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Redfish Interoperability Profiles

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Redfish Interoperability Profile Goals

- The Redfish specification has a minimal set of “required properties”
 - These are mostly structural properties necessary to support the data model
 - This was done to allow implementation on a wide variety of products
- An Interoperability Profile provides “common ground” for implementation
 - Service implementers know what needs to be included
 - Client software developers know what to expect
 - Profile document can be used by a client to pre-determine available resources and property-level support
 - Users receive consistent behavior among products and vendors
- DMTF will host profile documents for download



Redfish Interoperability Profile Usage

- A profile would apply to a particular category or class of product (e.g. “Front-end web server”, “NAS”, “Enterprise-class database server”)
- It specifies Redfish implementation requirements, but **is not** intended to mandate underlying hardware/software features of a product
- Provides a target for implementers to meet customer requirements
- Provide baseline expectations for client software developers utilizing Redfish
- Enable customers to easily specify Redfish functionality / conformance in RFQs



Redfish Interoperability Profile Ecosystem

- Machine-readable profile definition file
 - JSON document specified by DMTF document DSP0272
 - https://www.dmtf.org/sites/default/files/standards/documents/DSP0272_1.0.0_0.pdf
 - Simple design allows non-programmers to create profiles
 - Schema available (RedfishProfile.v1_0_0.json) for use with JSON schema validators
- Open source Profile Interop Validator
 - Uses Profile document to check an implementation for conformance
 - <https://github.com/DMTF/Redfish-Interop-Validator>
- Open source documentation generator
 - Combines Profile document with Redfish schemas to produce “user guide”
 - <https://github.com/DMTF/Redfish-Tools>



Redfish Interoperability Profile – Document Format



Profile Document Format

JSON document with simple structure to list resources and properties

- Format allows easy comparison to a retrieved Redfish payload
 - Ex. “PropertyRequirements” object with Redfish properties
- Can build definition on top of other Profile(s)
- Also allows specification of Redfish Protocol features, Resources/Properties, Actions and Registries.

Versioning support in both Profile and Resource requirements

- Profile is a static definition once published
 - Does not increase in scope as schemas are revised
- Recommend that changes to profile occur with “major” revisions
 - Allow for errata, but Profile should be built for longevity
 - Example: “Basic Server v1”, “Basic Server v2”



Profile Document Structure

Profile info, Protocol requirements

Resource #1 requirements

Resource #2 requirements

...

Resource #N requirements

Registry #1 requirements

Registry #N requirements

- Each section a JSON object
- Resource (schema) and Registry objects follow the names of the defining schema
 - e.g. “EthernetInterface”
- Property-level requirement nested within Resource requirements, named to follow the defined property name
 - e.g. “AssetTag”, “SpeedMbps”



Profile-level information and Protocol Requirements

```
“SchemaDefinition”: “RedfishInteroperabilityProfile.v1_0_0”,
“ProfileName”: “Anchovy”,
“ProfileVersion”: “1.0.2”,
“OwningEntity”: “Pizza Box Project”,
“Purpose”: “This is a sample Redfish profile.”,
“ContactInfo”: “pizza@contoso.com”,
“RequiredProfiles”: {
  “DMTFBasic”: {
    “MinVersion”: “1.0.0”,
  },
  “ContosoPizza”: {
    “Repository”: “http://contoso.com/profiles”,
    “MinVersion”: “1.0.0”
  }
},
“ProtocolRequirements”: {
  “MinVersion”: “1.0.0”,
  “DiscoveryRequired”: false
},
```

- Basic information
- Name, version, author, etc.

- Ability to include other Profiles to build upon past work
- But profile cannot loosen requirements included from other profiles, only add additional requirements

- “Protocol requirements” are Redfish features which are not part of the JSON response payload(s).

Resource (schema) level requirements

```
"ContosoTimeMachine": {
  "Repository": "http://www.contoso.com/schemas",
  "ReadRequirement": "Mandatory",
  "MinVersion": "1.2.0",
  "PropertyRequirements": {
    "CurrentTime": {},
    "DestinationTime": {},
    "IsGrandfatherAlive": {
      "ReadRequirement": "Recommended"
    },
    "ParadoxDetected": {
      "ReadRequirement": "IfImplemented"
    }
  }
}
```

- Organized by schema name
- Profile can include requirements from any number of standard schemas
- Resource level “ReadRequirement” sets need for schema-required properties
- Property level requirements contained in resource-level object
- “MinVersion” – minimum schema version required

Property level - basic features

```
"ComputerSystem": {
  "MinVersion": "1.1.0",
  "PropertyRequirements": {
    "SystemType": {
      "Values": ["Physical"],
      "ReadRequirement": "Mandatory"
    },
    "AssetTag": {
      "ReadRequirement": "Mandatory",
      "WriteRequirement": "Mandatory"
    },
    "Manufacturer": {},
    "Model": {
      "ReadRequirement": "Recommended"
    },
    . . .
  }
}
```

JSON objects follow property names

- Un-listed properties have no requirements
- Empty objects are by default 'Mandatory'

“ReadRequirement”:

- Default value is 'Mandatory'
- Recommended, If-Implemented, and Conditional support

“MinCount”:

- Minimum count of non-NULL items in array

“WriteRequirement”:

- If property must support PATCH or PUT

“Values”:

- Require specific or “any of these” values for a property. Also supports arrays



Property level – Conditional requirements

```
"EthernetInterface": {
  "PropertyRequirements": {
    "MACAddress": {},
    "HostName": {
      "ReadRequirement": "Recommended",
      "ConditionalRequirements": [{
        "SubordinateToResource":
          ["ComputerSystem",
           "EthernetInterfaceCollection"],
        "ReadRequirement": "Mandatory"
      }]
    },
  },
  "IPv4Addresses": {
    "ReadRequirement": "Mandatory",
    "MinCount": 1,
    "ConditionalRequirements": [{
      "SubordinateToResource":
        ["ComputerSystem",
         "EthernetInterfaceCollection"],
      "ReadRequirement": "Mandatory",
      "MinCount": 2
    }]
  }
}
```

- “ConditionalRequirements”: Apply to the property if one or more conditions are met
- “Purpose”: Text provides justification for the conditional requirement
- “SubordinateToResource”: If resource matches the parent hierarchy, requirement applies
- Comparison Property / Values: Using another property within the resource as key, add requirement if value of the key matches a list

Property level – ‘Conditional’ Value example

```
"IndicatorLED": {
  "ReadRequirement": "Recommended",
  "WriteRequirement": "Recommended",
  "ConditionalRequirements": [{
    "Purpose": "Physical and composed Systems
must have a writable Indicator LED",
    "ReadRequirement": "Mandatory",
    "WriteRequirement": "Mandatory",
    "Comparison": "AnyOf",
    "CompareProperty": "SystemType",
    "CompareValues": ["Physical", "Composed"]
  }]
}
```

- ‘Comparison’ provides test
- ‘CompareProperty’ name
- May be at current object level or in parent objects (no peers)
- ‘CompareValues’ – one or more values to test against
- Requirement – applies if condition met
- ‘ConditionalRequirements’ is an array, allowing multiple conditions for a given property



Action level features

```
“ActionRequirements”: {  
  “Reset”: {  
    “ReadRequirement”: “Mandatory”,  
    “Parameters”: {  
      “ResetType”: {  
        “MinSupportedValues”: [“ForceOff”,  
                               “PowerCycle”]  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

- Organized by Action name within each Resource (schema)
- Allows for parameter requirements
- AllowableValues support



Registry level features

```
"Registries": {
  "Base": {
    "MinVersion": "1.0.0",
    "Repository": "http://redfish.dmtf.org/registries",
    "Messages": {
      "Success": {},
      "GeneralError": {},
      "Created": {},
      "PropertyDuplicate": {}
    }
  },
  "ContosoPizzaMessages": {
    "Repository": "http://contoso.com/registries",
    "ReadRequirement": "Mandatory"
  }
}
```

- Organized by registry name
- Allows for multiple registries
- Ability to include OEM registries
- Resource level “ReadRequirement” sets need for full Registry requirement
- Messages listed with individual ‘Requirement’ as needed





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