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**Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)  
Registrations for PKCS #9  
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Abstract

PKCS #9 includes several useful definitions that are not yet reflected in the LDAP IANA registry. This document adds those definitions to the IANA registry.

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## **1. Introduction**

This document registers the LDAP [[RFC4510](#)] schema definitions [[RFC4512](#)] for a subset of elements specified in PKCS #9 [[PKCS9](#)], including attribute types; matching rules and syntaxes to be used with these attribute types; and related object classes.

As the elements and their semantics are defined in [[PKCS9](#)], this document needs to be read in conjunction with [[PKCS9](#)] to make use of the LDAP registrations provided herein. [[PKCS9](#)] provides complete definitions, with one significant omission: the IANA Considerations section was never appended. This document provides the IANA Considerations section necessary to register appropriate descriptors.

## **2. Syntaxes**

[Appendix B.1](#) of [[PKCS9](#)] describes various syntaxes used in LDAP to transfer PKCS #9 elements and related data types.

## **3. Matching Rules**

[Appendix B.4](#) of [[PKCS9](#)] provides matching rules for use in LDAP.

## **4. Attribute Types**

[Appendix B.3](#) of [[PKCS9](#)] details attribute types for use in LDAP, including (by its own admission) attributes that are highly unlikely to be stored in a Directory. For parity, all attributes in [Appendix B.3](#)--but not necessarily in PKCS #9 as a whole--are registered via this document.

### **4.1 Short Descriptors for Certain Useful Attribute Types**

[[PKCS9](#)] includes certain attribute types that have found meaningful use outside of the PKCS series. Specifically:

- o emailAddress is mandated in [[RFC5750](#)], and has mandatory processing requirements if included in a certificate [[RFC5280](#)].
- o [[RFC5280](#)] recommends the recognition of pseudonym.
- o The Qualified Certificates Profile [[RFC3739](#)] requires both pseudonym and the vital records dateOfBirth, placeOfBirth, gender, countryOfCitizenship, and countryOfResidence.

As a result, certain applications not only encounter and generate these attributes in practice, but also use short descriptors that have come to be widely recognized.

As permitted by [Section 3.4 of \[\[RFC4520\]\(#\)\]](#), the short descriptors in



Table 1 are registered along with their more verbose counterparts reflected in [[PKCS9](#)]:

Short Descriptor	Regular Descriptor
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e	emailAddress
dob	dateOfBirth
pob	placeOfBirth
g	gender
coc	countryOfCitizenship
cor	countryOfResidence
pnym	pseudonym

Table 1: Short Descriptors for Certain Attribute Types

## 5. Object Classes

[Appendix B.2](#) of [[PKCS9](#)] details a set of object classes for use in LDAP.

## 6. Security Considerations

PKCS #9 security considerations (written for the RFC edition) [[PKCS9](#)] apply to the definitions in this document. General LDAP security considerations [[RFC4510](#)] apply as well.

## 7. IANA Considerations

The IANA shall register an LDAP Object Identifier [[RFC4520](#)] for use in this technical specification, and shall update the LDAP Descriptor registry [[RFC4520](#)], as indicated below.

### 7.1. Object Identifier Registration

Subject: Request for LDAP OID Registration

Person & email address to contact for further information:

Sean Leonard <dev+ietf@seantek.com>

Specification: [draft-seantek-ldap-pkcs9](#)

Author/Change Controller: IESG

Comments:

Identifies the PKCS #9 schema elements registered in the IANA LDAP Descriptor and Syntaxes registries via this document.

### 7.2. Descriptor Registration

Subject: Request for LDAP Descriptor Registration

Descriptor (short name): see table



Object Identifier: see table

Person & email address to contact for further information:

Sean Leonard <dev+ietf@seantek.com>

Usage: see table

Specification: [draft-seantek-ldap-pkcs9](#)

Author/Change Controller: IESG

pkcsEntity	O 1.2.840.113549.1.9.24.1
naturalPerson	O 1.2.840.113549.1.9.24.2
pkcs7PDU	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.25.5
userPKCS12	A 2.16.840.1.113730.3.1.216
pkcs15Token	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.25.1
encryptedPrivateKeyInfo	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.25.2
e	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.1
unstructuredName	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.2
unstructuredAddress	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.8
dob	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.1
dateOfBirth	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.1
pob	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.2
placeOfBirth	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.2
g	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.3
gender	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.3
coc	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.4
countryOfCitizenship	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.4
cor	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.5
countryOfResidence	A 1.3.6.1.5.5.7.9.5
pnym	A 2.5.4.65
contentType	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.3
messageDigest	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.4
signingTime	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.5
counterSignature	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.6
challengePassword	A 1.2.840.113549.1.9.7
pkcs9CaseIgnoreMatch	M 1.2.840.113549.1.9.27.1
signingTimeMatch	M 1.2.840.113549.1.9.27.3



### **7.3. PKCS9String Syntax Registration**

Subject: Request for LDAP Syntax Registration

Object Identifier: 1.2.840.113549.1.9.26.1

Description: PKCS9String

Person & email address to contact for further information:

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Specification: [draft-seantek-ldap-pkcs9](#)

Author/Change Controller: IESG

Comments:

Identifies the PKCS #9 String syntax, which is  
a CHOICE of IA5String and DirectoryString.

### **7.4. SigningTime Syntax Registration**

Subject: Request for LDAP Syntax Registration

Object Identifier: 1.2.840.113549.1.9.26.2

Description: SigningTime

Person & email address to contact for further information:

Sean Leonard <dev+ietf@seantek.com>

Specification: [draft-seantek-ldap-pkcs9](#)

Author/Change Controller: IESG

Comments:

Identifies the SigningTime syntax, which is Time,  
which is a CHOICE of UTCTime and GeneralizedTime.

## **8. Acknowledgements**

This document relies on PKCS #9, a product of RSA Laboratories.

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