# Amazon FreeRTOS Porting Guide



## **Amazon FreeRTOS: Porting Guide**

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# Porting Amazon FreeRTOS to Your Device

Before a microcontroller board can run Amazon FreeRTOS, some Amazon FreeRTOS code must be ported to the device's hardware.

#### To port Amazon FreeRTOS to your device

- 1. Follow the instructions in Downloading Amazon FreeRTOS for Porting (p. 6) to download the latest version of Amazon FreeRTOS for porting.
- 2. Follow the instructions in Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting (p. 7) to configure the files and folders in your Amazon FreeRTOS download for porting and testing.
- 3. Follow the instructions in Porting the Amazon FreeRTOS Libraries (p. 21) to port the Amazon FreeRTOS libraries to your device. Each porting topic includes instructions on testing the ports.

# System Requirements

The device that you port to Amazon FreeRTOS must be a microcontroller board that meets the following minimum requirements:

- · 25MHz processing speed
- 64KB RAM
- 128KB program memory per executable image stored on the MCU
- (If Porting the OTA Library (p. 63)) Two executable images stored on the MCU

# Porting Older Versions of Amazon FreeRTOS

If you are porting an older version of Amazon FreeRTOS, go to the <a href="mazon-freertos GitHub">mazon-freertos GitHub</a> repository, and checkout the version of Amazon FreeRTOS that you are porting by its version tag. The qualification and testing documentation will be in PDF format, in the <a href="mailto:tests">tests</a> folder. See the table below for the qualification and testing documentation history.

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# **Porting FAQs**

What is an Amazon FreeRTOS port?

An Amazon FreeRTOS port is a board-specific implementation of APIs for the required Amazon FreeRTOS libraries and the Amazon FreeRTOS that your platform supports. The port enables the APIs to work on the board, and implements the required integration with the device drivers and BSPs that are provided by the platform vendor. Your port should also include any configuration adjustments (e.g. clock rate, stack size, heap size) that are required by the board.

My device does not support Wi-Fi, Bluetooth Low Energy, or over-the-air (OTA) updates. Are all libraries required to port Amazon FreeRTOS?

The primary requirement for Amazon FreeRTOS is that your device can connect to the AWS Cloud. If, for example, you can connect to the cloud across a secure ethernet connection, Amazon FreeRTOS, the Wi-Fi library is not a required. Keep in mind that some test and demo applications will not work without all of the libraries ported.

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Can I reach an "echo server" from two different networks (for example, from two subnets across 2 different access points)?

An echo server is required to pass the TCP/IP and TLS port tests. The echo server must be reachable from the network that a board is connected to. Please consult your IT support to enable routing across subnets if you need devices on different subnets to communicate with a single echo server.

What network ports need to be open to run the Amazon FreeRTOS port tests?

The following network connections are required to run the Amazon FreeRTOS port tests:

Port	Protocol
443, 8883	MQTT
8443	Greengrass Discovery

If you have questions about porting that are not answered on this page or in the rest of the Amazon FreeRTOS Porting Guide, please contact the Amazon FreeRTOS engineering team.

# Downloading Amazon FreeRTOS for Porting

Before you begin porting Amazon FreeRTOS to your platform, you need to download Amazon FreeRTOS or clone the Amazon FreeRTOS repository from GitHub.

#### Note

We recommend that you clone the repository. Cloning makes it easier for you to pick up updates to the master branch as they are pushed to the repository.

#### To download Amazon FreeRTOS from GitHub

- 1. Navigate to the amazon-freertos GitHub repository.
- Click on Branch: master, switch the checkout mode from Branches to Tags, and choose the newest release tag.
- 3. With the latest version checked out, click on **Clone or download**, and then choose **Download ZIP** to download the Amazon FreeRTOS version as a ZIP file.

#### To clone the Amazon FreeRTOS repository

1. If you have not already done so, install git on your machine.

#### Note

In these instructions, we use the git command-line interface. You can also use a git client of your choice.

- 2. Navigate to the amazon-freertos GitHub repository.
- 3. Click on Clone or download, and then copy the URL listed beneath Clone with HTTPS.
- 4. Open a terminal or command line window, and change directories to a location where you want to keep your local copy of the Amazon FreeRTOS repository's files.
- 5. Issue the following command to clone the repository to your current directory:

```
git clone https://github.com/aws/amazon-freertos.git
```

6. Change directories to the amazon-freertos folder, and checkout the latest version:

```
git checkout version
```

After you download or clone Amazon FreeRTOS, you can start porting Amazon FreeRTOS code to your platform. For instructions, see Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting (p. 7), and then see Porting the Amazon FreeRTOS Libraries (p. 21).

#### Note

Throughout Amazon FreeRTOS documentation, the Amazon FreeRTOS download is referred to as <amazon-freertos>.

# Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting

After you download Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to configure some of the files and folders in the Amazon FreeRTOS download before you can begin porting.

To prepare your Amazon FreeRTOS download for porting, you need to follow the instructions in Configuring the Amazon FreeRTOS Download (p. 7) to configure the directory structure of your Amazon FreeRTOS download to fit your device.

If you plan to test the ported libraries as you implement them for debugging purposes, you also need to configure some files for testing before you begin porting. For instructions on test set up, see Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Testing (p. 9).

#### Note

You must use the AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS to officially validate your ports for qualification. For more information about AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS, see Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide. For information about qualifying your device for Amazon FreeRTOS, see the Amazon FreeRTOS Qualification Guide.

After you configure your Amazon FreeRTOS download and set up your testing environment, you can beginning porting Amazon FreeRTOS. For porting and testing instructions, see Porting the Amazon FreeRTOS Libraries (p. 21).

# Configuring the Amazon FreeRTOS Download

Follow the instructions below to configure the Amazon FreeRTOS download for porting Amazon FreeRTOS code to your device.

# Configuring Directories for Vendor-supplied, Boardspecific Libraries

Under the download's root directory (<amazon-freertos>), the vendors folder is structured as follows:

```
vendors
+ - <vendor> (Template, to be renamed to the name of the MCU vendor)
+ - boards
| + - <board> (Template, to be renamed to the name of the development board)
| + - aws_demos
| + - aws_tests
| + - CMakeLists.txt
| + - ports
+ - <driver_library> (Template, to be renamed to the library name)
+ - <driver_library_version> (Template, to be renamed to the library version)
```

The <vendor> and <board> folders are template folders that we provide to make it easier to create demo and test projects. Their directory structure ensures that all demo and test projects have a consistent organization.

#### Amazon FreeRTOS Porting Guide Configuring Directories for Project Files

The aws tests folder has the following structure:

```
vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box/>board>/aws_tests
+ - application_code (Contains main.c, which contains main())
| + - <vendor>_code (Contains vendor-supplied, board-specific files)
| + - main.c (Contains main())
+ - config_files (Contains Amazon FreeRTOS config files)
```

All test projects require vendor-supplied driver libraries. Some vendor-supplied files, such as a header file that maps GPIO output to an LED light, are specific to a target development board. These files belong in the <vendor>\_code folder.

Other vendor-supplied files, such as a GPIO library, are common across a board's MCU family. These files belong in the <a href="mailto:chiralray">chiralray</a> folder.

#### To set up the directories for vendor-supplied libraries that are common across an MCU family

- 1. Save all required vendor-supplied libraries that are common across a target board's MCU family in the <a href="mailto:driver\_library\_version">driver\_library\_version</a>> folder.
- 2. Rename the <<u>vendor</u>> folder to the name of the vendor, and rename the <<u>driver\_library</u>> and <<u>driver\_library\_version</u>> folders to the name of the driver library and its version.

#### **Important**

Do not save vendor-supplied libraries that are common across a target board's MCU family to any subdirectories of <amazon-freertos>/test or <amazon-freertos>/demos.

# **Configuring Directories for Project Files**

Under <amazon-freertos>, the projects folder is structured as follows:

```
projects
+ - <vendor> (Template, to be renamed to the name of the MCU vendor)
+ - <board> (Template, to be renamed to the name of the development board)
+ - <ide> (Contains an IDE-specific project)
+ - visual_studio (contains project files for Visual Studio)
```

#### To set up the project directories

- 1. Rename the <ide> folder to the name of the IDE that you are using to build the test project.
- Rename the <vendor> folder to the name of the vendor, and rename the <board> folder to the name of the development board.

# Configuring FreeRTOSConfig.h

After you have configured the directory structure of your Amazon FreeRTOS download, configure your board name in the FreeRTOSConfig.h configuration header file.

#### To configure your board name in FreeRTOSConfig.h

- Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/ config\_files/FreeRTOSConfig.h.
- 2. In the line #define configPLATFORM\_NAME "<Unknown>", change <Unknown> to match the name of your board.

# Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Testing

Amazon FreeRTOS includes tests for each ported library. The aws\_test\_runner.c file defines a RunTests function that runs each test that you have specified in the aws\_test\_runner\_config.h header file. As you port each Amazon FreeRTOS library, you can test the ports by building the ported Amazon FreeRTOS source code, flashing the compiled code to your board, and running it on the board.

To build the Amazon FreeRTOS source code for testing, you can use either of the following:

A supported IDE.

If you are using an IDE to build Amazon FreeRTOS soure code, you need to set up an IDE test project. Follow the instructions in Creating an IDE Project (p. 9) to create a test project in your IDE. Each library-specific porting section under Porting the Amazon FreeRTOS Libraries (p. 21) includes additional instructions for setting up a library's ported source files in the IDE test project.

· The CMake build system.

If you are using CMake, you need to create a CMakeLists.txt CMake list file. Follow the instructions in Creating a CMake List File (p. 10) to create a CMakeLists.txt CMake list file.

#### Important

A CMakeLists.txt file is required for listing a qualified device on the Amazon FreeRTOS console, regardless of the testing method that you use.

After you build the code, use your platform's flash utility to flash the compiled code to your device.

#### Note

You specify your build and flash tools in the userdata.json file for Device Tester, so if you are validating your ports with Device Tester, you do not need to flash your code manually.

# Creating an IDE Project

After you configure your Amazon FreeRTOS download, you can create an IDE project and import the code into the project.

Follow the instructions below to create an IDE project with the required IDE project structure for testing.

#### **Important**

If you are using an Eclipse-based IDE, do not configure the project to build all the files in any given folder. Instead, add source files to a project by linking to each source file individually.

- Open your IDE, and create a project named aws\_tests in the <amazon-freertos>/projects/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<body>directory.
- In the IDE, create two virtual folders under the aws\_tests project:
  - application\_code
  - config\_files

Under aws\_tests, there should now be two virtual folders in the IDE project: application\_code and config\_files.

#### Note

Eclipse generates an additional includes folder. This folder is not a part of the required structure.

- Import all of the files under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/
   aws\_tests/application\_code and its subdirectories into the aws\_tests/application\_code
   virtual folder in your IDE.
- 4. Import all of the files under <amazon-freertos>/test/src and its subdirectories into the aws\_tests/application\_code virtual folder in your IDE.
- 5. Import all of the header files in the <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
  boards/<box/board>/aws\_tests/config\_files directory into the aws\_tests/config\_files
  virtual folder in your IDE.

#### Note

If you are not porting a specific library, you do not need to import the files for that library into your project. For example, if you are not porting the OTA library, you can leave out the aws\_ota\_agent\_config.h and aws\_test\_ota\_config.h files. If you are not porting the Wi-Fi library, you can leave out the aws\_test\_wifi\_config.h and aws wifi config.h files.

 Import all of the files in <amazon-freertos>/libraries and its subdirectories into the aws tests IDE project.

#### Note

If you are not porting a specific library, you do not need to import the files for that library into your project.

- 7. Import all of the source files in the <amazon-freertos>/freertos\_kernel and <amazon-freertos>/freertos\_kernel/include directories into the aws\_tests IDE project.
- 8. Import the subdirectory of <amazon-freertos>/freertos\_kernel/portable that corresponds to your compiler and platform architecture into the aws\_tests IDE project.
- 9. Import the FreeRTOS memory management implementation that you are using for your device into the aws\_tests IDE project.

The <amazon-freertos>/freertos\_kernel/portable/MemMang directory contains FreeRTOS memory management implementations. We highly recommend that you use heap\_4.c or heap\_5.c.

For more information about FreeRTOS memory management, see Memory Management.

- 10. Open your project's IDE properties, and add the following paths to your compiler's include path:
  - <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/config\_files
  - <amazon-freertos>/freertos\_kernel/include
  - <amazon-freertos>/freertos\_kernel/portable/<compiler>/<architecture>
  - Any paths required for vendor-supplied driver libraries
- 11. Define UNITY\_INCLUDE\_CONFIG\_H and AMAZON\_FREERTOS\_ENABLE\_UNIT\_TESTS as project-level macros in the project properties.

After you finish setting up your IDE project, you are ready to port the Amazon FreeRTOS libraries to your device. For instructions, see Porting the Amazon FreeRTOS Libraries (p. 21).

# Creating a CMake List File

After you configure your Amazon FreeRTOS download for porting, you can set up a CMake list file for your project and platform.

#### **Topics**

- Prerequisites (p. 11)
- Creating a List File for Your Platform from the CMakeLists.txt Template (p. 11)

• Building Amazon FreeRTOS with CMake (p. 18)

### **Prerequisites**

Make sure that your host machine meets the following prerequisites before you continue:

Your device's compilation toolchain must support the machine's operating system. CMake supports all
versions of Windows, macOS, and Linux.

Windows subsystem for Linux (WSL) is not supported. Use native CMake on Windows machines.

• You must have CMake version 3.13 or later installed.

You can download the binary distribution of CMake from CMake.org.

#### Note

If you download the binary distribution of CMake, make sure that you add the CMake executable to the PATH environment variable before you use CMake from command line.

You can also download and install CMake using a package manager, like homebrew on macOS, and scoop or chocolatey on Windows.

#### Note

The CMake package versions in the package managers for many Linux distributions are out-of-date. If your distribution's package manager does not include the the latest version of CMake, you can try linuxbrew or nix.

• You must have a compatible native build system.

CMake can target many native build systems, including GNU Make or Ninja. Both Make and Ninja can be installed with package managers on Linux, macOS, and Windows. If you are using Make on Windows, you can install a standalone version from Equation, or you can install MinGW, which bundles Make.

#### Note

The Make executable in MinGW is called mingw32-make.exe, instead of make.exe.

We recommend that you use Ninja, because it is faster than Make and also provides native support to all desktop operating systems.

# Creating a List File for Your Platform from the CMakeLists.txt Template

A CMakeLists.txt template file is provided with Amazon FreeRTOS, under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box/>CMakeLists.txt.

The CMakeLists.txt template file consists of four sections:

- Amazon FreeRTOS Console Metadata (p. 12)
- Compiler Settings (p. 13)
- Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14)
- Amazon FreeRTOS Demos and Tests (p. 17)

Follow the instructions to edit these four sections of the list file to match your platform. You can refer to the CMakeLists.txt files for other qualified vendor boards under <amazon-freertos>/vendors as examples.

Two primary functions are called throughout the file:

```
afr_set_board_metadata(<name> <value>)
```

This function defines metadata for the Amazon FreeRTOS console. The function is defined in <amazon-freertos>/tools/cmake/afr\_metadata.cmake.

```
afr_mcu_port(<module_name> [<DEPENDS> [targets...]])
```

This function defines the portable-layer target associated with an Amazon FreeRTOS module (that is, library). It creates a CMake GLOBAL INTERFACE IMPORTED target with a name of the form AFR: <module\_name>::mcu\_port. If DEPENDS is used, additional targets are linked with target\_link\_libraries. The function is defined in <amazon-freertos>/tools/cmake/afr\_module.cmake.

#### Amazon FreeRTOS Console Metadata

The first section of the template file defines the metadata that is used to display a board's information in the Amazon FreeRTOS console. Use the function afr\_set\_board\_metadata(<name> <value>) to define each field listed in the template. This table provides descriptions of each field.

Field Name	Value Description
ID	A unique ID for the board.
DISPLAY_NAME	The name of the board as you want it displayed on the Amazon FreeRTOS console.
DESCRIPTION	A short description of the board for the Amazon FreeRTOS console.
VENDOR_NAME	The name of the vendor of the board.
FAMILY_NAME	The name of the board's MCU family.
DATA_RAM_MEMORY	The size of the board's RAM, followed by abbreviated units. For example, use KB for kilobytes.
PROGRAM_MEMORY	The size of the board's program memory, followed by abbreviated units. For example, use "MB" for megabytes.
CODE_SIGNER	The code-signing platform used for OTA updates. Use AmazonFreeRTOS-Default for SHA256 hash algorithm and ECDSA encryption algorithm. If you want to use a different code-signing platform, contact us.
SUPPORTED_IDE	A semicolon-delimited list of IDs for the IDEs that the board supports.
IDE_ <id>_NAME</id>	The name of the supported IDE. Replace <id> with the ID listed for the IDE in the SUPPORTED_IDE field.</id>
IDE_ <id>_COMPILER</id>	A semicolon-delimited list of names of supported compilers for the supported IDE. Replace <id> with the ID listed for the IDE in the SUPPORTED_IDE field.</id>

#### **Compiler Settings**

The second section of the template file defines the compiler settings for your board. To create a target that holds the compiler settings, call the afr\_mcu\_port function with compiler in place of the <module\_name> to create an INTERFACE target with the name AFR::compiler::mcu\_port. The kernel publicly links to this INTERFACE target so that the compiler settings are transitively populated to all modules.

Use the standard, built-in CMake functions to define the compiler settings in this section of the list file. As you define the compiler settings, follow these best practices:

- Use target compile definitions to provide compile definitions and macros.
- Use target\_compile\_options to provide compiler flags.
- Use target\_include\_directories to provide include directories.
- Use target\_link\_options to provide linker flags.
- Use target\_link\_directories to provide linker-search directories.
- Use target\_link\_libraries to provide libraries to link against.

#### Note

If you define the compiler settings somewhere else, you don't need to duplicate the information in this section of the file. Instead, call afr\_mcu\_port with DEPENDS to bring in the target definition from another location.

For example:

```
# <your_target> is defined somewhere else. It does not have to be in the same file.
afr_mcu_port(compiler DEPENDS <your_target>)
```

```
When you call afr_mcu_port with DEPENDS, it calls target_link_libraries(AFR::<module_name>::mcu_port INTERFACE <your_targets>), which populates the compiler settings for the required AFR::compiler::mcu_port target.
```

#### **Using Multiple Compilers**

If your board supports multiple compilers, you can use the AFR\_TOOLCHAIN variable to dynamically select the compiler settings. This variable is set to the name of the compiler you are using, which should be same as the name of the toolchain file found under <amazon-freertos>/tools/cmake/toolchains.

For example:

```
if("${AFR_TOOLCHAIN}" STREQUAL "arm-gcc")
    afr_mcu_port(compiler DEPENDS my_gcc_settings).
elseif("${AFR_TOOLCHAIN}" STREQUAL "arm-iar")
    afr_mcu_port(compiler DEPENDS my_iar_settings).
else()
    message(FATAL_ERROR "Compiler ${AFR_TOOLCHAIN} not supported.")
endif()
```

#### **Advanced Compiler Settings**

If you want to set more advanced compiler settings, such as setting compiler flags based on programming language, or changing settings for different release and debug configurations, you can use CMake generator expressions.

#### For example:

```
set(common_flags "-foo")
set(c_flags "-foo-c")
set(asm_flags "-foo-asm")
target_compile_options(
    my_compiler_settings INTERFACE
    $<$<COMPILE_LANGUAGE:C>:${common_flags} ${c_flags}> # This only have effect on C files.
    $<$<COMPILE_LANGUAGE:ASM>:${common_flags} ${asm_flags}> # This only have effect on ASM files.
)
```

CMake generator expressions are not evaluated at the configuration stage, when CMake reads list files. They are evaluated at the generation stage, when CMake finishes reading list files and generates build files for the target build system.

#### Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers

The third section of the template file defines all of the portable layer targets for Amazon FreeRTOS (that is, libraries).

You must use the afr\_mcu\_port(<module\_name>) function to define a portable layer target for each Amazon FreeRTOS module that you plan to implement.

You can use any CMake functions you want, as long as the afr\_mcu\_port call creates a target with a name that provides the information required to build the corresponding Amazon FreeRTOS module.

The afr\_mcu\_port function creates a GLOBAL INTERFACE IMPORTED library target with a name of the form AFR::<module\_name>::mcu\_port. As a GLOBAL target, it can be referenced in CMake list files. As an INTERFACE target, it is not built as a standalone target or library, but compiled into the corresponding Amazon FreeRTOS module. As an IMPORTED target, its name includes a namespace (::) in the target name (for example, AFR::kernel::mcu\_port).

Modules without corresponding portable layer targets are disabled by default. If you run CMake to configure Amazon FreeRTOS, without defining any portable layer targets, you should see the following output:

```
Amazon FreeRTOS modules:

Modules to build:
Disabled by user:
Disabled by dependency: kernel, posix, pkcs11, secure_sockets, mqtt, ...

Available demos:
Available tests:
```

As you update the CMakeLists.txt file with porting layer targets, the corresponding Amazon FreeRTOS modules are enabled. You should also be able to build any Amazon FreeRTOS module whose dependency requirements are subsequently satisfied. For example, if the MQTT library is enabled, the Device Shadow library is also enabled, because its only dependency is the MQTT library.

#### Note

The FreeRTOS kernel dependency is a minimum requirement. The CMake configuration fails if the FreeRTOS kernel dependency is not satisfied.

#### Setting Up the Kernel Porting Target

To create the kernel porting target (AFR::kernel::mcu\_port), call afr\_mcu\_port with the module name kernel. When you call afr\_mcu\_port, specify the targets for the FreeRTOS portable layer and

driver code. After you create the target, you can provide the dependency information and the FreeRTOS portable layer and driver code information for the target to use.

Follow the these instructions to set up the kernel porting target.

#### To set up the kernel porting target

1. Create a target for the driver code.

For example, you can create a STATIC library target for the driver code:

```
add_library(my_board_driver STATIC ${driver_sources})

# Use your compiler settings
target_link_libraries(
    my_board_driver
    PRIVATE AFR::compiler::mcu_port

# Or use your own target if you already have it.

# PRIVATE ${compiler_settings_target}}
)

target_include_directories(
    my_board_driver
    PRIVATE "<include_dirs_for_private_usage>"
    PUBLIC "<include_dirs_for_public_interface>"
)
```

Or you can create an INTERFACE library target for the driver code:

```
# No need to specify compiler settings since kernel target has them.
add_library(my_board_driver INTERFACE ${driver_sources})
```

#### Note

An INTERFACE library target does not have build output. If you use an INTERFACE library target, the driver code is compiled into the kernel library.

2. Configure the FreeRTOS portable layer:

```
add_library(freertos_port INTERFACE)
target_sources(
   freertos_port
   INTERFACE
        "${AFR_MODULES_DIR}/freertos_kernel/portable/GCC/ARM_CM4F/port.c"
        "${AFR_MODULES_DIR}/freertos_kernel/portable/GCC/ARM_CM4F/portmacro.h"
        "${AFR_MODULES_DIR}/freertos_kernel/portable/MemMang/heap_4.c"
)
target_include_directories(
   freertos_port
   INTERFACE
        "${AFR_MODULES_DIR}/freertos_kernel/portable/GCC/ARM_CM4F"
        "${include_path_to_FreeRTOSConfig_h}
)
```

#### Note

You can also configure the FreeRTOS portable layer by specifying these source files and their include directories directly in the AFR::kernel::mcu port target.

3. Create the kernel portable layer target:

```
# Bring in driver code and freertos portable layer dependency.
afr_mcu_port(kernel DEPENDS my_board_driver freertos_port)
```

- 4. To test your list file and configuration, you can write a simple application that uses the FreeRTOS kernel port. For more information about developing and building Amazon FreeRTOS applications with CMake, see Building Amazon FreeRTOS with CMake (p. 18).
- 5. After you create the demo, add add\_executable and target\_link\_libraries calls to the list file, and compile the kernel as a static library to verify that the kernel portable layer is correctly configured.

#### Setting Up the Porting Targets for Amazon FreeRTOS Modules

After you add the portable layer target for the kernel, you can add portable layer targets for other Amazon FreeRTOS modules.

For example, to add the portable layer for the Wi-Fi module:

```
afr_mcu_port(wifi)
target_sources(
    AFR::wifi::mcu_port
    INTERFACE "${AFR_MODULES_DIR}/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box>doard>/ports/wifi/aws_wifi.c"
)
```

This example Wi-Fi module portable layer has only one implementation file, which is based on the driver code.

If you want to add the portable layer for the Amazon FreeRTOS Secure Sockets module, the module depends on TLS. This makes its portable layer target slightly more complicated than that of the Wi-Fi module. Amazon FreeRTOS provides a default TLS implementation based on mbedTLS that you can link to:

```
afr_mcu_port(secure_sockets)
target_sources(
    AFR::secure_sockets::mcu_port
    INTERFACE ${portable_layer_sources}}
)
target_link_libraries(
    AFR::secure_sockets::mcu_port
    AFR::secure_sockets::mcu_port
```

```
)
```

In this example code, the standard CMake function target\_link\_libraries states that the Secure Sockets portable layer depends on AFR::tls.

You can reference all Amazon FreeRTOS modules by using their target name AFR:: <module\_name >. For example, you can use the same syntax to also state a dependency on FreeRTOS-Plus-TCP:

```
target_link_libraries(
    AFR::secure_sockets::mcu_port
    AFR::freertos_plus_tcp
    AFR::tls
)
```

#### Note

If your platform handles TLS by itself, you can use your driver code directly. If you use your driver code directly for TLS, you don't need to call <code>target\_link\_libraries</code>, because all Amazon FreeRTOS modules implicitly depend on the kernel that includes your driver code. Because all non-kernel Amazon FreeRTOS modules implicitly depend on the kernel, their porting layers don't require you to specify the kernel as a dependency. The POSIX module, however, is defined as an optional kernel module. If you want to use POSIX, you must explicitly include it in your kernel portable layer. For example:

```
# By default, AFR::posix target does not expose standard POSIX headers in its
public
# interface, i.e., You need to use "freertos_plus_posix/source/
FreeRTOS_POSIX_pthread.c" instead of "pthread.h".
# Link to AFR::use_posix instead if you need to use those headers directly.
target_link_libraries(
    AFR::kernel::mcu_port
    INTERFACE AFR::use_posix
)
```

#### **Amazon FreeRTOS Demos and Tests**

The final section of the template file defines the demo and test targets for Amazon FreeRTOS. CMake targets are created automatically for each demo and test that satisfies the dependency requirements.

In this section, define an executable target with the add\_executable function. Use aws\_tests as the target name if you're compiling tests, or aws\_demos if you're compiling demos. You might need to provide other project settings, such as linker scripts and post-build commands. For example:

```
if(AFR_IS_TESTING)
    set(exe_target aws_tests)
else()
    set(exe_target aws_demos)
endif()

set(CMAKE_EXECUTABLE_SUFFIX ".elf")
add_executable(${exe_target} "${board_dir}/application_code/main.c")
```

target\_link\_libraries is then called to link available CMake demo or test targets to your executable target.

#### Note

You still need to modify aws\_demos/config\_files/aws\_demo\_config.h and aws\_tests/config\_files/aws\_test\_runner\_config.h to enable demos and tests.

#### **Running Post-build Commands**

For information about running post-build commands, see add\_custom\_command. Use the second signature. For example:

```
# This should run an external command "command --arg1 --arg2".
add_custom_command(
    TARGET ${exe_target} POST_BUILD COMMAND "command" "--arg1" "--arg2"
)
```

#### Note

CMake supports many common, platform-independent operations for creating directories, copying files, and so on. For more information about CMake command-line operations, see the CMake command-line tool reference. You can reference the CMake command-line tool from a CMake list file with the built-in variable \${CMAKE\_COMMAND}.

# **Building Amazon FreeRTOS with CMake**

CMake targets your host operating system as the target system by default. To use CMake for cross compiling, provide a toolchain file that specifies the compiler that you want to use. You can find some examples in <amazon-freertos>/tools/cmake/toolchains.

If you're using a compiler different from the one provided with Amazon FreeRTOS, write this toolchain file before you build Amazon FreeRTOS with CMake. You must also set the CMAKE\_TOOLCHAIN\_FILE variable before CMake reads your top-level CMakeLists.txt file. The CMAKE\_TOOLCHAIN\_FILE variable specifies which compiler to use and sets some CMake variables, like the system name and the default search path. For more information about cross compiling with CMake, see Cross Compiling on the official CMake wiki.

The CMakeLists.txt and toolchain files must be in the correct locations. Before you build Amazon FreeRTOS with CMake, make sure that you have set up the Amazon FreeRTOS directory structure on your local machine to match the Amazon FreeRTOS directory structure on GitHub.

#### To build a CMake-based project

1. Run CMake to generate the build files for a native build system, like Make or Ninja.

You can use either the CMake command-line tool or the CMake GUI to generate the build files for your native build system.

For information about generating Amazon FreeRTOS build files, see Generating Build Files (CMake Command-Line Tool) (p. 18) and Generating Build Files (CMake GUI) (p. 19).

2. Invoke the native build system to make the project into an executable.

For information about making Amazon FreeRTOS build files, see Building Amazon FreeRTOS from Generated Build Files (p. 20).

#### Generating Build Files (CMake Command-Line Tool)

You can use the CMake command-line tool (cmake) to generate Amazon FreeRTOS build files from the command line or terminal.

To generate the build files, run cmake. For the DVENDOR option, specify the vendor. For the DBOARD option, specify the board. For the DCOMPILER option, specify the compiler. Use the S option to specify where your source code is. Use the B option to specify where to write the generated files.

#### Note

The compiler must be in the system's PATH variable, or you must specify the location of the compiler.

For example, if the vendor is Texas Instruments, and the board is the CC3220 Launchpad, and the compiler is GCC for ARM, you can issue the following command to build the source files from the current directory to a directory named build:

```
cmake -DVENDOR=ti -DBOARD=cc3220_launchpad -DCOMPILER=arm-ti -S . -B build
```

#### Note

If you are using Windows, you must specify the native build system because CMake uses Visual Studio by default. For example:

```
cmake -DVENDOR=ti -DBOARD=cc3220_launchpad -DCOMPILER=arm-ti -S . -B build -G Ninja
```

Or:

```
cmake -DVENDOR=ti -DBOARD=cc3220_launchpad -DCOMPILER=arm-ti -S . -B build -G "Unix Makefiles"
```

The regular expressions \${VENDOR}.\* and \${BOARD}.\* are used to search for a matching board, so you don't have to use the full names of the vendor and board for the VENDOR and BOARD options. Partial names work, provided there is a single match. For example, the following commands generate the same build files from the same source:

```
cmake -DVENDOR=ti -DCOMPILER=arm-ti -S . -B build

cmake -DBOARD=cc3220 -DCOMPILER=arm-ti -S . -B build
```

```
cmake -DVENDOR=t -DBOARD=cc -DCOMPILER=arm-ti -S . -B build
```

You can use the CMAKE\_TOOLCHAIN\_FILE option if you want to use a toolchain file that is not located in the default directory cmake/toolchains. For example:

```
cmake -DBOARD=cc3220 -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE='/path/to/toolchain_file.cmake' -S . -B build
```

If the toolchain file does not use absolute paths for your compiler, and you didn't add your compiler to the PATH environment variable, CMake might not be able to find it. To make sure that CMake finds your toolchain file, you can use the AFR\_TOOLCHAIN\_PATH option. This option searches the specified toolchain directory path and the toolchain's subfolder under bin.

To enable debugging, set the CMAKE\_BUILD\_TYPE to debug. With this option enabled, CMake adds debug flags to the compile options, and builds Amazon FreeRTOS with debug symbols.

```
# Build with debug symbols cmake -DBOARD=cc3220 -DCOMPILER=arm-ti -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=debug -S . -B build
```

You can also set the CMAKE\_BUILD\_TYPE to release to add optimization flags to the compile options.

#### Generating Build Files (CMake GUI)

You can use the CMake GUI to generate Amazon FreeRTOS build files.

#### To generate build files with the CMake GUI

1. From the command line, issue cmake-gui to start the GUI.

- Choose Browse Source and specify the source input, and then choose Browse Build and specify the build output.
- 3. Choose **Configure**, and under **Specify the build generator for this project**, find and choose the build system that you want to use to build the generated build files.
- 4. Choose Specify toolchain file for cross-compiling, and then choose Next.
- 5. Choose the toolchain file (for example, amazon-freertos/tools/cmake/toolchains/arm-ti.cmake), and then choose **Finish**.

The default configuration for Amazon FreeRTOS is the template board, which does not provide any portable layer targets. As a result, a window appears with the message Error in configuration process.

6. The GUI should now look like this:

Choose **AFR\_BOARD**, choose your board, and then choose **Configure** again.

7. Choose **Generate**. After CMake generates the native build system files, the files should appear in the output binaries directory that you specified in the first step.

#### Building Amazon FreeRTOS from Generated Build Files

You can build Amazon FreeRTOS with a native build system by calling the build system command from the output binaries directory. For example, if your build file output directory is build, and you are using Make as your native build system, run the following commands:

```
cd build make -j4
```

You can also use the CMake command-line tool to build Amazon FreeRTOS. CMake provides an abstraction layer for calling native build systems. For example:

```
cmake --build <build_dir>
```

Here are some other common uses of the CMake command-line tool's build mode:

```
# Take advantage of CPU cores.
cmake --build <build_dir> --parallel 8
```

```
# Build specific targets.
cmake --build <build_dir> --target afr_kernel
```

```
# Clean first, then build.
cmake --build <build_dir> --clean-first
```

For more information about the CMake build mode, see the CMake documentation.

# Porting the Amazon FreeRTOS Libraries

Before you start porting, follow the instructions in Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting (p. 7).

The following diagram visualizes the porting process.

To port Amazon FreeRTOS to your device, follow the instructions in the topics below.

- 1. Implementing the configPRINT\_STRING() macro (p. 22)
- 2. Configuring a FreeRTOS Kernel Port (p. 23)
- 3. Porting the Wi-Fi Library (p. 24)

#### Note

If your device does not support Wi-Fi, you can use an ethernet connection to connect to the AWS Cloud instead. A port of the Amazon FreeRTOS Wi-Fi library is not necessarily required.

- 4. Porting a TCP/IP Stack (p. 28)
- 5. Porting the Secure Sockets Library (p. 33)
- 6. Porting the PKCS #11 Library (p. 38)
- 7. Porting the TLS Library (p. 43)
- 8. Setting Up the MQTT Library for Testing (p. 61)
- 9. Porting the OTA Library (p. 63)

#### Note

A port of the Amazon FreeRTOS OTA update library is currently not required for qualification.

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#### Note

A port of the Amazon FreeRTOS Bluetooth Low Energy library is currently not required for qualification.

After you port Amazon FreeRTOS to your board, you can officially validate the ports for Amazon FreeRTOS qualification with AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS. For more information about AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS, see Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide. For information about qualifying your device for Amazon FreeRTOS, see the Amazon FreeRTOS Qualification Guide.

# Amazon FreeRTOS Porting Flowchart

Use the flowchart below for visual aid as you port Amazon FreeRTOS to your device.

# Implementing the configPRINT\_STRING() macro

You must implement the configPRINT\_STRING() macro before you port the Amazon FreeRTOS libraries. Amazon FreeRTOS uses configPRINT\_STRING() to output test results as human-readable ASCII strings.

# **Prerequisites**

To implement the configPRINT\_STRING() macro, you need the following:

- A development board that supports UART or virtual COM port output.
- An Amazon FreeRTOS project configured for your platform, and a porting-test IDE project.

For information, see Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting (p. 7).

# **Implementation**

#### To implement configPRINT\_STRING()

- 1. Connect your device to a terminal emulator to output test results.
- Open the file <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/ application\_code/main.c, and locate the call to configPRINT\_STRING("Test Message") in the prvMiscInitialization() function.
- 3. Immediately before the call to configPRINT\_STRING("Test Message"), add code that uses the vendor-supplied UART driver to initialize the UART baud rate level to 115200.
- 4. Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box>/aws\_tests/ config\_files/FreeRTOSConfig.h, and locate the empty definition of configPRINT STRING(). The macro takes a NULL-terminated ASCII C string as its only parameter.
- 5. Update the empty definition of configPRINT\_STRING() so that it calls the vendor-supplied UART output function.

For example, suppose the UART output function has the following prototype:

```
void MyUARTOutput( char *DataToOutput, size_t LengthToOutput );
```

You would implement configPRINT\_STRING() as:

```
#define configPRINT_STRING( X ) MyUARTOutput( (X), strlen( (X) ) )
```

# **Testing**

Build and execute the test demo project. If Test Message appears in the UART console, then the console is connected and configured correctly, configPRINT\_STRING() is behaving properly, and testing is complete. You can remove the call to configPRINT\_STRING("Test Message") from prvMiscInitialization().

After you implement the configPRINT\_STRING() macro, you can start configuring a FreeRTOS kernel port for your device. See Configuring a FreeRTOS Kernel Port (p. 23) for instructions.

# Configuring a FreeRTOS Kernel Port

This section provides instructions for integrating a port of the FreeRTOS kernel into an Amazon FreeRTOS port-testing project. For a list of available kernel ports, see Official FreeRTOS Ports.

Amazon FreeRTOS uses the FreeRTOS kernel for multitasking and inter-task communications. For more information, see the FreeRTOS Kernel Fundamentals in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide and FreeRTOS.org.

#### Note

Porting the FreeRTOS kernel to a new architecture is out of the scope of this documentation. If you are interested in porting the FreeRTOS kernel to a new architecture, contact the Amazon FreeRTOS engineering team.

# **Prerequisites**

To set up the FreeRTOS kernel for porting, you need the following:

- An official FreeRTOS kernel port for the target platform.
- An IDE project or CMakeLists.txt list file that includes the correct FreeRTOS kernel port files for the target platform and compiler.

For information about setting up a test project, see Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting (p. 7).

• An implementation of the configPRINT\_STRING() macro for your device.

For information about implementing configPRINT\_STRING(), see Implementing the configPRINT\_STRING() macro (p. 22).

# Configuring the FreeRTOS Kernel

The header file <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box/doard>/aws\_tests/config\_files/FreeRTOSConfig.h specifies application-specific configuration settings for the FreeRTOS kernel. For a description of each configuration option, see Customisation on FreeRTOS.org.

To configure the FreeRTOS kernel to work with your device, open FreeRTOSConfig.h, and verify that the configuration options in the following table are correctly specified for your platform.

Configuration option	Description
configCPU_CLOCK_HZ	Specifies the frequency of the clock used to generate the tick interrupt.
configMINIMAL_STACK_SIZE	Specifies the minimum stack size. As a starting point, this can be set to the value used in the official FreeRTOS demo for the FreeRTOS kernel port in use. Official FreeRTOS demos are those distributed from the FreeRTOS.org website. Make sure that stack overflow checking is set to 2, and increase configMINIMAL_STACK_SIZE if overflows occur. To save RAM, set stack sizes to the minimum value that does not result in a stack overflow.

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Configuration option	Description
configTOTAL_HEAP_SIZE	Sets the size of the FreeRTOS heap. Like task stack sizes, the heap size can be tuned to ensure unused heap space does not consume RAM.

#### Note

If you are porting ARM Cortex-M3, M4, or M7 devices, you must also specify configPRIO\_BITS and configMAX\_SYSCALL\_INTERRUPT\_PRIORITY correctly.

# **Testing**

- Open /libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/utils/src/aws\_system\_init.c, and comment out the lines that call BUFFERPOOL\_Init(), MQTT\_AGENT\_Init(), and SOCKETS\_Init() from within function SYSTEM\_Init(). These initialization functions belong to libraries that you haven't ported yet. The porting sections for those libraries include instructions to uncomment these functions.
- 2. Build the test project, and then flash it to your device for execution.
- 3. If "." appears in the UART console every 5 seconds, then the FreeRTOS kernel is configured correctly, and testing is complete.

Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/
config\_files/FreeRTOSConfig.h, and set configUSE\_IDLE\_HOOK to 0 to stop the kernel
from executing vApplicationIdleHook() and outputting "."

4. If "." appears at any frequency other than 5 seconds, open FreeRTOSConfig.h and verify that configCPU\_CLOCK\_HZ is set to the correct value for your board.

After you have configured the FreeRTOS kernel port for your device, you can start porting the Wi-Fi library. See Porting the Wi-Fi Library (p. 24) for instructions.

# Porting the Wi-Fi Library

The Amazon FreeRTOS Wi-Fi library interfaces with vendor-supplied Wi-Fi drivers. For more information about the Amazon FreeRTOS Wi-Fi library, see Amazon FreeRTOS Wi-Fi Library in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide.

If your device does not support Wi-Fi networking, you can skip porting the Amazon FreeRTOS Wi-Fi library and start Porting a TCP/IP Stack (p. 28).

#### Note

For qualification, your device must connect to the AWS Cloud. If your device does not support Wi-Fi, you can use an ethernet connection instead. A port of the Amazon FreeRTOS Wi-Fi library is not necessarily required.

# **Prerequisites**

To port the Wi-Fi library, you need the following:

- An IDE project or CMakeLists.txt list file that includes the vendor-supplied Wi-Fi drivers.
  - For information about setting up a test project, see Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting (p. 7).
- · A validated configuration of the FreeRTOS kernel.

For information about configuring the FreeRTOS kernel for your platform, see Configuring a FreeRTOS Kernel Port (p. 23).

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<amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/ports/wifi/aws\_wifi.c contains
empty definitions of a set of Wi-Fi management functions. Use the vendor-supplied Wi-Fi driver library
to implement at least the set of functions listed in the following table.

Function	Description
WIFI_On	Turns on Wi-Fi module and initializes the drivers.
WIFI_ConnectAP	Connects to a Wi-Fi access point (AP).
WIFI_Disconnect	Disconnects from an AP.
WIFI_Scan	Performs a Wi-Fi network scan.
WIFI_GetIP	Retrieves the Wi-Fi interface's IP address.
WIFI_GetMAC	Retrieves the Wi-Fi interface's MAC address.
WIFI_GetHostIP	Retrieves the host IP address from a hostname using DNS.

<amazon-freertos>/libraries/abstractions/wifi/include/aws\_wifi.h provides the
information required to implement these functions.

# **Testing**

If you are using an IDE to build test projects, you need to set up your library port in the IDE project.

### Setting Up the IDE Test Project

If you are using an IDE for porting and testing, you need to add some source files to the IDE test project before you can test your ported code.

#### **Important**

In the following steps, make sure that you add the source files to your IDE project from their ondisk location. Do not create duplicate copies of source files.

#### To set up the Wi-Fi library in the IDE project

- Add the source file <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/ports/wifi/ aws\_wifi.c to your aws\_tests IDE project.
- Add the source file aws\_test\_wifi.c to the aws\_tests IDE project.

# Configuring the CMakeLists.txt File

If you are using CMake to build your test project, you need to define a portable layer target for the library in your CMake list file.

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To define a library's portable layer target in CMakeLists.txt, follow the instructions in Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14).

The CMakeLists.txt template list file under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
boards/<board>/CMakeLists.txt includes example portable layer target definitions. You can
uncomment the definition for the library that you are porting, and modify it to fit your platform.

See below for an example portable layer target definition for the Wi-Fi library.

```
# WiFi
afr_mcu_port(wifi)
target_sources(
    AFR::wifi::mcu_port
    INTERFACE "<amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/ports/wifi/aws_wifi.c"
)
```

# Setting Up Your Local Testing Environment

After you set up the library in the IDE project, you need to configure some other files for testing.

#### To configure the source and header files for the Wi-Fi tests

- Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/ application\_code/main.c, and delete the #if 0 and #endif compiler directives in the function definitions of vApplicationDaemonTaskStartupHook(void) and prvWifiConnect(void).
- Open <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/utils/src/ aws\_system\_init.c, and in the function SYSTEM\_Init(), comment out the lines that call BUFFERPOOL\_Init() and MQTT\_AGENT\_Init(), if you have not done so already. Bufferpool and the MQTT agent are not used in this library's porting tests. When you reach the Setting Up the MQTT Library for Testing (p. 61) section, you will be instructed to uncomment these initialization function calls for testing the MQTT library.

If you have not ported the Secure Sockets library, also comment out the line that calls <code>SOCKETS\_Init()</code>. When you reach the Porting the Secure Sockets Library (p. 33) section, you will be instructed to uncomment this initialization function call.

3. Open <amazon-freertos>/tests/include/aws\_clientcredential.h, and set the macros in the following table for the first AP.

Macro	Value
clientcredentialWIFI_SSID	The Wi-Fi SSID as a C string (in quotation marks).
clientcredentialWIFI_PASSWORD	The Wi-Fi password as a C string (in quotation marks).
clientcredentialWIFI_SECURITY	One of the following:  • eWiFiSecurityOpen  • eWiFiSecurityWEP  • eWiFiSecurityWPA  • eWiFiSecurityWPA2  eWiFiSecurityWPA2 is recommended.

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4. Open <amazon-freertos>/libraries/abstractions/wifi/test/aws\_test\_wifi.h, and set the macros in the following table for the second AP.

Macro	Value
testWIFI_SSID	The Wi-Fi SSID as a C string (in quotation marks).
testWIFI_PASSWORD	The Wi-Fi password as a C string (in quotation marks).
testWIFI_SECURITY	One of the following:  • eWiFiSecurityOpen  • eWiFiSecurityWEP  • eWiFiSecurityWPA  • eWiFiSecurityWPA2
	eWiFiSecurityWPA2 is recommended.

5. To enable the Wi-Fi tests, open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
boards/<box/>board>/aws\_tests/config\_files/aws\_test\_runner\_config.h, and set the
testrunnerFULL\_WIFI\_ENABLED to 1.

#### **Important**

The following tests require a port of the Secure Sockets library and a running echo server:

- WiFiConnectionLoop
- WiFiIsConnected
- WiFiConnectMultipleAP

You won't be able to pass these tests until you port the Secure Sockets library and start an echo server. After you port the Secure Sockets library and start an echo server, rerun the Wi-Fi tests to be sure that all tests pass. For information about porting the Secure Sockets library, see Porting the Secure Sockets Library (p. 33). For information about setting up an echo server, see Setting Up an Echo Server (p. 37).

## **Running the Tests**

#### To execute the Wi-Fi tests

- 1. Build the test project, and then flash it to your device for execution.
- 2. Check the test results in the UART console.

```
Starting Tests...
TEST(Full_WiFi, WiFiOnOff) PASS
TEST(Full_WiFi, WiFiMode) PASS
TEST(Full_WiFi, WiFiConnectionLoop) PASS
TEST(Full_WiFi, WiFiNetworkAddGetDelete) PASS
TEST(Full_WiFi, WiFiPowerManagementMode) PASS
TEST(Full_WiFi, WiFiGetIP) PASS
```

. . .

### **Validation**

To officially qualify a device for Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to validate the device's ported source code with AWS IoT Device Tester. Follow the instructions in Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide to set up Device Tester for port validation. To test a specific library's port, the correct test group must be enabled in the device.json file in the Device Tester configs folder.

After you finish porting the Amazon FreeRTOS Wi-Fi library to your device, you can start porting a TCP/IP stack. See Porting a TCP/IP Stack (p. 28) for instructions.

# Porting a TCP/IP Stack

Amazon FreeRTOS provides a TCP/IP stack for boards that do not have on-chip TCP/IP functionality. If your platform offloads TCP/IP functionality to a separate network processor or module, you can skip this porting section and start Porting the Secure Sockets Library (p. 33).

FreeRTOS+TCP is a native TCP/IP stack for the FreeRTOS kernel. FreeRTOS+TCP is maintained by the Amazon FreeRTOS engineering team and is the recommended TCP/IP stack to use with Amazon FreeRTOS. For more information, see Porting FreeRTOS+TCP (p. 28).

The lightweight IP (lwIP) TCP/IP stack is an open source third-party TCP/IP stack, ported to the FreeRTOS kernel. The lwIP port layer currently supports lwIP version 2.03. For more information, see Porting lwIP (p. 31).

#### Note

These porting sections only provide instructions for porting to a platform's Ethernet driver. The tests only ensure that the Ethernet driver can connect to a network. You cannot test sending and receiving data across a network until you have ported the Secure Sockets library.

# Porting FreeRTOS+TCP

FreeRTOS+TCP is a native TCP/IP stack for the FreeRTOS kernel. For more information, see FreeRTOS.org.

# **Prerequisites**

To port the FreeRTOS+TCP library, you need the following:

 $\bullet \ \ \text{An IDE project or CMakeLists.txt list file that includes the vendor-supplied Ethernet drivers.}$ 

For information about setting up a test project, see Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting (p. 7).

• A validated configuration of the FreeRTOS kernel.

For information about configuring the FreeRTOS kernel for your platform, see Configuring a FreeRTOS Kernel Port (p. 23).

#### **Porting**

Before you start porting the FreeRTOS-TCP library, check the <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/freertos\_plus\_tcp/source/portable/NetworkInterface directory to see if a port to your device already exists.

If a port does not exist, do the following:

- 1. Follow the Porting FreeRTOS+TCP to a Different Microcontroller instructions on FreeRTOS.org to port FreeRTOS+TCP to your device.
- 2. If necessary, follow the Porting FreeRTOS+TCP to a New Embedded C Compiler instructions on FreeRTOS.org to port FreeRTOS+TCP to a new compiler.
- 3. Implement a new port that uses the vendor-supplied Ethernet drivers in a file called NetworkInterface.c, and save the file to <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/ standard/freertos\_plus\_tcp/source/portable/NetworkInterface/<box/>board\_family>.

#### Note

The files in the <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/freertos\_plus\_tcp/source/portable/BufferManagement directory are used by multiple ports. Do not edit the files in this directory.

After you create a port, or if a port already exists, open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box/>boards/<box/>lests/config\_files/FreeRTOSIPConfig.h, and edit the configuration options so they are correct for your platform. For more information about the configuration options, see FreeRTOS+TCP Configuration on FreeRTOS.org.

# **Testing**

If you are using an IDE to build test projects, you need to set up your library port in the IDE project.

#### Setting Up the IDE Test Project

If you are using an IDE for porting and testing, you need to add some source files to the IDE test project before you can test your ported code.

#### **Important**

In the following steps, make sure that you add the source files to your IDE project from their ondisk location. Do not create duplicate copies of source files.

#### To set up the FreeRTOS+TCP library in the IDE project

 Add all of the source and header files in <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/ standard/freertos\_plus\_tcp and its subdirectories to the aws\_tests IDE project.

#### Note

FreeRTOS includes five example heap management implementations under <amazon-freertos>/freertos\_kernel/portable/MemMang. FreeRTOS+TCP and BufferAllocation\_2.c require the heap\_4.c or heap\_5.c implementations. You must use heap\_4.c or heap\_5.c to ensure that the Amazon FreeRTOS demo applications run properly. Do not use a custom heap implementation.

Add <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/freertos\_plus\_tcp/include to your compiler's include path.

#### Configuring the CMakeLists.txt File

If you are using CMake to build your test project, you need to define a portable layer target for the library in your CMake list file.

To define a library's portable layer target in CMakeLists.txt, follow the instructions in Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14).

The CMakeLists.txt template list file under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
boards/<board>/CMakeLists.txt includes example portable layer target definitions. You can
uncomment the definition for the library that you are porting, and modify it to fit your platform.

#### Setting Up Your Local Testing Environment

After you set up the library in the IDE project, you need to configure some other files for testing.

#### To configure the source and header files for the TCP tests

Open <amazon-freertos</li>
 /libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/utils/src/aws\_system\_init.c, and in the function SYSTEM\_Init(), comment out the lines that call BUFFERPOOL\_Init() and MQTT\_AGENT\_Init(), if you have not done so already. Bufferpool and the MQTT agent are not used in this library's porting tests. When you reach the Setting Up the MQTT Library for Testing (p. 61) section, you will be instructed to uncomment these initialization function calls for testing the MQTT library.

If you have not ported the Secure Sockets library, also comment out the line that calls SOCKETS\_Init(). When you reach the Porting the Secure Sockets Library (p. 33) section, you will be instructed to uncomment this initialization function call.

- 2. Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/application\_code/main.c, and uncomment the call to FreeRTOS\_IPInit().
- 3. Fill the following arrays with valid values for your network:

Variable	Description
uint8_t ucMACAddress[ 6 ]	Default MAC address configuration.
uint8_t ucIPAddress[ 4 ]	Default IP address configuration.  Note  By default, the IP address is acquired by DHCP. If DCHP fails or if you do not want to use DHCP, the static IP address that is defined here is used.  To disable DCHP, open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box soard="">/aws_tests/config_files/FreeRTOSIPConfig.h, and set ipconfigUSE_DHCP to 0.</box></vendor></amazon-freertos>
uint8_t ucNetMask[ 4 ]	Default net mask configuration.
uint8_t ucGatewayAddress[ 4 ]	Default gateway address configuration.
uint8_t ucDNSServerAddress[ 4 ]	Default DNS server address configuration.

 Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box/>board>/aws\_tests/ config\_files/FreeRTOSIPConfig.h, and set the ipconfigUSE\_NETWORK\_EVENT\_HOOK macro to 1.

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5. Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box>/aws\_tests/ application\_code/main.c, and add the following code to the beginning of the function definition for vApplicationIPNetworkEventHook():

```
if (eNetworkEvent == eNetworkUp)
{
    configPRINT("Network connection successful. \n\r");
}
```

#### **Running the Tests**

#### To execute the FreeRTOS+TCP tests

- 1. Build the test project, and then flash it to your device for execution.
- 2. Check the test results in the UART console. If Network connection successful appears, the Ethernet driver successfully connected to the network, and the test is complete.

#### **Validation**

To officially qualify a device for Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to validate the device's ported source code with AWS IoT Device Tester. Follow the instructions in Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide to set up Device Tester for port validation. To test a specific library's port, the correct test group must be enabled in the device.json file in the Device Tester configs folder.

# Porting lwIP

lwIP is an alternative, open source TCP/IP stack. For more information, see lwIP - A Lightweight TCP/IP Stack - Summary. FreeRTOS currently supports version 2.0.3.

# **Prerequisites**

To port the lwIP stack, you need the following:

- An IDE project or CMakeLists.txt list file that includes vendor-supplied Ethernet drivers.
- A validated configuration of the FreeRTOS kernel.

For information about configuring the FreeRTOS kernel for your platform, see Configuring a FreeRTOS Kernel Port (p. 23).

### **Porting**

Before you port the lwIP TCP/IP stack to your device, check the <amazon-freertos>/
libraries/3rdparty/lwip/src/portable directory to see if a port to your platform already exists.

- 1. If a port does not exist, do the following:
  - Under <amazon-freertos>/libraries/3rdparty/lwip/src/portable, create a directory named <vendor>/<board>/netif, where the <vendor> and <board> directories match your platform.
- 2. Port the <amazon-freertos>/libraries/3rdparty/lwip/src/netif/ethernetif.c stub file according to the comments in the stub file.

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- 3. After you have created a port, or if a port already exists, in the test project's main.c file, add a call to topip init().
- 4. In <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/config\_files, create a configuration file named lwipopts.h. This file must contain the following line:

```
#include "arch/lwipopts_freertos.h"
```

The file should also contain any platform-specific configuration options.

#### **Testing**

If you are using an IDE to build test projects, you need to set up your library port in the IDE project.

#### Note

There are no TCP/IP porting tests specific to lwIP.

#### Setting Up the IDE Test Project

If you are using an IDE for porting and testing, you need to add some source files to the IDE test project before you can test your ported code.

#### **Important**

In the following steps, make sure that you add the source files to your IDE project from their ondisk location. Do not create duplicate copies of source files.

#### To set up the lwIP source files in the IDE project

Add all of the source and header files in lwip/src and its subdirectories to the aws\_tests IDE project.

#### Note

If you added a .c file to the IDE project, and then edited that .c file for a port, you must replace the original .c file with the edited one in the IDE project.

- 2. Add the following paths to your compiler's include path:
  - <amazon-freertos>/libraries/3rdparty/lwip/src/include
  - <amazon-freertos>/libraries/3rdparty/lwip/src/portable
  - <amazon-freertos>/libraries/3rdparty/lwip/src/portable/<vendor>/<board>/ include

#### Configuring the CMakeLists.txt File

If you are using CMake to build your test project, you need to define a portable layer target for the library in your CMake list file.

To define a library's portable layer target in CMakeLists.txt, follow the instructions in Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14).

The CMakeLists.txt template list file under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<br/>boards/<br/>boards/<br/>CMakeLists.txt includes example portable layer target definitions. You can uncomment the definition for the library that you are porting, and modify it to fit your platform.

A Secure Sockets library implementation already exists for the FreeRTOS+TCP TCP/IP stack and the lwIP stack. If you are using FreeRTOS+TCP or lwIP, you do not need to port the Secure Sockets library. After you finish porting the FreeRTOS+TCP stack or the lwIP stack to your device, you can start Porting the PKCS #11 Library (p. 38). Even if you do not need to create a port for the Secure Sockets library,

your platform still needs to pass the AWS IoT Device Tester tests for the Secure Sockets library for qualification.

# Porting the Secure Sockets Library

You can use the Amazon FreeRTOS Secure Sockets library to create and configure a TCP socket, connect to an MQTT broker, and send and receive TCP data. The Secure Sockets library also encapsulates TLS functionality. Only a standard TCP socket is required to create a TLS-protected socket. For more information, see Amazon FreeRTOS Secure Sockets Library in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide.

Amazon FreeRTOS includes a Secure Sockets implementation for the FreeRTOS+TCP and lightweight IP (lwIP) TCP/IP stacks, which are used in conjunction with mbedTLS. If you are using either the FreeRTOS +TCP or the lwIP TCP/IP stack, you do not need to port the Secure Sockets library.

#### Note

Even if you do not need to create a port of the Secure Sockets library, your platform must still pass the qualification tests for the Secure Sockets library. Qualification is based on results from AWS IoT Device Tester.

If your platform offloads TCP/IP functionality to a separate network chip, you need to port the Amazon FreeRTOS Secure Sockets library to your device.

## **Prerequisites**

To port the Secure Sockets library, you need the following:

- A port of the Wi-Fi library (required only if you are using Wi-Fi for network connectivity).
  - For information about porting the Wi-Fi library, see Porting the Wi-Fi Library (p. 24).
- A port of a TCP/IP stack.
  - For information about porting a TCP/IP stack, see Porting a TCP/IP Stack (p. 28).
- · An echo server.

Amazon FreeRTOS includes an echo server, written in Go, in the <amazon-freertos>/tools/echo\_server directory. For more information, see Setting Up an Echo Server (p. 37).

## **Porting**

If your platform offloads TCP/IP functionality to a separate network chip, you need to implement all the functions for which stubs exist in <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box/>ports/secure\_sockets/aws\_secure\_sockets.c.

## **Testing**

If you are using an IDE to build test projects, you need to set up your library port in the IDE project.

## Setting Up the IDE Test Project

If you are using an IDE for porting and testing, you need to add some source files to the IDE test project before you can test your ported code.

#### **Important**

In the following steps, make sure that you add the source files to your IDE project from their ondisk location. Do not create duplicate copies of source files.

#### To set up the Secure Sockets library in the IDE project

 If you are using the FreeRTOS+TCP/IP stack, add <amazon-freertos>/libraries/ abstractions/secure\_sockets/freertos\_plus\_tcp/aws\_secure\_sockets.c to the aws\_tests IDE project.

If you are using the lwIP TCP/IP stack, add <amazon-freertos>/libraries/abstractions/secure\_sockets/lwip/aws\_secure\_sockets.c to the aws\_tests IDE project.

If you are using your own TCP/IP port, add <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/ports/secure\_sockets/aws\_secure\_sockets.c to the aws\_tests IDE project.

Add secure\_sockets/test/aws\_test\_tcp.c to the aws\_tests IDE project.

### Configuring the CMakeLists.txt File

If you are using CMake to build your test project, you need to define a portable layer target for the library in your CMake list file.

To define a library's portable layer target in CMakeLists.txt, follow the instructions in Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14).

The CMakeLists.txt template list file under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
boards/<board>/CMakeLists.txt includes example portable layer target definitions. You can
uncomment the definition for the library that you are porting, and modify it to fit your platform.

See below for an example portable layer target definition for the Secure Sockets library.

```
# Secure sockets
afr_mcu_port(secure_sockets)
# Link to AFR::secure_sockets_freertos_tcp if you want use default implementation based on
# FreeRTOS-Plus-TCP.
target_link_libraries(
    AFR::pkcs11::mcu_port
    INTERFACE AFR::secure_sockets_freertos_tcp
)
# Or provide your own implementation.
target_sources(
    AFR::secure_sockets::mcu_port
    INTERFACE "$path/aws_secure_sockets.c"
)
```

### Setting Up Your Local Testing Environment

After you set up the library in the IDE project, you need to configure some other files for testing.

#### To configure the source and header files for the Secure Sockets tests

 Open <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/utils/src/ aws\_system\_init.c, and in the function SYSTEM\_Init(), comment out the lines that call BUFFERPOOL\_Init() and MQTT\_AGENT\_Init(), if you have not done so already. Bufferpool and the MQTT agent are not used in this library's porting tests. When you reach the Setting Up the MQTT Library for Testing (p. 61) section, you will be instructed to uncomment these initialization function calls for testing the MQTT library.

Make sure that the line that calls SOCKETS\_Init() is uncommented.

2. Start an echo server.

If you have not ported the TLS library to your platform, you can only test your Secure Sockets port using an unsecure echo server (<amazon-freertos>/tools/echo\_server/echo\_server.go). For instructions on setting up and running an unsecure echo server, see Setting Up the Echo Server (Without TLS) (p. 38).

3. In aws\_test\_tcp.h, set the IP address to the correct values for your server. For example, if your server's IP address is 192.168.2.6, set the following values in aws\_test\_tcp.h:

Macro	Value
tcptestECHO_SERVER_ADDR0	192
tcptestECHO_SERVER_ADDR1	168
tcptestECHO_SERVER_ADDR2	2
tcptestECHO_SERVER_ADDR3	6

- 4. Open aws\_test\_tcp.h, and set the tcptestSECURE\_SERVER macro to 0 to run the Secure Sockets tests without TLS.
- 5. Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/
  config\_files/aws\_test\_runner.config.h, and set the testrunnerFULL\_TCP\_ENABLED
  macro to 1 to enable the sockets tests.
- 6. Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/
  application\_code/main.c, and and delete the #if 0 and #endif compiler directives in the
  vApplicationIPNetworkEventHook ( void ) definition to enable the testing task.

#### Note

This change is required to port the remaining libraries.

#### **Important**

For qualification, you must pass the Secure Sockets tests with TLS. After you port the TLS library, rerun the Secure Sockets tests with TLS tests enabled, using a TLS-capable echo server. To port the TLS library, see Porting the TLS Library (p. 43).

#### To set up testing for Secure Sockets after porting the TLS library

1. Start a secure echo server.

For information, see Setting Up the TLS Echo Server (p. 37).

Set the IP address and port in <amazon-freertos>/tests/include/aws\_test\_tcp.h to correct values for your server. For example, if your server's IP address is 192.168.2.6, and the server is listening on 9000, set the following values in <amazon-freertos>/tests/include/aws\_test\_tcp.h:

Macro	Value
tcptestECHO_SERVER_TLS_ADDR0	192
tcptestECHO_SERVER_TLS_ADDR1	168
tcptestECHO_SERVER_TLS_ADDR2	2
tcptestECHO_SERVER_TLS_ADDR3	6
tcptestECHO_PORT_TLS	9000

- Open <amazon-freertos>/tests/include/aws\_test\_tcp.h, and set the tcptestSECURE SERVER macro to 1 to enable TLS tests.
- Download a trusted root certificate. For information about accepted root certificates and download links, see Server Authentication in the AWS IoT Developer Guide. We recommend that you use Amazon Trust Services certificates.
- 5. In a browser window, open <amazon-freertos>/tools/certificate\_configuration/ PEMfileToCString.html.
- 6. Under PEM Certificate or Key, choose the root CA file that you downloaded.
- Choose Display formatted PEM string to be copied into aws\_clientcredential\_keys.h, and then copy the certificate string.
- 8. Open aws\_test\_tcp.h, and paste the formatted certificate string into the definition for tcptestECHO\_HOST\_ROOT\_CA.
- 9. Use the second set of OpenSSL commands in <amazon-freertos>/tools/echo\_server/readme-gencert.txt to generate a client certificate and private key that is signed by the certificate authority. The certificate and key allow the custom echo server to trust the client certificate that your device presents during TLS authentication.
- 10. Format the certificate and key with the <amazon-freertos>/tools/certificate\_configuration/PEMfileToCString.html formatting tool.
- 11. Before you build and run the test project on your device, open aws\_clientcredential\_keys.h, and copy the client certificate and private key, in PEM format, into the definitions for keyCLIENT\_CERTIFICATE\_PEM and keyCLIENT\_PRIVATE\_KEY\_PEM.

### **Running the Tests**

#### To execute the Secure Sockets tests

- 1. Build the test project, and then flash it to your device for execution.
- 2. Check the test results in the UART console.

Starting Tests...
TEST(Full\_TCP, SOCKETS\_CloseInvalidParams) PASS

. . .

If all tests pass, then testing is complete.

# Setting Up an Echo Server

Two simple echo servers, written in Go, are provided with Amazon FreeRTOS. One server uses TLS for secure communication, and the other is unsecured. The servers are located in the <amazon-freertos>/tools/echo\_server folder. The following topics walk you through setting up the echo servers.

#### **Topics**

- Setting Up the TLS Echo Server (p. 37)
- Setting Up the Echo Server (Without TLS) (p. 38)

## Setting Up the TLS Echo Server

A TLS echo server is defined in <amazon-freertos>/tools/echo\_server/tls\_echo\_server.go. Follow these instructions to set up and run the TLS echo server.

#### **Prerequisites**

To run the TLS echo server, you need to install the following:

• Go.

You can download the latest version from golang.org.

OpenSSL.

For a Linux source code download, see OpenSSL.org. You can also use a package manager to install OpenSSL for Linux and macOS.

#### Setting Up the Server

Copy <amazon-freertos>/tools/echo\_server/tls\_echo\_server.go to a directory of your choice (for example, <echo\_dir>).

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- 2. Under <echo dir>, create a subfolder named certs.
- Generate a TLS server self-signed certificate and private key. For OpenSSL commands to generate
  a self-signed server certificate and private key, see <amazon-freertos>/tools/echo\_server/
  readme-gencert.txt.
- Copy the self-signed certificate and private key .pem files to the certs directory.
- 5. Run the following command from the <echo\_dir> directory to start the TLS server:

```
go run tls_echo_server.go
```

The server listens on port 9000 by default. To change this port, open tls\_echo\_server.go, and redefine the sEchoPort string to the port number that you want.

### Setting Up the Echo Server (Without TLS)

An unsecure echo server is defined in <amazon-freertos>/tools/echo\_server/echo\_server.go. Follow these instructions to set up and run the echo server.

#### **Prerequisites**

To run the echo server, you need the latest version of Go. You can download the latest version from golang.org.

#### Setting Up the Server

- Copy <amazon-freertos>/tools/echo\_server/echo\_server.go to a directory of your choice (for example, <echo\_dir>).
- Run the following command from the <echo\_dir> directory to start the server:

```
go run echo_server.go
```

The server listens on port 9001 by default. To change this port, open echo\_server.go, and redefine the sUnSecureEchoPort string to the port number that you want.

## **Validation**

To officially qualify a device for Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to validate the device's ported source code with AWS IoT Device Tester. Follow the instructions in Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide to set up Device Tester for port validation. To test a specific library's port, the correct test group must be enabled in the device.json file in the Device Tester configs folder.

After you finish porting the Amazon FreeRTOS Secure Sockets library to your device, you can start porting the PKCS #11 library. See Porting the PKCS #11 Library (p. 38) for instructions.

# Porting the PKCS #11 Library

Amazon FreeRTOS uses the open standard PKCS #11 "CryptoKi" API as the abstraction layer for cryptographic operations, including:

- · Signing and verifying.
- Storage and enumeration of X.509 certificates.

• Storage and management of cryptographic keys.

For more information, see PKCS #11 Cryptographic Token Interface Base Specification.

Storing private keys in general-purpose flash memory can be convenient in evaluation and rapid prototyping scenarios. In production scenarios, to reduce the threats of data theft and device duplication, we recommend that you use dedicated cryptographic hardware. Cryptographic hardware includes components with features that prevent cryptographic secret keys from being exported. To use dedicated cryptographic hardware with Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to port the PKCS #11 API to the hardware. For information about the Amazon FreeRTOS PKCS #11 library, see Amazon FreeRTOS PKCS #11 Library in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide.

## Prerequisites

To port the PKCS #11 library, you need the following:

• An IDE project or CMakeLists.txt list file that includes vendor-supplied drivers that are suitable for sensitive data.

For information about setting up a test project, see Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting (p. 7).

· A validated configuration of the FreeRTOS kernel.

For information about configuring the FreeRTOS kernel for your platform, see Configuring a FreeRTOS Kernel Port (p. 23).

## **Porting**

#### To port the PKCS #11 library

1. Port the PKCS #11 API functions.

The PKCS #11 API is dependent on the implementation of cryptographic primitives, such as SHA256 hashing and Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) signing.

The Amazon FreeRTOS implementation of PKCS #11 uses the cryptographic primitives implemented in the mbedTLS library. Amazon FreeRTOS includes a port for mbedTLS. If your target hardware offloads crypto to a separate module, or if you want to use a software implementation of the cryptographic primitives other than mbedTLS, you need to modify the existing PKCS #11 port.

2. Port the PKCS # 11 Platform Abstraction Layer (PAL) for device-specific certificate and key storage.

If you decide to use the Amazon FreeRTOS implementation of PKCS #11, little customization is required to read and write cryptographic objects to non-volatile memory (NVM), such as onboard flash memory.

Cryptographic objects should be stored in a section of NVM that is not initialized and is not erased on device reprogramming. Users of the PKCS #11 library should be able to provision devices with credentials, and then reprogram the device with a new application that accesses these credentials through the PKCS #11 interface.

PKCS #11 PAL ports must provide a location to store:

- The device client certificate.
- The device client private key.
- · The device client public key.

- A trusted root CA.
- A code-verification public key (or a certificate that contains the code-verification public key) for secure bootloader and over-the-air (OTA) updates.
- · A Just-In-Time provisioning certificate.

<amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box/>board>/ports/pkcs11/
aws\_pkcs11\_pal.c contains empty definitions for the PAL functions. You must provide ports for, at minimum, the functions listed in this table:

Function	Description
PKCS11_PAL_SaveObject	Writes data to non-volatile storage.
PKCS11_PAL_FindObject	Uses a PKCS #11 CKA_LABEL to search for a corresponding PKCS #11 object in non-volatile storage, and returns that object's handle, if it exists.
PKCS11_PAL_GetObjectValue	Retrieves the value of an object, given the handle.
PKCS11_PAL_GetObjectValueCleanup	Cleanup for the PKCS11_PAL_GetObjectValue call. Can be used to free memory allocated in a PKCS11_PAL_GetObjectValue call.

3. Add support for a cryptographically random entropy source to your port.

If your ports use the mbedTLS library for underlying cryptographic and TLS support, and your device has a true random number generator (TRNG), implement the mbedtls\_hardware\_poll() function to seed the deterministic random bit generator (DRBG) that mbedTLS uses to produce a cryptographically random bit stream. The mbedtls\_hardware\_poll() function is located in <a href="mailto:amazon-freertos">amazon-freertos</a>/vendors/</a>/endor>/boards/</a>/ports/pkcs11/ aws pkcs11 pal.c.

If your ports use the mbedTLS library for underlying cryptographic and TLS support, but your device does not have a TRNG, do the following:

- a. Make a copy of <amazon-freertos</p>
  /libraries/3rdparty/mbedtls/include/mbedtls/
  config.h, and in that copy, uncomment MBEDTLS\_ENTROPY\_NV\_SEED, and comment out
  MBEDTLS ENTROPY HARDWARE ALT.
  - Save the modified version of config.h to <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
    boards/<board>/aws\_tests/config\_files/config.h. Do not overwrite the original file.
- b. Implement the functions mbedtls\_nv\_seed\_poll(), nv\_seed\_read\_func(), and nv\_seed\_write\_func().

For information about implementing these functions, see the comments in the mbedtls/include/mbedtls/entropy\_poll.h and mbedtls/include/mbedtls/config.h mbedTLS header files.

#### **Important**

A seed file with an NIST-approved entropy source must be supplied to the device at manufacturing time.

For more information about NIST-approved DRBGs and entropy sources, see the following NIST publications:

- Recommendation for Random Number Generation Using Deterministic Random Bit Generators
- Recommendation for Random Bit Generator (RBG) Constructions

## **Testing**

If you are using an IDE to build test projects, you need to set up your library port in the IDE project.

### Setting Up the IDE Test Project

If you are using an IDE for porting and testing, you need to add some source files to the IDE test project before you can test your ported code.

#### **Important**

In the following steps, make sure that you add the source files to your IDE project from their ondisk location. Do not create duplicate copies of source files.

#### To set up the PKCS #11 library in the IDE project

- Add the source file <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/ports/ pkcs11/aws\_pkcs11\_pal.c to the aws\_tests IDE project.
- 2. Add all of the files in the <amazon-freertos>/libraries/abstractions/pkcs11 directory and its subdirectories to the aws\_tests IDE project.
- Add the source file <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/crypto/ src/aws\_crypto.c to the aws\_tests IDE project. This file implements the CRYPTO abstraction wrapper for mbedTLS.
- 4. Add all of the source and header files from <amazon-freertos>/libraries/3rdparty/mbedtls and its subdirectories to the aws\_tests IDE project.
- 5. Add <amazon-freertos>/libraries/3rdparty/mbedtls/include and <amazon-freertos>/libraries/abstractions/pkcs11 to the compiler's include path.

## Configuring the CMakeLists.txt File

If you are using CMake to build your test project, you need to define a portable layer target for the library in your CMake list file.

To define a library's portable layer target in CMakeLists.txt, follow the instructions in Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14).

The CMakeLists.txt template list file under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
boards/<board>/CMakeLists.txt includes example portable layer target definitions. You can
uncomment the definition for the library that you are porting, and modify it to fit your platform.

See below for an example portable layer target definition for the PKCS #11 library.

```
# PKCS11
afr_mcu_port(pkcs11)
target_sources(
    AFR::pkcs11::mcu_port
    INTERFACE "path/aws_pkcs11_pal.c"
)
# Link to AFR::pkcs11_mbedtls if you want to use default implementation based on mbedtls.
target_link_libraries(
```

```
AFR::pkcs11::mcu_port
INTERFACE AFR::pkcs11_mbedtls
)
```

## Setting Up Your Local Testing Environment

After you set up the library in the IDE project, you need to configure some other files for testing.

#### To configure the source and header files for the PKCS #11 tests

Open <amazon-freertos</li>
 libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/utils/src/aws\_system\_init.c, and in the function SYSTEM\_Init(), comment out the lines that call BUFFERPOOL\_Init() and MQTT\_AGENT\_Init(), if you have not done so already. Bufferpool and the MQTT agent are not used in this library's porting tests. When you reach the Setting Up the MQTT Library for Testing (p. 61) section, you will be instructed to uncomment these initialization function calls for testing the MQTT library.

Only uncomment calls to SOCKETS\_Init() if you have ported the Secure Sockets library.

Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/
config\_files/aws\_test\_runner\_config.h, and set the testrunnerFULL\_PKCS11\_ENABLED
macro to 1 to enable the PKCS #11 test.

### **Running the Tests**

#### To execute the PKCS #11 tests

- 1. Build the test project, and then flash it to your device for execution.
- 2. Check the test results in the UART console.

```
Starting Tests...

TEST(Full_PKCS11, Digest) PASS

TEST(Full_PKCS11, Digest_ErrorConditions) PASS

TEST(Full_PKCS11, GetFunctionListInvalidParams) PASS

TEST(Full_PKCS11, InitializeFinalizeInvalidParams) PASS
```

Testing is complete when all tests pass.

### **Validation**

To officially qualify a device for Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to validate the device's ported source code with AWS IoT Device Tester. Follow the instructions in Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide to set up Device Tester for port validation. To test a specific library's port, the correct test group must be enabled in the device.json file in the Device Tester configs folder.

After you finish porting the Amazon FreeRTOS PKCS #11 library to your device, you can start porting the TLS library. See Porting the TLS Library (p. 43) for instructions.

# Porting the TLS Library

For TLS authentication, Amazon FreeRTOS uses either mbedTLS or an off-chip TLS implementation, such as those found on some network co-processors. Amazon FreeRTOS includes a port of mbedTLS. If you use mbedTLS for TLS, TLS porting is not required. To allow different TLS implementations, third-party TLS libraries are accessed through a TLS abstraction layer.

#### Note

No matter which TLS implementation is used by your device's port of Amazon FreeRTOS, the port must pass the qualification tests for TLS. Qualification is based on results from AWS IoT Device Tester.

To prepare your platform for testing TLS, you need to configure your device in the AWS Cloud, and you need certificate and key provisioning on the device.

## **Prerequisites**

To port the Amazon FreeRTOS TLS library, you need the following:

• A port of the Amazon FreeRTOS Secure Sockets library.

For information about porting the Secure Sockets library to your platform, see Porting the Secure Sockets Library (p. 33).

• A port of the Amazon FreeRTOS PKCS #11 library.

For information about porting the PKCS #11 library to your platform, see Porting the PKCS #11 Library (p. 38).

· An AWS account.

For information about setting up an AWS account, see How do I create and activate a new Amazon Web Services account? on the AWS Knowledge Center.

OpenSSL.

You can download a version of OpenSSL for Windows from Shining Light. For a Linux source code download, see OpenSSL.org. You can also use a package manager to install OpenSSL for Linux and macOS.

# **Porting**

If your target hardware offloads TLS functionality to a separate network chip, you need to implement the TLS abstraction layer functions in the following table.

Function	Description
TLS_Init	Initialize the TLS context.
TLS_Connect	Negotiate TLS and connect to the server.
TLS_Recv	Read the requested number of bytes from the TLS connection.
TLS_Send	Write the requested number of bytes to the TLS connection.
TLS_Cleanup	Free resources consumed by the TLS context.

aws\_tls.h contains the information required to implement these functions. Save the file in which you implement the functions as aws\_tls.c.

## Connecting Your Device to AWS IoT

Your device must be registered with AWS IoT to communicate with the AWS Cloud. To register your board with AWS IoT, you need the following:

An AWS IoT policy

The AWS IoT policy grants your device permissions to access AWS IoT resources. It is stored in the AWS Cloud.

An AWS IoT thing

An AWS IoT thing allows you to manage your devices in AWS IoT. It is stored in the AWS Cloud. A private key and X.509 certificate

The private key and certificate allow your device to authenticate with AWS IoT.

Follow these procedures to create a policy, thing, and key and certificate.

#### To create an AWS IoT policy

- 1. Browse to the AWS IoT console.
- 2. In the navigation pane, choose **Secure**, choose **Policies**, and then choose **Create**.
- 3. Enter a name to identify your policy.
- 4. In the Add statements section, choose Advanced mode. Copy and paste the following JSON into the policy editor window:

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
    {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": "iot:*",
    "Resource": "*"
}
    ]
}
```

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#### **Important**

This policy grants all AWS IoT resources access to all AWS IoT actions. This policy is convenient for development and testing purposes, but it is not recommended for production.

5. Choose Create.

#### To create an IoT thing, private key, and certificate for your device

- 1. Browse to the AWS IoT console.
- 2. In the navigation pane, choose **Manage**, and then choose **Things**.
- 3. If you do not have any things registered in your account, the **You don't have any things yet** page is displayed. If you see this page, choose **Register a thing**. Otherwise, choose **Create**.
- 4. On the Creating AWS IoT things page, choose Create a single thing.
- On the Add your device to the thing registry page, enter a name for your thing, and then choose Next.
- 6. On the **Add a certificate for your thing** page, under **One-click certificate creation**, choose **Create certificate**.
- 7. Download your private key and certificate by choosing the **Download** links for each.
- 8. Choose Activate to activate your certificate. Certificates must be activated prior to use.
- 9. Choose **Attach a policy** to attach a policy to your certificate that grants your device access to AWS IoT operations.
- 10. Choose the policy you just created, and then choose Register thing.

After you obtain your certificates and keys from the AWS IoT console, you need to configure the <amazon-freertos>/tests/include/aws\_clientcredential.h header file so your device can connect to AWS IoT.

#### To configure <amazon-freertos>/tests/include/aws\_clientcredential.h

- Browse to the AWS IoT console.
- 2. In the navigation pane, choose **Settings**.

Your AWS IoT endpoint is displayed in **Endpoint**. It should look like <1234567890123>-ats.iot.<us-east-1>.amazonaws.com. Make a note of this endpoint.

3. In the navigation pane, choose Manage, and then choose Things.

Your device should have an AWS IoT thing name. Make a note of this name.

- 4. In your IDE, open <amazon-freertos>/test/include/aws\_clientcredential.h and specify values for the following constants:
  - static const char clientcredentialMQTT\_BROKER\_ENDPOINT[] = "<Your AWS IoT endpoint>";
  - #define clientcredentialIOT\_THING\_NAME "<The AWS IoT thing name of your board>"

# Setting Up Certificates and Keys for the TLS Tests

### TLS\_ConnectRSA()

This section provides instructions on setting up certificates and keys for testing your TLS port.

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For RSA device authentication, you can use the the private key and the certificate that you downloaded from the AWS IoT console when you registered your device.

#### Note

After you have registered your device as an AWS IoT thing, you can retrieve device certificates from the AWS IoT console, but you cannot retrieve private keys.

Amazon FreeRTOS is a Clanguage project. You must format certificates and keys before you add them to the <amazon-freertos>/tests/include/aws\_clientcredential\_keys.h header file.

# To format the certificate and key for <amazon-freertos>/tests/include/aws clientcredential keys.h

- In a browser window, open <amazon-freertos>/tools/certificate\_configuration/ CertificateConfigurator.html.
- Under Certificate PEM file, choose the <ID>-certificate.pem.crt file that you downloaded from the AWS IoT console.
- Under Private Key PEM file, choose the <ID>-private.pem.key file that you downloaded from the AWS IoT console.
- Choose Generate and save aws\_clientcredential\_keys.h, and then save the file in <amazon-freertos>/tests/include. This overwrites the existing file in the directory.

#### Note

The certificate and private key are hard-coded for demonstration purposes only. Production-level applications should store these files in a secure location.

### TLS\_ConnectEC()

For Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) authentication, you need to generate a private key, a certificate signing request (CSR), and a certificate. You can use OpenSSL to generate the private key and CSR, and you can use the CSR to generate the certificate in the AWS IoT console.

#### To generate a private key and a CSR

 Use the following command to create a private key file named <p256\_privatekey>.pem in the current working directory:

```
openssl ecparam -name prime256v1 -genkey -noout -out <p256_privatekey>.pem
```

2. Use the following command to create a CSR file named <csr>.csr in the current working directory.

```
openssl req -new -key p256_privatekey.pem -out <csr>.csr
```

#### To create a certificate in the AWS IoT console with a CSR

- 1. Open the AWS IoT console.
- 2. In the navigation pane, choose Secure, choose Certificates, and then choose Create.
- Choose Create with CSR, and then find and upload the <csr>.csr file that you created with OpenSSL.
- 4. Choose **Activate** to activate the certificate, and then choose **Download** to download the certificate as a .cert.pem file.
- Choose Attach a policy, and then find and select the AWS IoT policy that you created and attached to your RSA certificate in the Connecting Your Device to AWS IoT (p. 44) instructions, and choose Done.

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- 6. Attach the certificate to the AWS IoT thing that you created when you registered your device.
- 7. From the **Certificates** page, find and select the certificate that you just created. From the upper right of the page, choose **Actions**, and then choose **Attach thing**.
- 8. Find and select the thing that you created for your device, and then choose Attach.

You must format the certificate and private key for your device before you add them to the <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h header file.

# To format the certificate and key for <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h

- In a browser window, open <amazon-freertos>/tools/certificate\_configuration/ PEMfileToCString.html.
- Under PEM Certificate or Key, choose the <ID>-certificate.pem.crt that you downloaded from the AWS IoT console.
- Choose Display formatted PEM string to be copied into aws\_clientcredential\_keys.h, and then copy the certificate string.
- Open <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/ aws\_test\_tls.h, and paste the formatted certificate string into the definition for tlstestCLIENT\_CERTIFICATE\_PEM\_EC.

#### Note

The certificate and private key are hard-coded for demonstration purposes only. Production-level applications should store these files in a secure location.

5. Follow the same steps to get the formatted string for the private key file that you created using OpenSSL (<p256\_privatekey>.pem). Copy and paste the formatted private key string into the definition for tlstestClIENT\_PRIVATE\_KEY\_PEM\_EC in <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h.

In <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h, define the tlstestMQTT\_BROKER\_ENDPOINT\_EC with the same AWS IoT MQTT broker endpoint address that you used in Connecting Your Device to AWS IoT (p. 44).

### TLS\_ConnectMalformedCert()

This test verifies that you can use a malformed certificate to authenticate with the server. Random modification of a certificate is likely to be rejected by X.509 certificate verification before the connection request is sent out. To set up a malformed certificate, we suggest that you modify the issuer of the certificate.

#### To modify the issuer of a certificate

Take the valid client certificate that you have been using, <ID>-certificate.pem.crt.

In the Windows Certificate Manager, the certificate properties appear as follows:



2. Using the following command, convert the certificate from PEM to DER:

```
openssl x509 -outform der -in <ID>-certificate.pem.crt -out <ID>-certificate.der.crt
```

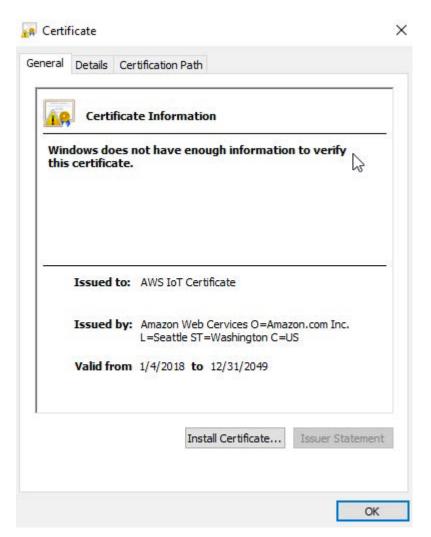
3. Open the DER certificate, and search for the following hexidecimal sequence:

```
41 6d 61 7a 6f 6e 20 57 65 62 20 53 65 72 76 69 63 65 73
```

This sequence, translated to plaintext, reads "Amazon Web Services."

4. Change the 53 to 43, so that the sequence becomes "Amazon Web Cervices" in plaintext, and save the file.

In the Windows Certificate Manager, the certificate properties now appear as follows:



5. Use the following command to convert the certificate back to PEM:

```
openssl x509 -inform der -in <ID>-certificate.der.crt -out <ID>-cert-modified.pem.crt
```

You must format the malformed certificate for your device before you add it to the <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h header file.

# To format the certificate for <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h

- In a browser window, open <amazon-freertos>/tools/certificate\_configuration/ PEMfileToCString.html.
- Under PEM Certificate or Key, choose the <ID>-certificate.pem.crt that you created and then modified.
- Choose Display formatted PEM string to be copied into aws\_clientcredential\_keys.h, and then copy the certificate string.
- 4. Open <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h, and paste the formatted certificate string into the definition for tlstestCLIENT\_CERTIFICATE\_PEM\_MALFORMED.

#### Note

The certificate is hard-coded for demonstration purposes only. Production-level applications should store these files in a secure location.

### TLS\_ConnectBYOCCredentials()

You can use your own certificate for authentication. To create and register a certificate with a valid rootCA/CA chain, follow the instructions in Creating a BYOC (ECDSA) (p. 51). After you create the certificate, you need to attach some policies to your device certificate, and then you need to attach your device's thing to the certificate.

#### To attach a policy to your device certificate

- 1. Open the AWS IoT console.
- 2. In the navigation pane, choose **Secure**, choose **Certificates**, and then choose the device certificate that you created and registered in Creating a BYOC (ECDSA) (p. 51).
- Choose Actions, and then choose Attach policy.
- 4. Find and choose the AWS IoT policy that you created and attached to your RSA certificate in the Connecting Your Device to AWS IoT (p. 44) instructions, and then choose **Attach**.

#### To attach a thing to your device certificate

- 1. From the **Certificates** page, find and choose the same device certificate, choose **Actions**, and then choose **Attach thing**.
- 2. Find and choose the thing that you created for your device, and then choose Attach.

# To format the certificate for <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h

- In a browser window, open <amazon-freertos>/tools/certificate\_configuration/ PEMfileToCString.html.
- Under PEM Certificate or Key, choose the <ID>-certificate.pem.crt that you created and then modified.
- 3. Choose **Display formatted PEM string to be copied into aws\_clientcredential\_keys.h**, and then copy the certificate string.
- Open <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/ aws\_test\_tls.h, and paste the formatted certificate string into the definition for tlstestCLIENT BYOC CERTIFICATE PEM.

#### Note

The certificate is hard-coded for demonstration purposes only. Production-level applications should store these files in a secure location.

5. Follow the same steps to get the formatted string for the private key file that you created. Copy and paste the formatted private key string into the definition for tlstestCLIENT\_BYOC\_PRIVATE\_KEY\_PEM in <a href="mailto:amazon-freertos">amazon-freertos</a>>/libraries/freertos plus/standard/tls/test/aws test tls.h.

## TLS\_ConnectUntrustedCert()

You can use your own certificate for authentication, without registering your certificate with AWS IoT. To create a certificate with a valid rootCA/CA chain, follow the instructions in Creating a BYOC (ECDSA) (p. 51), but skip the final instructions for registering your device with AWS IoT.

# To format the certificate for <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h

- In a browser window, open <amazon-freertos>/tools/certificate\_configuration/ PEMfileToCString.html.
- Under PEM Certificate or Key, choose the <ID>-certificate.pem.crt that you created and then modified.
- 3. Choose **Display formatted PEM string to be copied into aws\_clientcredential\_keys.h**, and then copy the certificate string.
- Open <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/ aws\_test\_tls.h, and paste the formatted certificate string into the definition for tlstestCLIENT\_UNTRUSTED\_CERTIFICATE\_PEM.

#### Note

The certificate is hard-coded for demonstration purposes only. Production-level applications should store these files in a secure location.

5. Follow the same steps to get the formatted string for the private key file that you created. Copy and paste the formatted private key string into the definition for tlstestCLIENT\_UNTRUSTED\_PRIVATE\_KEY\_PEM in <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h.

# Creating a BYOC (ECDSA)

In these procedures, you use the AWS IoT console, the AWS Command Line Interface, and OpenSSL to create and register certificates and keys for a device on the AWS Cloud. Make sure that you have installed and configured the AWS CLI on your machine before you run the AWS CLI commands.

#### Note

When you create CA certificates, use valid, consistent values for the Distinguished Name (DN) fields, when prompted. For the Common Name field, you can use any value, unless otherwise instructed.

#### To generate a root CA

1. Use the following command to generate a root CA private key:

```
openssl ecparam -name prime256v1 -genkey -noout -out rootCA.key
```

2. Use the following command to generate a root CA certificate:

```
openssl req -x509 -new -nodes -key rootCA.key -sha256 -days 1024 -out rootCA.crt
```

#### To generate an intermediate CA

1. Create required files:

```
touch index.txt

echo 1000 > serial
```

- Save the ca.config (p. 53) file in the current working directory.
- 3. Use the following command to generate the intermediate CA's private key:

openssl ecparam -name prime256v1 -qenkey -noout -out intermediateCA.key

4. Use the following command to generate the intermediate CA's CSR:

openssl req -new -sha256 -key intermediateCA.key -out intermediateCA.csr

5. Use the following command to sign the intermediate CA's CSR with the root CA:

openssl ca -config ca.config -notext -cert rootCA.crt -keyfile rootCA.key -days 500 -in intermediateCA.crt -out intermediateCA.crt

#### To generate a device certificate

#### Note

An ECDSA certificate is used here as an example.

1. Use the following command to generate a private key:

openssl ecparam -name prime256v1 -genkey -noout -out deviceCert.key

2. Use the following command to generate a CSR for a device certificate:

openssl req -new -key deviceCert.key -out deviceCert.csr

3. Use the following command to sign the device certificate with the intermediate CA:

openssl x509 -req -in deviceCert.csr -CA intermediateCA.crt -CAkey intermediateCA.key - CAcreateserial -out deviceCert.crt -days 500 -sha256

#### To register both CA certificates

1. Use the following AWS CLI command to get the registration code:

aws iot get-registration-code

2. Use the following command to generate a private key for verification certificates:

openssl ecparam -name prime256v1 -genkey -noout -out verificationCert.key

3. Use the following command to create CSR for verification certificates:

openssl req -new -key verificationCert.key -out verificationCert.csr

When prompted, for Common Name, enter the registration code that you obtained in the first step.

4. Use the following command to sign a verification certificate using the root CA:

openssl x509 -req -in verificationCert.csr -CA rootCA.crt -CAkey rootCA.key - CAcreateserial -out rootCAverificationCert.crt -days 500 -sha256

5. Use the following command to sign a verification certificate using the intermediate CA:

openssl x509 -req -in verificationCert.csr -CA intermediateCA.crt -CAkey intermediateCA.key -CAcreateserial -out intermediateCAverificationCert.crt -days 500 - sha256

6. Use the following AWS CLI commands to register both CA certificates with AWS IoT:

 $\hbox{aws iot register-ca-certificate --ca-certificate file://rootCA.crt --verification-cert file://rootCAverificationCert.crt}$ 

aws iot register-ca-certificate --ca-certificate file://intermediateCA.crt -verification-cert file://intermediateCAverificationCert.crt

7. Use the following AWS CLI command to activate both CA certificates:

```
aws iot update-ca-certificate --certificate-id <ID> --new-status ACTIVE
```

Where *ID* is the certificate ID of one of the certificates.

#### To register the device certificate

1. Use the following AWS CLI command to register the device certificate with AWS IoT:

```
aws iot register-certificate --certificate-pem file://deviceCert.crt --ca-certificate-
pem file://intermediateCA.crt
```

2. Use the following AWS CLI command to activate the device certificate:

```
aws iot update-certificate --certificate-id <ID> --new-status ACTIVE
```

Where <ID> is the certificate ID of the certificate.

### ca.config

Save the following text to a file named ca.config in your current working directory.

This file is a modified version of the openssl.cnf OpenSSL example configuration file.

```
#
# OpenSSL example configuration file.
# This is mostly being used for generation of certificate requests.
#
# This definition stops the following lines choking if HOME isn't
# defined.
HOME = .
RANDFILE = $ENV::HOME/.rnd

# Extra OBJECT IDENTIFIER info:
#oid_file = $ENV::HOME/.oid
oid_section = new_oids

# To use this configuration file with the "-extfile" option of the
# "openssl x509" utility, name here the section containing the
# X.509v3 extensions to use:
```

```
# extensions =
# (Alternatively, use a configuration file that has only
# X.509v3 extensions in its main [= default] section.)
[ new_oids ]
# We can add new OIDs in here for use by 'ca', 'req' and 'ts'.
# Add a simple OID like this:
# testoid1=1.2.3.4
# Or use config file substitution like this:
# testoid2=${testoid1}.5.6
# Policies used by the TSA examples.
tsa_policy1 = 1.2.3.4.1
tsa_policy2 = 1.2.3.4.5.6
tsa_policy3 = 1.2.3.4.5.7
default_ca = CA_default # The default ca section
****
[ CA_default ]
dir = .
                           # Where everything is kept
certs = $dir  # Where the issued certs are kept
crl_dir = $dir  # Where the issued crl are kept
database = $dir/index.txt # database index file.
#unique_subject = no  # Set to 'no' to allow creation of
    # several ctificates with same subject.
new_certs_dir = $dir
                      # default place for new certs.
certificate = $dir/cacert.pem # The CA certificate
serial = $dir/serial # The current serial number
crlnumber = $dir/crlnumber # the current crl number
    # must be commented out to leave a V1 CRL
crl = $dir/crl.pem # The current CRL
private key = $dir/private/cakey.pem# The private key
RANDFILE = $dir/private/.rand # private random number file
x509_extensions = usr_cert # The extentions to add to the cert
# Comment out the following two lines for the "traditional"
# (and highly broken) format.
name_opt = ca_default # Subject Name options
cert_opt = ca_default # Certificate field options
# Extension copying option: use with caution.
# copy_extensions = copy
# Extensions to add to a CRL. Note: Netscape communicator chokes on V2 CRLs
# so this is commented out by default to leave a V1 CRL.
# crlnumber must also be commented out to leave a V1 CRL.
# crl_extensions = crl_ext
default_days = 365  # how long to certify for
default_crl_days= 30  # how long before next CRL
default_md = default # use public key default MD
preserve = no  # keep passed DN ordering
# A few difference way of specifying how similar the request should look
# For type CA, the listed attributes must be the same, and the optional
# and supplied fields are just that :-)
policy = policy_match
```

```
# For the CA policy
[ policy_match ]
countryName = match
stateOrProvinceName = match
organizationName = match
organizationalUnitName = optional
commonName = supplied
emailAddress = optional
# For the 'anything' policy
# At this point in time, you must list all acceptable 'object'
# types.
[ policy_anything ]
countryName = optional
stateOrProvinceName = optional
localityName = optional
organizationName = optional
organizationalUnitName = optional
commonName = supplied
emailAddress = optional
****
[ req ]
default bits = 2048
default_keyfile = privkey.pem
distinguished_name = req_distinguished_name
attributes = req_attributes
x509_extensions = v3_ca # The extentions to add to the self signed cert
# Passwords for private keys if not present they will be prompted for
# input_password = secret
# output_password = secret
# This sets a mask for permitted string types. There are several options.
# default: PrintableString, T61String, BMPString.
# pkix : PrintableString, BMPString (PKIX recommendation before 2004)
# utf8only: only UTF8Strings (PKIX recommendation after 2004).
# nombstr : PrintableString, T61String (no BMPStrings or UTF8Strings).
# MASK:XXXX a literal mask value.
# WARNING: ancient versions of Netscape crash on BMPStrings or UTF8Strings.
string_mask = utf8only
# req extensions = v3 req # The extensions to add to a certificate request
[ req_distinguished_name ]
            = Country Name (2 letter code)
countryName
countryName_default = AU
countryName_min = 2
countryName_max
stateOrProvinceName = State or Province Name (full name)
stateOrProvinceName_default = Some-State
localityName = Locality Name (eg, city)
0.organizationName = Organization Name (eg, company)
0.organizationName_default = Internet Widgits Pty Ltd
# we can do this but it is not needed normally :-)
#1.organizationName = Second Organization Name (eg, company)
#1.organizationName_default = World Wide Web Pty Ltd
organizationalUnitName = Organizational Unit Name (eq, section)
#organizationalUnitName_default =
commonName = Common Name (e.g. server FQDN or YOUR name)
```

```
commonName_max = 64
emailAddress = Email Address
emailAddress_max = 64
# SET-ex3 = SET extension number 3
[ req attributes ]
challengePassword = A challenge password
challengePassword_min = 4
challengePassword_max = 20
unstructuredName = An optional company name
[ usr_cert ]
# These extensions are added when 'ca' signs a request.
# This goes against PKIX guidelines but some CAs do it and some software
# requires this to avoid interpreting an end user certificate as a CA.
basicConstraints=CA:TRUE
# Here are some examples of the usage of nsCertType. If it is omitted
# the certificate can be used for anything *except* object signing.
# This is OK for an SSL server.
# nsCertType = server
# For an object signing certificate this would be used.
# nsCertType = objsign
# For normal client use this is typical
# nsCertType = client, email
# and for everything including object signing:
# nsCertType = client, email, objsign
# This is typical in keyUsage for a client certificate.
# keyUsage = nonRepudiation, digitalSignature, keyEncipherment
# This will be displayed in Netscape's comment listbox.
nsComment = "OpenSSL Generated Certificate"
# PKIX recommendations harmless if included in all certificates.
subjectKeyIdentifier=hash
authorityKeyIdentifier=keyid,issuer
# This stuff is for subjectAltName and issuerAltname.
# Import the email address.
# subjectAltName=email:copy
# An alternative to produce certificates that aren't
# deprecated according to PKIX.
# subjectAltName=email:move
# Copy subject details
# issuerAltName=issuer:copy
#nsCaRevocationUrl = http://www.domain.dom/ca-crl.pem
#nsBaseUrl
#nsRevocationUrl
#nsRenewalUrl
#nsCaPolicyUrl
#nsSslServerName
# This is required for TSA certificates.
```

```
# extendedKeyUsage = critical,timeStamping
[ v3_req ]
# Extensions to add to a certificate request
basicConstraints = CA:FALSE
keyUsage = nonRepudiation, digitalSignature, keyEncipherment
[ v3_ca ]
# Extensions for a typical CA
# PKIX recommendation.
subjectKeyIdentifier=hash
authorityKeyIdentifier=keyid:always,issuer
# This is what PKIX recommends but some broken software chokes on critical
# extensions.
#basicConstraints = critical,CA:true
# So we do this instead.
basicConstraints = CA:true
# Key usage: this is typical for a CA certificate. However since it will
# prevent it being used as an test self-signed certificate it is best
# left out by default.
# keyUsage = cRLSign, keyCertSign
# Some might want this also
# nsCertType = sslCA, emailCA
# Include email address in subject alt name: another PKIX recommendation
# subjectAltName=email:copy
# Copy issuer details
# issuerAltName=issuer:copy
# DER hex encoding of an extension: beware experts only!
# obj=DER:02:03
# Where 'obj' is a standard or added object
# You can even override a supported extension:
# basicConstraints= critical, DER:30:03:01:01:FF
[ crl_ext ]
# CRL extensions.
# Only issuerAltName and authorityKeyIdentifier make any sense in a CRL.
# issuerAltName=issuer:copy
authorityKeyIdentifier=keyid:always
[ proxy_cert_ext ]
# These extensions should be added when creating a proxy certificate
# This goes against PKIX guidelines but some CAs do it and some software
# requires this to avoid interpreting an end user certificate as a CA.
basicConstraints=CA:FALSE
```

```
# Here are some examples of the usage of nsCertType. If it is omitted
# the certificate can be used for anything *except* object signing.
# This is OK for an SSL server.
# nsCertType
# For an object signing certificate this would be used.
# nsCertType = objsign
# For normal client use this is typical
# nsCertType = client, email
# and for everything including object signing:
# nsCertType = client, email, objsign
# This is typical in keyUsage for a client certificate.
# keyUsage = nonRepudiation, digitalSignature, keyEncipherment
# This will be displayed in Netscape's comment listbox.
nsComment
          = "OpenSSL Generated Certificate"
# PKIX recommendations harmless if included in all certificates.
subjectKeyIdentifier=hash
authorityKeyIdentifier=keyid,issuer
# This stuff is for subjectAltName and issuerAltname.
# Import the email address.
# subjectAltName=email:copy
# An alternative to produce certificates that aren't
# deprecated according to PKIX.
# subjectAltName=email:move
# Copy subject details
# issuerAltName=issuer:copy
#nsCaRevocationUrl = http://www.domain.dom/ca-crl.pem
#nsBaseUrl
#nsRevocationUrl
#nsRenewalUrl
#nsCaPolicvUrl
#nsSslServerName
# This really needs to be in place for it to be a proxy certificate.
proxyCertInfo=critical,language:id-ppl-anyLanguage,pathlen:3,policy:foo
[tsa]
default tsa = tsa config1 # the default TSA section
[ tsa_config1 ]
# These are used by the TSA reply generation only.
dir = ./demoCA # TSA root directory
serial = $dir/tsaserial # The current serial number (mandatory)
crypto_device = builtin # OpenSSL engine to use for signing
signer_cert = $dir/tsacert.pem # The TSA signing certificate
    # (optional)
certs = $dir/cacert.pem # Certificate chain to include in reply
     # (optional)
signer_key = $dir/private/tsakey.pem # The TSA private key (optional)
default_policy = tsa_policy1 # Policy if request did not specify it
    # (optional)
```

```
other_policies = tsa_policy2, tsa_policy3 # acceptable policies (optional)
digests = md5, sha1 # Acceptable message digests (mandatory)
accuracy = secs:1, millisecs:500, microsecs:100 # (optional)
clock_precision_digits = 0 # number of digits after dot. (optional)
ordering = yes # Is ordering defined for timestamps?
        # (optional, default: no)
tsa_name = yes # Must the TSA name be included in the reply?
        # (optional, default: no)
ess_cert_id_chain = no # Must the ESS cert id chain be included?
        # (optional, default: no)
```

## **Testing**

If you are using an IDE to build test projects, you need to set up your library port in the IDE project.

### Setting Up the IDE Test Project

If you are using an IDE for porting and testing, you need to add some source files to the IDE test project before you can test your ported code.

#### **Important**

In the following steps, make sure that you add the source files to your IDE project from their ondisk location. Do not create duplicate copies of source files.

#### To set up the TLS library in the IDE project

- 1. Add aws\_tls.c to the aws\_tests IDE project.
- Add the source file aws\_test\_tls.c to the virtual folder aws\_tests/application\_code/ common\_tests/tls. This file includes the TLS tests.

### Configuring the CMakeLists.txt File

If you are using CMake to build your test project, you need to define a portable layer target for the library in your CMake list file.

To define a library's portable layer target in CMakeLists.txt, follow the instructions in Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14).

The CMakeLists.txt template list file under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
boards/<board>/CMakeLists.txt includes example portable layer target definitions. You can
uncomment the definition for the library that you are porting, and modify it to fit your platform.

### Setting Up Your Local Testing Environment

There are five separate tests for the TLS port, one for each type of authentication supported by the Amazon FreeRTOS TLS library:

- TLS\_ConnectRSA()
- TLS\_ConnectEC()
- TLS\_ConnectMalformedCert()
- TLS ConnectBYOCCredentials()
- TLS\_ConnectUntrustedCert()

To run these tests, your board must use the MQTT protocol to communicate with the AWS Cloud. AWS IoT hosts an MQTT broker that sends and receives messages to and from connected devices at the edge. The AWS IoT MQTT broker accepts mutually authenticated TLS connections only.

Follow the instructions in Connecting Your Device to AWS IoT (p. 44) to connect your device to AWS IoT

Each TLS test requires a different certificate/key combination, formatted and defined in either <amazon-freertos>/tests/include/aws\_clientcredential\_keys.h or <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/tls/test/aws\_test\_tls.h.

Follow the instructions in Setting Up Certificates and Keys for the TLS Tests (p. 45) to obtain the certificates and keys that you need for testing.

After you set up the library in the IDE project, you need to configure some other files for testing.

#### To configure the source and header files for the TLS tests

- To enable the TLS tests, open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
  boards/<board>/aws\_tests/config\_files/aws\_test\_runner\_config.h, and set the
  testrunnerFULL\_TLS\_ENABLED macro to 1.
- Open <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/utils/src/ aws\_system\_init.c, and in the function SYSTEM\_Init(), comment out the lines that call BUFFERPOOL\_Init() and MQTT\_AGENT\_Init(), if you have not done so already. Bufferpool and the MQTT agent are not used in this library's porting tests. When you reach the Setting Up the MQTT Library for Testing (p. 61) section, you will be instructed to uncomment these initialization function calls for testing the MQTT library.

Make sure that the line that calls SOCKETS Init() is uncommented.

## **Running the Tests**

#### To execute the TLS tests

- 1. Build the test project, and then flash it to your device for execution.
- 2. Check the test results in the UART console.

```
Starting Tests...

TEST(Full_TLS, AFQP_TLS_ConnectEC) PASS

TEST(Full_TLS, TLS_ConnectRSA) PASS

TEST(Full_TLS, TLS_ConnectMalformedCert) PASS

TEST(Full_TLS, TLS_ConnectUntrustedCert) PASS

TEST(Full_TLS, AFQP_TLS_ConnectBYOCCredentials) PASS

TEST(Full_TLS, AFQP_TLS_ConnectBYOCCredentials) PASS

5 Tests 0 Failures 0 Ignored

OK
------ALL TESTS FINISHED------
```

If all tests pass, then testing is complete.

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#### **Important**

After you have ported the TLS library and tested your ports, you must run the Secure Socket tests that depend on TLS functionality. For more information, see Testing (p. 33) in the Secure Sockets porting documentation.

### **Validation**

To officially qualify a device for Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to validate the device's ported source code with AWS IoT Device Tester. Follow the instructions in Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide to set up Device Tester for port validation. To test a specific library's port, the correct test group must be enabled in the device.json file in the Device Tester configs folder.

After you finish porting the Amazon FreeRTOS TLS library to your device, you can start setting up the MQTT library for testing. See Setting Up the MQTT Library for Testing (p. 61) for instructions.

# Setting Up the MQTT Library for Testing

Devices on the edge can use the MQTT protocol to communicate with the AWS Cloud. AWS IoT hosts an MQTT broker that sends and receives messages to and from connected devices at the edge.

The MQTT library implements the MQTT protocol for devices running Amazon FreeRTOS. The MQTT library does not need to be ported, but your device's test project must pass all MQTT tests for qualification. For more information, see Amazon FreeRTOS MQTT Library in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide.

## **Prerequisites**

To set up the Amazon FreeRTOS MQTT library tests, you need the following:

· A port of the TLS library.

For information about porting the TLS library to your platform, see Porting the TLS Library (p. 43).

If you are using an IDE to build test projects, you need to set up your library port in the IDE project.

## Setting Up the IDE Test Project

#### To set up the MQTT library in the IDE project

 Add all of the test source files in <amazon-freertos>/libraries/c\_sdk/standard/mqtt and its subdirectories to the aws\_tests IDE project.

## Configuring the CMakeLists.txt File

If you are using CMake to build your test project, you need to define a portable layer target for the library in your CMake list file.

To define a library's portable layer target in CMakeLists.txt, follow the instructions in Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14).

The CMakeLists.txt template list file under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
boards/<board>/CMakeLists.txt includes example portable layer target definitions. You can
uncomment the definition for the library that you are porting, and modify it to fit your platform.

# Setting Up Your Local Testing Environment

After you set up the library in the IDE project, you need to configure some other files for testing.

#### To configure the source and header files for the Wi-Fi tests

- Open <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/standard/utils/src/ aws\_system\_init.c, and uncomment all of the initialization functions called from SYSTEM\_Init().
- To enable the MQTT tests, open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
  boards/<board>/aws\_tests/config\_files/aws\_test\_runner\_config.h, and set the
  testrunnerFULL\_MQTT\_ENABLED macro to 1.

## **Running the Tests**

#### To execute the MQTT tests

- 1. Build the test project, and then flash it to your device for execution.
- 2. Check the test results in the UART console.

```
Starting Tests...
TEST(Full_MQTT, prvGetTopicFilterType_HappyCases) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, prvGetTopicFilterType_ErrorCases) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, prvDoesTopicMatchTopicFilter_MatchCases) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, prvDoesTopicMatchTopicFilter_NotMatchCases) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Init_HappyCase) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Init_NULLParams) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_HappyCase) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_BrokerRejectsConnection) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_ConnACKWithoutConnect) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_ReservedReturnCodeFromBroker) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_ShorterConnACK) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_LongerConnACK) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_NULLParams) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_SecondConnectWhileAlreadyConnected) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_SecondConnectWhileWaitingForConnACK) PASS
TEST(Full_MQTT, MQTT_Connect_NetworkSendFailed) PASS
16 Tests 0 Failures 0 Ignored
----All tests finished----
```

If all tests pass, then testing is complete.

## **Validation**

To officially qualify a device for Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to validate the device's ported source code with AWS IoT Device Tester. Follow the instructions in Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS

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in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide to set up Device Tester for port validation. To test a specific library's port, the correct test group must be enabled in the device.json file in the Device Tester configs folder.

After you finish setting up the Amazon FreeRTOS MQTT library for your device, you can start porting the OTA agent library. See Porting the OTA Library (p. 63) for instructions.

If your device does not support OTA functionality, you can start porting the Bluetooth Low Energy library. See Porting the Bluetooth Low Energy Library (p. 67) for instructions.

If your device does not support OTA and Bluetooth Low Energy functionality, then you are finished porting and can start the Amazon FreeRTOS qualification process. See the Amazon FreeRTOS Qualification Guide for more information.

# Porting the OTA Library

With Amazon FreeRTOS over-the-air (OTA) updates, you can do the following:

- Deploy new firmware images to a single device, a group of devices, or your entire fleet.
- Deploy firmware to devices as they are added to groups, are reset, or are reprovisioned.
- Verify the authenticity and integrity of new firmware after it has been deployed to devices.
- Monitor the progress of a deployment.
- · Debug a failed deployment.
- Digitally sign firmware using Code Signing for AWS IoT.

For more information, see Amazon FreeRTOS Over-the-Air Updates in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide.

You can use the OTA agent library to integrate OTA functionality into your Amazon FreeRTOS applications. For more information, see Amazon FreeRTOS OTA Agent Library in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide.

Amazon FreeRTOS devices must enforce cryptographic code-signing verification on the OTA firmware images that they receive. We recommend the following algorithms:

- Elliptic-Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA)
- NIST P256 curve
- SHA-256 hash

#### Note

A port of the Amazon FreeRTOS OTA update library is currently not required for qualification.

## **Prerequisites**

To port the OTA agent library, you need the following:

A port of the TLS library.

For information, see Porting the TLS Library (p. 43).

• A bootloader that can support OTA updates.

For more information about porting a bootloader demo application, see Porting the Bootloader Demo (p. 64).

# **Porting**

<amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/ports/ota/aws\_ota\_pal.c
contains empty definitions of a set of platform abstraction layer (PAL) functions. Implement at least the
set of functions listed in this table.

Function	Description
prvPAL_Abort	Aborts an OTA update.
prvPAL_CreateFileForRx	Creates a file to store the data chunks as they are received.
prvPAL_CloseFile	Closes the specified file. This might authenticate the file if storage that implements cryptographic protection is being used.
prvPAL_WriteBlock	Writes a block of data to the specified file at the given offset. On success, returns the number of bytes written. Otherwise, a negative error code.
prvPAL_ActivateNewImage	Activates or launches the new firmware image. For some ports, if the device is programmatically reset synchronously, this function might not return.
prvPAL_SetPlatformImageState	Does what is required by the platform to accept or reject the most recent OTA firmware image (or bundle). To determine how to implement this function, consult the documentation for your board (platform) details and architecture.
prvPAL_GetPlatformImageState	Gets the state of the OTA update image.

Implement the functions in this table if your device has built-in support for them.

Function	Description
prvPAL_CheckFileSignature	Verifies the signature of the specified file.
prvPAL_ReadAndAssumeCertificate	Reads the specified signer certificate from the file system and returns it to the caller.

Make sure that you have a bootloader that can support OTA updates. For instructions on porting the bootloader demo application provided with Amazon FreeRTOS, see Porting the Bootloader Demo (p. 64).

# Porting the Bootloader Demo

Amazon FreeRTOS includes a demo bootloader application for the Microchip Curiosity PIC32MZEF platform. For more information, see Demo Bootloader for the Microchip Curiosity PIC32MZEF in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide. You can port this demo to other platforms.

If you choose not to port the demo to your platform, you can use your own bootloader application. To support OTA functionality, the application must meet the following requirements:

• The bootloader is stored in non-volatile memory so it cannot be overwritten.

• The bootloader can verify the cryptographic signature of the downloaded application image.

The signature verification must be consistent with the OTA image signer.

- The bootloader does not allow rolling back to a previously installed application image.
- The bootloader maintains at least one image that can be booted.
- The bootloader supports self-testing, new OTA images.

If test execution fails, the bootloader rolls back to the previous valid image. If test execution succeeds, the image is marked as valid and the previous version is erased.

• If the MCU contains more than one image, the newest image is executed.

The newest version can be determined based on implementation (for example a user defined sequence number, application version, and so on). As per other requirements, this can only be the case until a newer version has been verified and proven functional.

• If the MCU cannot verify any images, it enters a controlled, benign state. In this state, it prevents itself from being taken over by ensuring no actions are performed.

#### Note

These requirements must be met, even in the presence of an accidental or malicious write to any MCU memory location, such as key store, program memory, or RAM. The state of the bootloader application must be set by the OTA PAL.

## **Testing**

If you are using an IDE to build test projects, you need to set up your library port in the IDE project.

### Setting Up the IDE Test Project

If you are using an IDE for porting and testing, you need to add some source files to the IDE test project before you can test your ported code.

#### **Important**

In the following steps, make sure that you add the source files to your IDE project from their ondisk location. Do not create duplicate copies of source files.

#### To set up the OTA library in the IDE project

- 1. Add the source file <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/ports/ota/aws\_ota\_pal.c to the aws\_tests IDE project.
- 2. Add the following test source files to the aws\_tests IDE project:
  - <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/aws/ota/test/aws\_test\_ota\_cbor.c
  - <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/aws/ota/test/ aws\_test\_ota\_agent.c
  - <amazon-freertos>/libraries/freertos\_plus/aws/ota/test/aws\_test\_ota\_pal.c
  - /demos/ota/aws iot ota update demo.c

## Configuring the CMakeLists.txt File

If you are using CMake to build your test project, you need to define a portable layer target for the library in your CMake list file.

To define a library's portable layer target in CMakeLists.txt, follow the instructions in Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14).

The CMakeLists.txt template list file under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/
boards/<board>/CMakeLists.txt includes example portable layer target definitions. You can
uncomment the definition for the library that you are porting, and modify it to fit your platform.

See below for an example portable layer target definition for the OTA library.

```
# OTA
afr_mcu_port(ota)
target_sources(
    AFR::ota::mcu_port
    INTERFACE "path/aws_ota_pal.c"
)
```

### **OTA Agent and OTA PAL Tests**

### Setting Up Your Local Testing Environment

#### To configure the source and header files for the OTA agent and OTA PAL tests

- Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<br/>board>/
  aws\_tests/config\_files/aws\_test\_runner\_config.h, and set the
  testrunnerFULL\_OTA\_AGENT\_ENABLED and testrunnerFULL\_OTA\_PAL\_ENABLED macros to 1
  to enable the agent and PAL tests.
- Choose a signing certificate for your device from ota/test. The certificate are used in OTA tests for verification.

Three types of signing certificates are available in the test code:

- RSA/SHA1
- RSA/SHA256
- ECDSA/SHA256

RSA/SHA1 and RSA/SHA256 are available for existing platforms only. ECDSA/SHA256 is recommended for OTA updates. If you have a different scheme, contact the Amazon FreeRTOS engineering team.

#### **Running the Tests**

#### To execute the OTA agent and OTA PAL tests

- 1. Build the test project, and then flash it to your device for execution.
- Check the test results in the UART console.

```
TEST(Full_OTA_PAL, prvPAL_CloseFile_ValidSignature) PASS

TEST(Full_OTA_PAL, prvPAL_CloseFile_InvalidSignatureBlockWritten) PASS

TEST(Full_OTA_PAL, prvPAL_CloseFile_InvalidSignatureNoBlockWritten) PASS

TEST(Full_OTA_PAL, prvPAL_CloseFile_NonexistingCodeSignerCertificate) PASS

TEST(Full_OTA_PAL, prvPAL_CreateFileForRx_CreateAnyFile) PASS
```

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### **Validation**

To officially qualify a device for Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to validate the device's ported source code with AWS IoT Device Tester. Follow the instructions in Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide to set up Device Tester for port validation. To test a specific library's port, the correct test group must be enabled in the device.json file in the Device Tester configs folder.

After you have ported the Amazon FreeRTOS OTA library and the bootloader demo, you can start porting the Bluetooth Low Energy library. For instructions, see Porting the Bluetooth Low Energy Library (p. 67).

If your device does not support Bluetooth Low Energy functionality, then you are finished and can start the Amazon FreeRTOS qualification process. For more information, see the Amazon FreeRTOS Qualification Guide.

# Porting the Bluetooth Low Energy Library

You can use the Amazon FreeRTOS Bluetooth Low Energy library to provision Wi-Fi and send MQTT messages over Bluetooth Low Energy. The Bluetooth Low Energy library also includes higher-level APIs that you can use to communicate directly with the Bluetooth Low Energy stack. For more information, see Amazon FreeRTOS Bluetooth Low Energy Library in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide.

#### Note

A port of the Amazon FreeRTOS Bluetooth Low Energy library is currently not required for qualification.

# Prerequisites

To port the Bluetooth Low Energy library, you need the following:

 An IDE project or CMakeLists.txt list file that includes the vendor-supplied Bluetooth Low Energy drivers.

For information about setting up a test project, see Setting Up Your Amazon FreeRTOS Source Code for Porting (p. 7).

• A validated configuration of the FreeRTOS kernel.

For information about configuring the FreeRTOS kernel for your platform, see Configuring a FreeRTOS Kernel Port (p. 23).

• A Raspberry Pi 3 Model B+, with a memory card.

## **Porting**

Three files in the <amazon-freertos>/libraries/abstractions/ble\_hal/include folder define the Amazon FreeRTOS Bluetooth Low Energy APIs:

- bt\_hal\_manager.h
- bt\_hal\_manager\_adapter\_ble.h
- bt\_hal\_gatt\_server.h

Each file includes comments that describe the APIs. You must implement the following APIs:

#### bt\_hal\_manager.h

- pxBtManagerInit
- pxEnable
- pxDisable
- pxGetDeviceProperty
- pxSetDeviceProperty (All options are mandatory expect eBTpropertyRemoteRssi and eBTpropertyRemoteVersionInfo)
- pxPair
- pxRemoveBond
- pxGetConnectionState
- pxPinReply
- pxSspReply
- pxGetTxpower
- pxGetLeAdapter
- pxDeviceStateChangedCb
- pxAdapterPropertiesCb
- pxSspRequestCb
- pxPairingStateChangedCb
- pxTxPowerCb

#### bt\_hal\_manager\_adapter\_ble.h

- pxRegisterBleApp
- pxUnregisterBleApp
- pxBleAdapterInit
- pxStartAdv
- pxStopAdv
- pxSetAdvData
- pxConnParameterUpdateRequest
- pxRegisterBleAdapterCb
- pxAdvStartCb

- pxSetAdvDataCb
- pxConnParameterUpdateRequestCb
- pxCongestionCb

#### bt\_hal\_gatt\_server.h

- pxRegisterServer
- pxUnregisterServer
- pxGattServerInit
- pxAddService
- pxAddIncludedService
- pxAddCharacteristic
- pxSetVal
- pxAddDescriptor
- pxStartService
- pxStopService
- pxDeleteService
- pxSendIndication
- pxSendResponse
- pxMtuChangedCb
- pxCongestionCb
- pxIndicationSentCb
- pxRequestExecWriteCb
- pxRequestWriteCb
- pxRequestReadCb
- pxServiceDeletedCb
- pxServiceStoppedCb
- pxServiceStartedCb
- pxDescriptorAddedCb
- pxSetValCallbackCb
- pxCharacteristicAddedCb
- pxIncludedServiceAddedCb
- pxServiceAddedCb
- pxConnectionCb
- pxUnregisterServerCb
- pxRegisterServerCb

## **Testing**

This diagram shows the Bluetooth Low Energy testing framework.

To test your Bluetooth Low Energy ports, your computer communicates with an external, Bluetooth-enabled device (a Raspberry Pi 3 Model B+) over SSH, and with your device over Bluetooth Low Energy.

The Bluetooth Low Energy porting and qualification tests target the low-level wrapper layer that lies just above the manufacturer's hardware stack in the Amazon FreeRTOS Bluetooth Low Energy architecture:



If you are using an IDE to build test projects, you need to set up your library port in the IDE project.

### Setting Up the IDE Test Project

If you are using an IDE for porting and testing, you need to add some source files to the IDE test project before you can test your ported code.

#### **Important**

In the following steps, make sure that you add the source files to your IDE project from their ondisk location. Do not create duplicate copies of source files.

#### To set up the Bluetooth Low Energy library in the IDE project

- Add all of the files in <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/ports/ble to your aws\_tests IDE project.
- 2. Add all of the files in <amazon-freertos>/libraries/abstractions/ble\_hal/include to your aws\_tests IDE project.
- Add all of the files in <amazon-freertos>/libraries/c\_sdk/standard/ble to your aws\_tests IDE project.
- 4. Open <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<board>/aws\_tests/application\_code/main.c, and enable the required Bluetooth Low Energy drivers.

## Configuring the CMakeLists.txt File

If you are using CMake to build your test project, you need to define a portable layer target for the library in your CMake list file.

To define a library's portable layer target in CMakeLists.txt, follow the instructions in Amazon FreeRTOS Portable Layers (p. 14).

The CMakeLists.txt template list file under <amazon-freertos>/vendors/<vendor>/boards/<box/cMakeLists.txt includes example portable layer target definitions. You can uncomment the definition for the library that you are porting, and modify it to fit your platform.

## Setting Up Your Local Testing Environment

#### To set up the Raspberry Pi for testing

- Follow the instructions in Setting up your Raspberry Pi to set up your Raspberry Pi with Raspbian OS.
- 2. Download bluez 5.50 from the kernel.org repository.

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- 3. Follow the instructions in the README on the kernel.org repository to install bluez 5.50 on the Raspberry Pi.
- 4. Enable SSH on the Raspberry Pi. For instructions, see the Raspberry Pi documentation.
- 5. On your computer, open the <amazon-freertos>/tests/bleTestsScripts/runPI.sh script, and change the IP addresses in the first two lines to the IP address of your Raspberry Pi:

```
#!/bin/sh

scp * root@192.168.1.4:
ssh -t -t 192.168.1.4 -l root << 'ENDSSH'
rm -rf "/var/lib/bluetooth/*"
hciconfig hci0 reset
python test1.py
sleep 1
ENDSSH</pre>
```

### **Running the Tests**

#### To execute the Bluetooth Low Energy tests

- 1. Execute the runPI.sh script.
- 2. Build the test project, and then flash it to your device for execution.
- 3. Check the test results in the UART console.

### **Validation**

To officially qualify a device for Amazon FreeRTOS, you need to validate the device's ported source code with AWS IoT Device Tester. Follow the instructions in Using AWS IoT Device Tester for Amazon FreeRTOS in the Amazon FreeRTOS User Guide to set up Device Tester for port validation. To test a specific library's port, the correct test group must be enabled in the device.json file in the Device Tester configs folder.

After you have ported the Bluetooth Low Energy library, you can start the Amazon FreeRTOS qualification process. For more information, see the Amazon FreeRTOS Qualification Guide.

# Migrating to Version 201906.00

For a list of Amazon FreeRTOS releases, see https://github.com/aws/amazon-freertos/releases.

# **Migrating Applications**

Amazon FreeRTOS version 201906.00 introduces some changes to the Amazon FreeRTOS directory structure that break project files built on previous versions of Amazon FreeRTOS. In order for applications built on previous versions of Amazon FreeRTOS to work with Amazon FreeRTOS version 201906.00, you must move the application code to new projects and include the 201906.00 header files in the application.

Version 201906.00 introduces new APIs for the MQTT, Device Shadow, and Device Defender libraries. The APIs for previous versions of these libraries are accessible through header files of the 201906.00 implementations of these libraries, making Amazon FreeRTOS version 201906.00 backward-compatible.

#### Note

If you are migrating to 201906.00, you might need to reconfigure your iot\_config.h and FreeRTOSConfig.h files to accommodate the new library implementations. For information about global configuration settings, see the Global Configuration File Reference.

# **Migrating Ports**

If you have ported a version of Amazon FreeRTOS released prior to the 201906.00 release, you need to migrate your ported code to be compatible with version 201906.00. For information about porting, see the Amazon FreeRTOS Porting Guide.

# Amazon FreeRTOS Code Directory Structure

In versions released prior to 201960.00, the <amazon-freertos>/lib/third\_party/mcu\_vendor/vendor folder held the vendor-ported code. One or more project files under the same vendor folder compiled the code. In version 201906.00, vendor code is located under the <amazon-freertos>/vendors/vendor folder, and project files are located under the <amazon-freertos>/projects/vendor folder.

#### Note

The code for ports has not changed with version 201906.00. Only the location of the code has changed. Move any existing ports to the new folder structure.

# **CMake Build System**

Version 201906.00 supports CMake for generating project files. For information about using CMake with Amazon FreeRTOS, see Building Amazon FreeRTOS with CMake (p. 18).

A CMake list file is required for qualification. For information about creating a CMake list file, see Creating a CMake List File (p. 10).

# Migrating the Wi-Fi Library Port

The Amazon FreeRTOS Wi-Fi library features four new APIs to add, remove, and retrieve a Wi-Fi network, and to receive notifications for Wi-Fi network state changes. All of these new APIs are optional, and are

intended to support Wi-Fi credentials provisioning over Bluetooth Low Energy. If your device does not support Bluetooth Low Energy, you do not need to implement these APIs.

• WIFI\_NetworkAdd

```
WIFIReturnCode_t WIFI_NetworkAdd(
  const WIFINetworkProfile_t * const pxNetworkProfile,
  uint16_t * pusIndex );
```

• WIFI\_NetworkGet

```
WIFIReturnCode_t WIFI_NetworkGet(
WIFINetworkProfile_t * pxNetworkProfile,
    uint16_t usIndex );
```

• WIFI\_NetworkDelete

```
WIFIReturnCode_t WIFI_NetworkDelete( uint16_t usIndex );
```

• WIFI\_RegisterNetworkStateChangeEventCallback

```
WIFIReturnCode_t WIFI_RegisterNetworkStateChangeEventCallback(
    IotNetworkStateChangeEventCallback_t xCallback );
```

With the following typedef statements:

```
typedef void ( *IotNetworkStateChangeEventCallback_t ) (
    uint32_t ulNetworkType,
    AwsIotNetworkState_t xState );
```

```
typedef enum AwsIotNetworkState
{
    eNetworkStateUnknown = 0,
    eNetworkStateDisabled,
    eNetworkStateEnabled
} AwsIotNetworkState_t;
```

For information about porting the Wi-Fi library, see Porting the Wi-Fi Library in the Amazon FreeRTOS Porting Guide.