

Proposed Draft of the Biometric iTC PP-Module & Supporting Document

v2.1 Overview

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Introduction

This is an announcement of a public review period for the PP-Module and the PP-Module Supporting Document from the BIO-iTC. As the change to the PP-Module and Supporting Document is to add a requirement to better link how PAD is claimed (or not claimed) to accomodate that additional PAD toolboxes that are being created, this change is felt to not need as long a review period before publication. As such the document is immediately being placed into the Proposed Draft stage of review.

This document will provide information about where to find the documents, how to provide feedback and information about the current status of the documents.

Please email px-isec-itc-bio-info@ipa.go.jp if there are any questions about the Review process.

The latest status of the Review Period, including the latest copies of any documents, can be found at the [Biometrics Security iTC page](#).

Review Status Phase

The documents listed here are in the v2.1 **Proposed Draft-1** phase.

Publication Date

January 7, 2026

End of Comment Period

February 7, 2026

Documents for Review

The following are the documents included in this v2.1 Proposed Draft-1 Period:

Table 1. Review Documents

Title	Version	Link
collaborative PP-Module for Mobile biometric enrolment and verification - for unlocking the device - [BIOPP-Module]	2.1-PD-1	Download PP-Module
Supporting Document Mandatory Technical Document: Evaluation Activities for collaborative PP-Module for Mobile biometric enrolment and verification - for unlocking the device - [BIOSD]	2.1-PD-1	Download Supporting Document
GitHub Release Page		v2.1 Proposed Draft-1

The following are the documents to use in support of the Proposed Draft Period.

Table 2. Supporting Documents

Title	Link
Comment Matrix	Download Comment Matrix

Document Release Process

The BIO-iTC follows the document release process below for the publication of documents. Generally the PP (PP-Module and PP-Configuration) and SD would be released at the same time.



Table 3. Review Timeline

Phase	Time	Description
Internal Draft		The normal, pre-release process for creating the documents
Proposed Draft-1	30 days	iTC has voted according to Terms of Reference to propose this as the final document. Public (i.e. from non-iTC participants) comments are accepted during this period

Phase	Time	Description
Proposed Update	10 days	iTC reviews any further comments and prepares the document for final publishing (updating all dates, producing official versions for publication)
Proposed Draft-2	30 days	iTC has voted according to Terms of Reference to propose this as the final document. Public (i.e. from non-iTC participants) comments are accepted during this period
Proposed Update	10 days	iTC reviews any further comments and prepares the document for final publishing (updating all dates, producing official versions for publication)
Final Document Published		Documents are posted to Common Criteria Portal

Review Process

There are two ways to contribute comments and suggestions to the iTC. The first is through GitHub, the second by spreadsheet. It should be noted however that comments that are received via the spreadsheet will be added to the GitHub platform to allow for a comprehensive discussion. Also, feedback for comments is only provided via the answers in the GitHub comments.

Each comment should have a suggested resolution be proposed if a change is needed to the document.

GitHub Review Process

To use GitHub to submit comments, you must have a GitHub account (and it is assumed you know how to use GitHub). Each comment should be submitted as an individual [Issue](#) with the Label "Public Review" assigned. Pull Requests created for any issues will be linked to these Issues for traceability.

Comment Matrix Spreadsheet Review Process

In the [Table 2, “Supporting Documents”](#) table there is a link to the Comment Matrix spreadsheet. There are instructions for using the Matrix on the second worksheet. Please create a separate copy of the spreadsheet for each document.

Email the spreadsheets to px-isec-itc-bio-info@ipa.go.jp.

Additional Notes

The specific updates to these documents focus on three areas. These should be the primary focus of the review.

- Updates to the Attack Potential Table to incorporate additional values. These will be used for all toolboxes. They are based on current ISO proposals which will be used if there are differences when they are published.
- The addition of PP-Module Annexes for supporting higher levels of PAD testing. These PP-Modules bring in scope-limited justifications for higher level testing at AVA_VAN.2 and AVA_VAN.3 while these toolboxes are available and in process. This is based on the updated CC:2022 multi-assurance functionality, but as it is still new, this should be reviewed more closely.