



## DEFINITION

Name	Cryptography						
Description	Cryptography transforms data into a secured format. It is a critical tool for protecting information and is used to provide many security services, such as keeping data secret, enabling digital signatures, and ensuring that data has not been modified. Cryptography both depends on and supports other security controls, including physical security, identification and authentication, logical access controls, and audit trails						
Rationale	Data needs special protection if it is sensitive, has a high value, or is vulnerable to unauthorized disclosure or undetected modification. Cryptographic methods protect against intentional or accidental compromise and alteration of data.						
Benefits	<ul> <li>Protects data confidentiality.</li> <li>Protects data integrity.</li> <li>Enables authentication of user identity.</li> <li>Protects data during transmission and in storage.</li> </ul>						
ASSOCIATED ARCHITECTURE LEVELS							
List the Domain Name		Security					
List the Discipline Name		Technical Controls					
Associated Compliance Components							
List the Compliance Component Names		<ul> <li>Secret Key Cryptography</li> <li>Public Key Infrastructure</li> <li>Hashing</li> <li>Crytography Design/Implementation         <ul> <li>Hardware vs. Software Encryption</li> <li>Encryption Key Management</li> </ul> </li> <li>Cryptography Uses         <ul> <li>Digital Signature</li> <li>Cryptography for Stored Data</li> <li>Cryptography for VPN</li> <li>Cryptography for Email</li> <li>Cryptography for Wireless</li> <li>Cryptography for Web Servers</li> </ul> </li> </ul>					
Associated Product Components							
List the Product Component Names		<ul><li>Entrust Secure Messaging Solution</li><li>VeriSign Digital Certificates</li></ul>					
TECHNOLOGY AREA DETAIL							
Supporting Documentation		NIST SP 800-14, Generally Accepted Principles and Practices for Securing Information Technology Systems, NIST SP 800-21, Guideline for Implementing Cryptography in the Federal Government, FIPS 140-2, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules					

Document Source Reference #	www.csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistpubs						
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