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Abstract

The Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) is a stateless application-level protocol for distributed, collaborative, hypermedia information systems. This document formerly defined the HTTP Authentication framework, which has since been moved to the core HTTP Semantics document.

Editorial Note

This note is to be removed before publishing as an RFC.

Discussion of this draft takes place on the HTTP working group mailing list (ietf-http-wg@w3.org), which is archived at <https://lists.w3.org/Archives/Public/ietf-http-wg/>.

Working Group information can be found at <https://httpwg.org/>; source code and issues list for this draft can be found at <https://github.com/httpwg/http-core>.

The changes in this draft are summarized in [Appendix A](#).

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[1.](#) Introduction

HTTP provides a general framework for access control and authentication, via an extensible set of challenge-response

authentication schemes, which can be used by a server to challenge a client request and by a client to provide authentication information.

The entire content of this document (previously in [RFC2617] and [RFC7235]) has been moved to [Semantics].

[2.](#) References

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[Appendix A](#). Changes from [RFC 7235](#)

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