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IPP "save-password" Attribute (SAVEPASSWORD)

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- 4 Abstract: This document is a whitepaper that proposes the creation of a new "save-
- 5 password" Job Template attribute that provides the Job with a persistent password that will
- 6 need to be provided when initially printing or re-printing that Job.
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1 Introduction

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- security, and this extends to printing. Most all Users are familiar with sending a Job to a
- 62 Printer and the Printer processing that Job fairly immediately, and some do so using a "job
- 63 password" that prevents the Job from being processed until the User provides that
- password on the Printer's control panel to approve its release to processing. The IPP "job-
- password" Job Template attribute [PWG5100.11] and related attributes provide support for
- this workflow. Some Printers also support saving jobs for later re-print. Some Users wish to
- take advantage of both capabilities; however, since "job-password" is a Job Template
- attribute, and the act of saving the Job is considered that Job's processing, the "job-
- 69 password" attribute does not persist beyond its being saved. What is needed to support a
- password protected saved job is an attribute that persists beyond the conclusion of the
- 71 Job, such as a Document Description attribute.

72 **2 Terminology**

2.1 Protocol Roles Terminology

- 74 This document defines the following protocol roles in order to specify unambiguous
- 75 conformance requirements:
- 76 Client: Initiator of outgoing IPP session requests and sender of outgoing IPP operation
- 77 requests (Hypertext Transfer Protocol -- HTTP/1.1 [RFC7230] User Agent).
- 78 *Printer*: Listener for incoming IPP session requests and receiver of incoming IPP operation
- 79 requests (Hypertext Transfer Protocol -- HTTP/1.1 [RFC7230] Server) that represents one
- 80 or more Physical Devices or a Logical Device.

2.2 Other Terms Used in This Document

82 *User.* A person or automata using a Client to communicate with a Printer.

83 2.3 Acronyms and Organizations

- 84 IANA: Internet Assigned Numbers Authority, http://www.iana.org/
- 85 *IETF*: Internet Engineering Task Force, http://www.ietf.org/
- 86 ISO: International Organization for Standardization, http://www.iso.org/
- 87 *PWG*: Printer Working Group, http://www.pwg.org/

3 Requirements for IPP "save-password" Attribute

89 **3.1 Rationale for IPP "save-password" Attribute**

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- 91 security, and this extends to printing. Most all Users are familiar with sending a Job to a
- 92 Printer and the Printer processing that Job fairly immediately, and some do so using a "job
- 93 password" that prevents the Job from being processed until the User provides that
- 94 password on the Printer's control panel to approve its release to processing. The IPP "job-
- 95 password" Job Template attribute [PWG5100.11] and related attributes provide support for
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- 99 "job-password" attribute does not persist beyond its being saved. What is needed to
- 100 support a password protected saved job is an attribute that persists beyond the conclusion
- of the Job, such as a Document Description attribute.

102 **3.2 Use Cases**

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3.2.1 Printing a Saved Document with a Persistent Password

- 104 Wilma has written a document that she intends to save on her departmental MFD, to allow
- some of her peers to print copies as needed. But as the document contains sensitive
- information, she wishes to only allow those who know the document's password to re-print
- copies. She is familiar with providing a password when configuring a print job, and she is
- also familiar with configuring the job to be saved in the printer. She provides a password in
- and also chooses to have the job saved. She submits the job to the printer. The printer
- saves the job content but protects it with the password provided.

111 3.3 Exceptions

112 There are currently no exceptions.

113 **3.4 Out of Scope**

- 114 The following are considered out of scope for this document:
- 11. How the Document or Documents in a Job are stored by the Printer
- 116 2. Protocols for bar
- 117 3. Requirements for bla

118 3.5 Design Requirements

- 119 The design requirements for this document are:
- 1. Define attributes for foo and bar
- 121 4. Define operations for bla
- 5. Register all attributes and operations with IANA
- 123 The design recommendations for this document are:
- 12. Reusing UI controls with similar enough purposes so that the user doesn't need
- to be confused by e.g. needing to interact with different controls for different
- kinds of passwords.

127 4 IPP Attributes

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4.1 Printer Description Attributes

- 4.1.1 save-password-supported (rangeOfInteger(0:255))
- 130 The "save-password" Printer Description attribute specifies whether the Printer supports
- the persistent Job password specified by the "save-password" Job Template attribute, and
- if so, what range of lengths the Printer's password policy requires for the unencrypted
- value of "save-password". If the Client allows the User to provide it with an unencrypted
- password value shorter than the lower bounds of "save-password-supported", the behavior
- is undefined but the Job may never print.
- 4.1.2 save-password-encryption-supported (1setOf (type2 keyword))
- 137 The "save-password-encryption-supported" Printer Description attribute specifies the
- encryption formats supported by the Printer for encrypting "save-password". Any of the
- keywords registered for the "job-password-encryption" attribute may be listed in the "save-
- password-encryption-supported" attribute.

4.1.3 save-password-repertoire-configured (1setOf (type2 keyword))

- 142 The "save-password-repertoire-configured" Printer Description attribute specifies the set of
- repertoires the Printer is configured to accept for a Job's "save-password-repertoire"
- attribute. The values specified in "save-password-repertoire-configured" MUST be listed in
- 145 "save-password-repertoire-supported".

4.1.4 save-password-repertoire-supported (1setOf (type2 keyword))

- 147 The "save-password-repertoire-supported" Printer Description attribute specifies the range
- of repertoires the Printer supports that may be configured for listing in the Printer's "save-
- password-repertoire-configured" attribute. The keywords specified in the "save-password-

- repertoire-supported" keywords must be defined and registered in the PWG for the "job-
- password-repertoire" attribute [PWGRepertoire].

4.2 Job Template Attributes

4.2.1 save-password (octetString(255))

- 154 The "save-password" Job Template attribute specifies a password for the Job, which is
- semantically analogous to the "job-password" Operation attribute [PWG5100.11]. The
- 156 Printer MUST NOT process the Job unless a User provides the "save-password" to
- authorize the Printer to allow its release. The "save-password" attribute MUST persist with
- the Job, even when the Job persists as a "saved job" [PWG5100.11].
- 159 The Client MUST provide the "job-save-disposition" Job Template attribute when it
- provides the "save-password" attribute.

4.2.2 save-password-encryption (type2 keyword)

- 162 The "save-password-encryption" Job Template attribute specifies the encryption type the
- 163 Client employed to encrypt the password value specified in the "save-password" Job
- 164 Template attribute. This attribute MUST be present if the "save-password" attribute is
- present.

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166 4.2.3 save-password-repertoire (type2 keyword)

- 167 The "save-password-repertoire" Job Template attribute specifies the repertoire selected for
- the "save-password" attribute. This attribute MUST be present if the "save-password"
- attribute is present.

5 Internationalization Considerations

- 171 For interoperability and basic support for multiple languages, conforming implementations
- 172 MUST support the Universal Character Set (UCS) Transformation Format -- 8 bit (UTF-8)
- 173 [RFC3629] encoding of Unicode [UNICODE] [ISO10646] and the Unicode Format for
- 174 Network Interchange [RFC5198].
- 175 Implementations of this specification SHOULD conform to the following standards on
- processing of human-readable Unicode text strings, see:
- Unicode Bidirectional Algorithm [UAX9] left-to-right, right-to-left, and vertical
- Unicode Line Breaking Algorithm [UAX14] character classes and wrapping
- Unicode Normalization Forms [UAX15] especially NFC for [RFC5198]
- Unicode Text Segmentation [UAX29] grapheme clusters, words, sentences

- Unicode Identifier and Pattern Syntax [UAX31] identifier use and normalization
- Unicode Collation Algorithm [UTS10] sorting
- Unicode Locale Data Markup Language [UTS35] locale databases
- 184 Implementations of this specification are advised to also review the following informational
- documents on processing of human-readable Unicode text strings:
- Unicode Character Encoding Model [UTR17] multi-layer character model
- Unicode in XML and other Markup Languages [UTR20] XML usage
- Unicode Character Property Model [UTR23] character properties
- Unicode Conformance Model [UTR33] Unicode conformance basis

190 6 Security Considerations

- 191 The IPP extensions defined in this document require the same security considerations as
- 192 defined in the IPP/1.1: Model and Semantics [RFC8011] plus additional security
- 193 considerations below.

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6.1 Human-readable Strings

- 195 Implementations of this specification SHOULD conform to the following standard on
- processing of human-readable Unicode text strings, see:
- Unicode Security Mechanisms [UTS39] detecting and avoiding security attacks
- 198 Implementations of this specification are advised to also review the following informational
- 199 document on processing of human-readable Unicode text strings:
- Unicode Security FAQ [UNISECFAQ] common Unicode security issues

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