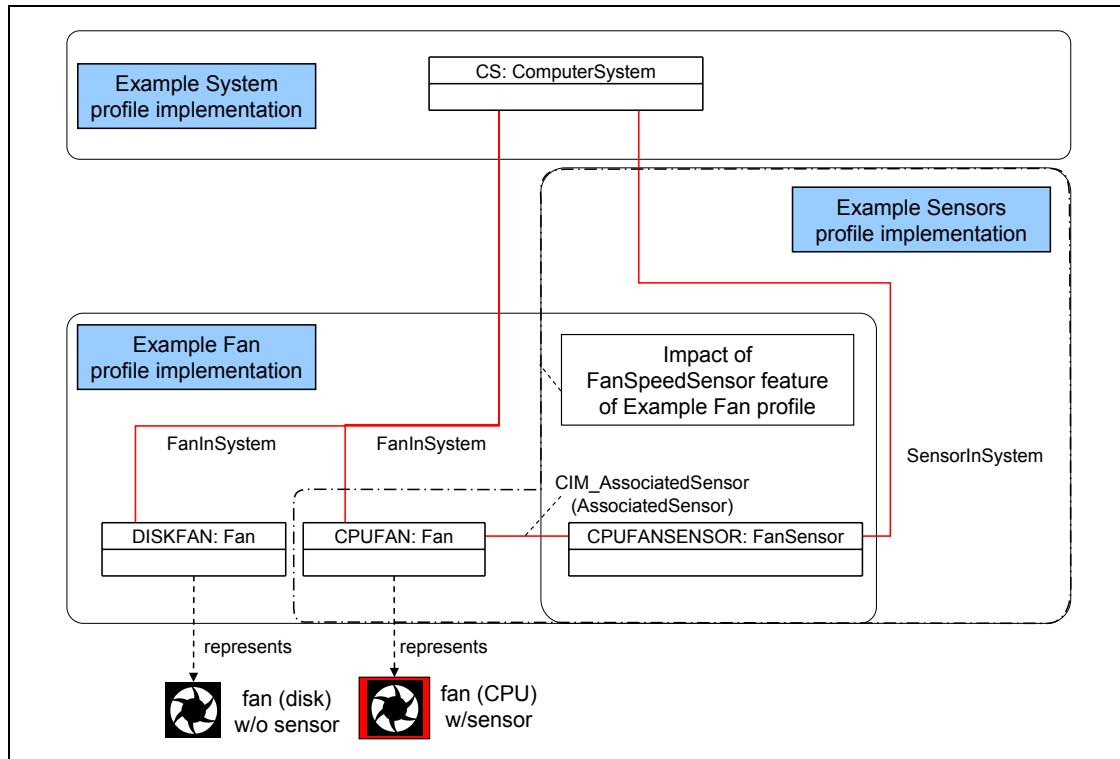
1839 Concrete profiles shall reference [DSP1033](#) as a mandatory profile; in addition, the requirements of 7.6.5.4  
1840 and 7.6.5.5 apply.

## 1841 7.12 Requirements for the definition of features

### 1842 7.12.1 Introduction

1843 A feature is a named profile element (see 7.3) that groups the decisions for the implementation of one or  
1844 more profile elements into a single decision. This grouping is established by defining the implementation  
1845 of other profile elements conditional on the implementation of the feature.

1846 Figure 5 contains an instance diagram for an Example Fan profile, showing CIM instances that represent  
1847 a system with two fans, one of which is equipped with a sensor. Instance names are suffixed with the  
1848 name of the class adaptation that they conform to (in brackets). The instance diagram also shows the  
1849 profile implementations that control respective instances, and how instances of the Fan adaptation  
1850 represent different fans in the managed environment.



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**Figure 5 – Instance diagram: Example of FanSpeedSensor feature in an Example Fan profile**

1853 In the example shown in Figure 5 an Example Fan profile defines a FanSpeedSensor feature that groups  
 1854 the model elements required to represent and manage the speed of fans. The feature defined functional-  
 1855 ity impacts several elements defined by the Example Fan profile, such as the representation of the fans  
 1856 themselves, their sensors and their relationship.

1857 In this example it is assumed that the FanSpeedSensor feature is defined as conditional on the existence  
 1858 of fan speed sensors in the managed environment; this is an example of a managed environment  
 1859 condition (see 7.2.7). Consequently an implementer who implements the Example Fan profile for a  
 1860 particular type of managed environment (like for example computer systems produced by a particular  
 1861 vendor) would have to determine whether fans with sensors potentially exist in that type of managed  
 1862 environment. If this is the case then the managed environment condition is true, and the Example Fan  
 1863 profile requires the implementation of the FanSpeedSensor feature.

1864 **NOTE** It is a typical situation that - as in this example - the implementation of a feature is only required if the  
 1865 managed environment potentially exhibits a particular characteristic (i.e., potentially contains fans with  
 1866 sensors). At implementation time the implementer needs to check whether the characteristic is exhibited  
 1867 by the type of managed environment for that the profile is implemented. If that is the case, then the feature  
 1868 driven implementation requirements become effective and need to be implemented.

1869 The requirements of the FanSpeedSensor feature are defined as conditional requirements with feature  
 1870 implementation conditions (see 7.2.3) on the FanSpeedSensor feature.

1871 In this example it is furthermore assumed that the FanSpeedSensor feature requires the implementation  
 1872 of the Example Sensors profile, and that the Example Fan profile's FanSensor adaptation of the  
 1873 CIM\_Sensor class is based on the Sensor adaptation of the Example Sensors profile. This implicates the  
 1874 requirements of the Example Sensors profile for its Sensor adaption into those of the Example Fan profile  
 1875 for its FanSensor adaptation, including the Example Sensor profile's requirements to implement the  
 1876 AssociatedSensor association adaptation and the SensorInSystem association adaptation.

1877 Another assumption is that the example Fan profile defines the FanSpeedSensor feature with a granular-  
 1878 ity of "Fan instance", and defines the preferred discovery mechanism for the feature by stating that the

1879 feature is supported for a particular Fan instance if a FanSensor instance is associated. This in effect  
 1880 requires the feature implementation to provide feature required elements only for those Fan instances  
 1881 that represent a fan with a sensor.

1882 NOTE Features with instance granularity allow to mandate the exposure of respective instances (i.e., the  
 1883 representation of a fan sensor by a FanSensor instance) only in those cases where the characteristic ap-  
 1884 plies to a particular represented managed object (e.g. the fan has a sensor). Feature implementations  
 1885 need to detect and respectively handle these situations at runtime. Typically feature discovery for features  
 1886 with instance granularity is also defined on a per instance basis, such that from a client perspective the  
 1887 feature is present only for instances exposing the characteristic.

1888 In this example a client would discover the presence of the FanSpeedSensor feature for a particular Fan  
 1889 instance by traversing the CIM\_AssociatedSensor association from the Fan instance to the CIM\_Sensor  
 1890 instances representing sensors measuring the fan. If such instances exist, they represent respective  
 1891 sensors, and conform to all requirements as defined by the FanSpeedSensor feature.

## 1892 7.12.2 General feature requirements

1893 A feature should bear a relationship to a functionality in the profile or in the management domain. Profiles  
 1894 shall provide a functional description of each defined feature.

1895 Profile should preferably define a feature instead of a chain of interdependent definitions in order to make  
 1896 decision points more explicit for implementers and ease the discovery of implementation capabilities for  
 1897 clients.

## 1898 7.12.3 Feature name

1899 A profile shall define a name for each feature it defines; the name shall be in conformance with the  
 1900 naming conventions defined in 7.3 .

## 1901 7.12.4 Feature requirement level

1902 Profiles shall define their own features with a requirement level of optional or conditional.

1903 Profiles may define constraints on the implementation of features defined within the same or within  
 1904 referenced profiles; for example, a referencing profile may require implementation of a feature that is  
 1905 defined as optional in a referenced profile.

## 1906 7.12.5 Feature granularity

1907 Feature granularity affects the discoverability and availability of features. Two kinds of feature granularity  
 1908 are possible: Profile granularity and instance granularity.

- 1909 • Features with profile granularity are either generally available or not available. Feature discov-  
 1910 erability is defined at a global level, such that if the feature is available, it is available for all in-  
 1911 stances affected by feature definitions.
- 1912 • Features with instance granularity are available only for certain instances. Feature discoverabil-  
 1913 ity is defined at an instance level, such that the availability of the feature is indicated only for  
 1914 certain instances.

1915 Profile shall define the granularity of each feature by indicating whether the feature is defined with either  
 1916 profile granularity or with instance granularity.

1917 An example of a feature with profile granularity might be a FanStateManagement feature of an Exam-  
 1918 ple Fan profile. If the feature is available (and discoverable for example by means of a property value in a  
 1919 global capabilities instance), fan state management is available for any instance of that profiles Fan  
 1920 adaptation.

1921 In another example (detailed 7.12.1) a FanSpeedSensor feature might be defined with a granularity of  
 1922 "Fan instance" and conditioned (with a managed environment condition) to be implemented only if the  
 1923 managed environment contains fans with sensors. In this case the implementation of the feature would

1924 provide – and a client would be able to discover - feature defined functionality only for those instances of  
 1925 the Fan adaptation that represent fans with sensors, while other instances of the Fan adaptation would  
 1926 not be affected by the feature implementation, and the presence of the feature could not be discovered  
 1927 through those instances.

### 1928 **7.12.6 Feature discovery**

1929 Clients need to be able to discover feature implementations.

1930 A profile shall define one and may define more than one mechanism that facilitates discovery of a feature  
 1931 implementation as part of a profile implementation. Each discovery mechanism shall be defined such that  
 1932 the mechanism indicates presence of the feature implementation only if the feature is implemented.

1933 If more than one feature discovery mechanism is defined, one of them shall be designated as preferred.

1934 An example of a discovery mechanism is the presence of a global instance such as for example a  
 1935 CIM\_RegisteredProfile instance that represents the implementation of a referenced profile by being  
 1936 associated via the CIM\_ReferencedProfile association to the CIM\_RegisteredProfile instance represent-  
 1937 ing the implementation of the subject profile.

1938 Another example of a feature discovery mechanism is a specific value constraint for a property value in a  
 1939 global capabilities instance. For example, an Example Fan profile could define the preferred discovery  
 1940 path for the implementation of its FanElementNameEdit feature by requiring that if the FanElement-  
 1941 NameEdit feature is implemented there is one globally accessible instance of the  
 1942 CIM\_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities class for that the value of the ElementNameEdit property is true.  
 1943 Global access could be achieved for example by associating that instance to the CIM\_RegisteredProfile  
 1944 instance representing the Example Fan profile implementation, or by requiring each Fan instance being  
 1945 associated to the global CIM\_EnabledLogicalElement instance through the CIM\_ElementCapabilities  
 1946 association. The latter approach is less general insofar as in this case the feature implementation is  
 1947 discoverable only in the case where fans exist in the managed environment.

1948 The discovery mechanism in the previous paragraph could be modified for features with instance granu-  
 1949 larity by requiring specific capabilities instances instead of global ones.

1950 Another example of a discovery mechanism applicable for features with instance granularity is the  
 1951 presence of an associated instance in context of an instance for that the feature can apply. For example,  
 1952 this is the case for the Fan instances described in the example in 7.12.1, where only in the case where  
 1953 the FanSpeedSensor feature is supported for those fans that are represented by Fan instances with an  
 1954 associated FanSpeedSensor instance.

### 1955 **7.12.7 Feature requirements**

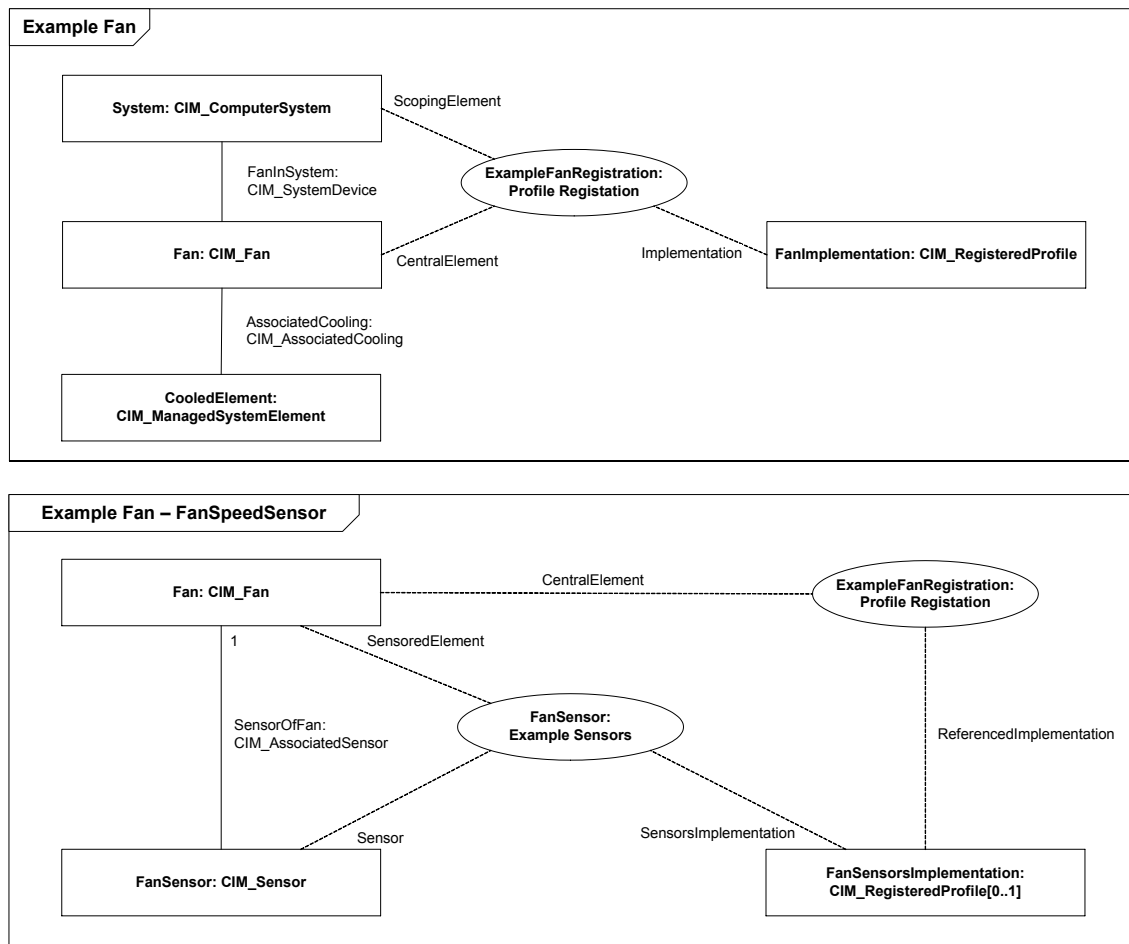
1956 Feature requirements define the consequences of implementing a feature. A profile shall define feature  
 1957 requirements in terms of requiring otherwise optional profile elements as conditional with feature imple-  
 1958 mentation conditions (see 7.2.3), or by defining additional constraints. Profiles shall use the following  
 1959 mechanisms to define feature requirements:

- 1960 • Defining profile elements as conditional with respect to the feature implementation; this applies  
 1961 to
  - 1962 – profile references
  - 1963 – otherwise optional or conditional elements within referenced profiles, such as features,  
 1964 class adaptations, properties or methods.
  - 1965 – adaptations
  - 1966 – property requirements in adaptations
  - 1967 – method requirements in adaptations
  - 1968 – operation requirements in adaptation

- 1969 • Defining constraints that depend on implementation of the feature
- 1970 NOTE Clause 8 defines requirements for implementations of profiles, including those of conditional profile
- 1971 elements. See clause 8 for the implementation requirements resulting from features.

1972 **7.12.8 Feature example**

1973 Figure 6 shows two DMTF collaboration structure diagrams that detail the collaboration defined by an  
 1974 Example Fan profile. For respective diagrams of the Profile Registration profile (referenced in both parts  
 1975 of Figure 6) and an Example Sensors profile (referenced in the lower part of Figure 6), see 7.10.2.2. For  
 1976 details on composite structure diagrams (CSDs), see 9.2.2.3.



1977 **Figure 6 – Examples of DMTF collaboration structure diagrams**

1978  
 1979 The upper diagram in Figure 6 depicts the mandatory class adaptations defined by the Example Fan  
 1980 profile, and how adaptations of the Example Fan profile are based on the adaptations defined in the  
 1981 Profile Registration profile. It also shows implied instance requirements: For example, the Fan adaptation  
 1982 is based on the CIM\_Fan class as indicated by the class name that follows the colon. The implied  
 1983 multiplicity [\*] of the Fan adaptation indicates that zero or more instances are required to exist at any time.  
 1984 The association end multiplicity of 1 shown at the upper end of the SensorOfFan association adaptation  
 1985 in the lower diagram of Figure 6 indicates that each fan sensor provides sensor information of exactly one  
 1986 fan.

1987 The lower diagram in Figure 6 depicts the class adaptations of the Example Fan profile that contain  
 1988 requirements of its FanSpeedSensor feature. For example, the Example Fan profile defines a relationship  
 1989 to the Example Sensors profile, as depicted by the FanSensorsImplementation adaptation on the right

1990 side with a multiplicity of [0..1]; this means that there are definitions in the Example Fan profile that under  
1991 certain conditions rely on definitions in the Example Sensors profile.

1992 In this example, it is assumed that the Example Fan profile defines a FanSpeedSensor feature that is  
1993 conditional on the existence of fans with sensors in the managed environment, and further that individual  
1994 fans in the managed environment may or may not have sensors. However, these conditions cannot be  
1995 expressed in the CSD, and in any case need to be stated in the form of normative definitions in the  
1996 Example Fan profile.

1997 In this example it is further assumed that the primary discovery path for the FanSpeedSensor feature is  
1998 defined such that the feature is present if a FanSensorsImplementation instance is associated through  
1999 the CIM\_ReferencedProfile association to the FanImplementation instance representing the profile  
2000 implementation. This is depicted in the lower part of Figure 6 on the right side by showing the FanSensor-  
2001 sImplementation adaptation of the Example Fan profile based on the ReferencedImplementation adapta-  
2002 tion of the Profile Registration profile that in turn requires the implementation of the  
2003 CIM\_ReferencedProfile association to the CentralElement adaptation. Thus a client inspecting an  
2004 implementation of the Example Fan profile as represented by a FanImplementation instance can detect  
2005 that the FanSpeedSensor feature is implemented by traversing the CIM\_ReferencedProfile association to  
2006 a FanSensorsImplementation instance. If that instance exists, then the FanSpeedSensor feature is  
2007 implemented in general; however, since in this example the FanSpeedSensor feature is defined with a  
2008 granularity of "Fan instance", the feature supports only those Fan instances that represent fans with  
2009 sensors.

2010 If the FanSpeedSensor feature is implemented, then all other profile definitions that are conditioned by a  
2011 respective feature implementation condition effectively become mandatory; see clause 8 for an algorithm  
2012 allowing the determination of all implementation-required profile elements in context of the implementa-  
2013 tion of one or more related profiles. Particularly in this example, each fan equipped with a fan speed  
2014 sensor needs to be represented by a Fan instance that is based on the MonitoredElement adaptation of  
2015 the Example Sensors profile.

## 2016 **7.13 Requirements for the definitions of use-cases**

### 2017 **7.13.1 General**

2018 Profiles should define use-cases that demonstrate the use of the interface defined by the profile. The  
2019 purpose of use-cases is to illustrate the steps required to accomplish some goal and the effects on  
2020 managed objects in a managed environment and their CIM representation in the course of accomplishing  
2021 that goal.

2022 A use-case defines the interaction of an external client and an implementation in the execution of steps  
2023 required to be performed in the realization of functionality defined in the profile. Clients may be programs  
2024 like for example CIM clients or other external entities like for example a person using a switch attached to  
2025 the system. Use-cases should represent a complete task from the perspective of the client; this may  
2026 involve multiple CIM operations or methods.

2027 It is emphasized that use-cases do not define functionality. Instead, use-cases *apply* functionality that is  
2028 defined by the profile. For that reason use-cases are not considered as normative elements of a profile,  
2029 but as essential informative parts that detail potential client activities enabled through implementations of  
2030 the profile.

2031 NOTE The definition of use-cases given in this subclause calls for a precise formal specification of the invocation  
2032 of methods and operations that are fully specified by the profile and its referenced specifications. This  
2033 definition of use-cases is different from that commonly used in software development where a use-case in-  
2034 formally describes a required behavior of a yet to be developed software component.

2035 Use-cases should not contain or repeat normative requirements. Normative requirements are defined by  
2036 other part of the profile such as the definition of class adaptations. However, the description use-cases  
2037 may informally detail expected effects in the managed environment and respective changes in the CIM  
2038 model defined by the profile.

2039 Each required operation or method should be included in at least one use-case. A use-case may apply  
2040 zero or more methods, and a particular operation or method may be applied by more than one use-case.

### 2041 **7.13.2 Requirements for the definition of preconditions**

2042 For each use-case the preconditions shall be defined.

2043 Preconditions describe the initial state of an instance of the CIM model defined by the profile. Precondi-  
2044 tions should be stated in terms of CIM instances, their property values and the managed object repre-  
2045 sented by them. Only CIM instances that are involved in the processing of the use-case need to be  
2046 described. In exceptional cases preconditions may be stated in terms of the managed objects only.

2047 Preconditions may refer to the outcome of other usecases, enabling chaining of use-cases.

### 2048 **7.13.3 Requirements for the definition of flows of activities**

2049 Flows of activities should be stated as sequences of steps; however, steps may be skipped or iterated  
2050 depending on the result of other steps.

2051 Each step should be described in terms of methods and operations that are defined by subject profile or  
2052 by referenced profiles in the form of method requirementadaptations.

2053 For each use-case step the following types of should be stated:

- 2054 • the instance on which an operation or method is performed
- 2055 • the name of the operation or method
- 2056 • the names and values of all input parameters that are required or accepted
- 2057 • the expected effect on the managed environment
- 2058 • the corresponding changes on the CIM model
- 2059 • the names and values of all output parameters
- 2060 • the expected return codes, and the corresponding situations that result in the managed envi-  
2061 ronment
- 2062 • the expected exceptions, and the corresponding situations that result in the managed environ-  
2063 ment

2064 Use-cases may refer to other use-cases, such that the steps defined by the referenced use-cases are  
2065 effectively embedded as part of the referencing use-case.

### 2066 **7.13.4 Requirements for the definition of postconditions**

2067 For each use-case the postconditions shall be defined.

2068 Postconditions describe the state of the CIM model defined by the profile after the use-case was proc-  
2069 essed. Postconditions shall be separately defined for the various possible outcomes of processing the  
2070 use-case, such as success and failures. Postconditions should be stated in terms of CIM instances, their  
2071 property values. Postconditions may by stated in terms of managed objects. In exceptional cases post-  
2072 conditions may be stated in terms of the managed objects only.

2073 NOTE Note that as described in 6.7 the effect of executing a method or operation on a CIM instance first effects a  
2074 change in the managed object in the managed environment that is represented by that CIM instance; only  
2075 after that change is processed, the CIM instances representing aspects of the changed managed object  
2076 will exhibit corresponding changes in terms of changed property values. However, the state of managed  
2077 objects may change fast and frequently; consequently it is possible that the state of a managed object as  
2078 viewed through a CIM instance obtained by a client in a subsequent step after the execution of a use-case  
2079 exposes a state that already differs from the state that is expected as the result of the use-case execution.

## 2080 **7.14 Backward compatibility**

2081 This subclause defines rules for maintaining backward compatibility between versions. Backward com-  
2082 patibility is a characteristic of profiles enabling clients written against a particular minor version of a profile  
2083 to use the functionality specified by that version in context of an implementation of a later minor version of  
2084 the profile, without requiring modifications of the client.

2085 Backward compatibility relates to the set of minor versions of the profile with the same major version  
2086 number. A specific version of a profile shall be backward compatible to its previous minor versions. For  
2087 example, the version 2.4 of a profile shall be backward compatible to versions 2.0, 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3. A  
2088 new minor version may extend the functionality of previous versions.

2089 A change that breaks backward compatibility is termed incompatibility.

2090 Incompatibilities may be introduced in new major versions.

2091 Incompatibilities should not be introduced in new minor versions or in new update versions. However, if  
2092 incompatibilities are introduced in new minor versions or in new update versions, each incompatibility  
2093 shall be described from a client perspective, and shall state both the version it breaks, and the version  
2094 introducing the incompatibility.

## 2095 **7.15 Definition of experimental content**

2096 A profile may designate definitions as experimental.

2097 A profile that uses experimental schema elements shall designate the definitions that use the experimen-  
2098 tal schema elements as experimental.

## 2099 **7.16 Deprecation of profile content**

2100 A new minor or update version of a profile may deprecate the definition of profile elements or other profile  
2101 definitions. All deprecated profile definitions shall be continuously documented in new minor or update  
2102 versions of a profile.

2103 Deprecated profile definitions may be removed in new major versions of the profile.

2104 Profiles should not use deprecated profile content (from other profiles) or deprecated schema elements.

# 2105 **8 Profile implementation requirements**

2106 This clause defines the requirements for implementation of one or more profiles. The intended audience  
2107 targeted by this clause are particularly implementers of profiles.

## 2108 **8.1 Merging implementation requirements from one or more profiles**

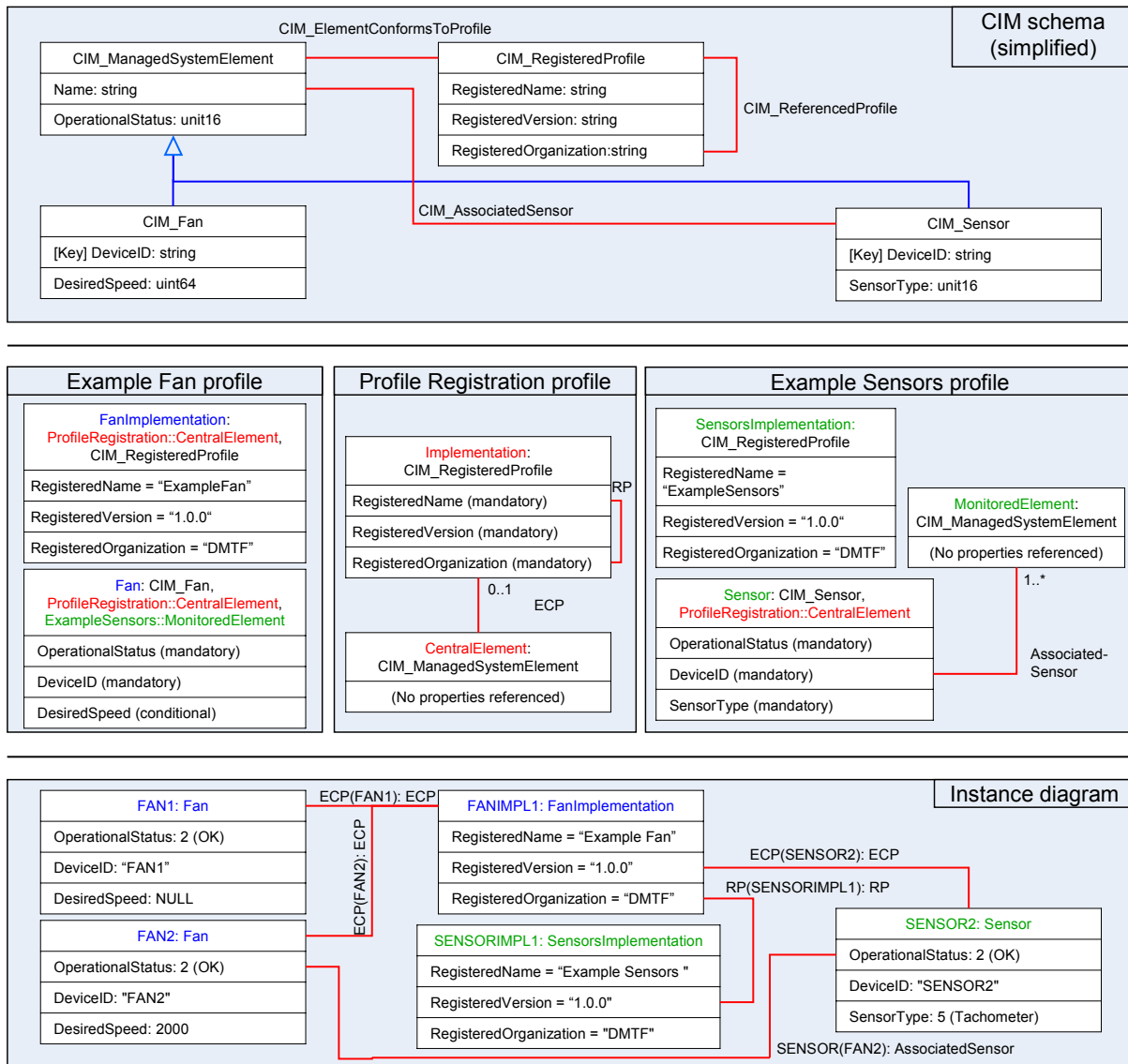
### 2109 **8.1.1 Motivation**

2110 Consider a set of component profiles that each define adaptations of the CIM\_ComputerSystem class as  
2111 their scoping class adaptation, and an autonomous profile that defines its central class adaptation as an  
2112 adaptation of the CIM\_ComputerSystem class and bases that on all the scoping class adaptation adapta-  
2113 tions defined by the component profiles. If this set of profiles is implemented, all the requirements from  
2114 the separate class adaptations of the CIM\_ComputerSystem class in the component profiles, and that of  
2115 the CIM\_ComputerSystem class in the autonomous profile would have to be merged into an effective  
2116 class adaptation of the CIM\_ComputerSystem class, resulting in an effective set of requirements such  
2117 that the implementation conforms to the requirements of all separate class adaptations.

2118 Figure 7 shows an example with three profiles: An Example Fan profile, and Example Profile Registration  
2119 profile and an Example Sensors profile. The notational conventions applied in Figure 7 deviate from that  
2120 of DMTF class diagrams in order to convey information that is essential for the merge process. For  
2121 example, selected properties and constraints on properties are shown in order to demonstrate how



2122 property requirements are merged and lastly have an impact on property values in CIM instances. Also  
 2123 the names of some associations are abbreviated in order to fit the content into one diagram.



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 2125 **Figure 7 – Class adaptations and instance requirements**

2126 The upper part in Figure 7 depicts definitions from the CIM schema.

2127 The center part in Figure 7 depicts selected class adaptations and association adaptations defined by the  
 2128 Example Fan profile, the example Profile Registration profile and the example Sensors profile. Depend-  
 2129 encies to schema definitions and to other adaptations are shown as dash-dotted arrows.

2130 The lower part in Figure 7 shows an instance diagram with instances that conform to these adaptations.  
 2131 The topmost box of each instance shows the name of the instance, followed by the class name and the  
 2132 names of one or more adaptations that the instance conforms to.

2133 The Fan adaptation of the Example Fan profile adapts the CIM\_Fan class and is based on the Cen-  
 2134 tralElement adaptation of the Profile Registration profile and on the MonitoredElement adaptation of the  
 2135 Example Sensors profile. Consequently, an implementation of the Fan adaptation would have to conform  
 2136 to the requirements of the Fan adaptation itself, that of the CIM\_Fan class, that of the CentralElement  
 2137 adaptation defined by the Profile Registration profile and that of the MonitoredElement adaptation defined

2138 by the Example Sensors profile. The latter requirement implies that Fan instances representing fans with  
 2139 sensor are associated with the Sensor instance representing their sensor through an instance of the  
 2140 AssociatedSensor association adaptation.

2141 In Figure 7 it is assumed that the managed environment contain two fans, one without and one with a  
 2142 sensor. Consequently, the implementation provides two Fan instances: FAN1 represents the fan without  
 2143 sensor and FAN2 represents the fan with sensor. Both instances conform to the Fan adaptation defined  
 2144 by the Example Fan profile, and also conform to the CentralElement adaptation defined by the example  
 2145 Profile Registration profile. In addition, FAN2 also conforms to the SensoredElement adaptation defined  
 2146 by the example Fan profile.

## 2147 **8.1.2 Determination of effective implementation requirements**

2148 Typically a profile is not implemented by itself, but as part of a set of related profiles that together define a  
 2149 more comprehensive management interface for a management domain. In this case the requirements of  
 2150 all profiles in the set need to be combined. The determination of whether the implementation of a particu-  
 2151 lar profile or profile element is required depends on implementation decisions, on profile definitions and  
 2152 on conditions in the managed environment for that the profiles are implemented.

2153 This subclause details a sequence of activities that yields the set of profiles and the set of adaptations  
 2154 required to be implemented, and merges the requirements from all involved profiles, specifications and  
 2155 schemas.

2156 The implementation profile set is defined as the set of profiles that is implementation-required.

2157 The implementation adaptation set is defined as the set of adaptations required to be implemented in  
 2158 context of an implementation profile set. The process for the determination of the implementation adapta-  
 2159 tion set described in this subclause first adds all required or selected class adaptations to the  
 2160 implementation adaptation set, and in a subsequent step adjusts that for the effects of basing class  
 2161 adaptations on other class adaptations. After completing the process the implementation adaptation set  
 2162 contains only implementation-required effective class adaptations.

2163 The implementation profile set and the implementation adaptation set are determined as follows:

2164 1) Select an initial desired set of profiles to be implemented, and add these to the implementation  
 2165 profile set.

2166 NOTE This selection is made by the implementer, and is ruled by the management functionality an im-  
 2167 plementation intends to provide to clients.

2168 2) For all profiles most recently added to the implementation profile set (either in step 1) before the  
 2169 first iteration of step 2), or otherwise in the previous iteration of step 2) ), add their related pro-  
 2170 files to the implementation profile set, as follows:

2171 a) Add all mandatory profiles of the current profile and all its (direct or indirect) base profiles  
 2172 to the implementation profile set, not creating duplicates.

2173 b) Decide which optional profiles of the current profile are to be implemented, and add these  
 2174 to the implementation profile set, not creating duplicates.

2175 c) Check the condition of any conditional profile of the current profile and all its (direct or indi-  
 2176 rect) base profiles. If optional or conditional profile elements affect the evaluation of the  
 2177 condition, decide or determine whether these profile elements are implemented. If the re-  
 2178 sult is yes, perform the following steps for all profile elements contributing to the resolution  
 2179 of the condition:

- 2180 • For a class adaptation, add the class adaptation, to the implementation adaptation  
 2181 set, not creating duplicates.

- 2182 • For a property, method or operation, add their referencing adaptation to the  
 2183 implementation adaptation set (not creating duplicates), and mark the property /  
 2184 method / operation as implementation-required.

2185                    If a condition is met, add the conditional profile to the implementation profile set, not creat-  
2186                    ing duplicates.

2187                    3) If any profiles were added to the implementation profile set in the last iteration of step 2), repeat  
2188                    step 2) for the added profiles.

2189                    At this point the implementation profile set has been determined. However, the implementation adaptation  
2190                    set contains only those adaptations that influenced the determination of conditions.

2191                    4) For all profiles in the implementation profile set determine the set of implementation-required  
2192                    adaptations, as follows:

2193                    a) Add all mandatory adaptations of the current profile and all its (direct or indirect) base pro-  
2194                    files to the implementation adaptation set, not creating duplicates. Adaptations of ordinary  
2195                    classes that are referenced by a mandatory association adaptation need to be added as  
2196                    well.

2197                    b) Decide which optional adaptations of the current profile and all its (direct or indirect) base  
2198                    profiles are to be implemented, and add these to the implementation adaptation set, not  
2199                    creating duplicates. Adaptations of ordinary classes that are referenced by an optional as-  
2200                    sociation adaptation selected for implementation need to be added as well.

2201                    c) Check the condition of any conditional adaptation of the current profile and all its (direct or  
2202                    indirect) base profiles. If optional or conditional properties, methods or operations affect the  
2203                    evaluation of the condition, decide or determine whether or not to implement these ele-  
2204                    ments. If the decision is yes, add the adaptation referencing the property, method or opera-  
2205                    tion to the implementation adaptation set (not creating duplicates), and mark the property,  
2206                    method or operation as implementation-required. Adaptations of ordinary classes that are  
2207                    referenced by a conditional association adaptation with the condition resolving to true need  
2208                    to be added as well.

2209                    At this point, the implementation adaptation set is complete. However, it needs to be adjusted for the  
2210                    effects of basing adaptations on other adaptations. This process shrinks the implementation adaptation  
2211                    set by first determining effective class adaptations, and then merging the requirements from their base  
2212                    adaptations into the effective class adaptations, such that subsequently all base adaptations that are not  
2213                    effective class adaptations can be removed from the implementation adaptation set.

2214                    5) Determine the effective class adaptations in the implementation adaptation set. Effective im-  
2215                    plementation adaptations are those adaptations that have unique implementation requirements  
2216                    that are not completely addressed by a sub-adaptation. First of all, it is evident that all leaf ad-  
2217                    aptations are effective class adaptation. In addition, there may be adaptations that while also  
2218                    being a base adaptation for some other effective class adaptation need to be implemented  
2219                    separately because of different implementation requirements.

2220                    6) For each effective class adaptation, collect all requirements from all its direct or indirect base  
2221                    adaptations and merge them into the effective class adaptations, as follows:

2222                    a) Mark any property, method or operation that is implementation required in any base adap-  
2223                    tation as implementation-required in the effective class adaptation.

2224                    b) Merge all implementation requirements from all base adaptations into the implementation  
2225                    requirements of the effective class adaptation, as follows:

2226                    – For properties, collect all defined value constraints and perform a "logical and" opera-  
2227                    tion between them.

2228                    – For methods and operations, merge the semantic requirements, collect all defined  
2229                    value constraints for parameters and perform a "logical and" operation between them.

2230                    – For instance requirements, collect all the instance requirements and perform a "logical  
2231                    and" operation between them.

2232 7) Drop all base adaptation that are not themselves effective class adaptations from the effective  
2233 class adaptation set.

2234 At this point, the implementation adaptation set is complete and adjusted for the effects of basing class  
2235 adaptations on other class adaptations. Next the requirements from the schema need to be merged into  
2236 the effective class adaptations.

2237 8) For each effective class adaptation, perform the following activities:

2238 a) Mark each property that has an effective Key qualifier value of true in the schema definition  
2239 of the adapted class as implementation-required.

2240 b) Mark each property that has an effective Required qualifier value of true in the adapted  
2241 class as implementation-required.

2242 c) Merge all implementation requirements from the adapted class into the implementation re-  
2243 quirements of the effective class adaptation, as follows:

2244 – For properties, collect all defined value constraints and perform a "logical and" opera-  
2245 tion between them.

2246 NOTE Schema implied constraints may be induced by means of the ClassConstraint and  
2247 PropertyConstraint qualifiers.

2248 – For methods and operations, merge the semantic requirements, collect all defined  
2249 value constraints for parameters and perform a "logical and" operation between them.

2250 – For instance requirements, collect all the instance requirements and perform a "logical  
2251 and" operation between them.

2252 NOTE Schema implied instance requirements on adaptations referenced by associations  
2253 may be induced by means of the Min and Max qualifiers in referencing associations.

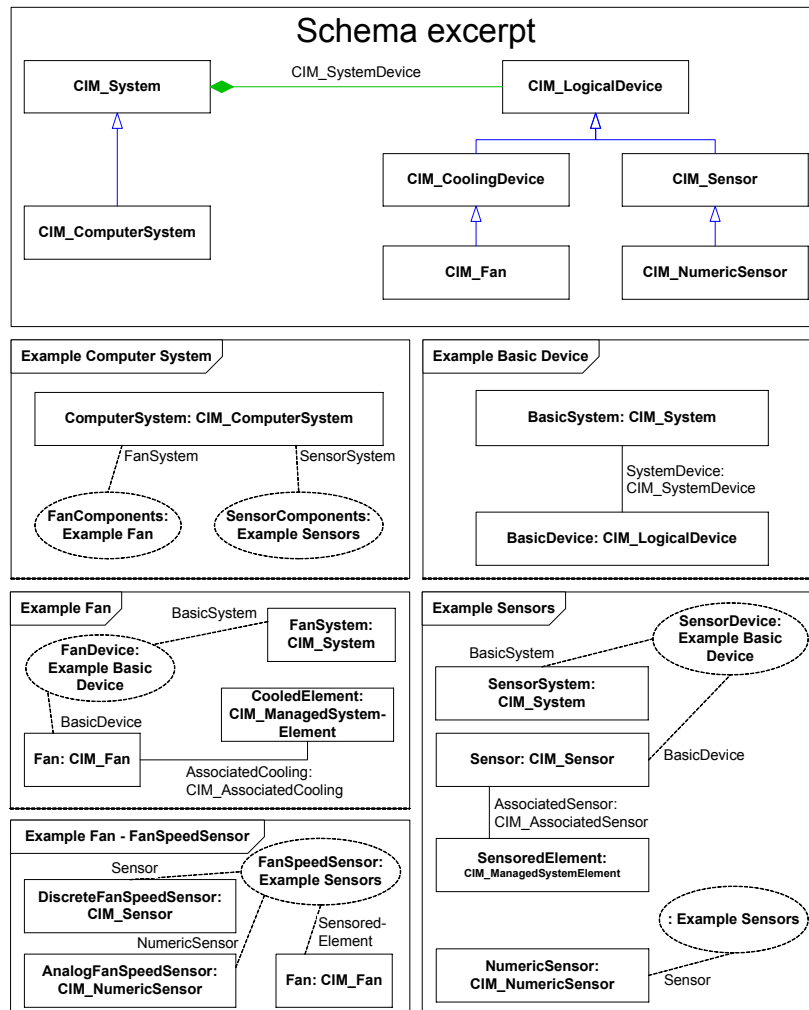
2254 At this point, each adaptation in the implementation adaptation set defines its effective set of implementa-  
2255 tion requirements.

### 2256 8.1.3 Implementation of deprecated definitions

2257 Implementations shall conform to profile definitions regardless of whether they a deprecated or not.  
2258 Clients should not rely on or exploit deprecated profile definitions, and are encouraged to stop exploiting  
2259 deprecated functionality as soon as possible.

### 2260 8.1.4 Example for the determination of effective profile requirements

2261 Figure 8 details an example that is used to describe the algorithm introduced in 8.1.2 for the determina-  
2262 tion of effective profile requirements.



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**Figure 8 – Example for the determination of effective implementation requirements**

2265 The Example Computer System profile shown in Figure 8 is assumed to model systems that contain  
 2266 components such as fans or sensors. It references an Example Fan profile and an Example Sensors  
 2267 profile, and defines the ComputerSystem adaptation of the CIM\_ComputerSystem class for the represen-  
 2268 tation of computer systems. The ComputerSystem adaptation is based on both the FanSystem adaptation  
 2269 defined in the Example Fan profile and the SensorSystem adaptation defined in the Example Sensors  
 2270 profile. Not visible from the diagram – but assumed for this example – is that the reference to the Sensors  
 2271 profiles is optional, at this level leaving the decision about implementing this profile to the implementation.

2272 Both the Example Fan profile and the Example Sensors profile in Figure 8 are assumed to be derived  
 2273 from an Example Basic Device profile. The Example Basic Device profile models basic systems, their  
 2274 devices and their relationships by means of the BasicSystem adaptation, the BasicDevice adaptation and  
 2275 the SystemDevice adaptation. It is important to realize that this relationship does not have to be repeat-  
 2276 edly re-modeled in derived profiles.

2277 The Sensor adaptation of the Example Sensors profile shown in Figure 8 is assumed to model sensors  
 2278 that report analogous values. The NumericSensor adaptation is based on the Sensor adaptation, and is  
 2279 assumed to model sensors that report discrete numeric values.

2280 The Example Fan profile shown in Figure 8 is assumed to model a Fan adaptation for the representation  
 2281 of fans in systems. The Fan adaptation is based on the BasicDevice adaptation defined in the Example  
 2282 Basic Device profile. Furthermore, the Example Fan profile is assumed to define a conditional

2283 FanSpeedSensor feature, with the condition stating that fans with sensors exist in the managed environ-  
2284 ment; consequently the FanSpeedSensor feature is only required to be implemented if that is the case.

2285 The Example Fan profile is further assumed to refine the definitions of the Example Sensors profile with  
2286 respect to fan speed sensors by defining the DiscreteFanSpeedSensor adaptation of the CIM\_Sensor  
2287 class based on the Sensor adaptation of the Example Sensors profile, and the AnalogFanSpeedSensor  
2288 adaptation of the CIM\_NumericSensor class based on the NumericSensor adaptation of the Example  
2289 Sensors profile.

2290 For this example the algorithm defined in 8.1.2 would be processed as follows:

- 2291 • In step 1) the Example Computer System profile and the Example Fan profile are initially se-  
2292 lected by the implementer, and added to the implementation profile set.
- 2293 • In step 2)a), since all profiles reference the Profile Registration profile, that is added to the  
2294 implementation profile set. Furthermore, since the Example Fan profile is based on the Example  
2295 Basic Device profile, that profile is added to the implementation profile set.
- 2296 • In step 2)b) in this example, it is assumed that no optional profiles are added.
- 2297 • In step 2)c) the Example Sensors profile is added to the implementation profile set, since fans  
2298 with sensors are assumed to exist in the managed environment.
- 2299 • In step 3) another it is determined that another iteration over steps 2)a)-c) is required, since  
2300 profiles (in this case only the Example Sensors profile) were added in the previous iteration.
- 2301 • The second iteration of steps 2)a)-c) does not yield additional profiles.
- 2302 • With step 3) determining that no further iteration of 2)a)-c) is required, the implementation profile  
2303 set is now complete, and contains all profiles that need to be implemented.

2304 In this example these are the profiles represented by a CSDs in Figure 8, and the Profile Regis-  
2305 tration profile. The implementation adaptation set does not yet contain any adaptations, be-  
2306 cause the resolution of conditions in step 2)c) did not require decisions about implementing  
2307 adaptations.

- 2308 • In step 4)a) mandatory adaptations are determined and added to the implementation adaptation  
2309 set. For simplicity the considerations in this example are limited to the adaptations shown in  
2310 Figure 8 :

2311 The Example Computer System profile requires the following mandatory adaptations:

- 2312 – ComputerSystem

2313 The Example Fan profile requires the following mandatory adaptations:

- 2314 – FanSystem and Fan.

2315 The Example Sensors profile requires the following mandatory adaptations:

- 2316 – SensorSystem, Sensor, AssociatedSensor and SensoredElement.

2317 The Example Basic Device profile requires the following mandatory adaptations:

- 2318 – System, BasicDevice and SystemDevice.

- 2319 • In step 4)b) optional adaptations are determined and added to the implementation adaptation  
2320 set. In this example it is assumed that the implementer decides not to add any optional  
2321 adaptations.

- 2322 • In step 4)c) conditional adaptations are determined and added to the implementation adaptation  
2323 set. For simplicity of this example, only the AnalogFanSpeedSensor adaptation is further con-  
2324 sidered. The AnalogFanSpeedSensor adaptation had to be added because the managed envi-  
2325 ronment in this example is assumed to contain fans with analog speed sensors.

- 2326 • At this point the implementation adaptation set is complete, but still needs to be shrunk for the  
2327 effects of basing adaptation on other adaptations.
- 2328 • In step 5) the effective class adaptations are determined. Per definition, all leaf adaptations are  
2329 effective class adaptations; in this example that are the following adaptations:
- 2330 – ComputerSystem adapting CIM\_ComputerSystem, directly based on FanSystem and Sen-  
2331 sorSystem, and indirectly based on BasicSystem
  - 2332 – Fan adapting CIM\_Fan, and directly based on BasicDevice and on SensoredElement.
  - 2333 – DiscreteFanSpeedSensor adapting CIM\_Sensor, directly based on Sensor, and indirectly  
2334 based on BasicDevice.
  - 2335 – AnalogFanSpeedSensor adapting CIM\_NumericSensor, directly based on NumericSensor,  
2336 and indirectly based on Sensor and then on BasicDevice
  - 2337 – AssociatedSensor adapting CIM\_AssociatedSensor, with no base adaptations
  - 2338 – SystemDevice adapting CIM\_SystemDevice, with no base adaptations
- 2339 In this example there are no non-leaf adaptation with implementation requirements not ad-  
2340 dressed by a sub-adaptation.
- 2341 • In step 6) the requirements of each effective class adaptations are enriched with those of their  
2342 base adaptations. For example, the requirements of the ComputerSystem adaptation would be  
2343 enriched with those of the FanSystem adaptation, the SensorSystem adaptation and the Ba-  
2344 sicSystem adaptation.
- 2345 • In step 7) all base adaptations that are not themselves effective class adaptations are dropped  
2346 from the implementation adaptation set. In this example these would be the BasicSystem  
2347 adaptation, the BasicDevice adaptation, the SensorSystem adaptation, the Sensor adaptation,  
2348 the SensoredElement adaptation, the NumericSensor adaptation and the FanSystem  
2349 adaptation.
- 2350 • In step 8) finally the requirements of the schema are merged into each effective class adapta-  
2351 tion. For example, the ComputerSystem adaptation is enriched with the requirements of the  
2352 CIM\_ComputerSystem class, the CIM\_System class, and (not shown in Figure 8) the  
2353 CIM\_EnabledLogicalElement class, the CIM\_LogicalElement class, the  
2354 CIM\_ManagedSystemElement class, and finally the CIM\_ManagedElement class.
- 2355 At this point, each adaptation in the implementation adaptation set defines its effective set of implementa-  
2356 tion requirements.

## 2357 9 Profile specification requirements

2358 This clause defines the requirements for profile specifications. Profile specifications are documents  
2359 containing the definition of one or more profiles in textual form. This clause focuses on formal document  
2360 aspects. Clause 7 describes profile definitions, focusing on profile content. All requirements stated in  
2361 clause 7 for profile definitions apply correspondingly to profile specification documents.

### 2362 9.1 General requirements

2363 A profile specification published by DMTF shall conform to all requirements of this guide; in addition the  
2364 requirements of [ISO/IEC Directives, Part2](#) apply.

### 2365 9.2 General conventions and guidelines

#### 2366 9.2.1 Notational conventions

2367 This subclause defines notational conventions for profile specifications.

2368 All words should be in lower case, and phrases should not be concatenated into one word unless one of  
2369 the following conditions is met:

- 2370 • The word starts a new sentence, heading or list item
- 2371 • The word is a proper noun, such as for example Ethernet
- 2372 • The word is an acronym, such as for example CPU
- 2373 • The words is part of a profile name (see 7.4.2), such as for example Profile Registration
- 2374 • The word is a feature name (see 7.12), such as for example FanStateManagement
- 2375 • The word is an adaptation name (see 7.10.2.1), such as for example FanCapabilities
- 2376 • The word is a schema element, such as for example CIM\_SystemDevice, EnabledState or Re-  
2377 questStateChange( )

2378 Elements of the managed environment and elements of the CIM model defined by the profile should be  
2379 clearly distinguished in profile specifications. The following rule set is established in order to avoid wrong,  
2380 unclear or confusing text that typically results from mixing elements from the managed environment and  
2381 elements from the CIM model defined by a profile.

2382 The following rules should be adhered with:

- 2383 • CIM class names or adaptation names should not be used to refer to the object types defined in  
2384 the management domain, and vice versa.
- 2385 • CIM class names or adaptation names should not be used to refer to the managed objects in  
2386 the managed environment (that are represented by their instances), and vice versa.
- 2387 • References to instances of CIM classes or adaptations should contain the word "instance"  
2388 unless the instance is clearly identified by an instance name.
- 2389 • The managed object represented by an instance should be clearly identified, either immediately  
2390 such as in "The VirtualSystem instance VSYS4 representing virtual system 4", or indirectly by a  
2391 previously established context.
- 2392 • The value of a property should be distinguished from the property itself.

2393 For example, assume the specification of an Example Fan profile that defines a Fan adaptation of the  
2394 CIM\_Fan class. The Fan adaptation models fans that provide cooling for managed elements within  
2395 systems. Further assume an example situation where a Fan instance named MAINCPUFAN represents  
2396 the fan of the main CPU within an example system.

2397 **Table 2 – Specification recommendations**

Recommended	Not recommended (wrong, unclear or confusing)
<p>"The Fan instance MAINCPUFAN represents the CPU fan."</p> <p>NOTE This text defines MAINCPUFAN, such that it can be used in subsequent text. Typically definitions like this refer to a DMTF object diagram showing the identified instance.</p>	<p>"MAINCPUFAN is the fan of the main CPU."</p> <p>Problem: MAINCPUFAN identifies the Fan instance that <i>represents</i> the main CPU fan. Thus MAINCPUFAN is a CIM representation of the fan, but it <i>is not</i> the fan itself.</p>
<p>Preferred: "The value of the EnabledState property in MAINCPU-</p>	<p>"MAINCPUFAN is Enabled."</p> <p>Problem: CIM instances are not "Enabled"; instead CIM instances exhibit property values that reflect the state of the represented object in the managed environment.</p> <p>"The state of the main CPU fan is 2 (Enabled)."</p>



FAN is 2 (Enabled)."  Alternative: "The EnabledState value in MAINCPUFAN is 2 (Enabled)."  	Problem: Confusion of the state of the managed object (the CPU fan) with the state as viewed through the CIM instance representing the managed object. If the CPU fan is enabled, that is reflected in the Fan instance MAINCPUFAN through the value 2 (Enabled) for the EnabledState property.
	"The fan state is Enabled."  Problem: Confusion of the state of the managed object and the state of the instance representing the managed object.
	"EnabledState is 5."  Problem: Property and property value are not distinguished.

2398 **9.2.2 Conventions and guidelines for diagrams in profile specifications**

2399 Four types of diagrams are commonly used in profile specifications:

- 2400 • **DMTF collaboration structure diagrams** show the structure of a profile or subset thereof, and  
2401 the collaborations that this structure makes possible.
- 2402 • **DMTF class diagrams** show the classes adapted by a profile (and possibly classes adapted by  
2403 related profiles)
- 2404 • **DMTF object diagrams** (also referred to as instance diagrams) show a set of related objects  
2405 (or instances of classes) at a point in time. Object diagrams may be associated with use cases  
2406 – showing how the use case affects properties and classes.
- 2407 • **DMTF sequence diagrams** show the interaction between adaptation instances in terms of  
2408 methods and operations.

2409 Table 3 lists the requirements for these types of diagrams if used within profile specifications. Other types  
2410 of diagrams may be used in profile specifications. Note that the usage requirements depend on the  
2411 structure chosen for the profile specification; see 9.3 for a definition of profile specification structures.

2412 **Table 3 – Profile diagram types**

Diagram type	Usage requirements		Description
	Traditional structure	Condensed structure	
DMTF collaboration structure	Optional	Required	See 9.2.2.3 .
DMTF class	Required	Optional	See 9.2.2.4 .
DMTF object	Optional	Optional	See 9.2.2.5 .
DMTF sequence	Optional	Optional	See 9.2.2.6 .

2413 **9.2.2.1 General diagram guidelines**

2414 Diagrams are not normative; all normative information shall be provided in text.

2415 Fonts in diagrams should not be less than 10 point, and shall not be less than 6 point.

2416 **9.2.2.2 Notational and color conventions**

2417 For DMTF diagrams the notational conventions as established by the [OMG UML Superstructure](#) apply.

2418 In addition, the color conventions as defined in this subclause should be applied for DMTF class dia-  
2419 grams, DMTF object diagrams and DMTF sequence diagrams. Deviations from the color conventions are

2420 permitted, but shall be documented in the profile specification and consistently applied within one profile  
2421 specification.

2422 The conventions defined in this subclause are an adapted subset of the conventions outlined in diagrams  
2423 that depict schema definitions owned by DMTF.

2424 The following color conventions apply:

- 2425 • Associations – red line



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- 2427 • Aggregation association – green line with a hollow diamond at the aggregating end



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- 2429 • Composition association – green line with a solid diamond at the aggregating end



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- 2431 • Inheritance relationships – blue line with hollow arrow at the superclass end



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- 2434 • Composition association – green line with a hollow diamond and a dot at the aggregating end



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2436 NOTE In [OMG UML Superstructure](#) a dot at the endpoint indicates that the endpoint is owned by the  
2437 connected element. Since with CIM associations an association endpoint is owned by the asso-  
2438 ciation itself, the former convention of showing a dot is incorrect.

- 2439 • Inheritance relationships – blue line with solid arrow at the superclass end



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2441 NOTE In [OMG UML Superstructure](#) a closed arrow at an endpoint of a UML graphic path is defined to  
2442 indicate an UML extension, whereas a hollow arrow is defined to indicate a UML generalization.  
2443 Since CIM inheritance is logically equivalent to the UML concept of generalizations - and not to  
2444 that of UML extensions – a hollow arrow is required at the end connecting to the generalized  
2445 element, whereas the former use of a solid arrow is incorrect.

2446 A UML extension indicates that the properties of a metaclass are extended through a stereo-  
2447 type to flexibly add (and later remove) stereotypes to classes. A UML generalization is a taxo-  
2448 nomic relationship between a more general classifier and a more specific classifier where each  
2449 instance of the specific classifier is also an indirect instance of the general classifier, and the  
2450 specific classifier inherits the features of the more general classifier.

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### 2451 **Deprecated content - end**

- 2452 • Deprecated class, property or method – the letter D in curly brackets:

2453 {D}

- 2454 • Experimental class, property or method - the letter E in curly brackets:

2455 {E}

2456 The deprecation and experimental indicators reflect the specification of the corresponding qualifiers in the  
2457 schema definition.

2458 NOTE The deprecation and experimental indicators represent schema definitions only. They are not used in the  
2459 case where subsequent versions of profiles mark profile defined elements (such as class adaptations or  
2460 references to properties or methods) that were introduced in previous versions of the profile, as depre-  
2461 cated or experimental.

### 2462 9.2.2.3 DMTF collaboration structure diagram guidelines

2463 DMTF collaboration structure diagrams show the structure of a complete profile, or a logically related  
2464 subset of profile elements (such as for example a feature), and all or a part of the collaboration defined by  
2465 the profile.

2466 DMTF collaboration structure diagrams are a specialization of UML composite structure diagrams; for the  
2467 normative definition of UML composite structure diagrams see [OMG UML Superstructure](#).

2468 For DMTF collaboration structure diagrams (CSDs) the following additional rules and conventions apply:

- 2469 • A CSD shall depict either the complete collaboration defined by a profile, or a subset of that col-  
2470 laboration.

- 2471 • A CSD shall be labeled as follows:

2472 `CSDLabel = ProfileName [ "-" SubpartName [ SubpartType] ]`

2473 `SubpartName` shall only be used if the CSD shows a subcollaboration of the profile; in this  
2474 case the `SubpartType` may identify the type of the subpart, such as for example a feature,  
2475 pattern or scenario.

- 2476 • Adaptations of ordinary classes or indications shall be represented as UML parts. Each UML  
2477 part shall be shown as solid rectangles (boxes), and shall be named as follows:

2478 `PartName = AdaptationName ":" ClassName [ "[" PartMultiplicity "]"`  
2479 `]`

2480 UML part multiplicities shall correspond to the number of instances required by an adaptation.  
2481 UML part multiplicities shall be shown if deviating from the default "\*" (zero to many).

- 2482 • Adaptations of associations shall be represented by UML connectors. Each UML connector  
2483 shall be shown as a solid line, connecting two UML parts. Each UML connector shall be named  
2484 as follows:

2485 `ConnectorName = AdaptationName ":" AssociationClassName`

- 2486 – References defined by association adaptations may be represented as UML endpoint  
2487 names. If used, UML endpoint names shall be shown as text at the ends of a UML connec-  
2488 tor.

- 2489 – Reference multiplicities may be represented by UML endpoint multiplicities. Reference  
2490 multiplicities shall be represented as UML endpoint multiplicities if deviating from the de-  
2491 fault multiplicity "\*" (zero to many).

- 2492 • The use of a profile may be represented as UML collaboration use. UML collaboration uses  
2493 shall be shown as dashed ovals. Each UML collaboration use shall be named as follows:

2494 `CollaborationUseName = [ ProfileReferenceName ] ":" ProfileName`

2495 `ProfileReferenceName` shall be the name of the profile reference as defined by the refer-  
2496 encing subject profile

2497 `ProfileName` shall be the name of the related profile or the name of the subject profile in the  
2498 case where the subject profile defines adaptations based on other adaptations in the same pro-  
2499 file. If in the latter case a `ProfileReferenceName` is specified, the UML collaboration use

2500 represents a complete new use of the subject profile by itself; otherwise, the UML collaboration  
2501 use serves only as an anchor point for base adaptations.

2502 • The relationship between an adaptation of an ordinary class defined in the subject profile and  
2503 profiles defining base adaptations of that adaptation shall be shown as UML role bindings. Each  
2504 UML role binding shall be shown as dashed line connecting a UML collaboration use represent-  
2505 ing (the collaboration defined by) a profile that defines a base adaptation, and the UML part rep-  
2506 resenting a class adaptation defined in the subject profile. Each UML role binding shall be  
2507 labeled close to the class adaptation end, as follows:

2508 `EndRoleName = BaseAdaptationName`

2509 `BaseAdaptationName` shall be the name of the base adaptation.

2510 Figure 9 shows examples of three DMTF collaboration structure diagrams depicting collaborations  
2511 defined by one autonomous profile and two component profiles.

2512 NOTE The dash-dotted separation lines are not part of the conventions for DMTF collaboration structure  
2513 diagrams as defined in this subclause; they are shown here such that multiple DMTF collabora-  
2514 tion structure diagrams can be condensed into one diagram.

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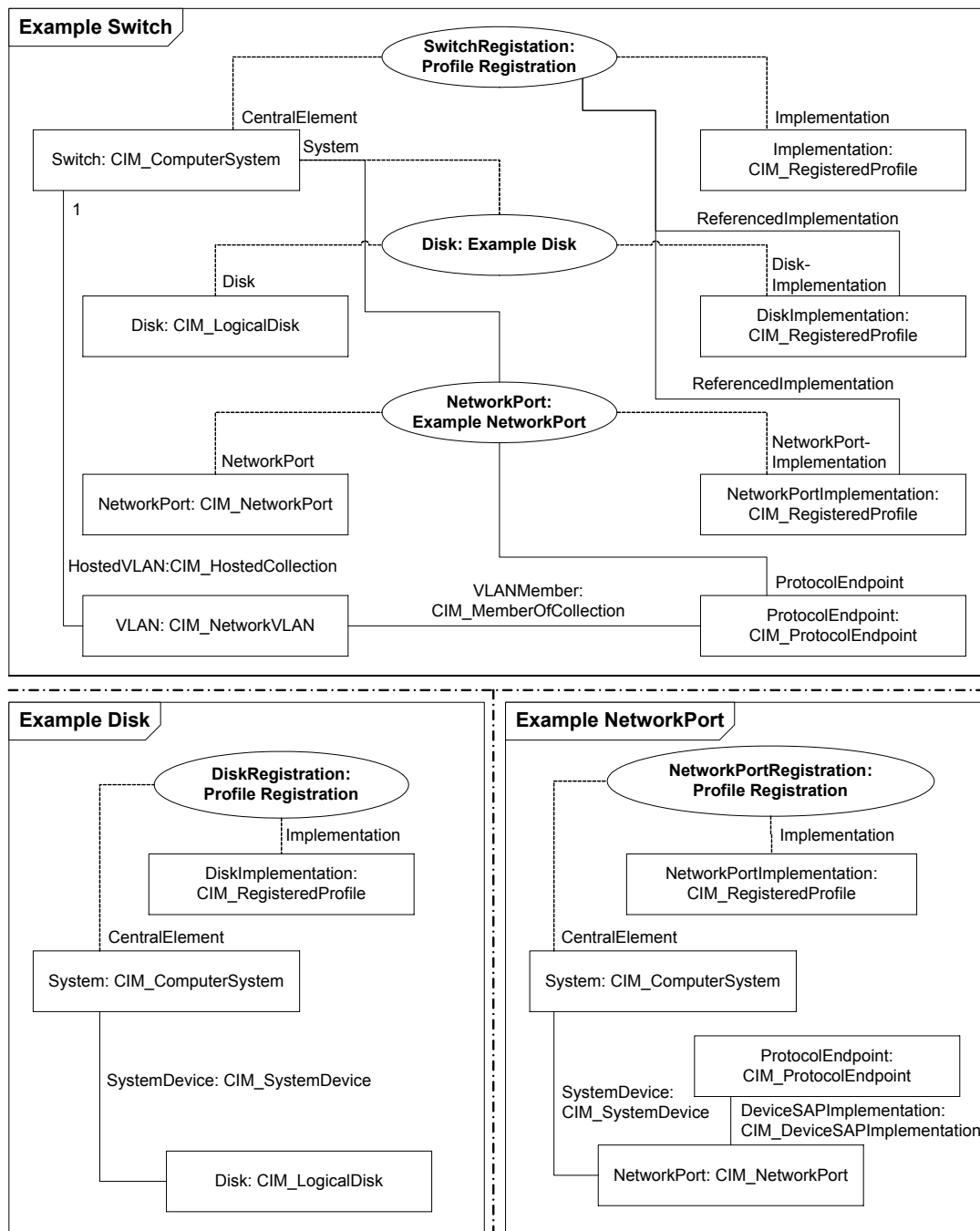


Figure 9 – Example of a DMTF collaboration structure diagram

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2518 The upper part of Figure 9 shows the collaboration defined by an autonomous Example Switch profile.  
 2519 The Example Switch profile models a switch with switch ports and with a disk that contains configuration  
 2520 data. The collaboration defined by the autonomous Example Switch profile is depicted as follows:

- 2521 • The Example Switch profile defines a Switch adaptation of the CIM\_ComputerSystem class.  
 2522 This is depicted by the UML part (solid rectangle) named "Switch: CIM\_ComputerSystem".
- 2523 • The Profile Registration profile is referenced by the Example Switch profile. This is depicted by  
 2524 the UML collaboration use (dashed oval) named "SwitchRegistration: Profile Regis-  
 2525 tration".

- 2526 • The System adaptation is based on the CentralElement adaptation of the Profile Registration  
2527 profile. This is depicted by the UML role binding (dashed line) named `CentralElement` that  
2528 connects the UML part named "Switch: CIM\_ComputerSystem" with the UML collaboration  
2529 named "SwitchRegistration: Profile Registration".
- 2530 • The Example Switch profile references the Example Disk profile and the Example Network Port  
2531 profile. This is shown by the UML collaboration uses (dashed ovals) named "Disk: Example  
2532 Disk" and "NetworkPort: Example NetworkPort".
- 2533 • The Profile Registration profile requires profiles to express profile dependencies by means of  
2534 the CIM\_ReferencedProfile association. For example, for the Example Disk profile this is de-  
2535 picted by the UML role binding named `ReferencedImplementation` connecting the UML  
2536 collaboration named "SwitchRegistration: Profile Registration" with the UML part  
2537 (solid rectangle) named "DiskImplementation: CIM\_RegisteredProfile". The latter  
2538 corresponds to the DiskImplementation adaptation of the Example Disk profile, as depicted by  
2539 the UML role binding named `Implementation` connecting it with the UML collaboration use  
2540 named "Disk: Example Disk".
- 2541 • The Example Switch profile defines a VLAN adaptation of the CIM\_NetworkVLAN class. This is  
2542 depicted by the UML part named "VLAN: CIM\_NetworkVLAN".
- 2543 • The Example Switch profile defines a HostedVLAN adaptation of the CIM\_HostedCollection as-  
2544 sociation for the representation of the relationship between a switch and the VLANs hosted by  
2545 that switch. This is depicted by the UML connector (solid line) named "HostedVLAN:  
2546 CIM\_HostedCollection".
- 2547 • Note that the UML endpoint multiplicity at the Switch side is 1, indicating that the VLAN adapta-  
2548 tion relates to the VLAN endpoints of exactly one switch. If the VLAN ranges over several  
2549 switches, the VLAN elements hosted by the other switches would have to be provided by sepa-  
2550 rate VLAN instances. This behavior is also implied by the definition of the CIM\_NetworkVLAN  
2551 class.
- 2552 • Note that the implied UML part multiplicity of the "Switch: CIM\_ComputerSystem" UML part  
2553 is "\*", indicating that an implementation of the Example Switch profile controls zero or more  
2554 switches.

#### 2555 9.2.2.4 DMTF class diagram guidelines

##### 2556 9.2.2.4.1 General requirements

2557 DMTF class diagrams are UML class diagrams (see [OMG UML Superstructure](#)) that conform to additional  
2558 requirements defined in this subclause.

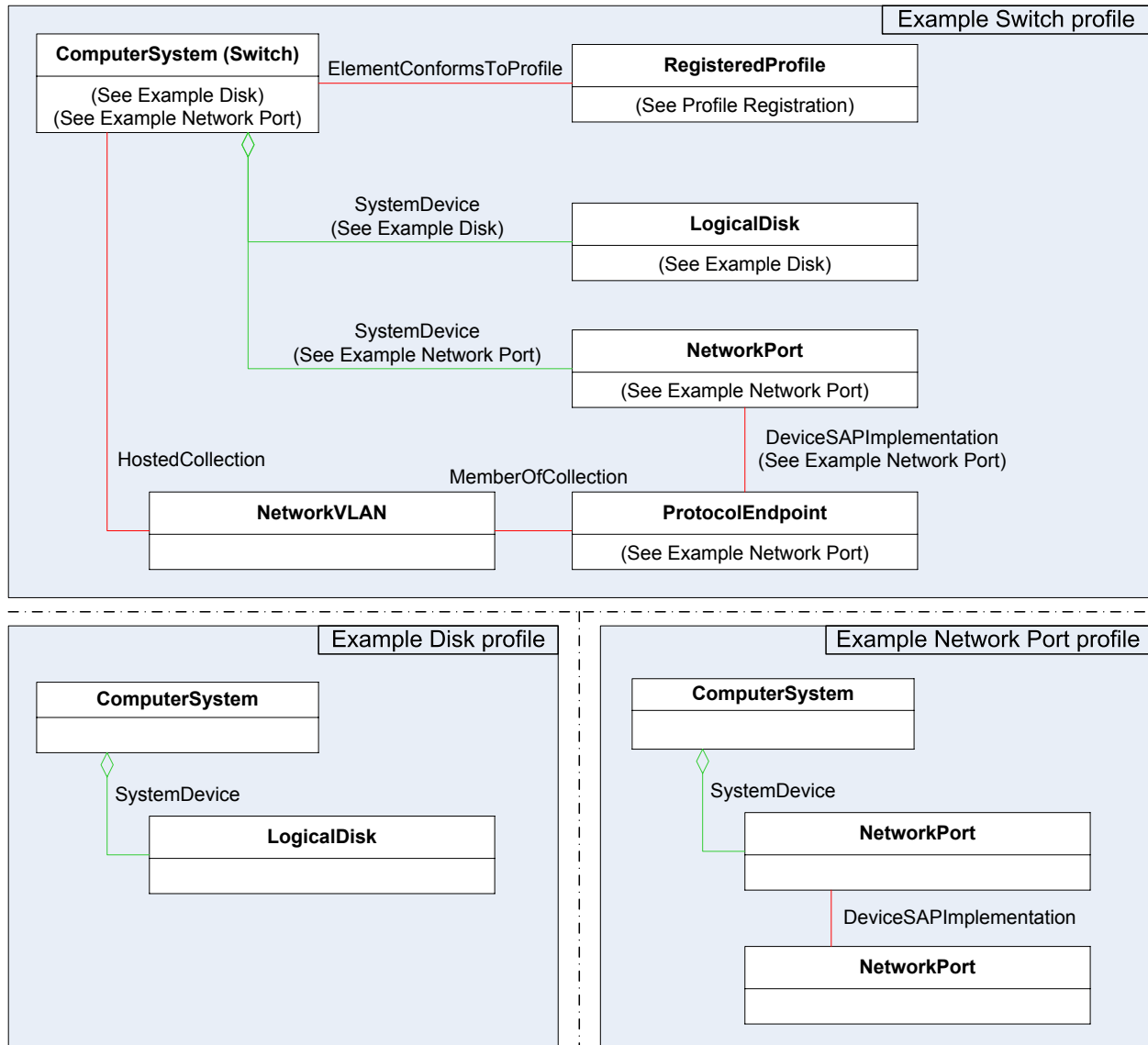
2559 DMTF class diagrams shall show classes and associations.

2560 NOTE A particular class may be shown multiple times in a class diagram; this is in conformance with the rules for  
2561 UML diagrams specified in [OMG UML Superstructure](#).

2562 DMTF class diagrams shall not mix the conventions of class and object diagrams.

2563 DMTF class diagrams may show properties and methods; if so, only properties and methods referenced  
2564 by the subject profile should be shown.

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**Figure 10 – Examples of DMTF class diagrams**

2569 Figure 10 shows examples of profile class diagrams from one autonomous profile profile and two  
2570 component profiles.

2571 NOTE The shaded rectangles and the dash-dotted separation lines are not part of the conventions for DMTF  
2572 class diagrams as defined in 9.2.2.4; they are shown here such that multiple DMTF class diagrams can be  
2573 condensed into one diagram.

2574 The upper part of Figure 10 shows the profile class diagram of an autonomous Example Switch profile. It  
2575 is assumed that the central class adaptation of the Example Switch profile is the Switch adaptation that is  
2576 based on the CIM\_ComputerSystem class, and in addition is based on both the ComputerSystem  
2577 adaptations defined in the Example Disk profile and in the Example Network Port profile.

2578 **Deprecated content - start**

#### 2579 9.2.2.4.2 Specific requirements for DMTF class diagrams in traditional profile specifications

2580 Minor revisions of profiles initially specified in compliance with version 1.0 of this guide may continue  
2581 using profile class diagrams as defined in this subclause.

2582 The requirements in this subclause apply in addition to those specified in 9.2.2.4.1.

2583 Each profile specification in profile specifications applying the traditional profile structure shall contain one  
2584 DMTF class diagram that depicts the central elements of the management interface defined by the  
2585 subject profile by showing classes and associations that are adapted by the subject profile or by a related  
2586 profile (see 7.6). That DMTF class diagram shall have a label formatted as follows:

2587 `DiagramLabel = ProfileName ": Profile class diagram"`

2588 The schema prefix (like for example "CIM\_") shall be omitted from names of classes defined in a DMTF  
2589 maintained CIM schema. Prefixes should be shown if the profile adapts classes that are not defined in a  
2590 by DMTF maintained CIM schema.

2591 Classes adapted by the subject profile shall be represented with a box that exhibits two horizontal  
2592 compartments.

2593 The top compartment shall contain the adaptation name as defined in 7.10.2.1, including the case where  
2594 the name is in the deprecated format using a class name and an optional modifier.

2595 If a subject profile refers to a class adaptation defined in a referenced profile, the lower compartment shall  
2596 contain the string:

2597 `Reference = "(See " RegisteredProfileName [ "profile" ] ")"`

2598 `ProfileDesignator = ScopingProfileDesignator /`

2599 `ReferencingProfileDesignator / SpecificProfileDesignator`

2600 `ScopingProfileDesignator = "scoping profile"`

2601 `ReferencingProfileDesignator = "referencing profile"`

2602 `SpecificProfileDesignator = RegisteredProfileName [ "profile" ]`

2603 `RegisteredProfileName` is the registered profile name of the referenced profile.

2604 The depiction of adaptations shall not include properties or methods. Inheritance should only be shown if  
2605 the profile adapts a class and its superclass.

2606 NOTE Eliminating properties and methods eliminates the risk that these elements are specified differently in the  
2607 diagram and the text format included in profile specifications.

2608 The depiction of an association shall be labeled with the association adaptation name. If the adaptation of  
2609 an association is defined by a referenced profile, the label for that association shall contain a reference to  
2610 the referenced profile, using the format defined by the `Reference` ABNF rule.

2611 If a profile defines multiple adaptations of the same adapted class for multiple purposes, then each adapta-  
2612 tion should be shown separately.

2613 The depiction of association adaptations shall show multiplicities. Note that these multiplicities are the  
2614 multiplicities as exposed by the association adaptation, can be constrained beyond those defined for the  
2615 adapted association in the schema. For example, if a profile in an association adaptation requires a  
2616 multiplicity of 1-n, but the schema defined multiplicity is 0-n, then the multiplicity shown in the class  
2617 diagram shall reflect the narrowed multiplicity required by the association adaptation.

2618 **Deprecated content - end**

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### 2619 9.2.2.5 DMTF object diagram guidelines

2620 DMTF object diagrams (also referred to as instance diagrams) are UML object diagrams (see [OMG UML](#)  
2621 [Superstructure](#)) that satisfy the additional constraints defined in this subclause.

2622 DMTF object diagrams shall show a set of related adaptation instances at a point in time. DMTF object  
2623 diagrams may be associated with use-cases – showing how adaptation instances, particularly their  
2624 property values and their relationships, are visible to clients in the process of performing a sequence of  
2625 activities as described by a use-case.

2626 DMTF object diagrams depict example instantiations and should illustrate best practice implementations.

2627 The labels of any CIM instances in a DMTF object diagram shall be specified using the format (in ABNF):

```
2628 InstanceLabel = [ InstanceName ] " : " ClassAdaptationName
```

2629 The `ClassAdaptationName` ABNF rule shall evaluate to the name of a class adaptation defined in the  
2630 subject profile or a referenced profile. The value of the `InstanceName` ABNF rule is an arbitrary string  
2631 that may be used to refer to the instance from any text describing the diagram; it may be omitted if the  
2632 resulting label is not ambiguous within the diagram.

2633 Instances of abstract classes shall not be shown in DMTF object diagrams. If a variety of concrete  
2634 subclasses are applicable in a particular case, a concrete subclass shall be selected and explanatory text  
2635 be provided with the diagram stating that the other concrete classes are applicable as well.

2636 Instances shall be represented with a box that exhibits the two horizontal compartments. The top com-  
2637 partment shall contain the instance label as defined for the `InstanceLabel` ABNF rule. The bottom  
2638 compartment may contain applicable properties that are needed to be illustrative, including properties that  
2639 are defined in the schema definition of adapted classes, but are not referenced by the subject profile or a  
2640 referenced profile.

2641 For each applicable property the property name and its value shall be listed using the format (in ABNF):

```
2642 PropertyEntry = PropertyName PropertyAssignment PropertyValue
```

```
2643 PropertyName = IDENTIFIER
```

```
2644 PropertyValue = initializer
```

```
2645 PropertyAssignment = "="
```

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### 2646 **Deprecated content – start**

2647 Minor revisions of profiles initially specified in compliance with version 1.0 of this guide may continue  
2648 using the colon as the assignment operator in property entries.

```
2649 PropertyAssignment = "=" | ":"
```

### 2650 **Deprecated content – end**

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2651 Methods should not be shown in DMTF object diagrams.

2652 If UFIT values are included in the object diagram, they should conform to [DSP0215](#).

2653 DMTF object diagrams shall be accompanied by descriptive text that explains the diagram and its  
2654 pertinence.

2655 Associations shall be depicted as UML links. Associations with properties other than reference properties  
2656 may be depicted as a separate UML object that contains the properties and is connected to the associa-  
2657 tion link with a dashed line.

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### 2658 **Deprecated content - start**

2659 Minor revisions of profiles specified in compliance with version 1.0 of this guide may continue depicting  
2660 association properties as a list below the association class name.

### 2661 **Deprecated content – end**

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2662 DMTF object diagrams shall be accompanied by descriptive text that explains the diagram and its  
2663 pertinence.

#### 2664 **9.2.2.6 DMTF sequence diagram guidelines**

2665 DMTF sequence diagrams are UML sequence diagrams (see [OMG UML Superstructure](#)) that satisfy the  
2666 additional constraints defined in this subclause.

2667 DMTF sequence diagrams shall depict the interaction between CIM instances, in the form of method or  
2668 operation calls and call returns.

2669 Object names should be specified using the format:

2670 `[ InstanceName ] ":" AdaptationName`

2671 The `AdaptationName` shall name a class adaptation defined by the profile unless a class adaptation  
2672 was not defined by the profile. The `InstanceName` may be omitted if the resulting object name is not  
2673 ambiguous.

#### 2674 **9.2.2.7 Deprecated profile elements and deprecated schema elements in diagrams**

2675 Revisions of profiles may deprecate profile elements defined in a previous version. Diagrams in profile  
2676 specifications may include deprecated profile elements; if so, they shall be shown marked as deprecated  
2677 as required by the notational and color conventions; see 9.2.2.2 .

2678 Profiles may refer to deprecated schema elements such as for example classes (see 7.10.2.2), refer-  
2679 ences to properties (see 7.10.2.5) or references to methods (see 7.10.3.1). Diagrams in profile specifica-  
2680 tions may include deprecated schema elements; if so, they may be shown marked as deprecated as  
2681 required by the notational and color conventions; see 9.2.2.2 .

### 2682 **9.2.3 Conventions for the specification of requirement levels**

2683 In profile specifications requirement levels (see 7.1) are stated using keywords as defined in this sub-  
2684 clause.

- 2685 • The mandatory requirement level (see 7.1.1) shall be stated using the keyword "mandatory".
- 2686 • The conditional requirement level (see 7.1.2) shall be stated using the keyword "conditional".
- 2687 • The optional requirement level (see 7.1.3) shall be stated using the keyword "optional".

### 2688 **9.2.4 Conventions for the specification of conditional elements**

2689 This subclause defines requirements for the specification of conditional elements in profile specifications.

#### 2690 **9.2.4.1 General**

2691 Conditions shall be defined using one of the mechanisms defined in 7.2.

#### 2692 **9.2.4.2 Conventions for the specification of conditional elements outside of tables**

2693 In any text outside of tables the fact that an element is defined as conditional shall be phrased as follows,

2694 `ConditionalPhrase = "The implementation of the" ElementName ElementType`  
2695 `"is conditional."`

2696 `ElementName = PROFILE_IDENTIFIER | IDENTIFER ; shall identify the conditional element`

2697 `ElementType = "profile" | "feature" | "adaptation" | "property" | "method"`  
 2698 `| "parameter"`

2699 In cases where it is not possible to apply this phraseology, alternatively a condition and its consequence  
 2700 may be stated as a conditional sentence in English language.

2701 The text defining the condition shall be phrased in the format of a `ConditionStatement` as detailed  
 2702 below:

2703 `ConditionStatement = "Condition:" ConditionSpecification`

2704 `ConditionSpecification` shall be an appropriate textual representation of the basic types of condi-  
 2705 tions and their combination using Boolean operators, as specified in 7.2 .

2706 Examples:

- 2707 • "Condition: The Fan adaptation is implemented."
- 2708 • "Condition: The FanSpeedSensor feature is implemented."
- 2709 • "Condition: The managed environment contains fans with simple sensors or the managed envi-  
 2710 ronment contains fans with numeric sensors."
- 2711 • "Condition: Any of the following:
  - 2712 – The managed environment contains fans with simple sensors
  - 2713 – The managed environment contains fans with numeric sensors."

#### 2714 9.2.4.3 Conventions for the specification of conditional elements within tables

2715 Within tables, a conditional element shall be designated with the word "Conditional" (without additional  
 2716 text) within the table column indicating the requirement level, as follows:

2717 `ConditionInTable = "Conditional" [ NL "(" ConditionSpecification [ Refer-`  
 2718 `ence ] ")" ]`

2719 `NL` introduces a new line. `ConditionSpecification` shall be a statement that is either true or false.  
 2720 `Reference` may refer to a separate clause detailing the condition.

2721 Alternatively, the condition may be specified in a corresponding cell within a description column, cell as  
 2722 defined in 9.2.4.2. If the text in the Description would exceed 20 words, it shall be replaced by a reference  
 2723 to a separate subclause that defines the condition as required by 9.2.4.2 .

2724 An example of the specification of a condition within a table is given in Table X-1.

#### 2725 9.2.5 Conventions for the specification of value constraints

2726 A profile may constrain property values or method parameter values to a single value or a set of values.

2727 For string typed properties and parameters profiles are required to specify a mechanism that conveys the  
 2728 format used for their values (see 7.10.2.6).

2729 Table 4 provides examples of applications of the provisions in this subclause.

2730 If in a profile specification a format specification is stated in the form of a regular expression, that shall be  
 2731 preceded by an equivalent format definition stated in the form of normative text. The regular expression  
 2732 based format definition shall follow encompassed by brackets. Within the brackets the keyword "pattern"  
 2733 shall be used to identify the regular expression, followed by the regular expression as a quoted string and  
 2734 compliant with the regular expression syntax defined in ANNEX B. For an example, see PermanentAd-  
 2735 dress in Table 4 .

2736 NOTE Regular expressions can be used in code that validates formats. Textual descriptions provide equivalent  
 2737 information suitable for human readers.

2738 Within tables, the name of the property or parameter is listed under a separate column, and the value  
 2739 constraint shall be expressed within the corresponding cell of the Description column in the form of the a  
 2740 normative statement, as follows:

- 2741 • If the value set for a string property or parameter is constrained to just one value, that value  
 2742 shall be stated and a regular expression pattern should not be specified. For an example see  
 2743 OtherPortType in Table 4 .
- 2744 • For the specification of value set of properties or parameters without a Values qualifier, a re-  
 2745 quirement for exactly one valid value shall be specified as follows: "Value shall be" or "Value  
 2746 shall match", followed by the value. For an example see PortNumber in Table 4 .
- 2747 • For the specification of the value set of properties or parameters without a Values qualifier, a  
 2748 requirement for a list of valid values shall be specified as follows: "Value shall match", followed  
 2749 by a list of values separated by vertical bars. For an example see SupportedMaximumTrans-  
 2750 missionUnit in Table 4 .
- 2751 • For the specification of the value set of properties or parameters with a Values qualifier, a single  
 2752 valid value shall be specified as "Value shall be" or "Value shall match", followed by the element  
 2753 from ValueMap value set and followed by the parenthesized corresponding (textual) element of  
 2754 the Values value set. For an example see PortType in Table 4 .
- 2755 • For the specification of the value set of a properties or parameters with a Values qualifier, a list  
 2756 of valid values shall be specified as "Value shall match", followed by a list of elements from the  
 2757 ValueMap value set separated by vertical bars and followed by a parenthesized list of corre-  
 2758 sponding elements from the Values value set separated by "or". For an example see LinkTech-  
 2759 nology in Table 4 .

2760 **NOTE** The lists of values from the ValueMap value set and from the Values value set are specified separately.  
 2761 This allows the ValueMap value list to be a valid regular expression, enabling automatic generation of pro-  
 2762 file specification tables from a separate source (such as XML) that can also be used for testing. If elements  
 2763 from the ValueMap value set and the Values value set were mixed (like for example, "ProtocolIFType  
 2764 matches 4096 (IP v4) | 4097 (IP v6), | 4098 (both)" ), then the result is not a valid regular expression.

2765 Outside of tables, value constraints shall be expressed in form of normative sentences, such as for  
 2766 example: "The value of the BlockSize property shall convey the formatted block or sector size, and shall  
 2767 always be 512.". The examples listed above for the definition of value constraints within tables apply  
 2768 correspondingly, for example replacing the phrase "Value shall ..." with the phrase "The value of the xxx  
 2769 property shall ...".

2770 Some CIM classes define a separate property for the specification of valid formats of the value of another  
 2771 property. The second adaptation example in Table 4 shows a format definition for the Name property in a  
 2772 StorageVolume adaptation of the CIM\_StorageVolume class with valid formats conveyed through the  
 2773 value of the NameFormat property.

2774 **Table 4 – Example of string property format definition**

### **X-7 Implementation**

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#### **X-7.4 Adaptation: VirtualNetworkPort: CIM\_NetworkPort**

This subclause defines the adaptation of the CIM\_NetworkPort class for the representation of network ports in virtual systems.

##### **X-7.4.1 Implementation requirements**

Table X-11 lists the implementation requirements for the VirtualNetworkPort adaptation.

**Table X-11 – Adaptation: VirtualNetworkPort: CIM\_NetworkPort**

Element	Requirement	Description
...	...	...
UsageRestriction	Mandatory	Value shall be 2 (Front-end-only)
PortType	Mandatory	Value shall match be 1 (Other)
OtherPortType	Mandatory	Value shall be "Dynamic port"
PortNumber	Mandatory	Value shall be 0
LinkTechnology	Mandatory	Value shall match 2   3   5 ("Ethernet" or "IB" or "FDDI")
PermanentAddress	Mandatory	Value shall be formatted as 16 consecutive uppercase hexadecimal digits (pattern "[0123456789ABCDEF]{16}\$")
SupportedMaximumTransmissionUnit	Mandatory	Value shall be 1526   4096
...	...	...

...

**X-7.6 Adaptation: StorageVolume: CIM\_StorageVolume**

**X-7.6.1 Implementation requirements**

Table X-12 lists the implementation requirements for the StorageVolume adaptation.

**Table X-12 – Adaptation: StorageVolume: CIM\_StorageVolume**

Element	Requirement	Description
...	...	...
Name	Mandatory	See X-7.6.2 .
NameFormat	Mandatory	Value shall be 7 (SNVM), 8 (NodeWWN) or 9 (NAA)
...	...	...

...

**X-7.6.2 Property: Name**

Valid formats of the Name property are constrained by the value of the NameFormat property, as follows:

- If the value of the NameFormat property is 7 (SNVM), the value of the Name property shall convey the vendor name, product name and serial number of the storage volume as three strings separated by "+" characters. The vendor name shall have exactly 8 characters and the product name shall have exactly 16 characters. Both names may contain blanks as significant characters and if necessary shall be padded with blanks to match the required length. The serial number shall be formatted using uppercase hexadecimal digits (pattern "[A-Za-z ]{8}\+[A-Za-z ]{16}\+ [0123456789ABCDEF]\*\$").
- If the value of the NameFormat property is 9 (NAA), the value of the Name property shall convey the systems hardware ID as specified in T10 SPC and shall be formatted as 16 consecutive uppercase hex digits (pattern "[0123456789ABCDEF]{16}\$")
- If the value of the NameFormat property is 8 (NodeWWN), the value of the Name property shall convey the systems Fibre Channel WWN and shall be formatted as 8 consecutive uppercase hex digits (pattern "[0123456789ABCDEF]{8}\$")

...

### 2775 9.2.5.1 Conventions for the specifications of default property values

2776 If a profile defines a default value for a property (see 7.10.2.5), that shall be specified using the following  
2777 format:

```
2778     PropertyDefaultValuePhrase = "Default value is" value "."
```

### 2779 9.2.5.2 Conventions for the specification of reference multiplicities

2780 The specification of references in association adaptations shall include text specifying the multiplicity of  
2781 the reference if the schema defined multiplicity is further constrained by the profile; see 7.10.2.5 .

2782 The format is

```
2783     MultiplicitySpecification = "Multiplicity:" MultiplicityValue
```

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### 2784 **Deprecated content – start**

2785 Minor revisions of profiles initially specified in compliance with version 1.0 of this guide may continue  
2786 using the word "cardinality" in place of "multiplicity".

### 2787 **Deprecated content - end**

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2788 `MultiplicityValue` shall specify the multiplicity, as follows:

2789       1           indicates that exactly one instance is referenced

2790       \*           indicating 0 or more instances are referenced

2791       *m..n*       indicating *m* to *n* instances are referenced, where *m* is 0 or a positive integer and *n* is a  
2792 positive integer or \* representing unlimited.

2793 If no multiplicity is specified in the profile, the multiplicity defined in the schema definition of the reference  
2794 applies; this may be emphasized by explicitly stating "Reference multiplicity conforms to the schema  
2795 definition".

2796 Note that multiplicities of references are specified in the context of a class adaptation, and that multiplic-  
2797 ities of references in different adaptations of the same association may be different.

## 2798 9.3 Profile specification structures

### 2799 9.3.1 General

2800 This guide defines a choice of two structures for profile specifications: The condensed structure and the  
2801 traditional structure.

2802 The condensed profile specification structure should be favored for new profile specifications that are  
2803 originally created in conformance to this guide.

2804 Revisions of existing profiles may continue to use the traditional structure, and may apply a mixture of  
2805 both structures with respect to the definition of indications.

2806 NOTE   The last rule was established to enable revisions of existing profiles to conform with provisions defined by  
2807 this guide with respect to the definition of indication requirements, without requiring these revisions having  
2808 to conform with other provisions of this guide.

### 2809 9.3.2 Condensed profile specification structure

2810 The condensed profile specification structure provides for a comprehensive definition of class adaptations  
2811 as part of the Implementation clause; thus it condenses information into the Implementation clause that

2812 with version 1.0 of this guide was spread over the "CIM elements" clause, the Methods clause and the  
2813 Implementation clause.

2814 In the condensed profile specification structure, the location for the table listing all class adaptations  
2815 defined by a profile is in the Synopsis clause. This enables a straight forward definition of class adapta-  
2816 tions with a direct entry path through the Synopsis clause that provides the overview information, and  
2817 tables with forward references to subclauses of the Implementation clause that provide detailed imple-  
2818 mentation information.

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2819 **Deprecated content - start**

### 2820 **9.3.3 Traditional profile specification structure**

2821 Minor revisions of profiles initially specified in compliance with version 1.0 of this guide may continue  
2822 using the traditional profile specification structure as defined in this subclause.

2823 The traditional profile specification structure originally defined in version 1.0 of this guide spreads the  
2824 entry information to a profile over the Synopsis clause and the CIM Elements clause. The CIM Elements  
2825 clause typically contains back references to subclauses of the Implementation and the Methods clause  
2826 that provide detail information.

2827 In this version of this guide the traditional structure was established to allow for revisions of existing  
2828 profile specifications originally created in conformance with version 1.0 of this guide to remain compliant  
2829 to this guide without structural changes.

2830 Revisions of existing profiles may continue to use the traditional structure, and may apply a mixture of  
2831 both structures with respect to the definition of indications.

2832 **Deprecated content - end**

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### 2833 **9.3.4 Usage of profile specification structures**

2834 The two profile specification structures are depicted in Figure 11.

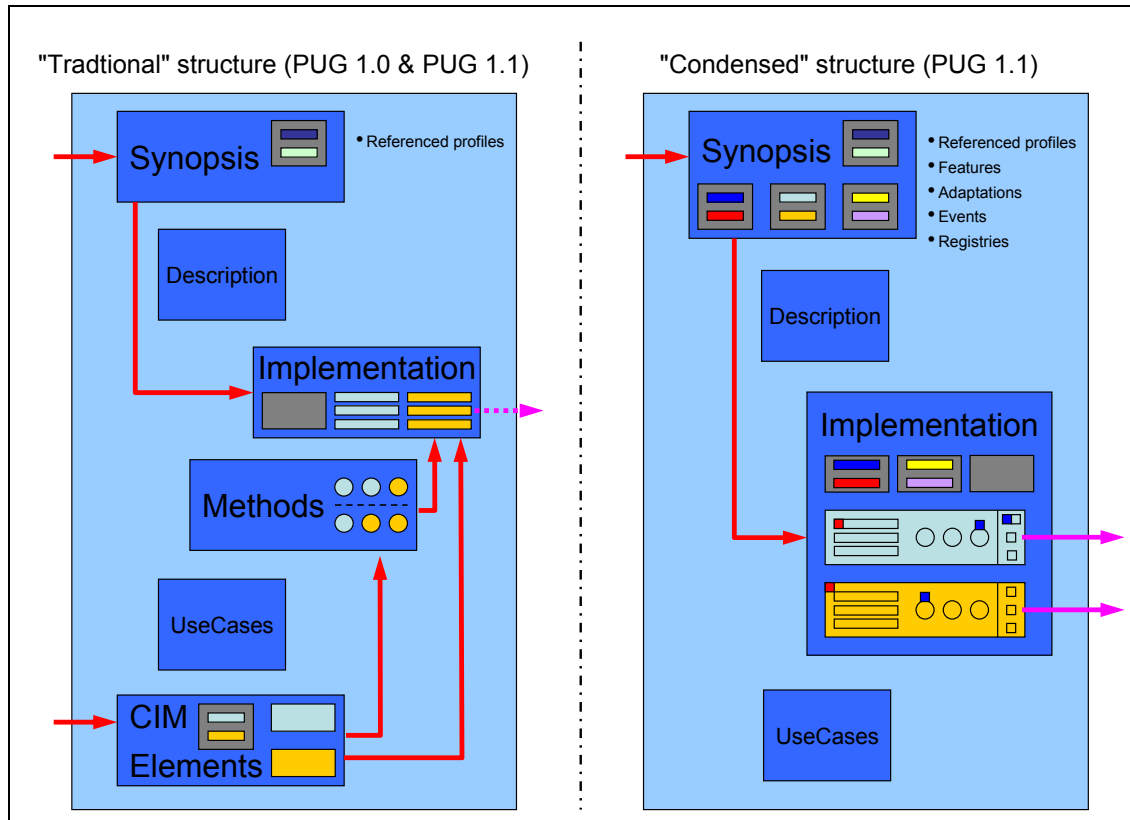


Figure 11 – Traditional and condensed profile structures

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2837 On the left side of Figure 11 the major clauses are shown with the traditional profile structure applied.  
 2838 Note the two entry paths into the profile, one following through the Synopsis clause, the other one  
 2839 following through the "CIM elements" clause. On the right side of Figure 11 the major clauses are shown  
 2840 with the condensed profile structure applied. Note that there is only one entry path into the profile, and  
 2841 that adaptations are comprehensively organized within the Implementation clause, with all pertinent  
 2842 information required for the implementation of a particular adaptation presented within one subclause.  
 2843 The blue and red colored squares indicate that the implementation of some elements is only required as  
 2844 the "blue" or the "red" feature are implemented.

## 2845 9.4 Requirements for profile specification clauses

### 2846 9.4.1 General

2847 The requirements for profile specification clauses differ with the structure chosen for the subject profile;  
 2848 see 9.3 . Table 5 lists the profile specification clauses in the order they shall appear in profile specifica-  
 2849 tions, along with references to subclauses of this guide or documents referenced by this guide that detail  
 2850 the requirements for the specification of respective clauses in profile specifications.

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Table 5 – Requirements for profile specification clauses

Clause name	Condensed structure	Traditional structure
Scope	Required, see <a href="#">ISO/IEC Directives, Part2</a> , 6.2.1 .	
Normative references	Required, see <a href="#">ISO/IEC Directives, Part2</a> , 6.2.2 .	
Terms and definitions	Required, see 9.4.3 .	
Symbols and abbreviated terms	Required, see <a href="#">ISO/IEC Directives, Part2</a> , 6.3.2 .	



Conformance	Optional, see 9.4.4 .	
Synopsis	Required, see 9.4.3 . Requirements differ based on the chosen structure.	
Description	Required, see 9.4.6 .	
Implementation	Required, see 9.4.7 . Requirements differ based on the chosen structure.	
Methods	Not allowed, content covered in Implementation clause; see 9.4.7 .	Required, see 9.4.8 .
Use cases	Required, see 9.4.9 .	
CIM elements	Not allowed, content covered in Implementation clause; see 9.4.7 .	Required, see 9.4.10 .

2852 Spelling of clause names and subclause names shall follow normal English grammar rules. Arbitrary  
 2853 capitalization of words should be avoided.

2854 **9.4.2 Requirements for the numbering of profile specification clauses and subclauses**

2855 [ISO/IEC Directives, Part2](#) requires clauses and subclauses to be numbered.

2856 An organization may opt to "demote" the clauses to subclauses at a lower heading level. For example,  
 2857 Clause "6 Synopsis" may become subclause "8.6 Synopsis" or "8.2.6 Synopsis" within a larger aggregat-  
 2858 ing document. However, the relative heading numbering shall be maintained at respective lower levels  
 2859 (that is, all headings are demoted by the same number of heading levels), and all clauses starting with the  
 2860 Synopsis clause shall be provided. This allows embedding profile specifications in a larger document  
 2861 while preserving a recognizable profile format for readers.

2862 **9.4.3 Requirements for the specification of the "Terms and definitions" clause**

2863 Each profile specification shall have a "Terms and definitions" clause.

2864 The "Terms and definitions" clause shall be specified as defined in [ISO/IEC Directives, Part2](#), 6.3.1 and  
 2865 Appendix D .

2866 NOTE [ISO/IEC Directives, Part2](#) and other ISO documents establish rigid rules with respect to the capitalization  
 2867 of terms. Generally, terms are required to be in lowercase unless otherwise required by English grammar  
 2868 rules.

2869 The "Terms and definitions" clause shall contain the text stated in Table 6 immediately after the heading.

2870 **Table 6 - Common text for the "Terms and definitions" clause of profile specifications**

<p>The terms "shall" ("required"), "shall not", "should" ("recommended"), "should not" ("not recommended"), "may", "need not" ("not required"), "can" and "cannot" in this document are to be interpreted as described in <a href="#">ISO/IEC Directives, Part2</a>, Annex H . The terms in parenthesis are alternatives for the preceding term, for use in exceptional cases when the preceding term cannot be used for linguistic reasons. Note that <a href="#">ISO/IEC Directives, Part2</a>, Annex H specifies additional alternatives. Occurrences of such additional alternatives shall be interpreted in their normal English meaning.</p> <p>The terms "clause", "subclause", "paragraph", "annex" in this document are to be interpreted as described in <a href="#">ISO/IEC Directives, Part2</a>, Clause 5.</p> <p>The terms "normative" and "informative" in this document are to be interpreted as described in <a href="#">ISO/IEC Directives, Part2</a>, Clause 3. In this guide, clauses, subclauses or annexes indicated with "(informative)" as well as notes and examples do not contain normative content.</p> <p>The terms defined in <a href="#">DSP0004</a> and <a href="#">DSP0223</a> apply to this profile.</p>
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2871 Profiles referencing operations defined in [DSP0200](#) instead of [DSP0223](#) shall refer to the terms defined in  
 2872 [DSP0200](#) instead of those defined in [DSP0223](#).

2873 **9.4.4 Requirements for the specification of the Conformance clause**

2874 The specification of a conformance clause is optional.

2875 Generally, the conformance definitions defined by this guide for implementations (see ) apply to profiles.  
2876 Profiles may specify additional conformance rules.

2877 **9.4.5 Requirements for the specification of the Synopsis clause**

2878 This subclause defines requirements for the Synopsis clause in profile specifications.

2879 **9.4.5.1 General**

2880 Each profile specification shall have a Synopsis clause.

2881 The Synopsis clause of a profile specification shall conform to the rules defined in subclauses 9.4.5.2 to  
2882 9.4.5.5 .

2883 **9.4.5.2 Requirements for the specification of profile attributes**

2884 Profile attributes shall be listed first in the Synopsis clause. If other subclauses are defined within the  
2885 Synopsis clause, the profile attributes shall be listed in a separate subclause of the Synopsis clause  
2886 named "Profile attributes"; otherwise, the profile attributes shall be listed directly within the Synopsis  
2887 clause immediately following the heading of the Synopsis clause.

2888 NOTE [ISO/IEC Directives, Part2](#) require that no normative text is put at the beginning of a clause if that clause  
2889 contains subclauses (avoidance of "hanging" definitions); this is the reason for requiring separate sub-  
2890 clauses in the case any subclause is defined within the Synopsis clause. Such subclauses might be re-  
2891 quired for example because table cell space requirements are exceeded in tables required by other  
2892 subclauses of 9.4.5, or because the definition of the scoping algorithm requires a separate subclause .

2893 Profile attributes shall be listed as a sequence of attribute statements. These statements should be  
2894 placed first in the Synopsis clause; they should not be placed in a table.

2895 The sequence of attribute statements and their format is defined by the "Attribute statement" column of  
2896 Table 7; corresponding values in the Requirements column refer to subclauses of clause 7 that provide  
2897 details about the respective profile attributes.

2898 **Table 7 – Requirements for the specification of profile attributes**

Attribute statement	Requirements
<b>Profile name:</b> <registered profile name>	Required; see 7.4.2 .
<b>Version:</b> <registered profile version>	Required; see 7.4.3 .
<b>Organization:</b> <registered organization name>	Required; see 7.4.4 .
<b>Abstract indicator:</b> <abstract profile indicator>	Optional; see 7.6.4 . Value shall be "true" for abstract profiles, and "false" otherwise. Default: "false".
<b>Profile type:</b> "autonomous" or "component"	Required; see 7.6.5.2 and 7.6.5.3 .
<b>Schema name:</b> <schema name>	Optional; see 7.5.3 . Default: "CIM".
<b>Schema version:</b> <schema version>	Required; see 7.5.2 .
<b>Schema organization:</b> <schema organization>	Optional; see 7.5.4 . Default: "DMTF".
<b>Central class adaptation:</b> <central class adaptation name>	Required; see 7.6.5.4 .

<b>Scoping class adaptation:</b> <scoping class adaptation name>	Required; see 7.6.5.5 .
<b>Scoping algorithm:</b> <scoping path>	Required; see 7.6.5.6 .

2899 <scoping path> shall be one of the following:

- 2900 • If the scoping path between central class adaptation and scoping class adaptation is composed of  
2901 only one association adaptation, <scoping path> shall be the name of the association adaptation.
- 2902 • Otherwise, the definition of the scoping relationship shall be placed in a separate subclause of the  
2903 Synopsis clause, immediately after the "Profile attributes" subclause, and be named "Scoping path".  
2904 In this case <scoping path> shall have the form "see <subclause number>", where <subclause num-  
2905 ber> is the number of the scoping path subclause. In the scoping path subclause the scoping path  
2906 shall be stated sequentially listing all adaptations of ordinary classes and associations that compose  
2907 the scoping path, starting with the central class adaptation and ending with the scoping class adapta-  
2908 tion.

2909 An example of the specification of profile attributes is provided in A.2 .

2910 **9.4.5.3 Requirements for the specification of the summary**

2911 If other subclauses are defined within the Synopsis clause, the summary shall be placed in a separate  
2912 subclause of the Synopsis clause that follows the "Profile attributes" subclause as required by 9.4.5.2 (or  
2913 the scoping path subclause, if one is specified), and is named "Summary"; otherwise, the summary shall  
2914 be placed directly within the Synopsis clause, immediately following the the profile attributes as required  
2915 by 9.4.5.2 .

2916 The first paragraph of the summary shall briefly summarize the purpose of the profile such that it may be  
2917 used in other documents to describe the subject profile.

2918 Further paragraphs may provide more detailed summary information, including text that describes the  
2919 usage of the central and the scoping class.

2920 If the subject profile is an abstract profile, the following statement shall be included as last paragraph at  
2921 the end of the summary:

2922 "This abstract profile shall not be directly implemented; implementations shall be based on a pro-  
2923 file that is derived from this profile."

2924 An example of a table of class adaptations is provided in A.2 .

2925 **9.4.5.4 Requirements for the specification of references to related profiles**

2926 If other subclauses are defined within the Synopsis clause, the requirements for related profiles shall be  
2927 stated in a separate subclause of the Synopsis clause that follows the Summary subclause as required by  
2928 9.4.5.3 and is named "Related profiles"; otherwise, the requirements for related profiles shall be stated  
2929 directly within the Synopsis clause, immediately following the summary as required by 9.4.5.3 .

2930 If the subject profile references other profiles, the requirements for referenced profiles shall be listed in a  
2931 table of related profiles, as defined in this subclause. In that table each reference to a referenced profile  
2932 shall conform to the requirements in 7.6 .

2933 The table of related profiles shall be labeled: "Related profiles". In Table 8 requirements for columns in  
2934 related profile tables are defined. Each required column is described by an entry in the list provided in  
2935 Table 8 . Each list entry starts with the required name of the table column in **bold face**, followed by a  
2936 dash and the requirements for cells under that column.

2937 **Table 8 – Requirements for columns of the related profiles table**

<b>Profile reference name</b> – cell values shall state the name of the profile reference within the subject profile, as required in 7.6.2 .
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**Profile name** – cell values shall state the registered name of the referenced profile, as required in 7.4.2 .

**Organization** – cell values shall state the registered organization of the referenced profile, as required in 7.4.4 .

**Version** – cell values shall state the value of the major and the minor version identifier of the registered version of the referenced profile that is minimally required by the subject profile, as required in 7.4.3 . The values of major and minor version identifiers shall be separated by a dot, with no interspersed whitespace characters (e.g., "1.0" or "2.14").

**Relationship** – cell values shall state the explicit type of profile relationship between the subject profile and the referenced profile, as required in 7.6.2 .

**Description** – cell values shall conform to the following rules:

- A short description of the referenced profile and its relationship to the subject profile shall be provided. The short description should focus on the use of the related profile in context of the subject profile.
- For conditional profiles the condition shall be specified using one of the mechanisms specified in 7.2.
- If the text in the Description cell exceeds twenty words, the description shall be put in a separate subclause of the Synopsis clause that is referenced from the cell.

2938 If the subject profile does not reference other profiles, this shall be stated using the phrase "No references  
2939 to other profiles are defined in this profile." instead of the table.

2940 An example of a related profile table is provided in Annex A.2 .

#### 2941 **9.4.5.5 Requirements for the specification of the table of features**

2942 If the subject profile defines features (see 7.12), these shall be listed in a table of features, as defined in  
2943 this subclause.

2944 NOTE Both the condensed and the traditional profile specification structure provide for the definition of features,  
2945 enabling the definition of features in revisions of existing profile specifications (originally written compliance  
2946 to version 1.0 of this guide) by upgrading to version 1.1 of this guide. Note though that the upgrade may  
2947 require minor formal adjustments of the original version in order to become compliant with version 1.1 of  
2948 this guide.

2949 The table of features shall be labeled: "Features". In Table 14 requirements for columns in features tables  
2950 are defined. Each required column is described by an entry in the list provided in Table 14 . Each list  
2951 entry starts with the required name of the table column in **bold face**, followed by a dash and the require-  
2952 ments for cells under that column.

#### 2953 **Table 9 – Requirements for columns of the features table**

**Feature name** – cell values shall state the name of the feature, see 7.12.3 .

**Granularity** – cell values shall state whether the feature can be implemented for the profile as a whole, or for specific adaptation instances.

The following rules apply:

- If the feature can be implemented for the profile as a whole, the Granularity cell value shall be "profile".
- If the feature can be implemented for specific adaptation instances, the Granularity cell value shall be the name of the adaptation, followed by "instance".

**Requirement** – cell values shall state the requirement level of the feature

The following rules apply:

- If the feature is conditional, the cell value shall be "Conditional".
- If the feature is optional, the cell value shall be "Optional".

**Description** – cell values shall provide a description of the feature.

- The feature definition subclause in the Implementation clause (see 9.4.7.3) shall be referenced. No other text should be added.

2954 If the specified profile does not define features, the text "No features are defined in this profile." should be  
 2955 stated instead of the table.

2956 An example of a table of class features is provided in A.2 .

2957 **9.4.5.6 Requirements for the specification of the table of class adaptations**

2958 The class adaptations (see 7.10) defined in the subject profile shall be listed in a table of class adapta-  
 2959 tions, as defined in this subclause.

2960 The placement of the table depends on the profile specification structure that is applied by the subject  
 2961 profile, as follows.

2962 If the traditional profile specification structure is applied by the subject profile., the table of class adapta-  
 2963 tions shall be specified in the Overview subclause of the "CIM elements" clause (see 9.4.10.2); in this  
 2964 case the provisions in the remaining part of this subclause do not apply.

2965 If the condensed profile specification structure is applied by the subject profile, the provisions in the  
 2966 remaining part of this subclause apply.

2967 The table of class adaptations shall be specified as part of the Synopsis clause. All class adaptations  
 2968 (including the adaptations of ordinary classes, of associations and of indications) defined by the subject  
 2969 profile shall be listed in the table of class adaptations.

2970 The table of class adaptations shall be labeled: "Class adaptations". In Table 14 requirements for col-  
 2971 umns in class adaptation tables are defined. Each required column is described by an entry in the list  
 2972 provided in Table 14 . Each list entry starts with the required name of the table column in **bold face**,  
 2973 followed by a dash and the requirements for cells under that column.

2974 **Table 10 – Requirements for columns of the class adaptations table**

**Adaptation** – cell values shall state the name of the adaptation, see 7.10.2.1 .

- If an adaptation is based on other class adaptations, the cell in the Adaptation column shall span all the cells in the other columns that are related to the specified adaptation.

**Elements** – cells may be split into subcells, as follows:

- The first subcell shall contain the name of the adapted class.
- If base adaptations are defined, these shall be stated in subsequent subcells, using the following ABNF defined format:

```
AdaptationReference = ProfileName "::" AdaptationName
```

The value of `ProfileName` shall be the registered name (see 7.4.2) of the referenced profile that defines the referenced adaptation, and the value of `AdaptationName` shall be the name of the referenced adaptation, as defined by its defining profile.

- If a standard message is defined for an indication adaptation, that shall be stated in a subsequent subcell.

**Requirement** – cell values shall state the requirement level for the adaptation, as defined in 9.2.4.3.

- If an adaptation is based on other class adaptations, and different requirement levels apply, these shall be specified in separate cells in this column; however, within the scope of a cell in the Adaptation column, if all corresponding cells in the Elements column are required with the same requirement level, the respective subcells in the Requirement column may be collapsed into one cell containing the common requirement level.

**Description** – cell values shall provide a description of the adaptation.

The following rules apply:

- If the requirement level is conditional, and unless the condition is already stated in the Requirement column, the condition shall be stated here, as detailed in 9.2.4 .
- a textual description shall be provided that describes the purpose of the adaptation. The description should describe the managed object type that is modeled by the adaptation, unless that is already addressed with sufficient precision by the schema descriptions of the adapted class.
- For trivial class adaptations defined by the subject profile that do not specify additional requirements beyond those defined in the schema definition of the adapted class:
  - "See CIM schema definition."
- If the corresponding cell in the Elements column is split into subcells, the cell in the Description column shall be split into respective subcells, unless the description applies in all cases.
- If the value in any Description subcell exceeds twenty words, a separate adaptation definition subclause shall be provided within the Implementation clause; for details, see 9.4.7.4.3. In this case the description shall be provided as part of the adaptation definition subclause, and the adaptation definition subclause shall be referenced from the table entry, as follows:

"See" AdaptationSubclauseNumber ". "

AdaptationSubclauseNumber is the number of the adaptation definition subclause.

2975 An example of a table of class adaptations is provided in A.2 .

#### 2976 **9.4.6 Requirements for the specification of the Description clause**

2977 This subclause defines requirements for the Description clause in profile specifications.

2978 Each profile specification shall have a Description clause.

2979 The Description clause in profile specifications

- shall provide an overview of the subject profile.
- should describe the management domain addressed by the subject profile, and the major object types for that the subject profile defines adaptation.
- shall not include normative definitions.
- should contain diagrams that detail the purpose of the subject profile.
  - The Description clause of profile specifications written in conformance with the condensed structure (see 9.3.2) should contain one or more DMTF collaboration structure diagrams (see 9.2.2.3) that detail the collaboration defined by the subject profile. Each adaptation defined by the subject profile shall appear at least once.
  - The Description clause of profile specifications written in conformance with the traditional structure (see 9.3.3) should contain one or more DMTF class diagrams (see 9.2.2.4) that detail the model defined by the subject profile.

- 2992           – In addition, the Description clause may contain DMTF object diagrams (see 9.2.2.5) provid-  
 2993 ing details on CIM instances, their interactions and their relationship to managed objects in  
 2994 managed environments, as required by the subject profile.

2995 An example of a Description clause is provided in A.3 .

## 2996 **9.4.7 Requirements for the specification of the Implementation clause**

2997 This subclause defines requirements for the Implementation clause in profile specifications.

### 2998 **9.4.7.1 General**

2999 Each profile specification shall have an Implementation clause.

3000 If the profile is a derived profile that does not add specifications for implementations beyond those defined  
 3001 in its base profile(s), the Implementation clause shall only contain the statement "All implementation  
 3002 requirements are defined in base profile(s)".

### 3003 **9.4.7.2 Usage of subclauses**

3004 The Implementation clause should be structured into subclauses.

3005 Subclauses may introduce subtopics that apply to one or more profile elements, such as for example a  
 3006 subclause titled "Element discovery", or may introduce subtopics that address specific profile elements  
 3007 such as for example a specific class adaptation defined in a subclause titled "Adaptation: Fan: CIM\_Fan".

3008 Subclauses of the Implementation clause should be ordered as follows:

- 3009       • Subclauses that describe the management domain and managed object types
- 3010       • Subclauses that introduce concepts
- 3011       • An optional Features subclause, as detailed in 9.4.7.3
- 3012       • A required Adaptations subclause, as detailed in 9.4.7.4 .

3013 NOTE [ISO/IEC Directives, Part2](#) require that at each subclause level at least two subclauses are specified. For  
 3014 that reason, in the case where according to this guide only the Adaptations subclause would be required,  
 3015 [ISO/IEC Directives, Part2](#) would require another subclause of the Implementation clause, and recommend  
 3016 a subclause named "General" with a brief introduction.

### 3017 **9.4.7.3 Requirements for the specification of features**

3018 If the subject profile defines features (see 7.12), the Implementation clause shall contain a separate  
 3019 subclause named "Features".

3020 The Features subclause of the Implementation clause shall contain a separate subclause for each  
 3021 defined feature.

3022 The title of each feature specific subclauses shall be formatted as follows:

3023       FeatureSubclauseTitle = "Feature: " FeatureName

3024 The value of `FeatureName` shall be the name of the feature; see 7.12.3.

3025 If the feature is conditional, that shall be stated first in the feature definition subclause, along with the  
 3026 specification of the condition, following the conventions established in 9.2.4 .

3027 Each feature definition subclause shall provide all of the following:

- 3028       • A description of the feature as defined in 7.12 . The description may be provided directly within  
 3029 the feature definition subclause, or within a separate subclause titled "Feature description".
- 3030       • A description of one or more discovery mechanisms for the feature. The discovery mechanisms  
 3031 may be described directly within the feature definition subclause, of within a separate subclause

3032 titled "Feature discovery". See 7.12.6 for requirements for the definition of discovery mecha-  
3033 nisms.

3034 The implementation requirements that result from a decision to implement a feature are not defined as  
3035 part of the feature definition subclause. Instead these requirements are specified as conditional require-  
3036 ments for other profile definitions such as related profiles, class adaptations, or - within the definition of  
3037 class adaptations – references to and additional requirements for properties or methods. The condition in  
3038 these cases is a feature implementation condition, such that respective requirements apply in case the  
3039 feature is implemented. This approach enables the specification of profile elements that depend on more  
3040 than one feature.

#### 3041 **9.4.7.4 Requirements for the specification of adaptations**

3042 This subclause defines requirements for the specification of adaptations.

##### 3043 **9.4.7.4.1 General**

3044 The Implementation clause shall contain a separate subclause named "Adaptations".

3045 The Adaptations subclause of the Implementation clause shall contain a separate subclause for each  
3046 class adaptation (including adaptations of associations or indications) defined by the profile as specified  
3047 in 9.4.7.4.3, unless the class adaptation is a trivial class adaptation.

3048 A trivial class adaptation does not define additional requirements beyond those defined by the adapted  
3049 class and its base adaptations. Trivial class adaptations typically are defined as a point of reference for  
3050 other profiles, such that referencing profiles can define class adaptations based on them. The description  
3051 of a trivial class adaptation may be solely provided in the entry in the table of class adaptations within the  
3052 Synopsis clause if the space requirements for table cells are met; see 9.4.5.6 .

##### 3053 **9.4.7.4.2 Requirements for the specification of operation requirements**

3054 The Adaptation subclause of the Implementation subclause shall contain a subclause named "Profile  
3055 conventions for operations". That subclause shall contain one or more lists of operations that are referred  
3056 to by the definition of individual class adaptations.

3057 The "Profile conventions for operations" subclause shall contain the text:

3058 "For each class adaptation (including those of associations), the implementation requirements for opera-  
3059 tions, including for those in the following default list, are specified in class-adaptation-specific subclauses  
3060 of the Adaptations subclause."

3061 A profile may define a default list of operations for adaptations of ordinary classes and associations. A  
3062 profile shall only list operations that are defined in the operations specification referenced by the profile.  
3063 The default list of operations shall be stated as follows:

3064 "The default list of operations for all class adaptations is as follows:

3065 operation-1

3066 operation-2

3067 ..."

3068 The default list may be extended for adaptations of associations, as follows:

3069 "For association adaptations, the default list of operations includes the following operations in addi-  
3070 tion:

3071 a-operation-1

3072 a-operation-2



3073 ..."

3074 The applicability of the default list shall be specified in class specific subclauses within the Adaptations  
 3075 subclause of the Implementation clause; see 9.4.7.4.6 .

3076 **9.4.7.4.3 Requirements for the specification of individual class adaptations**

3077 Each class adaptation definition subclause within the Adaptation subclause of the Implementation clause  
 3078 shall be titled

3079 `AdaptationClauseTitle = "Adaptation:" AdaptationName ":" AdaptedClassName`

3080 `AdaptationName` is the name of the adaptation (see 7.10.2), and `AdaptedClassName` is the name of  
 3081 the adapted class.

3082 The class adaptation subclause may contain a first subclause titled "General" that defines general  
 3083 requirements of the class adaptation that do not fit into any of the other subclauses.

3084 Each adaptation subclause shall define implementation requirements. Implementation requirements may  
 3085 be defined directly within the subclause that containing the definition of the class adaptation, or within a  
 3086 separate subclause titled "Implementation requirements".

3087 Implementation requirements for properties and methods shall be stated in the form of a table that  
 3088 references those properties and methods of the adapted class that are assigned a requirement level by  
 3089 the class adaptation, and optionally are further constrained; if required, the table entries may refer to  
 3090 other subclauses that provide detail information.

3091 The table listing elements of the adaptation shall be labeled:

3092 `AdaptationElementTableTitle = AdaptationName ":" AdaptedClassName`

3093 `AdaptationName` is the name of the adaptation (see 7.10.2), and `AdaptedClassName` is the name of  
 3094 the adapted class.

3095 In Table 11 requirements for columns in adaptation element tables are defined. Each required column is  
 3096 described by an entry in the list provided in Table 11 . Each list entry starts with the required name of the  
 3097 table column in **bold face**, followed by a dash and the requirements for cells under that column.

3098 **Table 11 – Requirements for columns of adaptation element tables**

**Element** – cell values shall state property requirements (see 7.10.2.5) or method requirements (see 7.10.3.1) defined by the adaptation. Method names shall be suffixed with "( )".

**Requirement** – cell values shall state the requirement level of the property requirement or method requirement. The requirement level shall be stated in conformance to the conventions defined in 9.2.3 .

**Description** – cell values shall conform to the following specifications:

- If the requirement level is "conditional", and unless the condition is already stated in the Requirement column, the condition shall be stated here, as detailed in 9.2.4 .
- The definition of additional requirements. This may include a combination of any of the following elements:

For property requirement on all types of CIM properties (including references):

- the definition of the attribute or characteristic of the object type in the management domain that is represented by the CIM property
- the definition of property value patterns for string properties
- the definition of value constraints
- the definition of default values

- the keyword "Deprecated" if the property is marked deprecated by the profile, or in the schema definition; for details, see 7.16 .

For property requirement on CIM references:

the definition of the multiplicity as detailed in 9.2.5.2.

For method requirements:

- the definition of additional semantics beyond those defined in the schema, with particular attention on the effects in the managed environment
- the keyword "Deprecated" if the method is marked deprecated by the profile, or in the schema definition; for details, see 7.16 .
- The cell value should contain not more than twenty words. Text longer than twenty words should be placed in a separate subclause of the adaptation specific subclause, and referenced from the table cell. The requirements for such separate subclauses are detailed in 9.4.7.4.4 (referenced properties) and 9.4.7.4.5 (referenced methods).

NOTE Version 1.0 of this guide defined "Notes" as the title of the third column; this was changed to "Description" for coherent definition of tables specified in this guide. Many profiles based on version 1.0 of this guide use "Description" already.

3099 The implementation of key properties and properties marked by the Required qualifier in the schema  
3100 definition of the adapted class is always required; for details, see 8.1.2. In order to avoid the replication of  
3101 implementation requirements, such properties shall be only be included in the table if the subject profile  
3102 imposes additional constraints; otherwise, such properties should not be listed.

3103 Optional properties and methods shall not be listed unless the profile defines additional requirements for  
3104 these elements beyond those defined in the schema.

#### 3105 **9.4.7.4.4 Requirements for the specification of property requirements**

3106 The title of property specific subclauses within subclauses defining a class adaptation shall be formatted  
3107 as follows:

3108 `PropertySubclauseTitle = "Property: " PropertyName ( "[ ]" )`

3109 The property specific subclause shall specify a relationship to the aspect of managed objects represented  
3110 by adaptation instances that is reflected by the property as required in 7.10.2.5 .

3111 If value constraints are defined, the conventions defined in 9.2.5 shall be applied.

#### 3112 **9.4.7.4.5 Requirements for the specification of method requirements**

3113 The title of method specific subclauses within subclauses defining a class adaptation shall be formatted  
3114 as follows:

3115 `MethodSubclauseTitle = "Method: " MethodName "( )"`

3116 The method specific subclause should provide a description detailing the semantics of the method as  
3117 required in 7.10.3.1. The description may contain references to use cases (see 9.4.9).

3118 The description of the method parameters required by the subject profile shall be provided in a table.

3119 The table shall be labeled:

3120 `ParameterTableTitle = MethodName "( ) : Parameters"`

3121 In Table 12 requirements for columns in method parameter tables are defined. Each required column is  
3122 described by an entry in the list provided in Table 12 . Each list entry starts with the required name of the  
3123 table column in **bold face**, followed by a dash and the requirements for cells under that column.

3124

**Table 12 – Requirements for columns in method parameter tables**

<p><b>Qualifiers</b> – cell values shall state parameter qualifiers as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– the cell value shall list the textual value "In" if and only if the effective value of the In qualifier for the parameter is true.</li> <li>– the cell value shall list the textual value "Out" if and only if the effective value of the Out qualifier for the parameter is true.</li> <li>– the cell value shall list the textual value "Req" if and only if the effective value of the Required qualifier for the parameter is true.</li> <li>– a profile specification shall not change the interpretation of the value of the schema defined In, Out and Required qualifiers, just present their effective values.</li> </ul> <p>NOTE The textual value "Req" in a cell under the Qualifiers column does not indicate whether or not the profile requires an implementation of the parameter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– multiple textual values shall be separated by commas</li> </ul> <p><b>Name</b> – cell values shall state the parameter name</p> <p><b>Type</b> – cell values shall state the parameter type</p> <p><b>Description/Values</b> – cell values shall provide details about the use of the parameter as required by the profile.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If value constraints are defined, the conventions defined in 9.2.5 shall be applied.</li> <li>– The value in a Description/Value table cell should contain not more than twenty words. Text longer than twenty words should be placed in a subclause of the method specific subclause and referenced from the table cell.</li> </ul>
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3125 If the schema descriptions of method parameters adequately describe the use of the method parameters  
 3126 as required by the subject profile, then the method specific subclause shall refer to the method parameter  
 3127 description in the schema with a statement "See schema description".

EDITORIAL NOTE: We are considering adding a "Requirement level" column to the method parameter table in order to make it more similar to the property requirements table.

The Req qualifier is not suitable here, because it only reflects a schema setting, but does not allow a profile to specify with which requirement level a particular parameter is required.

3128 If the schema descriptions of method return values does not adequately describe their use as required by  
 3129 the subject profile, the method specific subclause shall provide a table specifying return values.

3130 The table shall be labeled:

3131 `ReturnValueTableTitle = MethodName "( ) : Return values".`

3132 In Table 13 requirements for columns of the return value table are defined. Each column is described by  
 3133 an entry in the list provided in Table 13 . Each list entry starts with the required name of the table column  
 3134 in **bold face**, followed by a dash and the requirements for each cell within that column.

3135 **Table 13 – Requirements for columns of the return value table**

<p><b>Value</b> – cell values shall state the numeric return value followed by the corresponding string description in parenthesis. For example: "1 (Not Implemented)".</p> <p><b>Description</b> – cell values shall provide details about the situation indicated by the return value.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If a return value only applies under certain conditions, this shall be stated in the form "Applica-</li> </ul>
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ble only if the <conditional element> is implemented."

- The value in a Description table cell should contain not more than twenty words. Text longer than twenty words should be placed in a subclause of the method specific subclause and referenced from the table cell.

3136 If the schema descriptions of method return values adequately describe their use as required by the  
 3137 subject profile, the method specific subclause should refer to the schema. For example, a Fan profile  
 3138 describing return values for the RequestStateChange( ) method applied to instances of the CIM\_Fan  
 3139 class representing fans might state "For return values see the schema definition of the  
 3140 CIM\_EnabledLogicalElement class.

3141 If the subject profile specifies the use of standard messages for a method, these shall be stated as  
 3142 defined in 9.4.7.4.8 . If the subject profile does not specify use of standard messages for a method, no  
 3143 table shall be provided in the method specific subclause; instead, the method specific subclause shall  
 3144 contain the statement "No standard messages are defined."

#### 3145 **9.4.7.4.6 Requirements for the specification of operations requirements**

3146 Each adaptation definition subclause that defines an adaptation of an ordinary class or of an association  
 3147 shall state operations requirements. A profile shall specify requirements only for operations that are  
 3148 defined in the operations specification referenced by the profile.

3149 Subsequent definitions in this subclause make use of the following ABNF rules:

- 3150 • `TableNum` shall be the number of the table
- 3151 • `OpSpec` shall be a reference to the operations specification
- 3152 • `PcoNum` shall be the subclause number of the "Profile conventions for operations" subclause
- 3153 • `OperationName` shall be the name of an operation for that requirements are defined by the  
 3154 subject profile.

3155 If a default list of operations is defined in the "Profile conventions for operations" subclause  
 3156 (see 9.4.7.4.2), and the default list shall apply unmodified for the specified class adaptation, the following  
 3157 statement (including the NOTE) shall be provided:

3158 "All operations in the default list in" `PcoNum` "shall be implemented as defined in" `OpSpec` "."

3159 "NOTE Base adaptations may define additional requirements on operations."

3160 If a default list of operations is defined, and if additional operations are specified for the specified class, a  
 3161 table shall be provided that details implementation requirements for specific operations that are not  
 3162 covered by the default requirement.

3163 The table shall be preceded by the statement (including the NOTE):

3164 "Table" `TableNum` "lists implementation requirements for operations. If implemented, these operations  
 3165 shall be implemented as defined in" `OpSpec` ". In addition, and unless otherwise stated in Table" `Table-`  
 3166 `Num` ", all operations in the default list in" `PcoNum` "shall be implemented as defined in" `OpSpec` "."

3167 "NOTE Base adaptations may define additional requirements on operations."

3168 If a default list of operations is not defined, a table shall be provided that lists each operation that is  
 3169 required to be implemented by the specified profile. The table shall be preceded by the statement  
 3170 (including the NOTE):

3171 "Table" `TableNum` "lists implementation requirements for operations. If implemented, these shall be  
 3172 implemented as defined in" `OpSpec` "."

3173 "NOTE Base adaptations may define additional requirements on operations."

3174 If a table is provided, it shall be labeled as follows:



3209        `StandardMessageTableTitle = ActivityName "( ) standard messages"`

3210        `ActivityName = MethodName | OperationName`

3211        In Table 15 requirements for columns of the standard message table are defined. Each column is de-  
3212        scribed by an entry in the list provided in Table 15 . Each list entry starts with the required name of the  
3213        table column in **bold face**, followed by a dash and the requirements for each cell within that column.

3214        **Table 15 – Requirements for columns of the standard message table**

**(return) Message ID** – cell values shall state a return value in parenthesis followed by the name of the registering organization and the message ID from that organization

**Message** – cell values shall state the message text (abbreviated, if appropriate).

3215        Each table cell should contain not more than twenty words. If more than twenty words are required,  
3216        respective content shall be place in a separate subclause and referenced from the table.

3217        **9.4.7.4.9 Requirements for the specification of instance requirements**

3218        Each adaptation definition subclause that defines an adaptation of an ordinary class or of an association  
3219        class shall state instance requirements, as defined in 7.10.3.3. Instance requirements may be specified  
3220        as part of the implementation requirements, or may be specified in a separate subclause.

3221        **9.4.7.4.10 Requirements for the specification of indication generation requirements**

3222        Each adaptation definition subclause that defines an adaptation of an indication shall state indication  
3223        generation requirements, as defined in 7.10.4.3. Indication generation requirements may be specified as  
3224        part of the implementation requirements, or may be specified in a separate subclause.

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3225        **Deprecated content - start**

3226        **9.4.8 Requirements for the specification of the Methods clause**

3227        This subclause details requirements for the Methods clause in profile specifications.

3228        **9.4.8.1 General**

3229        Each profile specification that applies the traditional profile specification structure (see 9.3.3) shall contain  
3230        a Methods clause. Profile specifications that apply the condensed profile specification structure shall not  
3231        contain a Methods clause because in this case respective content is specified in the Implementation  
3232        clause already.

3233        **9.4.8.2 Requirements for the specification of methods**

3234        This subclause specifies the definition of the adaptation of methods in profile specifications.

3235 **9.4.8.2.1 General**

3236 The Methods clause shall contain an "Extrinsic methods" subclause.

3237 If the profile specification specifies a specialized profile that does not add requirements for methods, but  
 3238 one or more of its base profile(s) defines requirements for methods, the "Extrinsic methods" subclause  
 3239 shall only contain the statement "All method requirements are defined in base profile(s).".

3240 If the profile specification specifies a profile that does not add adaptations for extrinsic methods, the  
 3241 "Extrinsic methods" subclause shall only contain the statement "No method requirements are defined.".

3242 **9.4.8.2.2 Method specific subclauses**

3243 Each extrinsic method the is referenced by a class adaptation defined subject profile shall be specified in  
 3244 a separate subclause of the "Extrinsic methods" subclause.

3245 The title of method specific subclauses shall be formatted as follows:

3246 `MethodSubclauseTitle = ClassAdaptationName "." MethodName "( )"`

3247 `ClassAdaptationName` shall be the name of the class adaptation, `MethodName` shall be the name of  
 3248 the method.

3249 Method specific subclauses shall be referenced from the subclause of the CIM elements clause that  
 3250 defines the class adaptation referencing the method; see 9.4.10.3 .

3251 Method specific subclauses shall conform to the requirements of 9.4.7.4.5 .

3252 **9.4.8.3 Requirements for the specification of the Operations subclause**

3253 This subclause details requirements for the Operations subclause of the Methods clause in profile  
 3254 specifications.

3255 **9.4.8.3.1 General**

3256 The Methods clause shall contain a "Generic operations" subclause.

3257 If the profile specification specifies a specialized profile that does not add requirements for operations, the  
 3258 "Generic operations" subclause shall only contain the statement "All operation requirements are defined  
 3259 in base profile(s).".

3260 **9.4.8.3.2 Requirements for the specification of the "Profile conventions for operations"  
 3261 subclause**

3262 The "Generic operations" subclause shall contain a "Profile conventions for operations" subclause unless  
 3263 the profile is a specialized profile that does not add specifications for operations beyond those defined in  
 3264 its base profile(s).

3265 The "Profile conventions for operations" subclause shall specify conventions applied by the profile for the  
 3266 specification of requirements for operations; it shall follow the method specific subclauses (if any).

3267 The "Profile conventions for operations subclause" shall state the operations specification that rules the  
 3268 definition of operations in the profile as required in 7.10.3.2 . For example, "This profile defines operations  
 3269 in terms of [DSP0223](#)".

3270 Table 16 defines three options one of which shall be applied by a profile specification for the "Generic  
 3271 operations" subclause:

3272 **Table 16 – Profile convention options**

Option	Requirements for the Intrinsic operations subclause
Option 1 – table includes each operation for each	<b>Deprecated</b> with version 1.0.1; now covered by option 2, with additional requirements specified in 9.4.8.3.3 .

class	"Support for operations for each profile class (including associations) is specified in the following subclauses. Each of these subclauses includes a table listing all the operations supported by this profile. Compliant implementations of this profile shall support all these operations."
<p>Option 2 – table includes operations with profile-specific requirements.</p> <p>The operations in the default list apply to the extent detailed in adaptation specific subclauses of the Methods clause.</p>	<p>The "Profile conventions for operations" subclause of the Methods clause shall contain the text:</p> <p>"For each adaptation (including association adaptations), the implementation requirements for operations, including for those in the following default list, are specified in adaptation specific subclauses of OpScNumber ."</p> <p>OpScNumber is the number of the Operations subclause of the Methods clause.</p> <p>A profile may define a default list of operations, as follows:</p> <p>"The default list of operations is as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">operation-1 operation-2 ..."</p> <p>The default list may be extended for adaptations of classes referenced by an association, as follows:</p> <p>"For adaptations that are referenced by an association adaptation, the default list of operations includes the following operations in addition:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a-operation-1 a-operation-2 ..."</p> <p>The applicability of the default list shall be specified in adaptation specific subclauses of the Operations subclause of the Methods clause; see 9.4.8.3.3 .</p>
<p>Option 3 – table includes operations with profile-specific requirements.</p> <p>Other operations may be implemented.</p>	<p><b>Deprecated</b> with version 1.0.1; now covered by option 2, with additional requirements specified in 9.4.8.3.3 .</p> <p>"Support for operations for each profile class (including associations) is specified in the following subclauses. Each of these subclauses includes either</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a statement "All operations from the default list specified in section nnn are supported as described by DSPXXXX vX.y.z" where nnn is the number of the section containing the default list.</li> <li>• a table listing all the operations that are not constrained by this profile or where the profile requires behavior other than described by DSPXXX.</li> </ul> <p>The default list of operations is operation-1, operation-2, ... Profile requirements for these operations are specified in the "Requirements" column .</p>

3273 The default list of intrinsic operations for ordinary classes typically lists the intrinsic operations related to  
3274 manipulation of instances and possibly intrinsic operations to execute queries.

### 3275 9.4.8.3.3 Requirements for the specification of class specific operations subclauses

3276 A subclause shall be included for each class adaptation (including association adaptations) defined by the  
3277 subject profile. The requirements of 9.4.7.4.6 apply.

3278 For operations related to associations the requirements of 9.4.7.4.7 apply.

3279 **Deprecated content - end**

## 3280 9.4.9 Requirements for the specification of the Use-cases clause

3281 This subclause details requirements for the Use-cases clause in profile specifications.

### 3282 9.4.9.1 General

3283 Each use-case shall be documented in a separate subclause.



### 3284 9.4.9.2 Requirements for the specification of subclauses containing object diagrams

3285 A profile specification may contain zero or more subclauses with object diagrams depicting typical  
3286 situations that a client may observe in the process of applying use-cases defined by the profile. Each  
3287 object diagram subclause shall contain one object diagram; the rules defined in 9.2.2.5 apply.

3288 The title of object diagram subclauses shall be formatted as follows:

3289 `ObjectDiagramSubclauseTitle = SituationName`

3290 `SituationName` shall state a name that enables a human reader to grasp the situation that the object  
3291 diagram depicts; the name shall be unique within the profile specification.

3292 A brief description of the object diagram should be provided, with particular attention on the managed  
3293 objects in the managed environment and their relationships that are represented by the CIM instances  
3294 depicted in the object diagram.

### 3295 9.4.9.3 Requirements for the specification of use-case specific subclauses

#### 3296 9.4.9.3.1 General

3297 Each use-case shall be specified in a separate subclause of the Use-cases clause of a profile specifica-  
3298 tion.

3299 The title of use-case specific subclauses shall be formatted as follows:

3300 `UseCaseSubclauseTitle = UseCaseName`

3301 `UseCaseName` shall state a name for the use-case that enables a human reader to grasp the intent of the  
3302 use-case; the name shall be unique within the profile.

3303 Each use-case specific subclause should contain a brief description of the use-case.

3304 See Appendix A.5 for examples of use-cases.

#### 3305 9.4.9.3.2 Requirements for the specification of preconditions in use-cases

3306 The definition of preconditions as required by 7.13.2 shall be provided within a first subclause within any  
3307 the use-case specific subclause. The precondition subclause shall be titled "Preconditions". If there is  
3308 more than one precondition, a list format should be used.

3309 The situation as described by the preconditions should be presented in the form of an DMTF object  
3310 diagram; DMTF object diagrams may be shared by multiple use-cases, as detailed in 9.4.9.2 .

#### 3311 9.4.9.3.3 Requirements for the specification of flows of activities in use-cases

3312 The description of flows of activities as required by 7.13.3 shall be provided in a separate subclause  
3313 within any use-case specific subclause. The following formal requirements apply:

- 3314 • Descriptions may contain references to DMTF object diagrams .
- 3315 • Normative requirements shall not be duplicated in the use-cases.
- 3316 • Parameters should be stated in a list format where each list entry describes one parameter. If a  
3317 parameter is an embedded CIM instance, a list format should be used to state names and val-  
3318 ues of required or applicable properties. Descriptions of parameters or properties should pro-  
3319 vide an interpretation of their use in the management domain.
- 3320 • The inspection of method results and return parameters may be described either as part of a  
3321 use-case step after the description of a method invocation, or as separate use-case steps.
- 3322 • The main flow of activities should be the sequential processing of use-case steps; however, the  
3323 following phrases may be used to indicate deviations:

- 3324 – "<step post condition>; the use-case continues with step <step number>.", where <step  
3325 post condition> details a simple post condition of the use-case step such as a return value  
3326 and its significance. If more than one next step is possible, each should be listed.
- 3327 – "This completes the use-case; the postconditions in <subclause number> apply."; this  
3328 phrase describes a normal completion of the use-case.
- 3329 – "This terminates the use-case; the postconditions in <subclause number> apply."

3330 Alternatively to the format defined above, use-cases may be presented as pseudo-code.

#### 3331 **9.4.9.3.4 Requirements for the specification of postconditions in use-cases**

3332 The definition of a postconditions as required by 7.13.4 shall be provided in a separate subclause within  
3333 the use-case specific subclause that is titled "Postconditions".

3334 Postcondition subclauses may be further subdivided into subclauses, addressing various situation  
3335 resulting from processing the use-case such as for example success or failure. Such situations may  
3336 likewise be presented by other structuring elements such as lists; however, if separate subclauses are  
3337 required in the case where referenced for example from the description of an activity flow.

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### 3338 **Deprecated content - start**

#### 3339 **9.4.10 Requirements for the specification of the "CIM elements" clause**

3340 This subclause details requirements for the "CIM elements" clause in profile specifications.

##### 3341 **9.4.10.1 General**

3342 Each profile specification that applies the traditional profile specification structure (see 9.3.3) shall contain  
3343 a "CIM elements" clause. Profile specifications that apply the condensed profile specification structure  
3344 shall not contain a "CIM elements" clause because in this case respective content is specified in the  
3345 Implementation clause already.

3346 Version 1.0 of this guide did not formally define the concept of adaptations; instead it informally used the  
3347 terms "class", "profile class" or "supported class". Revisions of existing profile specifications that apply  
3348 this version of this guide (version 1.1.0\_wgv0.7.17) should start using the term adaptation in modified text  
3349 passages; however, it is not required to modify otherwise unmodified text solely for the introduction of  
3350 these new terms. The use of these terms in this guide shall apply correspondingly to entities such as  
3351 "class", "profile class" or "supported class" as used by version 1.0 of this guide.

3352 If the subject profile is a derived profile that does not add specifications for "CIM elements" beyond those  
3353 defined in its base profile(s), the "CIM elements" clause shall contain the statement "All CIM elements are  
3354 defined in base profile(s)".

3355 NOTE Typical examples of derived profiles not adding specifications for CIM elements are those derived from an  
3356 abstract profile for the sole purpose of providing a base for an implementation. Recall that abstract profiles  
3357 must not be implemented directly.

3358 The "CIM elements" clause shall contain the following subclauses:

- 3359 • An initial Overview subclause; see 9.4.10.2 .
- 3360 • A subclause for each adaptation defined by the profile; see 9.4.10.3 .

##### 3361 **9.4.10.2 Requirements for the specification of the Overview subclause**

3362 This subclause details requirements for the Overview subclause of the "CIM elements" clause.

3363 The Overview subclause shall contain a table listing the adaptations defined by the profile (including  
3364 associations and indications). The table shall be labeled:

3365 `CIMElementTableTitle = ProfileName "profile : CIM elements"`

- 3366 `ProfileName` shall be the registered name of the profile. Each entry in the table shall declare an  
 3367 adaptation defined by the subject profile.  
 3368 The table shall have four columns:

**AdaptationName** – cell values shall state the name of the adaptation; see 7.10.2.1 .

**Elements** – cells may be split into subcells, as follows:

- The first subcell shall contain the name of the adapted class.
- If base adaptations are defined, these shall be stated in subsequent subcells, using the following ABNF defined format:

```
AdaptationReference = ProfileName "::<" AdaptationName
```

The value of `ProfileName` shall be the registered name (see 7.4.2) of the referenced profile that defines the referenced adaptation, and the value of `AdaptationName` shall be the name of the referenced adaptation, as defined by its defining profile.

- If a standard message is defined for an indication adaptation, that shall be stated in a subsequent subcell.

**Requirement** – cell values shall state the requirement level for the adaptation, as defined in 9.2.4.3 .

- If an adaptation is based on other adaptations, and different requirement levels apply, these shall be specified in separate subcells in this column; however, within the scope of a cell in the Adaptation column, if all corresponding cells in the Elements column are required with the same requirement level, the respective subcells in the Requirement column may be collapsed into one cell containing the common requirement level.

**Description** – cell values shall contain a description of the adaptation.

The following rules apply:

- If the requirement level is "conditional", and unless the condition is already stated in the Requirement column, the condition shall be stated here, as detailed in 9.2.4 .
- a textual description shall be provided that describes the purpose of the adaptation. The description should describe the managed object type that is modeled by the adaptation, unless that is already addressed with sufficient precision by the schema descriptions of the adapted class.
- For trivial class adaptations defined by the subject profile that do not specify additional requirements beyond those defined in the schema definition of the adapted class, that shall be indicated by the following statement:

```
"See CIM schema definition."
```

- If the corresponding cell in the Elements column is split into subcells, the cell in the Description column shall be split into respective subcells, unless the description applies in all cases, in which case respective subcells in the Description column may be collapsed into one cell containing the common description.
- If the value in any Description subcell exceeds twenty words, a separate adaptation definition subclause shall be provided within the Implementation clause; for details, see 9.4.7.4.3. In this case the description shall be provided as part of the adaptation definition subclause, and the adaptation definition subclause shall be referenced from the cell, as follows:

```
"See" AdaptationSubclauseNumber "."
```

`AdaptationSubclauseNumber` is the number of the subclause of the Implementation clause that contains the definition of the adaptation.

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3370 **9.4.10.3 Requirements for the specification of subclauses defining class adaptations**

3371 The specification of the each class adaptation subclause shall be in compliance with 9.4.7.4, with the  
3372 following admissible deviations:

- 3373 • The title of the subclause may apply the deprecated naming convention using the name of the  
3374 adapted class and a modifier; for details see 7.10.2.1 .

3375 **Deprecated content – end**

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## ANNEX A (Informative) Examples

### 3377 A.1 General

3378 All the examples provided within ANNEX A provide excerpts from a hypothetical Example Fan profile. The  
 3379 examples are related to each other, but together would not form a complete profile specification.

### 3380 A.2 Example of a Synopsis clause

3381 Table 17 provides an example of a Synopsis clause; see 9.4.5 for requirements on the specification of the  
 3382 Synopsis clause.

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**Table 17 – Example of Synopsis clause**

<p><b>X-5 Synopsis</b></p> <p><b>Profile name:</b> Example Fan</p> <p><b>Version:</b> 1.1.0</p> <p><b>Organization:</b> DMTF</p> <p><b>Schema version:</b> 2.24</p> <p><b>Profile type:</b> Component</p> <p><b>Central class adaptation:</b> Fan</p> <p><b>Scoping class adaptation:</b> ComputerSystem</p> <p><b>Scoping algorithm:</b> FanInSystem</p> <p>The Example Fan profile extends the management capability of a scoping profile by adding the capability to describe fans and redundant fans within managed systems.</p> <p>Table X-1 list profiles that are referenced by this profile.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Table X-1 – Related profiles</b></p>					
Profile reference name	Profile name	Organi- zation	Version	Relationship	Description
FanProfileRegistra- tion	Profile Registration	DMTF	1.1	Mandatory	The Profile Registraion profile applied for the registration of implemen- tations of the Example Fan profile.
FanPhysicalAsset	Physical Asset	DMTF	1.1	Optional	The Physical Asset profile applied for fans as physical assets.
FanSensors	Sensors	DMTF	1.1	Conditional	The Sensors profile applied for sensors of fans.  Condition: The FanSpeedSensor feature is implemented; see X-7.2.3 for feature defini- tion.

Table X-2 list the features defined in this profile.

**Table X-2 – Features**

Feature name	Granularity	Requirement	Description
FanStateManagement	Fan instance	Optional	See X-7.2.1 for feature definition
FanElementNameModification	Fan instance	Optional	See x.x for feature definition
FanSpeedSensor	Fan instance	Conditional	See X-7.2.3 for feature definition
FanLifecycleIndications	Profile	Conditional	See X-7.2.4 for feature definition
FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents	Profile	Optional	See X-7.2.5 for feature definition

Table X-3 lists the class adaptations defined in this profile.

**Table X-3 – Class adaptations**

Adaptation	Adapted class and base adaptations	Requirement	Description
<b>Classes</b>			
Fan	CIM_Fan	Mandatory	See X-7.4.3 .
	Profile Registration::CentralElement	Mandatory	
	Example Sensors::Sensor	Conditional	
FanInSystem	CIM_SystemDevice	Mandatory	See X-7.4.4 .
FanCapabilities	CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities	Conditional	See X-7.4.5 .
CapabilitiesOfFan	CIM_ElementCapabilities	Conditional	See X-7.4.6 .
CooledElement	CIM_ManagedElement	Mandatory	See
...	...	...	...
FanSensor	CIM_Sensor	Conditional	See X-7.4.7 .
	Example Sensors::Sensor		
FanNumericSensor	CIM_NumericSensor	Conditional	See X-7.4.8 .
	Example Sensors::NumericSensor		
SensorOfFan	CIM_AssociatedSensor	Conditional	See X-7.4.9 .
	Example Sensors::AssociatedSensor		
...	...	...	...
FanImplementation	CIM_RegisteredProfile	Mandatory	See
	Profile Registration::Implementation		
SensorsForFan	CIM_ReferencedProfile	Mandatory	None
	Profile Registration::ReferencedProfile		
...	...	...	...
System	CIM_System	Mandatory	Scoping class adaptation; scoping profiles base their central class adaptation on this adaptation.
	Profile Registration::ScopingElement		

...	...	...	...
FilterCollection	CIM_FilterCollection	Conditional	See X-7.4.20 .
	Indications::FilterCollection		
IndicationFilter	CIM_IndicationFilter	Conditional	See X-7.4.21 .
	Indications::IndicationFilter		
MemberOfFilter-Collection	CIM_MemberOfCollection	Conditional	See X-7.4.22 .
	Indications::MemberOfCollection		
...	...	...	...
<b>Indications</b>			
InstCreation-ForFanAdded	CIM_InstCreation	Conditional	See X-7.4.31.
InstDeletion-ForFanRemoved	CIM_InstDeletion	Conditional	See X-7.4.32 .
AlertForFanAdded	CIM_AlertIndication	Conditional	See X-7.4.34 .
AlertForFanRemoved	CIM_AlertIndication	Conditional	See X-7.4.35 .
AlertForFanFailed	CIM_AlertIndication	Optional	See X-7.4.36 .
AlertFor-FanReturnedToOK	CIM_AlertIndication	Optional	See X-7.4.37 .
AlertForFanDegraded	CIM_AlertIndication	Optional	See X-7.4.38 .

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3385 **A.3 Example of a Description clause**

3386 Table 18 shows an example of the Description clause for an Example Fan profile.

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**Table 18 – Example of a Description clause**

<p><b>X-6 Description</b></p> <p>The Example Fan profile addresses the management domain of representing and managing fans in managed systems, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the representation of the relationship between fans and the elements that are provided cooling by the fan</li> <li>• the representation of sensors measuring the revolution speed of fans</li> <li>• fan state management</li> </ul> <p>Figure &lt;Fig1&gt; represents the DMTF collaboration structure diagram the Example Fan profile.</p> <p>NOTE Here one or more DMTF collaboration diagram would be placed. For examples, see Figure 6 on page 53 .</p> <p>Systems containing fans are modeled through the FanSystem adaptation, fans are modeled through the Fan adaptation, and their relationship is model through the SystemDevice association adaptation.</p> <p>The element for that a fan provides cooling is modeled through the CooledElement adaptation, and the relationship between a fan and the managed element for that the fan provides cooling is modeled through the AssociatedCooling adaptation.</p> <p>Fan speed sensing is modeled through a conditional FanSpeedSensor feature; its implementation is only required for managed environments containing fans with speed sensors. As part of the FanSpeedSensor feature Fan sensors are modeled either through the DiscreteFanSpeedSensor adaptation (in case of sensors measuring discrete revolution speed values such as "high", "normal" or "low"), or through the AnalogFanSpeedSensor adaptation (in case of sensors measuring an analogous speed value in RPM), and the relationship between a fan and its sensors is modeled through the AssociatedSensor association adaptation.</p> <p>The management of fan state is modeled through an optional FanStateManagement feature. The FanStateManagement feature requires the implementation of the RequestStateChange( ) method for the Fan adaptation.</p>
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3388 **A.4 Example of an Implementation clause**3389 **A.4.1 Example of the general layout of an Implementation clause**

3390 Table 19 shows an example of the general layout of the Implementation clause; see 9.4.7 for require-  
 3391 ments on the specification of the Implementation clause.

3392 **Table 19 – Overview example of an Implementation clause**

<p><b>X-7 Implementation</b></p> <p><b>X-7.1 General</b></p> <p>...</p> <p>// general implementation requirements</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>X-7.2 Features</b></p> <p>// see A.4.2 for example definitions of features</p> <p><b>X-7.3 Events</b></p>
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// see A.4.3 for example definitions of events

**X-7.4 Adaptations**

// see A.4.4 for an example of the "Profile conventions for operations" subclause

// see A.4.5 for examples of subclauses defining adaptations of ordinary classes and associations

// see A.4.6 for examples of subclauses defining indication filter requirements

// see

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3394 **A.4.2 Example of feature definitions**

3395 Table 20 shows examples of feature definitions within the Features subclause of the Implementation  
 3396 subclause; see 7.12 for requirements on the specification of features.

3397 **Table 20 – Example definitions of features**

**X-7.2.1 Feature: FanStateManagement**

The implementation of the FanStateManagement feature is conditional.

Condition: The managed environment includes fans that are state manageable.

**X-7.2.1.1 Feature description**

The implementation of the FanStateManagement feature enables clients to request state changes on fans, such as activation or deactivation.

**X-7.2.1.2 Feature discovery**

The presence of the FanStateManagement feature for a particular Fan instance (see X-7.4.3) is indicated by the exposure of a FanCapabilities instance (see X-7.4.5) that is associated to the Fan instance through a FanElementCapabilities association instance (see X-7.4.6), and the value of the Requested-StatesSupported[ ] array property in the FanCapabilities instance is a non-empty list of values, each representing a supported requestable state for the fan.

**X-7.2.2 Feature: FanElementNameEdit**

[not detailed in this example]

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**X-7.2.3 Feature: FanSpeedSensor**

The implementation of the FanSpeedSensor feature is conditional.

Condition: The managed environment includes fans with sensors.

**X-7.2.3.1 Feature description**

Fan speed sensing is the capability of a fan to provide information about its revolution speed. Fan speed sensor information may be reported as discrete values such as "Normal", or as analogous speed such as "1200" rpm.

**X-7.2.3.2 Feature discovery**

The presence of the FanSpeedSensor feature for a particular Fan instance (see X-7.4.3) is indicated by the exposure of a FanSensor instance (see X-7.4.7) that is associated to the Fan instance through a SensorOfFan instance (see X-7.4.9), and the Sensors profile is supported for the FanSensor instance.

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**X-7.2.4 Feature: FanLifecycleIndications**

The implementation of the FanLifecycleIndications feature is conditional.

Condition: The managed environment provides for the dynamic addition and removal of fans.

This feature defines the requirements for reporting fan lifecycle events (see X-7.3.1 and X-7.3.2) through instance indications.

The presence of the FanLifecycleIndications feature is indicated by a FilterCollection instance in the Interop namespace; see X-7.4.20 . Additionally, the presence of the implementation of individual indications that are defined as part of the FanLifecycleIndications feature may indicated by IndicationFilter instances in the Interop namespace; see X-7.4.21 .

#### **X-7.2.5 Feature: FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents**

The implementation of the FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents feature is optional.

The FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents feature groups the requirements for reporting fan lifecycle events (see X-7.3.1 and X-7.3.2) through process indications.

The presence of the FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents feature is indicated by a FilterCollection instance in the Interop namespace; see X-7.4.20 .

Additionally, the presence of the implementation of individual indications defined as part of the Fan-ProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents feature may indicated by IndicationFilter instances in the Interop namespace; see X-7.4.21 .

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### 3399 **A.4.3 Example of event definitions**

3400 Table 21 shows examples of event definitions within the Events subclause of the Implementation sub-  
3401 clause; see 7.8 for requirements on the specification of events.

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**Table 21 – Example definitions of events**

#### **X-7.3.1 FanAdded event**

The Fan Added event indicates the addition of a fan to the managed environment. After a fan was added to the managed environment the provisions of X-7.4.3 apply.

#### **X-7.3.2 FanRemoved event**

The FanRemoved event indicates the removal a fan from the managed environment. After a fan was removed from the managed environment the provisions of X-7.4.3 no longer apply and the fan shall not be represented as defined in X-7.4.3 .

#### **X-7.3.3 FanFailed event**

The FanFailed event indicates the failure of a fan. After a failure a fan should continued to be represented as defined in X-7.4.3; however, a failure may affect the implementations ability to obtain data about the fan that ultimately may lead to the implementation no longer being able to represent the fan by a CIM\_Fan instance.

#### **X-7.3.4 FanReturnedToOK event**

The FanReturnedToOK event indicates the situation where a fan returns to its normal operational state after a failure; the provisions of X-7.4.3 apply.

#### **X-7.3.5 FanDegraded event**

The FanDegraded event indicates the situation where a fan is unable to provide the required cooling power; the provisions of X-7.4.3 apply.

#### 3403 **A.4.4 Example of "Profile conventions for operations" subclause**

3404 Table 22 details an example of the "Profile conventions for operations" subclause within the Adaptations  
 3405 subclause of the Implementation clause; see 9.4.7.4.2 for requirements on the specification of implement-  
 3406 tion requirements for operations.

#### 3407 **Table 22 – Example of "Profile conventions for operations" subclause**

##### **X-7.4.1 Profile conventions for operations**

This profile defines operations in terms of [DSP0223](#).

The implementation requirements on intrinsic operations (including on those listed in the following default lists) are specified in adaptation specific subclauses of 7.3 .

The default list of intrinsic operations for adaptations for ordinary classes is:

- GetInstance( )
- EnumerateInstances( )
- EnumerateInstanceNames( )

The default list of intrinsic operations for adaptations of association classes is:

- GetInstance( )
- EnumerateInstances( )
- EnumerateInstanceNames( )
- Associators( )
- AssociatorNames( )
- References( )
- ReferenceNames( )

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#### 3408 **A.4.5 Examples of subclauses defining adaptations**

3409 Table 23 details examples of subclauses within the Adaptation subclause of the Implementation clause  
 3410 that define adaptations of ordinary classes and associations; see 9.4.7.4 for requirements on the specifi-  
 3411 cation of class adaptations.

#### 3412 **Table 23 – Examples of subclauses defining adaptations**

##### **X-7.4.3 Adaptation: Fan: CIM\_Fan**

This subclause defines the Fan adaptation for the representation of fans in systems.

##### **X-7.4.3.1 Implementation requirements**

The Fan adaptation adapts the CIM\_Fan class.

The Fan adaptation is based on the CentralElement adaptation defined in [DSP1033](#) (Profile Registration profile).

If the FanSpeedSensor feature (see X-7.2.3) is implemented, the Fan adaptation is based on the MonitoredElement adaptation of the Example Sensors profile.

Each fan in the managed environment shall be represented by a Fan instance.

Table X-10 lists the implementation requirements for the Fan adaptation.

**Table X-10 – Adaptation: Fan: CIM\_Fan**

Element	Requirement	Description
OperationalStatus[ ]	Mandatory	See CIM schema definition
HealthState	Mandatory	See CIM schema definition
VariableSpeed	Mandatory	See CIM schema definition
DesiredSpeed	Conditional	Condition: The FanSpeedSensor feature is implemented; see X-7.2.3 . See CIM schema definition
ActiveCooling	Mandatory	Value shall be TRUE
EnabledState	Mandatory	See CIM schema definition
RequestedState	Conditional	Condition: The FanStateManagement feature is implemented; see X-7.2.1 . See CIM schema definition
ElementName	Conditional	Condition: The FanElementNameManagement feature is implemented; see X-7.2.2 . See CIM schema definition
RequestStateChange( )	Conditional	Condition: The FanStateManagement feature is implemented; see X-7.2.1 . See CIM Schema definition

All operations listed in the default list of operations for adaptations of ordinary classes (see X-7.4.1) shall be implemented as defined in [DSP0223](#). Table X-11 lists additional operations that may be implemented as defined by [DSP0223](#).

**Table X-11 – Fan operations**

Operation	Requirement	Messages
ModifyInstance( )	Optional; see 7.3.3.3	(1) DMTF.SMWG0001 (4) DMTF.SMWG0101 (4) DMTF.SMWG8001 For details see X-7.4.3.6 .

#### **X-7.4.3.2 Property: EnabledState**

The value of the EnabledState property shall convey the state of the represented fan. Admissible values are 2 (Enabled) and 3 (Disabled); all other values shall not be used. A value of 2 (Enabled) shall convey that the fan is activated and working, a value of 3 (Disable) shall convey that the fan is inactive.

#### **X-7.4.3.3 Property: RequestedState**

The value of the RequestedState property shall convey the most recently requested or desired state of the represented fan. Admissible values are 2 (Enabled) and 3 (Disabled); all other values shall not be used. A value of 2 (Enabled) shall convey that the fan is desired to be activated, a value of 3 (Disable) shall convey that the fan is desired to be inactive.

#### **X-7.4.3.4 Method: RequestStateChange( )**

The implementation of the RequestStateChange( ) method for the Fan adaptation is conditional.

Condition: The FanStateManagement feature is implemented; see X-7.2.1 .

If the RequestStateChange( ) method is implemented, the provisions in this subclause apply.

The behavior of the method shall depend on the value of the RequestedState parameter; this is referred to as the *requested state* in this subclause. The Fan instance on that the method is invoked is referred to as the *target instance* in this subclause. The fan in the managed environment that is represented by the target instance is referred to as the *target fan* in this subclause.

The method semantics shall be as follows:

- The value of the RequestedState property in the target instance shall reflect the last requested state.
- If the requested state is 2 (Enabled), the implementation shall request activation of the target fan.
- If the requested state is 3 (Disabled), the implementation shall request deactivation of the target fan.
- Any other requested state shall be rejected, issuing message DMTF.SMWG8009.
- Depending on the outcome of the operation requested by the implementation, the resulting state shall be reflected by the value of the EnabledState property.

**X-7.4.3.5 Operation: ModifyInstance( )**

The implementation of the ModifyInstance( ) operation for the Fan adaptation is optional.

If the ModifyInstance( ) operation is implemented, the provisions in this subclause apply.

The behavior of the method shall depend on the Fan instance that is passed in as the value of the ModifiedInstance parameter; this is referred to as the *input instance* in this subclause. The value of the EnabledState property in the input instance is referred to as the *requested state* in this subclause. The key properties in the input instance shall be used to identify the Fan instance for that the modification is requested; this instance is referred to as the *target instance* in this subclause. The fan in the managed environment that is represented by the target instance is referred to as the *target fan* in this subclause.

The method semantics with respect to the requested state shall be identical to those defined for the RequestStateChange( ) method; see X-7.4.3.4 .

This profile does not specify the implementation behavior regarding other properties of the input instance.

**X-7.4.3.6 Standard messages**

Table X-12 specifies the standard messages returned by the RequestStateChange( ) method.

**Table X-12 – Fan standard messages**

(return) MessageID	Message
(1) DMTF.SMWG0001	Not implemented
(4) DMTF.SMWG8001	Disable fan state change request failed because the temperature of one or more effected element is too high.

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**X-7.4.4 Adaptation: FanInSystem: CIM\_SystemDevice**

This subclause defines the FanInSystem adaptation of the CIM\_SystemDevice association for the representation of the relationship of fans and their containing system.

Table X-15 lists the implementation requirements for the FanInSystem adaptation.

**Table X-15 – Adaptation: FanInSystem: CIM\_SystemDevice**

Element	Requirement	Description
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GroupComponent	Mandatory	<b>Key:</b> Value shall reference the CIM_System instance representing the system that contains the fan <b>Multiplicity:</b> 1
PartComponent	Mandatory	<b>Key:</b> Value shall reference the CIM_Fan instance representing a fan <b>Multiplicity:</b> *

All operations listed in the default list of operations for adaptations of association classes (see X-7.4.1) in shall be implemented as defined in [DSP0223](#).

Each Fan instance required by X-7.4.3 shall be associated to the System instance representing the scoping system through a FanInSystem instance.

#### **X-7.4.5 Adaptation: FanCapabilities: CIM\_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities**

This subclause defines the FanCapabilities adaptation of the CIM\_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities class for the representation of the capabilities of fans in managed systems.

The implementation of the FanCapabilities adaptation is conditional.

Condition: One or more of the following conditions:

- The FanStateManagement feature is implemented; for feature definition see X-7.2.1 .
- The FanElementNameEdit feature is implemented; for feature definition see X-7.2.2 .

#### **X-7.4.5.2 Implementation requirements**

Table X-12 list the requirement for this class adaptation.

**Table X-12 – Adaptation: FanCapabilities: CIM\_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities**

Element	Requirement	Description
RequestedStatesSupported[ ]	Conditional	Condition: The FanStateManagement feature is implemented; see X-7.2.1 . See CIM schema definition.
ElementNameEditSupported	Conditional	Condition: The ElementNameEdit feature is implemented; see X-7.2.2 . Value shall be TRUE.
MaxElementNameLen	Conditional	Condition: The ElementNameEditSupported property is implemented. See CIM schema definition.

All operations listed in the default list of operations for adaptations of ordinary classes (see X-7.4.1) shall be implemented as defined in [DSP0223](#).

#### **X-7.4.5.2 Instance requirements**

If FanCapabilities is implemented, the capabilities of a fan represented by a Fan instance (see X-7.4.3) may be represented by a FanCapabilities instance.

#### **X-7.4.6 Adaptation: CapabilitiesOfFan: CIM\_ElementCapabilities**

This subclause defines the CapabilitiesOfFan adaptation of the CIM\_ElementCapabilities association for the representation of the relationship between a fan and its capabilities.

The implementation of the CapabilitiesOfFan adaptation is conditional.

Condition: The FanCapabilities adaptation is implemented; see X-7.4.5 .

Example-Table 13 lists the requirements for this association adaptation.

**Example-Table 13 – Adaptation: CapabilitiesOfFan: CIM\_ElementCapabilities**

Element	Requirement	Description
ManagedElement	Mandatory	<b>Key:</b> Value shall reference the Fan instance representing a fan <b>Multiplicity:</b> 1..*
Capabilities	Mandatory	<b>Key:</b> Value shall reference the CIM_EnabledLogicalElement instance representing the fans capabilities <b>Multiplicity:</b> 0..1

All operations listed in the default list of operations for adaptations of association classes (see X-7.4.1) shall be implemented as defined in [DSP0223](#).

Each FanCapabilities instance (see X-7.4.5) shall be associated to its Fan instance (see X-7.4.3) through a CapabilitiesOfFan instance.

**X-7.4.7 Adaptation: FanSensor: CIM\_Sensor**

This subclause defines the FanSensor adaptation of the CIM\_Sensor class for the representation of fan speed sensors. The FanSensor adaptation shall be based on the Sensor adaptation defined in DSPxxxx (Example Sensors profile).

The implementation of the FanSensor adaptation is conditional.

Condition: All of the following:

- The FanSpeedSensor feature is implemented
- Fan speed sensors within the managed environment support reporting discrete speed only.

Table X-14 lists the requirements for this class adaptation.

**Table X-14 – Adaptation: FanSensor: CIM\_Sensor**

Element	Requirement	Description
SensorType	Mandatory	Value shall be 5 (Tachometer)

All operations listed in the default list of operations for adaptations of ordinary classes (see X-7.4.1) shall be implemented as defined in [DSP0223](#).

Each fan speed sensor within the managed environment that supports reporting discrete speed only shall be represented by a FanSensor instance.

**X-7.4.8 Adaptation: FanNumericSensor: CIM\_NumericSensor**

This subclause defines the FanNumericSensor adaptation of the CIM\_NumericSensor class for the representation of fan speed sensors.

The implementation of the FanNumericSensor adaptation is conditional.

Condition: All of the following:

- The FanSpeedSensor feature is implemented
- Fan speed sensors within the managed environment support reporting analogous speed.

Table X-15 lists the requirements for this class adaptation.

**Table X-15 – Adaptation: FanNumericSensor: CIM\_NumericSensor**

Elements	Requirement	Notes
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SensorType	Mandatory	Value shall be 5 (Tachometer)
BaseUnits	Mandatory	Value shall be 19 (RPM)
RateUnits	Mandatory	Value shall be 0 (None)

All operations listed in the default list of operations for adaptations of ordinary classes (see X-7.4.1) shall be implemented as defined in [DSP0223](#).

Each fan speed sensor within the managed environment that supports reporting analogous speed shall be represented by a FanNumericSensor instance.

**X-7.4.9 Adaptation: SensorOfFan: CIM\_AssociatedSensor**

This subclause defines the SensorOfFan adaptation of the CIM\_AssociatedSensor association for the representation of the relationship between a fans and their sensors.

The implementation of the SensorOfFan adaptation is conditional.

Condition: The FanSpeedSensor feature is implemented; for feature definition see X-7.2.3 .

Table X-16 lists the requirements for this association adaptation.

**Table X-16 – Adaptation: SensorOfFan: CIM\_AssociatedSensor**

Element	Requirement	Description
Antecedent	Mandatory	<b>Key:</b> Value shall reference the FanSensor (see X-7.4.7) or the FanNumericSensor (see X-7.4.8) instance representing the sensor attached to the fan. <b>Multiplicity:</b> 1
Dependent	Mandatory	<b>Key:</b> Value shall reference the Fan instance representing a fan <b>Multiplicity:</b> *

All operations listed in the default list of operations for adaptations of association classes (see X-7.4.1) shall be implemented as defined in [DSP0223](#).

Each Sensor instance representing a fan sensor as required by X-7.4.7 or X-7.4.8 shall be associated to the Fan instance representing the respective fan through a SensorOfFan instance.

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**3414 A.4.6 Examples of subclauses defining indication filter requirements**

3415 Table 24 details examples of subclauses within the Adaptation subclause of the Implementation clause  
3416 that define adaptations of classes modeling indication filters and filter collections.

**Table 24 – Examples of subclauses defining indication filter requirements**

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<p><b>X-7.4.20 Adaptation: FilterCollection: CIM_FilterCollection</b></p> <p>This subclause defines the FilterCollection adaptation of the CIM_FilterCollection class for the representation of filter collections.</p> <p>The implementation of the FilterCollection adaptation is conditional.</p> <p>Condition: Any indication adaptation defined in this profile is implemented; see X-7.4.31, X-7.4.32, X-7.4.34, X-7.4.35, X-7.4.36, X-7.4.37 and X-7.4.38 .</p>



**X-7.4.20.1 Implementation requirements**

Table X-20 lists the requirements for this class adaptation; these requirements are in addition to those specified in DMTF:DSP1054:1.0 (*Indications* profile).

**Table X-20 – Adaptation: FilterCollection: CIM\_FilterCollection**

Element	Requirement	Description
CollectionName	Mandatory	See X-7.4.20 .

**X-7.4.20.2 Instance requirements**

Table X-21 lists the requirements for FilterCollection instances in the Interop namespace. If and only if the condition stated in a cell in the Condition column in Table 21 is met, an implementation shall expose a FilterCollection instance with the value of the CollectionName property as defined in the corresponding cell in the "Value of CollectionName property" column.

**Table X-21 – CIM\_FilterCollection for fan lifecycle indications**

Condition	Value of CollectionName property
The FanLifecycleIndications feature is implemented; see X-7.2.4 .	"DMTF:Fan:FanLifecycleIndications"
The FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents feature is implemented; see X-7.2.5 .	"DMTF:Fan:FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents"

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**X-7.4.21 Adaptation: IndicationFilter: CIM\_IndicationFilter**

This subclause defines the IndicationFilter adaptation of the CIM\_IndicationFilter class for the representation of indication filters.

The implementation of the IndicationFilter adaptation is conditional.

Condition: One or more of adaptations of the CIM\_AlertIndication indication as defined in X-7.4.36, X-7.4.37 and X-7.4.38 are implemented.

The CIM\_IndicationFilter class should be implemented if any indication adaptation is implemented; see X-7.4.31, X-7.4.32, X-7.4.34, X-7.4.35, X-7.4.36, X-7.4.37 and X-7.4.38 .

**X-7.4.21.1 Implementation requirements**

Table X-22 lists the requirements for this class adaptation; these requirements are in addition to those specified in DSP1054 (*Indications* profile).

**Table X-22 – Adaptation: IndicationFilter: CIM\_IndicationFilter**

Element	Requirement	Description
Name	Mandatory	See Table X-23 .
Query	Mandatory	See Table X-24 .

**X-7.4.21.2 Implementation requirements**

The provisions in this subclause aim at establishing client discovery of the implementation of specific indication adaptations. The implementation of a particular indication adaptation is indicated by the presence of a corresponding IndicationFilter instance in the Interop namespace. The implementation of a particular group of related indication adaptations is indicated by the presence of a corresponding FilterCollection instance in the Interop namespace. If the group is small, provisions in this subclause only require the FilterCollection instance.

Table X-23 defines the relationship between indication adaptations and IndicationFilter instances in the

Interop namespace.

**Example-Table X-23 – Relationship between IndicationFilter instances and indication adaptation implementations**

CIM_IndicationFilter.Name	Related indication adaptation
"DMTF:Fan:FanAdded"	InstCreationForFanAdded; see X-7.4.31 .
"DMTF:Fan:FanRemoved"	InstDeletionForFanRemoved; see X-7.4.32 .
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT456"	AlertForFanAdded; see X-7.4.34 .
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT457"	AlertForFanRemoved; see X-7.4.35 .
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT458"	AlertForFanFailed; see X-7.4.36 .
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT459"	AlertForFanReturnedToOK; see X-7.4.37 .
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT460"	AlertForFanDegraded; see X-7.4.38 .

Table X-24 defines the relationship between IndicationFilter instances and FilterCollection instances.

**Table X-24 – Relationship between IndicationFilter instances and FilterCollection instances**

CIM_IndicationFilter.Name	CIM_FilterCollection.CollectionName
"DMTF:Fan:FanAdded"	"DMTF:Fan:FanLifecycleIndications"
"DMTF:Fan:FanRemoved"	"DMTF:Fan:FanLifecycleIndications"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT456"	"DMTF:Fan:FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT457"	"DMTF:Fan:FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT458"	"DMTF:Conditional/Optional"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT459"	"DMTF:Conditional/Optional"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT460"	"DMTF:Conditional/Optional"

If the indication adaptation listed in a cell of the "Related indication adaptation" column in Table X-23 is implemented, the following provisions apply for a corresponding IndicationFilter instance:

- If the value in the corresponding cell in Table X-24 of the CollectionName column identifies the "DMTF:Conditional/Optional" filter collection, the implementation *shall* expose an IndicationFilter instance in the Interop namespace, with the value of the Name property as defined in Table X-23 and the value of the Query property as defined in Table X-25.
- If the value in the corresponding cell in Table X-24 of the CollectionName column does not identify the "DMTF:Conditional/Optional" filter collection, the implementation *should* expose an IndicationFilter instance in the Interop namespace, with the value of the Name property as defined in Table X-23 and the value of the Query property as defined in Table X-25.

Table X-25 lists the requirements for the value of the Query property in IndicationFilter instances.

**Table X-25 – Value of the Query property in IndicationFilter instances**

CIM_IndicationFilter.Name	CIM_IndicationFilter.Query
"DMTF:Fan:FanAdded"	"Select * From CIM_InstCreation Where SourceInstance ISA CIM_Fan"
"DMTF:Fan:FanRemoved"	"Select * From CIM_InstDeletion Where SourceInstance ISA CIM_Fan"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT456"	"Select * From CIM_AlertIndication Where OwningEntity = DMTF And MessageID=PLAT456"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT457"	"Select * From CIM_AlertIndication Where OwningEntity = DMTF And Mes-

	sageID=PLAT457"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT458"	"Select * From CIM_AlertIndication Where OwningEntity = DMTF And MessageID=PLAT458"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT459"	"Select * From CIM_AlertIndication Where OwningEntity = DMTF And MessageID=PLAT459"
"DMTF:Fan:DMTF:PLAT460"	"Select * From CIM_AlertIndication Where OwningEntity = DMTF And MessageID=PLAT460"

NOTE The values of the Query property defined in Table X-25 reflect summarized descriptions for the generation and assembly of indications; these requirements are detailed in other subclauses of this profile. For example a value of "Select \* From CIM\_InstCreation Where SourceInstance ISA CIM\_Fan" describes that a CIM\_InstCreation indication is to be generated when a CIM\_Fan instance is created. Implicit assumption here is that a CIM\_Fan instance is "created" when a fan is added to the managed system. This profile renders this requirement more precisely by defining the FanAdded event to mark the addition of a fan to a managed system, and in this case requiring the implementation to a) expose an instance of the Fan adaptation (see X-7.4.3) and to b) generate an InstCreationForFanAdded indication adaptation instance (see X-7.4.31).

**X-7.4.22 Adaptation: MemberOfFilterCollection: CIM\_MemberOfCollection**

This subclause defines the MemberOfFilterCollection adaptation of the CIM\_MemberOfCollection association for the representation of the relationship between a filter collections and the collected filters.

The implementation of the MemberOfFilterCollection adaptation is conditional.

Condition: The IndicationFilter adaptation is implemented; see X-7.4.21 .

Table X-26 lists the requirements for this association adaptation; these requirements are in addition to those specified in DSP1054 (Indications profile).

**Table X-26 – Adaptation: MemberOfFilterCollection: CIM\_MemberOfCollection**

Element	Requirement	Description
Collection	Mandatory	<b>Key:</b> Value shall reference the FilterCollection instance representing the filter collection <b>Multiplicity:</b> 1
Member	Mandatory	<b>Key:</b> Value shall reference the IndicationFilter instance representing a collected indication filter <b>Multiplicity:</b> *

Each IndicationFilter instance required by X-7.4.21 shall be associated with a FilterCollection instance required by X-7.4.20 through a MemberOfFilterCollection instance.

If an IndicationFilter instance is instantiated in the Interop namespace (see X-7.4.21), and the value of the CIM\_IndicationFilter.Name property matches a value listed in the CIM\_IndicationFilter.Name column in Table X-24, that IndicationFilter instance shall be associated through a MemberOfFilterCollection instance to the FilterCollection instance (see X-7.4.20) for which the value of the CIM\_FilterCollection.CollectionName property matches that specified in the corresponding cell in the CIM\_FilterCollection.CollectionName column in Table X-24.

3418 **A.4.7 Examples of subclauses defining indication adaptations**

3419 Table 25 details examples of subclauses within the Adaptation subclause of the Implementation clause  
3420 that define adaptations of indications.

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Table 25 – Examples of subclauses defining indication adaptations

Element	Requirement	Description
IndicationIdentifier	Mandatory	Value shall contain a unique identification of the indication instance; for the format see CIM schema definition.
IndicationTime	Mandatory	Value shall contain the time of the reported event; for the format see CIM schema definition.
PerceivedSeverity	Mandatory	Value shall be identical to that of the PER-CEIVED_SEVERITY xml property in the message definition of the message identified by the value of the MessageID property.
IndicationFilterName	Mandatory	See X-7.4.30.2 .

**X-7.4.30.2 Property: CIM\_Indication.IndicationFilterName**

The value of the IndicationFilterName property in any generated indication instance shall be set as follows:

If a related CIM\_IndicationFilter instance is instantiated in the Interop namespace for the indication (see X-7.4.21), then the value of the IndicationFilterName property in the CIM\_Indication instance shall be identical to that of the Name property in the related CIM\_IndicationFilter instance; otherwise, the value of the IndicationFilterName property in the CIM\_Indication instance shall be identical to the value of the CollectionName property in the related CIM\_FilterCollection instance instantiated in the Interop namespace (see X-7.4.20).

**X-7.4.31 Adaptation: InstCreationForFanAdded: CIM\_InstCreation**

The implementation of the InstCreationForFanAdded adaptation is conditional.

Condition: The FanLifecycleIndications feature is implemented; for feature definition see X-7.2.4 .

Example-Table 42 lists the requirements for this indication adaptation; these requirements are in addition to those specified in X-7.4.30 .

**Table X-42 – Adaptation: InstCreationForFanAdded: CIM\_InstCreation**

Element	Requirement	Description
SourceInstance	Mandatory	Value shall contain a copy of the Fan instance representing the added fan; see X-7.4.3 .
SourceInstanceModelPath	Mandatory	Value shall refer to the Fan instance representing the added fan; see X-7.4.3. For the format of the reference see CIM schema definition.
SourceInstanceHost	Optional	Value may contain the host name or IP address of the system hosting the added fan.

A InstCreationForFanAdded instance shall be generated for each FanAdded event; see X-7.3.1 .

**X-7.4.32 Adaptation: InstDeletionForFanRemoved: CIM\_InstDeletion**

The implementation of the InstDeletionForFanRemoved indication adaptation is conditional.  
 Condition: The FanLifecycleIndications feature is implemented; for feature definition see X-7.2.4 .  
 Table X-43 lists the requirements for this indication adaptation; these requirements are in addition to those specified in X-7.4.30 .

**Table X-43 – Adaptation: InstDeletionForFanRemoved: CIM\_InstDeletion**

Element	Requirement	Description
SourceInstance	Optional	Value shall contain a copy of the Fan instance that represented the removed fan; see X-7.4.3 . NOTE: The Fan instance no longer exists.
SourceInstanceModelPath	Mandatory	Value shall refer to the Fan instance that represented the removed fan; see X-7.4.3. For the format of the reference see CIM schema definition. NOTE: The Fan instance no longer exists.
SourceInstanceHost	Optional	Value may contain the host name or IP address of the system hosting the added fan.

A InstDeletionForFanRemoved instance shall be generated for each FanRemoved event; see X-7.3.2 .

**X-7.4.33 Adaptation: AlertIndication: CIM\_AlertIndication**

The AlertIndication adaptation details general requirements for the implementation of adaptations of the CIM\_AlertIndication indication as specified in X-7.4.34, X-7.4.35, X-7.4.36, X-7.4.37 or X-7.4.38 . The requirements defined in this subclause are in addition to those specified in DMTF DSP1054:1.0 (*Indications* profile).

Table X-44 lists general requirements for adaptations of the CIM\_AlertIndication indication; these requirements are in addition to those specified in X-7.4.30 .

**Table X-44 – Common requirements for adaptations of the CIM\_AlertIndication indication**

Element	Requirement	Description
AlertingManagedElement	Mandatory	Value shall refer to the CIM_Fan instance representing the fan in context of that the reported event occurred.
AlertingManagedElement-Format	Mandatory	Value shall be 3 (Wbem URI)
AlertType	Mandatory	Value shall be identical to that of the ALERT_TYPE xml property in the message definition of the message identified by the value of the MessageID property.
MessageID	Mandatory	Value specified in specific adaptation; see X-7.4.34, X-7.4.35, X-7.4.36, X-7.4.37 or X-7.4.38 .
Message	Optional	Value specified in specific adaptation; see X-7.4.34, X-7.4.35, X-7.4.36, X-7.4.37 or X-7.4.38 .
MessageArguments	Mandatory	Value specified in specific adaptation; see X-7.4.34, X-7.4.35, X-7.4.36, X-7.4.37 or X-7.4.38 .

**X-7.4.34 Adaptation: AlertForFanAdded: AlertIndication**

The implementation of the AlertForFanAdded indication adaptation is conditional.  
 Condition: The FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents feature is implemented; for feature definition see X-7.2.4 .

**X-7.4.34.1 Implementation requirements**

The AlertForFanAdded indication adaptation specializes the AlertIndication adaptation; see X-7.4.33 .  
Table X-45 lists the requirements for this indication adaptation; these requirements are in addition to those specified in X-7.4.33 .

**Table X-45 – Adaptation: AlertForFanAdded: CIM\_AlertIndication**

Element	Requirement	Description
MessageID	Mandatory	Value shall match "PLAT456".
Message	Optional	If implemented, value shall contain the complete text of message "PLAT456", with actual argument values.
MessageArguments[0]	Mandatory	Value shall be identical to the value of the ElementName property in the Fan instance representing the added fan; see X-7.4.3 .
MessageArguments[1]	Mandatory	Value shall be in WBEM URI format and refer to the CIM_ComputerSystem instance representing the scoping computer system.

**X-7.4.34.1 Indication generation requirements**

If subscriptions exist, an AlertForFanAdded instance shall be generated for each FanAdded event; see X-7.3.1 .

**X-7.4.35 Adaptation: AlertForFanRemoved: AlertIndication**

The implementation of the AlertForFanRemoved indication adaptation is conditional.

Condition: The FanProcessIndicationsForLifecycleEvents feature is implemented; for feature definition see X-7.2.5 .

The AlertForFanRemoved indication adaptation specializes the AlertIndication adaptation; see X-7.4.33 .

Table X-46 lists the requirements for this indication adaptation; these requirements are in addition to those specified in X-7.4.33 .

**Table X-46 – Adaptation: AlertForFanRemoved: CIM\_AlertIndication**

Element	Requirement	Description
MessageID	Mandatory	Value shall match "PLAT457".
Message	Optional	If implemented, value shall contain the complete text of message "PLAT457", with actual argument values.
MessageArguments[0]	Mandatory	Value shall be identical to the value of the ElementName property in the Fan instance that represented the removed fan; see X-7.4.3 . NOTE: The Fan instance no longer exists.
MessageArguments[1]	Mandatory	Value shall be in WBEM URI format and refer to the CIM_ComputerSystem instance representing the scoping computer system.

An AlertForFanRemoved instance shall be generated for each FanRemoved event; see X-7.3.2 .

**X-7.4.36 Adaptation: AlertForFanFailed: CIM\_AlertIndication**

The implementation of the AlertForFanFailed indication adaptation is optional.

Table X-47 lists the requirements for this indication adaptation; these requirements are in addition to

those specified in X-7.4.33 .

**Table X-47 – Adaptation: AlertForFanFailed: CIM\_AlertIndication**

Element	Requirement	Description
MessageID	Mandatory	Value shall match "PLAT458".
Message	Optional	If implemented, value shall contain the complete text of message "PLAT458", with actual argument values.
MessageArguments[0]	Mandatory	Value shall be identical to the value of the ElementName property in the Fan instance representing the failed fan; see X-7.4.3 .
MessageArguments[1]	Mandatory	Value shall be in WBEM URI format and refer to the CIM_ComputerSystem instance representing the scoping computer system.

An AlertForFanFailed instance shall be generated for each FanFailed event; see X-7.3.3 .

**X-7.4.37 Adaptation: AlertForFanReturnedToOK: CIM\_AlertIndication**

The implementation of the AlertForFanReturnedToOK indication adaptation is optional.

Table X-48 lists the requirements for this indication adaptation; these requirements are in addition to those specified in X-7.4.33 .

**Table X-48 – Adaptation: AlertForFanReturnedToOK: CIM\_AlertIndication**

Element	Requirement	Description
MessageID	Mandatory	Value shall match "PLAT459".
Message	Optional	If implemented, value shall contain the complete text of message "PLAT459", with actual argument values.
MessageArguments[0]	Mandatory	Value shall be identical to the value of the ElementName property in the CIM_Fan instance representing the failed fan.
MessageArguments[1]	Mandatory	Value shall be in WBEM URI format and refer to the CIM_ComputerSystem instance representing the scoping computer system.

An AlertForFanReturnedToOK instance shall be generated for each FanReturnedToOK event; see X-7.3.4 .

**X-7.4.38 Adaptation: AlertForFanDegraded: CIM\_AlertIndication**

The implementation of the AlertForFanDegraded indication adaptation is optional.

Table X-49 lists the requirements for this indication adaptation; these requirements are in addition to those specified in X-7.4.33 .

**Table X-49 – Adaptation: AlertForFanDegraded: CIM\_AlertIndication**

Element	Requirement	Description
MessageID	Mandatory	Value shall match "PLAT460".
Message	Optional	If implemented, value shall contain the complete text of message "PLAT460", with actual argument values.
MessageArguments[0]	Mandatory	Value shall be identical to the value of the ElementName property in the CIM_Fan instance representing the failed fan.
MessageArguments[1]	Mandatory	Value shall be in WBEM URI format and refer to the CIM_ComputerSystem instance representing the scoping

		computer system.
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An AlertForFanDegraded instance shall be generated for each FanDegraded event; see X-7.3.5 .
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3422 **A.5 Example of Use-cases clause**

3423 Table 26 provides an example of the Use-cases profile specification clause.

3424 **Table 26 – Example of Use-cases clause**

**X-8 Use-cases**

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**X-8.3 Determine fan state**

This use-case describes the use of the GetInstance( ) operation as adapted by this profile (see X-8.2.2) inspecting the state of a fan.

**X-8.3.1 Preconditions**

The client knows the instance path of the Fan instance representing the fan.

**X-8.3.2 Flow of activities**

- 1) The client obtains the Fan instance, invoking the GetInstance( ) operation with parameter values set as follows:
  - The value of the InstancePath parameter is set to the input instance path that refers to the Fan instance.
  - Optionally, the value of the IncludedProperties[ ] array property may be set to one element whose value is "EnabledState"; this would reduce the returned instance to include only the value of the EnabledState property.

The implementation executes the operation as requested by the client.

If the GetInstance( ) operation returns, the use-case continues with step 1)2) .

If the GetInstance( ) operation causes an exception, the use-case continues with step 1)4) .

- 2) The client inspects the return code
  - A return code of 0 indicates successful execution of the intrinsic operation; the use-case continues with step 3) .
  - A return code of 1 (Not Supported) indicates that the implementation does not support the method; this terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.3.3.2 apply.
  - A return code of 2 (Unknown or Unspecified Error) indicates an error situation that is not covered by the profile specification; this terminates the use-case, the postconditions in 9.3.3.2 apply.
- 3) The client inspects the value of the EnabledState property of the returned CIM\_Fan instance:
  - A value of 0 (Unknown) indicates that the state of the fan is unknown; this may be a temporary condition.
  - A value of 2 (Enabled) indicates that the fan is active.
  - A value of 3 (Disabled) indicates that the fan is inactive.
  - A value of 4 (Shutting Down) indicates that the fan is in the process of deactivating.
  - A value of 10 (Starting) indicates that the fan is in the process of activating.



- Other values are not adapted by this profile.

This completes the use-case; the postconditions in X-8.3.3.1 apply.

- 4) The GetInstance( ) intrinsic operation caused an exception. The client inspects the CIM\_Error instances returned as part of the exception.

### **X-8.3.3 Postconditions**

This subclause lists possible situations after the use-case execution.

#### **X-8.3.3.1 Success**

The fan state as reflected by the value of the EnabledState property is known to the client.

#### **X-8.3.3.2 Failure**

- 9) The fan state could not be determined; reasons were reflected through either through the value of the return code or through CIM\_Error instances delivered as part of an exception.

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## **X-8.7 Enabling a fan through the RequestStateChange( ) method**

This use-case describes the use of the RequestStateChange( ) method as adapted by this profile (see X-8.1.1) for enabling a fan.

### **X-8.7.1 Preconditions**

- The client knows the instance path of the CIM\_Fan instance representing the fan.
- Fan state changes are supported for that instance (for detection see X-9.4) and the fan is currently disabled (for inspection see X-8.3).

### **X-8.7.2 Flow of activities**

- 1) The client requests activation of the fan, invoking the RequestStateChange( ) method on the input instance representing the fan, with parameter values set as follows:
  - The value of the RequestedState property is 2 (Enabled)
  - The value of the TimeoutPeriod property is not provided (NULL)

The implementation executes the method as requested by the client.

If the RequestStateChange() method returns, the use-case continues with step 2) .

If the RequestStateChange() method causes an exception, the use-case continues with step 3) .

- 2) The client inspects the return code:
  - A return code of 0 indicates successful execution of the method. This completes the use-case; the post-conditions in X-8.7.4.1 apply.
  - A return code of 1 (Not Supported) indicates that the implementation does not support the method; this terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.7.4.2 apply.
  - A return code of 2 (Unknown or Unspecified Error) indicates an error situation that is not covered by the profile specification; this terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.7.4.3 apply.
  - A return code of 4 (Failed) indicates that the implementation was unable to enable the fan; this terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.7.4.2 apply.
  - A return code of 5 (Invalid Parameter) indicates that one or more of the input parameters were invalid; this terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.7.4.2 apply.
  - A return code of 6 (In Use) indicates that the fan is in use by another management activity; this terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.7.4.3 apply.

- A return code of 4096 (Method Parameter Checked – Job Stared) indicates that an asynchronous task was started that performs and controls the fan state change operation that is represented by a CIM\_ConcreteJob instance referenced by the value of the Job output parameter; the use-case continues with step 4).
  - A return code of 4097 (Invalid State Transition) indicates that the fan is in a state that (presently) does not allow a transition to the requested state; this terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.7.4.2 apply.
- 3) The RequestStateChange() method caused an exception. The client inspects the CIM\_Error instances returned as part of the exception. This terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.7.4.2 apply.
  - 4) The client obtains the CIM\_ConcreteJob instance, invoking the GetInstance( ) operation with parameter values set as follows:
    - The value of the InstancePath parameter is set to value of the Job output parameter returned from step 1) .

The implementation executes the intrinsic operation as requested by the client.

If the GetInstance( ) intrinsic operation returns, the use-case continues with step 5) .

If the GetInstance( ) intrinsic operation causes an exception, the client inspects the CIM\_Error instances returned as part of the exception. This terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.7.4.2 apply.

- 5) The client inspects the value of the JobState property:
  - A value of 7 (Completed) indicates successful execution of the use-case. This completes the use-case; the post-conditions in X-8.7.4.1 apply.
  - A value matching { 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 11 | 12 } (New | Starting | Running | Suspended | Service | Query pending) indicates that the asynchronous task has not yet finished; after waiting a certain delay, the client continues with repeating step 4).
  - Any other value matching indicates an error situation or a situation not anticipated in this profile; this terminates the use-case, the postconditions in X-8.7.4.2 apply.

#### **X-8.7.4 Postconditions**

This subclause list possible situations after the use-case execution.

##### **X-8.7.4.1 Success**

- The fan is enabled
- If inspected for example by performing use-case X-8.3, the value of the EnabledState property in the instance of the CIM\_Fan class representing the fan has the value 1 (Enabled).

**NOTE** The client should regularly validate (for example through the application of use-case X-8.3) that the fan remains enabled, as conditions in the managed environment (failures, activities by other operators, etc.) could cause fan state changes. Alternatively the client could monitor CIM\_InstModification indications indicating state changes in the CIM\_Fan instance representing the fan.

##### **X-8.7.4.2 Failure with unchanged state**

The fan remains disabled.

##### **X-8.7.4.2 Failure with undefined state**

The state of the fan is undetermined.

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## ANNEX B Regular expression syntax

3427 This annex defines the regular expression syntax used in profile specifications to specify the format of  
 3428 values, especially those representing identifiers. The regular expression grammar below uses Augmented  
 3429 BNF (ABNF) as defined in [RFC5234](#) with the following exceptions:

- 3430 • Ranges of alphabetic characters or numeric values may be specified using two periods (". . ")  
 3431 placed between the beginning and ending values of the range (in addition to the use of the mi-  
 3432 nus sign ( - ) as defined in ABNF).
- 3433 • The rules defined in this syntax are assembled into a complete query by assuming white space  
 3434 characters between them, except where noted otherwise. (ABNF requires explicit specification  
 3435 of white space.)  
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3437 NOTE 1 ABNF is NOT case-sensitive.

3438 NOTE 2 The implicit concatenation rules as specified by ABNF apply, that is, in any ABNF rule in this annex,  
 3439 whitespace outside of literals is not part of the definition and to be ignored. However, this does NOT apply  
 3440 to the regular expression that are defined in profiles conforming to this ABNF. In particular, except where  
 3441 noted, white space is significant within these conforming regular expressions.

3442 Profile regular expressions are a subset of the regular expressions defined in [UNIX Regular Expressions](#).

3443 The following elements are defined:

### 3444 Special characters

3445 `SpecialChar = "." / "\" / "[" / "]" / "^" / "$" / "*" / "+" / "?" /`  
 3446 `"/" / "|"`

3447 where

3448	<code>"."</code>	matches any single character
3449	<code>"\"</code>	escapes the next character so that it isn't a <code>SpecialChar</code>
3450	<code>"["</code>	starts a <code>CharacterChoice</code>
3451	<code>"]"</code>	ends a <code>CharacterChoice</code>
3452	<code>"^"</code>	indicates a <code>LeftAnchor</code>
3453	<code>"\$"</code>	indicates a <code>RightAnchor</code>
3454	<code>"*"</code>	indicates that the preceding item is matched zero or more times.
3455	<code>"+"</code>	indicates that the preceding item will be matched one or more times.
3456	<code>"?"</code>	indicates that the preceding item is optional and will be matched at most once.
3457	<code>" "</code>	separates choices

### 3458 Ordinary characters

3459 `OrdinaryChar = UnicodeChar, except SpecialChar`

3460 where

3461 `UnicodeChar` refers to any Unicode character, as defined in [RFC3629](#).

### 3462 Escaped special characters

3463 `EscapedChar = "\" SpecialChar`

### 3464 Simple character

3465 `SimpleChar = OrdinaryChar / EscapedChar`

### 3466 Character sequence

3467 `CharacterSequence = SimpleChar | CharacterSequence`

3468 A `CharacterSequence` is a sequence of `SimpleChars`, such as for example,

3469 `"ABC"` matching `"ABC"`, or

3470 `"D.F"` matching `"DAF"`, `"DBF"`, `"DCF"`, and so forth.

### 3471 **Character choice**

3472 `CharacterChoice = "[" CharacterSequence "]" [ "^" ]`

3473 A `CharacterChoice` defines a set of possible characters. It is indicated by square brackets  
3474 (`"["` and `"]"`) enclosing the set of characters.

3475 – If a caret ("`^`") is *not* suffixed after the closing bracket, any character from the set  
3476 matches. For example, `"r[au]t"` matches `"rat"` or `"rut"`.

3477 – If a caret ("`^`") is suffixed after the closing bracket, any character *not* in the set matches.  
3478 For example, `"r[au]^t"` matches any 3 character sequence with the middle character not be-  
3479 ing `"a"` or `"u"`, such as for example `"ret"` or `"r.t"`.

### 3480 **Single character**

3481 `SingleChar = "." / SimpleChar / CharacterChoice`

3482 For example,

3483 `"D.F"` matching `"DAF"`, `"DBF"`, `"DCF"`, and so forth, or

3484 `"GH[IJ]"` matching `"GHI"` or `"GHJ"`.

### 3485 **Multipliers**

3486 `Multiplier = "*" / "+" / "?" / "{" UnsignedInt ["," [UnsignedInt]] "}"`

3487 where

3488 `"*"` indicates that the preceding item is matched zero or more times

3489 `"?"` indicates that the preceding item is matched zero or one time (optional item)

3490 `"+"` indicates that the preceding item is matched one or more times.

3491 `UnsignedInt` is an unsigned integer number.

### 3492 **Multiplied character**

3493 `MultipliedChar = SingleChar [ Multiplier ]`

3494 A `MultipliedChar` is a `SingleChar` with a `Multiplier` applying, such as for example

3495 `"C*"` matching `"", "C", "CC", "CCC",` and so forth, or

3496 `"[EF]{1,2}"` matching `"E", "F", "EE", "EF", "FE"` or `"FF"`

### 3497 **Character expression**

3498 `CharacterExpression = MultipliedChar | MultipliedChar CharacterExpres-`  
3499 `sion`

3500 A `CharacterExpression` is a descriptor for a sequence of one or more characters, such as  
3501 for example

3502 `"X"` matching `"X"` only,

3503 "ABC" matching "ABC" only,  
 3504 "ABC\*" matching "AB", "ABC", "ABCC", "ABCCC", and so forth,  
 3505 "A[BC]D" matching "ABD" or "ACD", or  
 3506 "1[.]{2,3}n" matching "1..n" or "1...n".

### 3507 **Grouping**

3508 Grouping = "(" SimpleChoice ")" [ Multiplier ]

3509 A Grouping is a SimpleChoice that optionally can be multiplied, such as for example

3510 "(ABC)" matching "ABC",  
 3511 "(XYZ)+" matching "XYZ", "XYZXYZ", "XYZXYZXYZ", and so forth.

### 3512 **Choice**

3513 Choice = Grouping | Grouping Choice

3514 A Choice is a choice from one or more Groupings, such as for example,

3515 "(DEF)?|GHI" matching "", "DEF", or "GHI"

### 3516 **Left anchor**

3517 LeftAnchor = "^"

3518 A LeftAnchor forces a match at the beginning of a string.

### 3519 **Right anchor**

3520 RightAnchor = "\$"

3521 A RightAnchor forces a match at the end of a string.

### 3522 **AnchoredExpression**

3523 AnchoredExpression = [ RightAnchor ] Choice [ LeftAnchor ]

3524 An AnchoredExpression is a Choice that is optionally anchored to the left end, to the right  
 3525 end or to both ends of a string.

### 3526 **AnchoredChoice**

3527 AnchoredChoice = AnchoredExpression "|" AnchoredExpression Anchored-  
 3528 Choice

3529 An AnchoredChoice is a choice from one or more AnchoredExpressions.

### 3530 **RegularExpressionInProfile**

3531 RegularExpressionInProfile = AnchoredChoice

3532 A regular expression within a profile is an AnchoredChoice.

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## ANNEX C (informative) Bibliography

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## ANNEX D (informative) Change history

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Version	Date	Description
1.0.0	2006-06-14	Initial final release
1.0.1	2009-08-05	DMTF Standard Release. Changes: Updated copyright statement Updated and corrected references listed in 2 Added provisions for specifying a scoping algorithm in 6.1 Simplified and corrected profile conventions for operations in 6.4.2 Added Annex F, Experimental Content Added Annex G, Change Log Added Bibliography Minor text corrections throughout the document.
1.1.0k	2009-11-03	Work in progress release. Changes: New concepts: Adaptations, features and events Rules for the definition of indications Rules for defining the relationship to the managed environment Condensed structure of profile specifications Many clarifications and corrections

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