

NAME

EVP_SIGNATURE-ED25519, EVP_SIGNATURE-ED448, Ed25519, Ed448 – EVP_PKEY Ed25519 and Ed448 support

DESCRIPTION

The **Ed25519** and **Ed448** EVP_PKEY implementation supports key generation, one-shot digest sign and digest verify using PureEdDSA and **Ed25519** or **Ed448** (see RFC8032). It has associated private and public key formats compatible with RFC 8410.

ED25519 and ED448 Signature Parameters

No additional parameters can be set during one-shot signing or verification. In particular, because PureEdDSA is used, a digest must **NOT** be specified when signing or verifying. See **EVP_PKEY-X25519** (7) for information related to **X25519** and **X448** keys.

The following signature parameters can be retrieved using **EVP_PKEY_CTX_get_params()**.

“algorithm-id” (**OSSL_SIGNATURE_PARAM_ALGORITHM_ID**) <octet string>

The parameters are described in **provider-signature** (7).

NOTES

The PureEdDSA algorithm does not support the streaming mechanism of other signature algorithms using, for example, **EVP_DigestUpdate()**. The message to sign or verify must be passed using the one-shot **EVP_DigestSign()** and **EVP_DigestVerify()** functions.

When calling **EVP_DigestSignInit()** or **EVP_DigestVerifyInit()**, the digest *type* parameter **MUST** be set to NULL.

Applications wishing to sign certificates (or other structures such as CRLs or certificate requests) using Ed25519 or Ed448 can either use **X509_sign()** or **X509_sign_ctx()** in the usual way.

Ed25519 or Ed448 private keys can be set directly using **EVP_PKEY_new_raw_private_key** (3) or loaded from a PKCS#8 private key file using **PEM_read_bio_PrivateKey** (3) (or similar function). Completely new keys can also be generated (see the example below). Setting a private key also sets the associated public key.

Ed25519 or Ed448 public keys can be set directly using **EVP_PKEY_new_raw_public_key** (3) or loaded from a SubjectPublicKeyInfo structure in a PEM file using **PEM_read_bio_PUBKEY** (3) (or similar function).

Ed25519 and Ed448 can be tested with the **openssl-speed** (1) application since version 1.1.1. Valid algorithm names are **ed25519**, **ed448** and **eddsa**. If **eddsa** is specified, then both Ed25519 and Ed448 are benchmarked.

EXAMPLES

To sign a message using a ED25519 or ED448 key:

```
void do_sign(EVP_PKEY *ed_key, unsigned char *msg, size_t msg_len)
{
    size_t sig_len;
    unsigned char *sig = NULL;
    EVP_MD_CTX *md_ctx = EVP_MD_CTX_new();

    EVP_DigestSignInit(md_ctx, NULL, NULL, NULL, ed_key);
    /* Calculate the requires size for the signature by passing a NULL buffer
    EVP_DigestSign(md_ctx, NULL, &sig_len, msg, msg_len);
    sig = OPENSSL_zalloc(sig_len);

    EVP_DigestSign(md_ctx, sig, &sig_len, msg, msg_len);
    ...
    OPENSSL_free(sig);
    EVP_MD_CTX_free(md_ctx);
}
```

SEE ALSO

EVP_PKEY-X25519 (7) provider-signature (7), EVP_DigestSignInit (3), EVP_DigestVerifyInit (3),

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