

KeyTalk - Protocols





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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this document is to describe the protocols used by the KeyTalk system. This document is the leading source for these protocols.

1.2 Scope

This document is intended for TrustAlert and all Sioux KeyTalk team members.

1.3 Definitions and abbreviations

1.3.1 Definitions

1.3.2 Abbreviations

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RDD : RESEPT Dispatcher Daemon

RCDP : RESEPT Client <-> RESEPT Dispatcher Daemon Protocol

RESEPT : The historical name of KeyTalk software



RCDP V2 2.

This section describes RCDP protocol version 2. The motivation to develop a new protocol over the existing RCDPv1 is as follows:

- Offload handcrafted security handshake to a standard SSL/TLS stack implemented by HTTPS
- Use RESEful way of communication based on simple HTTP GET requests and JSON responses

These changes ought to significantly simplify the protocol, make it easier to test and develop clients without diving into communication security details.

2.1 RCDPv2 versions

RC	CDP version	Supported KeyTalk server	Changes wrt the previous RCDP version
2.	0.0	5.2.0 and up	20
2.	1.0	5.3.0 and up	Added a possibility for the caller to request a
			certificate download URL in the phase 3 cert
			request instead of a certificate body.

2.2 RCDPv2 overview

Communication in RCDPv2 is encapsulated in RESTful calls over HTTPS using standard port 443. Optional out-of-band certificate downloads are possible over HTTP with port 8000.

Below is a set of client HTTP headers that the client needs to send to the server.

HTTP Header	Required	Description
GET	YES	/rcdp/2.X.Y/ <action> ?<request-params></request-params></action>
Host	YES	Should contain the FQDN or IP (v4 or v6) of the server.
Cookie	YES except for hello	Session identifier received from KeyTalk server.

action is a request action

request-params is URL-encoded string of request parameters. Complex request parameters (arrays, dictionaries) should be JSON-encoded. All JSON objects should escape forward slashes \'\' as \\\\'.

For example a relevant set of client headers could be:

/rcdp/2.1.0/authentication?service=DEMO SERVICE&PASSWD=change%21&HWSIG=12345 6&USERID=DemoUser &ips=%5B%2281.175.103.107%22%5D&caller-hw-

description=Windows+7%2C+BIOS+s%2Fn+1234567890 HTTP/1.1

Host: keytalkdemo.keytalk.com Accept-Encoding: identity

Cookie: keytalkcookie=a622bb821bec1f5315668c8f9a8e780f

A relevant set of response headers:

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HTTP/1.1 200 OK

Content-type: application/json

Cache-Control: no-cache

Set-Cookie: keytalkcookie=a622bb821bec1f5315668c8f9a8e780f

{'status': 'auth-result', 'auth-status': 'OK'}





2.3 RCDPv2 communication phases

The complete RCDPv2 communication circle consists of 3 phases:

Phase 1: handshake Phase 2: authentication Phase 3: service provision

KeyTalk server KeyTalk client Phase 1 handshake hello (proto-version, caller-app-description) hello (proto-version) handshake (caller-time) handshake (server-time) Phase 2 authentication auth-requirements (service-name) auth-requirements (required-credentials) loop [repeat authentication as long as challenge received] authentication(credentials, caller-hw-description) auth-result (success | failure | locked | challenge) Phase 3 service provision last-messages (from-time) last-messages (messages) cert (format) cert (certificate-with-keypair) eoc (reason) eoc (reason)

Further we describe message semantics on each phase in detail.

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2.4 Messages sent in all phases

2.4.1 End Of communication

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/eoc

Example:

/rcdp/2.1.0/eoc
/rcdp/2.1.0/eoc?reason=bye%2C+server

Query parameters

parameter	type	required	description
reason	string	no	optional reason for ending communication

Response

HTTP 200 - application/json

```
{
  'status': 'eoc',
  [optional] 'reason': optional reason for ending communication
}
```

End of communication can be sent at any time, initiated by any communication side.

2.4.2 Error

Errors are typically sent by the server to notify the caller on error processing its request. The client can also send errors to the server when it can't handle the server's response.

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/error

Example:

/rcdp/2.1.0/error?code=1066&description=invalid+response

Query parameters

parameter	type	required	description
code	number	yes	numeric error code
reason	string	no	optional error description. Might be required for certain



Response

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HTTP 200 - application/json

```
'status': 'error',
'code': numeric error code,
[optional] 'description': error description. Might be required for certain error codes. See
the error code table below.
}
```

Error codes

code	description	direction	remarks
1001 (ErrResolvedIpInvali d)	optional	server -> client	Sent by the server when none of IPs resolved by the client and by the server match.
1002 (ErrDigestInvalid)	optional	server -> client	Sent by the server when the client's calculated executable digest does not much the digest stored on the server.
1003 (ErrTimeOutOfSync)	difference in seconds between caller UTC and the server UTC	server -> client	Sent by the server when the client time is out of sync with the server's time.
1004 (ErrMaxLicensedUsers Reached)	optional	server -> client	Sent by the server when no certificate can be supplied because the max number of licensed users has been reached
1005 (ErrPasswordExpired)	optional	server -> client	Sent by the server when the password of the user trying to authenticate is expired and the caller is not supposed to change it.



2.5 Phase 1 (handshake)

2.5.1 Hello

Agree on RCDP protocol version and establish session ID.

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/hello

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```
/rcdp/2.1.0/hello
/rcdp/2.1.0/hello?caller-app-description=Demo+KeyTalk+client
```

Query parameters

parameter	type	required	description
caller-app-description	string	no	optional description of the caller application

RCDP protocol version proposed by a caller is sent as a part HTTP GET path. Currently the only supported version is 2.1.0

Response

HTTP 200 - application/json

```
"status": "hello",
   "version": proposed protocol version (currently "2.1.0")
}
```

Session ID is returned in HTTP cookie keytalkcookie in Set-Cookie header.

2.5.2 Handshake

Confirm version handshake and exchange time information.

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/handshake

Example:

/rcdp/2.1.0/handshake?caller-utc=2016-04-22T10%3A44%3A35.746255Z

Query parameters

parameter type required description



caller-utc

UTC string in ISO 8601 format including date and time

yes

caller UTC

If the caller supports protocol version proposed by the server on the previous step, it proceeds with this version in HTTP GET path. Otherwise the caller ends communication. Currently the server supports RCDP version 2.0.0 and 2.1.0

Response

HTTP 200 - application/json

```
{
    "status": "handshake",
    "server-utc": server UTC in ISO 8601 format including date and time
}
```

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2.6 Phase 2 (authentication)

2.6.1 Request authentication requirements

Request authentication requirements from the server.

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/auth-requirements

Example:

/rcdp/2.1.0/auth-requirements?service=DEMO_SERVICE

Query parameters

parameter	type	required	description description
service	string	yes	KeyTalk service name

Response

HTTP 200 - application/json

```
"status": "auth-requirements",
    "credential-types": credential types,
    [optional] "hwsig_formula": HWSIG formula,
    [optional] "password-prompt": password-prompt,
    [optional] "service-uris": service URIs,
    [optional] "resolve-service-uris": need to resolve service URIs?,
    [optional] "calc-service-uris-digest": need to calculate service URIs digest?
}
```

credential-types

JSON array of credential types required to authenticate against the given service. Supported credential types are: "USERID", "HWSIG", "PASSWD", "PIN" and "RESPONSE". Example: ["USERID", "HWSIG", "PASSWD"]

hwsig formula

formula to calculate caller's hardware signature.

Example: "1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16". Sent when credential-types parameter contains HWSIG.

password-prompt

prompt to display to a user when a password is requested interactively e.g. "password" or "tokencode". Sent when credential-types parameter contains PASSWD.

service-uris

JSON array of RFC 3986-compliant URIs of the given service

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Example:

```
["https://demo1.keytalk.com", "https://demo2.keytalk.com"]
or
["file://%ProgramFiles%\vpn\vpn.exe"]
```

resolve-service-uris

Boolean flag ("true" or "false") requesting a caller to resolve IP addresses of each supplied service-uris identifying web resources. Defaults to "false".

calc-service-uris-digest

Boolean flag ("true" or "false") requesting a caller to calculate sha-256 hexadecimal digests of each supplied service-uris identifying file resources. Defaults to "false".

Example:

```
"status": "auth-requirements",
    "credential-types": ["HWSIG", "PASSWD", "USERID"],
    "hwsig_formula": "1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16",
    "password-prompt": "Password",
    "service-uri": ["https://demo.keytalk.com"],
    "resolve-service-uri": "true"
}
```

2.6.2 Authentication

Authenticate the caller against the selected service using the supplied set of credentials. Multiple authentication rounds might be needed e.g. for RADIUS SecurID or RADIUS EAP AKA/SIM authentication.

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/authentication

Example:

/rcdp/2.1.0/authentication?service=DEMO_SERVICE&caller-hw-description=Windows+7%2C+BIOS+s%2Fn+1234567890&USERID=DemoUser&HWSIG=123456&PASSWD=change%21&resolved=%5B%7B%22ips%22%3A+%5B%2281.175.103.107%22%5D%2C+%22uri%22%3A+%22https%3A%2F%2Fdemo.keytalk.com%2F%22%7D%5D

Query parameters

parameter	type	required	description
service	string	yes	KeyTalk service name
caller-hw- description	string	yes	Caller HW description which should be unique for the given device. For uniqueness e.g. BIOS serial number or iOS device UDID can be used. Examples: - Windows 10, BIOS s/n 1234567890 - iPAD: Jan's iPAD 234567890abcdef1234567890abcdef
USERID	string	if requested	ID of the user. Required if USERID was previously set by the server



in auth-requirements response.

HWSIG	string	if requested	Hardware Signature of the caller's device calculated with the formula specified in the previous auth-requirements server response. Required if HWSIG was previously set by the server in auth-requirements response
PASSWD	string	if requested	User password. Required if PASSWD was previously set by the server in auth-requirements response.
PIN	string	if requested	User pincode. Required if PIN was previously set by the server in auth-requirements response.
resolved	JSON array	if requested	<pre>JSON array of objects containing service URIs accompained with RFC 3986-compliant IPv4 or IPv6 address resolved from the URI hostname. Required if resolve-service-uris was previously set in auth-requirements response. Example: [</pre>
digests	JSON array	if requested	<pre>JSON array of objects containing service URIs accompained with SHA-256 hexadecimal digest of the underlying file. Required if calc-service-uris-digest was previously set in auth-requirements response. Example: [</pre>

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HTTP 200 - application/json

```
"status": "auth-result",
"auth-status": authentication-status,
[optional] "delay": authentication delay for failed authentication,
[optional] "password-validity": password validity on success,
```



```
[optional] "challenges": requested challenges,
[optional] "response-names": response names for the given challenges
}
```

auth-status

authentication status. Can be one of:

"OK" - authentication successful

"DELAY" - authentication was not successful and delay parameter is set

"LOCKED" - cannot login because the user is locked on the server

"EXPIRED" - authentication not successful because the user password is expired

"CHALLENGE" - challenge is supplied by the server and challenges parameter is set

delay

when DELAY is received in auth-status, indicates the time in seconds the caller is suspended from repeating its authentication attempt. Can be 0 which means a caller can try reauthenticating immediately.

```
password-validity
```

when authentication succeeds ("OK" received), indicates the number of seconds until the password expires or -1 if the password never expires. Password validity is supplied only when provided by an authentication backend.

challenges

when CHALLENGE is received, contains JSON array of challenges. Challenge names are meant to be displayed to a user during interactive challenge prompt. Challenge values is the value of the challenge to use for response calculation.

Example:

```
"name": "enter first pincode",
    "value": "981fa356"

},
{
    "name": "enter second pincode",
    value": "981fa357"
}
```

response-names

when CHALLENGE is received, contains JSON array of response names. When multiple responses are required by the server, response name allow identifying each response sent by the caller, thus serving as response keys. Response names can be omitted when only one response is expected by the server.

```
Example: ["response 1", "response 2", "response 3"]
```

Example:

Successful authentication:

```
{
  "status": "auth-result",
  "auth-status": "OK"
}
```

Unsuccessful authentication, the caller is suspended for 10 seconds



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```
"status": "auth-result",
"auth-status": "DELAY",
"delay": 10,
}
```

Extra challenge is requested (RADIUS SecurID authentication)

```
{
    "status": "auth-result",
    "auth-status": "CHALLENGE",
    "challenges": [{"name":"Password challenge", "value":"Enter your new PIN
    of 4 to 8 digits, or <Ctrl-D> to cancel the New PIN procedure:"}],
}
```

Extra challenge is requested (RADIUS EAP-AKA UMTS challenge-response authentication)

When a caller receives CHALLENGE in auth-status from the server, it should proceed as follows:

- provided the set of required credentials does not include RESPONSE, the caller should re-submit all the credentials required by the server, filling PASSWD credential with the response to the received challenge. This is called multi-phase password authentication. Example: RADIUS SecurID authentication.
- provided the set of required credentials includes RESPONSE, the caller should respond with RESPONSE credential only filled in as described below in 4.5.2.1. This is called Challenge-Response authentication. Example: RADIUS EAP AKA/SIM authentication.

2.6.2.1 Challenge-response authentication

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/authentication

Example:

/rcdp/2.1.0/authentication?responses=%7B%22CK%22%3A+%22123%22%2C+%22RES%22%3A+%22456%22%2C+%22IK%22%3A+%22789%22%7D

Query parameters

parameter	type	required	description
responses	JSON	yes	JSON array of responses. Response names should be the same as
	object		returned by the server on the previous authentication



Response

Response

HTTP 200 - application/json

```
"status": "auth-result",
"auth-status": authentication-status,
[optional] "delay": authentication delay for failed authentication,
[optional] "password-validity": password validity on success,
[optional] "challenges": requested challenges,
[optional] "response-names": response names for the given challenges
}
```

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authentication status. Can be one of:

"OK" - authentication successful

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"LOCKED" - cannot login because the user is locked on the server

"EXPIRED" - authentication not successful because the user password is expired

"CHALLENGE" - challenge is supplied by the server and challenges parameter is set

delay

when DELAY is received in auth-status, indicates the time in seconds the caller is suspended from repeating its authentication attempt. Can be 0 which means a caller can try reauthenticating immediately.

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when authentication succeeds ("OK" received), indicates the number of seconds until the password expires or -1 if the password never expires. Password validity is supplied only when provided by an authentication backend.

challenges

when CHALLENGE is received, contains JSON array of challenges. Challenge names are meant to be displayed to a user during interactive challenge prompt. Challenge values is the value of the challenge to use for response calculation.

Example:

]

```
"name": "enter first pincode",
    "value": "981fa356"
},
{
    "name": "enter second pincode",
    value": "981fa357"
}
```

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response-names

when CHALLENGE is received, contains JSON array of response names. When multiple responses are required by the server, response name allow identifying each response sent by the caller, thus serving as response keys. Response names can be omitted when only one response is expected by the server.

Example: ["response 1", "response 2", "response 3"]

Example:

Successful authentication:

```
{
  "status": "auth-result",
  "auth-status": "OK"
}
```

Unsuccessful authentication, the caller is suspended for 10 seconds

```
{
  "status": "auth-result",
  "auth-status": "DELAY",
  "delay": 10,
}
```

Extra challenge is requested (RADIUS SecurID authentication)

```
"status": "auth-result",
  "auth-status": "CHALLENGE",
  "challenges": [{"name": "Password challenge", "value":"Enter your new PIN
of 4 to 8 digits, or <Ctrl-D> to cancel the New PIN procedure:"}],
}
```

2.6.3 Change password

Change user password. Password change facility has to be supported by the server backend such as Active Directory. A caller should normally change his password after EXPIRED authentication result is received from the server. A caller may also choose to change his password on successful authentication when password-validity parameter gives a hint that the password is about to expire.

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/change-password

Example:

 $/ \verb|rcdp/2.1.0|/ change-password?old-password=changeme&new-password=changed| \\$

Query parameters

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parameter	type	required	description
old-password	string	yes	Current (old) user password.
new-password	string	yes	New user password.

Response

See 4.5.2, with authentication status restricted to "OK", "DELAY" or "LOCKED"

"OK" means the password has been successfully changed and the user has to re-authenticate with his new password.

"DELAY" means the password change did not succeed (e.g. incorrect old password or too short new password) and the caller may try again after the given amount of seconds.



2.7 Phase 3 (service provision)

2.7.1 Check for the last messages

Check for the last server messages. Server messages are meant for KeyTalk users e.g. to indicate planned server maintenance.

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/last-messages

Example:

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```
/rcdp/2.1.0/last-messages
/rcdp/2.1.0/last-messages?from-utc=2016-04-26T06%3A49%3A55.614010Z
```

Query parameters

parameter	type	required	description
from-utc	UTC string in ISO 8601 including date and time	no	UTC to request the messages from. Defaults to requesting all server messages.

Response

HTTP 200 - application/json

Example:

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2.7.2 Retrieve certificate

Retrieve a certificate along with the private key in the desired format.

Request

GET /rcdp/2.1.0/cert

Example:

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/rcdp/2.1.0/cert?format=P12
/rcdp/2.1.0/cert?format=PEM&include-chain=True
/rcdp/2.1.0/cert?format=P12&out-of-band=True

Query parameters

parameter	type	require d	default value	description
format	"P12 or "PEM"	yes	n/a	"PEM" to request PEM-encoded X.509 certificate and private key "P12" to request PKCS#12-encoded X.509 certificate and private key
include-chain	lude-chain <i>boolean</i>		false	Request the entire certificate chain including suburdinate and root CAs.
out-of-band <i>boolean</i>		no	false	[as of v2.1.0] When set, the server will send back URL to download the certificate instead of the certificate itself.

Response

HTTP 200 - application/json

{
 "status": "cert",

"cert": certificate in the desired format returned when out-of-band is not set.

PEM-encoded certificate has its private key encrypted with the first 30 characters of the session ID sent by the server in keytalkcookie.

When the certificate is delivered in PKCS#12 package, the package gets encrypted with with the first 30 characters of the session ID sent by the server in keytalkcookie and subsequently base64 encoded to be transported with JSON,

"cert-url-templ": certificate download URL template returned when out-of-band is set.

The template conatins \$ (KEYTALK_SVR_HOST) placeholder that needs to be instantiated with a hostname or IP address of the KeyTalk server used by the caller to make up a valid URL. The download URL is valid for a limited amount of time (normally 5 minutes) and gets invalidated after the first use.

PEM-encoded certificate has its private key encrypted with the first 30 characters of the session ID sent by the server in keytalkcookie.

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When the certificate is delivered in PKCS#12 package, the package gets encrypted with with the first 30 characters of the session ID sent by the server in keytalkcookie,

"execute-sync": boolean flag indicating whether the caller should invoke the service URIs synchronously (true) or asynchronously (false). Defaults to false. $\}$

Example regular usage (certificate is returned in the response):

```
{
    "status": "cert",
    "cert":

"MIILjgIBAzCCC1gGCSqGSIb3DQEHAaCCC0kEggtFMIILQTCCBdcGCSqGSIb3DQEHBqCCBcgwggX
EAGEAMIIFvQYJKoZIhvcNAQcBMBwGCiqGSIb3DQEMAQYwDgQIBbLhaFnySsYCAggAgIIFkCSJcAh
E4IlFNQYJ23jqAI/+MHXBpCV+0dWleraxagN7b8QXqxXhJhLezwifrL/zBUGYcjN9pwvpdXBmZzb
nUdO+sAEPx4EDbAbyn7hDWp/fhJnyc3qD+6i1Zz6zeDtB+3Eyje7VR17VaJvNVFhN6I04RF2wmBF
R9wvmp8I/StNE0p6acN8RiLLm9JgIaVutJPsqA76e6X1yFlVJJmiBiMeqaJeuUuCcoGcrNdMOsrL
2J+/T8+Vk9RlTXAFGRj6dVAyBAjfkdTLno0qqg=="
}
```

Notice again that JSON-serialization of PEM certificates requires forward slashes '/' to be escaped as '\''

Example when certificate download URL is returned:

```
{
    "status": "cert",
    "cert-url-templ": "
http://$(KEYTALK_SVR_HOST):8000/cert/?cbf498dc683c4e0499fd7e2d27640917"
}
```

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