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## AUSTRALIAN STANDARD

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY — OPEN SYSTEMS INTERCONNECTION —  
UPPER LAYERS SECURITY MODEL**

**1 Scope**

**1.1** This Recommendation | International Standard defines an architectural model that provides a basis for:

- a) the development of application-independent services and protocols for security in the upper layers of OSI; and
- b) the utilization of these services and protocols to fulfil the security requirements of a wide variety of applications, so that the need for application-specific ASEs to provide internal security services is minimized.

**1.2** In particular, this Recommendation | International Standard specifies:

- a) the security aspects of communication in the upper layers of OSI;
- b) the support in the upper layers of the security services defined in the OSI Security Architecture and the Security Frameworks for Open Systems;
- c) the positioning of, and relationships among, security services and mechanisms in the upper layers, according to the guidelines of CCITT Rec. X.800 | ISO 7498-2 and ITU-T Rec. X.207 | ISO/IEC 9545.
- d) the interactions among the upper layers, and interactions between the upper layers and the lower layers, in providing and using security services;
- e) the requirement for management of security information in the upper layers.

**1.3** With respect to access control, the scope of this Recommendation | International Standard includes services and mechanisms for controlling access to OSI resources and resources accessible via OSI.

**1.4** This Recommendation | International Standard does not include:

- a) definition of OSI services or specification of OSI protocols;
- b) specification of security techniques and mechanisms, their operation, and their protocol requirements; or
- c) aspects of providing security which are not concerned with OSI communications.

**1.5** This Recommendation | International Standard is neither an implementation specification for systems nor a basis for appraising the conformance of implementations.

**NOTE** — The scope of this Recommendation | International Standard includes security for connectionless applications and for distributed applications (such as store-and-forward applications, chained applications, and applications acting on behalf of other applications).

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