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196 WS-Management sub-group of the WBEM Infrastructure & Protocols Working Group.

197 This International Standard makes use of functionality similar to the following W3C  
198 Recommendations:

- 199 • Web Services Eventing (WS-Eventing)
- 200 • Web Services Transfer (WS-Transfer)
- 201 • Web Services Enumeration (WS-Enumeration)

202 These W3C Recommendations were not available at the time WS-Management was defined, and  
203 similar functionality was incorporated directly into provisions of the WS-Management specification.  
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# Web Services for Management (WS-Management) Specification

## 289 1 Scope

290 The *Web Services for Management (WS-Management) Specification* describes a Web services  
291 protocol based on SOAP for use in management-specific domains. These domains include the  
292 management of entities such as PCs, servers, devices, Web services and other applications, and  
293 other manageable entities. Services can expose only a WS-Management interface or compose the  
294 WS-Management service interface with some of the many other Web service specifications.

295 A crucial application for these services is in the area of systems management. To promote  
296 interoperability between management applications and managed resources, this specification  
297 identifies a core set of Web service specifications and usage requirements that expose a common set  
298 of operations central to all systems management. This includes the ability to do the following:

- 299 • Get, put (update), create, and delete individual resource instances, such as settings and  
300 dynamic values
- 301 • Enumerate the contents of containers and collections, such as large tables and logs
- 302 • Subscribe to events emitted by managed resources
- 303 • Execute specific management methods with strongly typed input and output parameters

304 In each of these areas of scope, this specification defines minimal implementation requirements for  
305 conformant Web service implementations. An implementation is free to extend beyond this set of  
306 operations, and to choose not to support one or more of the preceding areas of functionality if that  
307 functionality is not appropriate to the target device or system.

308 This specification intends to meet the following requirements:

- 309 • Constrain Web services protocols and formats so that Web services can be implemented  
310 with a small footprint in both hardware and software management services.
- 311 • Define minimum requirements for compliance without constraining richer implementations.
- 312 • Ensure backward compatibility and interoperability with WS-Management version 1.0.
- 313 • Ensure composability with other Web services specifications.

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### 373 **3 Terms and Definitions**

374 For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply. The fact that a  
375 normative term such as "shall", "shall not", "should", "should not", "may", or "need not" may be used in  
376 text which does not have an associated rule number does not mean that the text is not normative.

#### 377 **3.1**

##### 378 **can**

379 used for statements of possibility and capability, whether material, physical, or causal

#### 380 **3.2**

##### 381 **cannot**

382 used for statements of possibility and capability, whether material, physical, or causal

#### 383 **3.3**

##### 384 **conditional**

385 indicates requirements to be followed strictly to conform to the document when the specified  
386 conditions are met

#### 387 **3.4**

##### 388 **mandatory**

389 indicates requirements to be followed strictly to conform to the document and from which no deviation  
390 is permitted

#### 391 **3.5**

##### 392 **may**

393 indicates a course of action permissible within the limits of the document

#### 394 **3.6**

##### 395 **need not**

396 indicates a course of action permissible within the limits of the document

#### 397 **3.7**

##### 398 **optional**

399 indicates a course of action permissible within the limits of the document

#### 400 **3.8**

##### 401 **shall**

402 indicates requirements to be followed strictly to conform to the document and from which no deviation  
403 is permitted

#### 404 **3.9**

##### 405 **shall not**

406 indicates requirements to be followed strictly to conform to the document and from which no deviation  
407 is permitted

- 408 **3.10**  
 409 **should**  
 410 indicates that among several possibilities, one is recommended as particularly suitable, without  
 411 mentioning or excluding others, or that a certain course of action is preferred but not necessarily  
 412 required
- 413 **3.11**  
 414 **should not**  
 415 indicates that a certain possibility or course of action is deprecated but not prohibited
- 416 **3.12**  
 417 **client**  
 418 the application that uses the Web services defined in this document to access the management  
 419 service
- 420 **3.13**  
 421 **consumer**  
 422 the Web service that is requesting the data enumeration from the data source
- 423 **3.14**  
 424 **data source**  
 425 a Web service that supports traversal using enumeration contexts via the Enumerate operation  
 426 defined in this specification
- 427 **3.15**  
 428 **delivery mode**  
 429 the mechanism by which notification messages are delivered from the source to the sink
- 430 **3.16**  
 431 **enumeration context**  
 432 a session context that represents a specific traversal through a logical sequence of XML element  
 433 information items using the Pull operation defined in this specification
- 434 **3.17**  
 435 **event sink**  
 436 a Web service that receives notifications
- 437 **3.18**  
 438 **event source**  
 439 a Web service that sends notifications and accepts requests to create subscriptions
- 440 **3.19**  
 441 **managed resource**  
 442 an entity that can be of interest to an administrator  
 443 It may be a physical object, such as a laptop computer or a printer, or an abstract entity, such as a  
 444 service.
- 445 **3.20**  
 446 **notification**  
 447 a message sent to indicate that an event has occurred

448 **3.21**

449 **push mode**

450 a delivery mechanism where the source sends event messages to the sink as individual, unsolicited  
451 SOAP messages

452 **3.22**

453 **resource**

454 a Web service that is addressable by an endpoint reference and accessed using the operations  
455 defined in this specification. This resource can be represented by an XML document. The XML  
456 document may be a representation of managed resource

457 **3.23**

458 **resource class**

459 an abstract representation (type) of a managed resource

460 A resource class defines the representation of management-related operations and properties. An  
461 example of a resource class is the description of operations and properties for a set of laptop  
462 computers.

463 **3.24**

464 **resource factory**

465 a Web service that is capable of creating new resources using the Create operation defined in this  
466 specification

467 **3.25**

468 **resource instance**

469 an instantiation of a resource class

470 An example is the set of management-related operations and property values for a specific laptop  
471 computer.

472 **3.26**

473 **selector**

474 a resource-relative name and value pair that acts as an instance-level discriminant when used with  
475 the WS-Management default addressing model

476 A selector is essentially a filter or "key" that identifies the desired instance of the resource. A selector  
477 may not be present when service-specific addressing models are used.

478 The relationship of services to resource classes and instances is as follows:

- 479 • A service consists of one or more resource classes.
- 480 • A resource class may contain zero or more instances.

481 If more than one instance for a resource class exists, they are isolated or identified through parts of  
482 the SOAP address for the resource, such as the ResourceURI and SelectorSet fields in the default  
483 addressing model.

484 **3.27**

485 **service**

486 an application that provides management services to clients by exposing the Web services defined in  
487 this document

488 Typically, a service is equivalent to the network "listener," is associated with a physical transport  
489 address, and is essentially a type of manageability access point.

490 **3.28**

491 **subscriber**

492 a Web service that sends requests to create, renew, and/or delete subscriptions

493 **3.29**  
 494 **subscription manager**  
 495 a Web service that accepts requests to manage, get the status of, renew, and/or delete subscriptions  
 496 on behalf of an event source

## 497 **4 Symbols and Abbreviated Terms**

498 The following symbols and abbreviations are used in this document.

### 499 **4.1**

#### 500 **BNF**

501 Backus-Naur Form (<http://foldoc.org/foldoc/?Backus-Naur+Form>)

### 502 **4.2**

#### 503 **BOM**

504 byte-order mark

### 505 **4.3**

#### 506 **CQL**

507 CIM Query Language

### 508 **4.4**

#### 509 **EPR**

510 Endpoint Reference

### 511 **4.5**

#### 512 **GSSAPI**

513 Generic Security Services Application Program Interface

### 514 **4.6**

#### 515 **SOAP**

516 Simple Object Access Protocol

### 517 **4.7**

#### 518 **SPNEGO**

519 Simple and Protected GSSAPI Negotiation Mechanism

### 520 **4.8**

#### 521 **SQL**

522 Structured Query Language

### 523 **4.9**

#### 524 **URI**

525 Uniform Resource Identifier

### 526 **4.10**

#### 527 **URL**

528 Uniform Resource Locator

### 529 **4.11**

#### 530 **UTF**

531 UCS Transformation Format

- 532 **4.12**  
533 **UUID**  
534 Universally Unique Identifier
- 535 **4.13**  
536 **WSDL**  
537 Web Services Description Language
- 538 **4.14**  
539 **WS-Man**  
540 Web Services Management

## 541 **5 Addressing**

542 WS-Management relies on a SOAP-based addressing mechanism (like the one defined in 5.1) to  
543 define references to other Web service endpoints and to define some of the headers used in SOAP  
544 messages. This addressing mechanism is semantically equivalent and fully wire-compatible with the  
545 version of WS-Addressing referenced in WS-Management 1.0. Therefore, this change to WS-  
546 Management is fully backward compatible with existing WS-Management implementations.

547 Clause 5.2 specifies how more than one addressing version may be used with WS-Management,  
548 such as the version defined in 5.1 or the W3C Recommendation version of addressing. In this  
549 specification, unless explicitly referring to a particular version, the term "Addressing" refers generically  
550 to either version of addressing as defined in 5.2.

551 Multiple addressing models may be used with any of the addressing versions described in 5.2.  
552 Implementations may implement any of the following addressing models:

- 553 • basic addressing as defined in 5.1
- 554 • the Default Addressing Model as defined in 5.4.2
- 555 • new addressing models that are not defined in this specification. These addressing models  
556 may impose additional restrictions or requirements for addressing.

### 557 **5.1 Management Addressing**

558 The features defined in this clause provide a transport-neutral mechanism to address Web services  
559 and messages. Specifically, this clause defines XML elements to identify Web service endpoints and  
560 to secure end-to-end endpoint identification in messages. This enables messaging systems to  
561 support message transmission through networks that include processing nodes such as endpoint  
562 managers, firewalls, and gateways in a transport-neutral manner.

#### 563 **5.1.1 Introduction**

564 This clause defines two interoperable constructs, endpoint references and message information  
565 headers, that convey information that is typically provided by transport protocols and messaging  
566 systems. These constructs normalize this underlying information into a uniform format that can be  
567 processed independently of transport or application.

568 A Web service endpoint is an entity, processor, or resource that can be referenced and can be  
569 targeted for Web service messages. Endpoint references convey the information needed to identify  
570 and reference a Web service endpoint, and they may be used in several different ways:

- 571 • Endpoint references are suitable for conveying the information needed to access a Web  
572 service endpoint.

- 573 • Endpoint references are also used to provide addresses for individual messages sent to  
574 and from Web services.

575 To deal with the latter use case, this clause defines a family of message information headers that  
576 allows uniform addressing of messages independent of underlying transport. These message  
577 information headers convey end-to-end message characteristics including addressing for source and  
578 destination endpoints as well as message identity.

579 EXAMPLE: The following example illustrates the use of these mechanisms in a SOAP 1.2 message being sent  
580 from <http://business456.example/client1> to <http://fabrikam123.example/Purchasing>.

581 Lines (002) to (014) represent the header of the SOAP message where the mechanisms defined in this clause  
582 are used. The body is represented by lines (015) to (017).

583 Lines (003) to (013) contain the message information header blocks. Specifically, lines (003) to (005) specify the  
584 identifier for this message, lines (006) to (008) specify the endpoint from where the message originated, and  
585 lines (009) to (011) specify the endpoint to which replies to this message should be sent as an Endpoint  
586 Reference. Line (012) specifies the address URI of the ultimate receiver of this message. Line (013) specifies an  
587 Action URI identifying expected semantics.

```
588 (001) <S:Envelope xmlns:S="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"  
589         xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing">  
590 (002)   <S:Header>  
591 (003)     <wsa:MessageID>  
592 (004)       uuid:6B29FC40-CA47-1067-B31D-00DD010662DA  
593 (005)     </wsa:MessageID>  
594 (006)     <wsa:From>  
595 (007)       <wsa:Address>http://business456.example/client1</wsa:Address>  
596 (008)     </wsa:From>  
597 (009)     <wsa:ReplyTo>  
598 (010)       <wsa:Address>http://business456.example/client1</wsa:Address>  
599 (011)     </wsa:ReplyTo>  
600 (012)     <wsa:To>http://fabrikam123.example/Purchasing</wsa:To>  
601 (013)     <wsa:Action>http://fabrikam123.example/SubmitPO</wsa:Action>  
602 (014)   </S:Header>  
603 (015)   <S:Body>  
604 (016)     ...  
605 (017)   </S:Body>  
606 (018) </S:Envelope>
```

## 607 5.1.2 Endpoint References

608 This clause defines the syntax of an Endpoint Reference (EPR).

### 609 5.1.2.1 Format of Endpoint References

610 This clause defines an XML representation for an endpoint reference as both an XML type  
611 (`wsa:EndpointReferenceType`) and as an XML element (`<wsa:EndpointReference>`).

612 The `wsa:EndpointReferenceType` type is used wherever a Web service endpoint is referenced. The  
613 following describes the contents of this type:

```
614 <wsa:EndpointReference>  
615   <wsa:Address>xs:anyURI</wsa:Address>  
616   <wsa:ReferenceProperties>... </wsa:ReferenceProperties> ?  
617   <wsa:ReferenceParameters>... </wsa:ReferenceParameters> ?  
618   <wsa:PortType>xs:QName</wsa:PortType> ?  
619   <wsa:ServiceName PortName="xs:NCName"?>xs:QName</wsa:ServiceName> ?  
620   <wsp:Policy> ... </wsp:Policy> *  
621 </wsa:EndpointReference>
```

622 The following describes the attributes and elements listed in the preceding schema overview:

623 `wsa:EndpointReference`

624 This represents some element of type `wsa:EndpointReferenceType`. This example uses the  
625 predefined `<wsa:EndpointReference>` element, but any element of type  
626 `wsa:EndpointReferenceType` may be used.

627 `wsa:EndpointReference/wsa:Address`

628 This required element (of type `xs:anyURI`) specifies the address URI that identifies the endpoint.  
629 This address may be a logical address or identifier for the service endpoint.

630 `wsa:EndpointReference/wsa:ReferenceProperties/`

631 This optional element contains any number of individual reference properties that are associated  
632 with the endpoint to facilitate a particular interaction. Reference properties are XML elements that  
633 are required to properly interact with the endpoint. Reference properties are provided by the issuer  
634 of the endpoint reference and are otherwise assumed to be opaque to consuming applications.

635 NOTE: The use of reference properties is deprecated; reference parameters should be used instead.

636 `wsa:EndpointReference/wsa:ReferenceProperties/{any}`

637 Each child element of `ReferenceProperties` represents an individual reference property.

638 `wsa:EndpointReference/wsa:ReferenceParameters/`

639 This optional element contains any number of individual parameters that are associated with the  
640 endpoint to facilitate a particular interaction. Reference parameters are XML elements that are  
641 required to properly interact with the endpoint. Reference parameters are also provided by the  
642 issuer of the endpoint reference and are otherwise assumed to be opaque to consuming  
643 applications.

644 See 5.4 for some WS-Management-specific reference parameters.

645 `wsa:EndpointReference/wsa:ReferenceParameters/{any}`

646 Each child element of `ReferenceParameters` represents an individual reference parameter.

647 `wsa:EndpointReference/wsa:PortType`

648 This optional element (of type `xs:QName`) specifies the value of the primary `portType` of the  
649 endpoint being conveyed.

650 NOTE: The use of `wsa:PortType` is deprecated.

651 `wsa:EndpointReference/wsa:ServiceName`

652 This optional element (of type `xs:QName`) specifies the `<wsdl:service>` definition that contains a  
653 WSDL description of the endpoint being referenced. The service name provides a link to a full  
654 description of the service endpoint. An optional non-qualified name identifies the specific port in  
655 the service that corresponds to the endpoint.

656 NOTE: The use of `wsa:ServiceName` is deprecated.

657 `wsa:EndpointReference/wsa:ServiceName/@PortName`

658 This optional attribute (of type `xs:NCName`) specifies the name of the `<wsdl:port>` definition that  
659 corresponds to the endpoint being referenced.

660 wsa:EndpointReference/wsp:Policy

661 This optional element specifies a policy that is relevant to the interaction with the endpoint.

662 NOTE: The use of wsp:Policy is deprecated.

663 wsa:EndpointReference/{any}

664 This is an extensibility mechanism to allow additional elements to be specified.

665 wsa:EndpointReference/@{any}

666 This is an extensibility mechanism to allow additional attributes to be specified.

667 EXAMPLE: The following example illustrates an endpoint reference. This element references the URI  
668 "http://www.fabrikam123.example/acct":

```
669 <wsa:EndpointReference xmlns:wsa="..." xmlns:fabrikam="...">
670   <wsa:Address>http://www.fabrikam123.example/acct</wsa:Address>
671 </wsa:EndpointReference>
```

### 672 5.1.2.2 Binding Endpoint References

673 When a message needs to be addressed to the endpoint, the information contained in the endpoint  
674 reference is mapped to the message according to a transformation that is dependent on the protocol  
675 and data representation used to send the message. Protocol-specific mappings (or bindings) define  
676 how the information in the endpoint reference is copied to message and protocol fields. This clause  
677 defines the SOAP binding for endpoint references. This mapping may be explicitly replaced by other  
678 bindings (defined as WSDL bindings or as policies); however, in the absence of an applicable policy  
679 stating that a different mapping is to be used, the SOAP binding defined here is assumed to apply. To  
680 ensure interoperability with a broad range of devices, all conformant implementations shall support  
681 the SOAP binding.

682 The SOAP binding for endpoint references is defined by the following two rules:

683 **R5.1.2.2-1:** The wsa:Address element in the endpoint reference shall be copied in the wsa:To  
684 header field of the SOAP message.

685 **R5.1.2.2-2:** Each Reference Property and Reference Parameter element becomes a header  
686 block in the SOAP message. The elements of each Reference Property or Reference Parameter  
687 (including all of its child elements, attributes, and in-scope namespaces) shall be added as a  
688 header block in the new message.

689 EXAMPLE: The following example shows how the default SOAP binding for endpoint references is used to  
690 construct a message addressed to the endpoint:

```
691 <wsa:EndpointReference xmlns:wsa="..." xmlns:fabrikam="...">
692   <wsa:Address>http://www.fabrikam123.example/acct</wsa:Address>
693   <wsa:ReferenceParameters>
694     <fabrikam:CustomerKey>123456789</fabrikam:CustomerKey>
695     <fabrikam:ShoppingCart>ABCDEFGF</fabrikam:ShoppingCart>
696   </wsa:ReferenceParameters>
697 </wsa:EndpointReference>
```

698 According to the mapping rules stated before, the address value is copied in the "To" header and the  
699 "CustomerKey" element should be copied literally as a header in a SOAP message addressed to this  
700 endpoint. The SOAP message would look as follows:

```
701 <S:Envelope xmlns:S="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
702   xmlns:wsa="..." xmlns:fabrikam="..." ">
703   <S:Header>
```

```

704     ...
705     <wsa:To>http://www.fabrikam123.example/acct</wsa:To>
706     <fabrikam:CustomerKey>123456789</fabrikam:CustomerKey>
707     <fabrikam:ShoppingCart>ABCDEFG</fabrikam:ShoppingCart>
708     ...
709     </S:Header>
710     <S:Body>
711     ...
712     </S:Body>
713 </S:Envelope>

```

### 714 5.1.3 Message Information Headers

715 This clause defines the syntax of a message information header.

716 The message information headers collectively augment a message with the headers shown in  
 717 Figure 1. These headers enable the identification and location of the endpoints involved in an  
 718 interaction. The basic interaction pattern from which all others are composed is "one way". In this  
 719 pattern a source sends a message to a destination without any further definition of the interaction.

720 "Request Reply" is a common interaction pattern that consists of an initial message sent by a source  
 721 endpoint (the request) and a subsequent message sent from the destination of the request back to  
 722 the source (the reply). A reply can be an application message, a fault, or any other message.

723 The message information header blocks provide end-to-end characteristics of a message that can be  
 724 easily secured as a unit. The information in these headers is immutable and not intended to be  
 725 modified along the message path.

726 Figure 1 shows the contents of the message information header blocks:

```

727 <wsa:MessageID> xs:anyURI </wsa:MessageID>
728 <wsa:RelatesTo RelationshipType="..."?>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
729 <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
730 <wsa:Action>xs:anyURI</wsa:Action>
731 <wsa:From>endpoint-reference</wsa:From>
732 <wsa:ReplyTo>endpoint-reference</wsa:ReplyTo>
733 <wsa:FaultTo>endpoint-reference</wsa:FaultTo>

```

### 734 Figure 1 – Message Information Header Blocks

735 The following describes the attributes and elements listed in Figure 1:

736 wsa:MessageID

737 This optional element (of type xs:anyURI) uniquely identifies this message in time and space. This  
 738 element shall be present if wsa:ReplyTo or wsa:FaultTo is present. No two messages with a  
 739 distinct application intent may share a wsa:MessageID value. A message may be retransmitted for  
 740 any purpose (including communications failure) and may use the same wsa:MessageID value.  
 741 The value of this header is an opaque URI whose interpretation beyond equivalence is not defined  
 742 in this specification. If a reply is expected, this property shall be present.

743 wsa:RelatesTo

744 This optional (repeating) element indicates how this message relates to another message, in the  
745 form of a URI-QName pair. The child of this element (which is of type xs:anyURI) contains the  
746 wsa:MessageID of the related message or the following well-known URI that means "unspecified  
747 message":

748 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/id/unspecified`

749 A reply message shall contain a wsa:RelatesTo header consisting of wsa:Reply and the  
750 wsa:MessageID value of the request message.

751 wsa:RelatesTo/@RelationshipType

752 This optional attribute (of type xs:QName) conveys the relationship type as a QName. When  
753 absent, the implied value of this attribute is wsa:Reply.

754 This specification has one predefined relationship type, as shown in Table 1:

755 **Table 1 – Relationship Type**

| QName     | Description  |
|-----------|--|
| wsa:Reply | Indicates that this is a reply to the message identified by the URI. |

756 wsa:ReplyTo

757 This optional element (of type wsa:EndpointReferenceType) provides an endpoint reference that  
758 identifies the intended receiver for replies to this message. This element shall be present if a reply  
759 is expected. If this element is present, wsa:MessageID shall be present. If a reply is expected, a  
760 message shall contain a wsa:ReplyTo header. The sender shall use the contents of the  
761 wsa:ReplyTo to formulate the reply message as defined in 5.1.3.1. If the wsa:ReplyTo header is  
762 absent, the contents of the wsa:From header may be used to formulate a message to the source.  
763 This header may be absent if the message has no meaningful reply.

764 wsa:From

765 This optional element (of type wsa:EndpointReferenceType) provides a reference to the endpoint  
766 where the message originated.

767 wsa:FaultTo

768 This optional element (of type wsa:EndpointReferenceType) provides an endpoint reference that  
769 identifies the intended receiver for faults related to this message. If this element is present,  
770 wsa:MessageID shall be present. When formulating a fault message as defined in 5.1.3.1, the  
771 sender shall use the contents of this header to formulate the fault message. If this header is  
772 absent, the sender should use the contents of the wsa:ReplyTo header to formulate the fault  
773 message. If both the wsa:FaultTo and wsa:ReplyTo header are absent, the sender may use the  
774 contents of the wsa:From header to formulate the fault message.

775 wsa:To

776 This required element (of type xs:anyURI) provides the address of the intended receiver of this  
777 message.

778 wsa:Action

779 This required element (of type xs:anyURI) uniquely identifies the semantics implied by this  
780 message. It is recommended that the value of this header be a URI identifying an input, output, or  
781 fault message within a WSDL port type. An action may be explicitly or implicitly associated with

782 the corresponding WSDL definition. Finally, if in addition to the wsa:Action header, a SOAP Action  
 783 URI is encoded in a request, the URI of the SOAP Action shall either be the same as the one  
 784 specified by the wsa:Action header, or set to "".

785 The dispatching of incoming messages is based on two message properties. The mandatory wsa:To  
 786 and wsa:Action header identify the target processing location and the verb or intent of the message.

787 Due to the range of network technologies currently in wide-spread use (for example, NAT, DHCP,  
 788 and firewalls), many deployments cannot assign a meaningful global URI to a given endpoint. To  
 789 allow these "anonymous" endpoints to initiate message exchange patterns and receive replies,  
 790 Addressing defines the following well-known URI for use by endpoints that cannot have a stable,  
 791 resolvable URI:

792 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous`

793 Requests whose wsa:ReplyTo, wsa:From and/or wsa:FaultTo headers use this address shall provide  
 794 some out-of-band mechanism for delivering replies or faults (for example, returning the reply on the  
 795 same transport connection). This mechanism may be a simple request/reply transport protocol (for  
 796 example, HTTP GET or POST). This URI may be used as the wsa:To header for reply messages and  
 797 should not be used as the wsa:To header in other circumstances.

### 798 5.1.3.1 Formulating a Reply Message

799 The reply to an Addressing compliant request message shall be constructed according to the rules  
 800 defined in this clause.

801 EXAMPLE 1: The following example illustrates a request message using message information header blocks in a  
 802 SOAP 1.2 message:

```
803 <S:Envelope xmlns:S="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
804   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
805   xmlns:f123="http://www.fabrikam123.example/svc53">
806   <S:Header>
807     <wsa:MessageID>uuid:aaaabbbb-cccc-dddd-eeee-ffffffffffff
808     </wsa:MessageID>
809     <wsa:ReplyTo>
810     <wsa:Address>http://business456.example/client1</wsa:Address>
811     </wsa:ReplyTo>
812     <wsa:To S:mustUnderstand="1">mailto:joe@fabrikam123.example</wsa:To>
813     <wsa:Action>http://fabrikam123.example/mail/Delete</wsa:Action>
814   </S:Header>
815   <S:Body>
816     <f123:Delete
817       <maxCount>42</maxCount>
818     </f123:Delete>
819   </S:Body>
820 </S:Envelope>
```

821 EXAMPLE 2: The following example illustrates a reply message using message information header blocks in a  
 822 SOAP 1.2 message:

```
823 <S:Envelope
824   xmlns:S="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
825   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
826   xmlns:f123="http://www.fabrikam123.example/svc53">
827   <S:Header>
828     <wsa:MessageID>
829     uuid:aaaabbbb-cccc-dddd-eeee-wwwwwwwwwwww
830     </wsa:MessageID>
831     <wsa:RelatesTo>
```

```

832     uuid:aaaabbbb-cccc-dddd-eeee-ffffffffffff
833     </wsa:RelatesTo>
834     <wsa:To>
835         http://business456.example/client1
836     </wsa:To>
837     <wsa:Action>http://fabrikam123.example/mail/DeleteAck</wsa:Action>
838 </S:Header>
839 <S:Body>
840     <f123>DeleteAck/>
841 </S:Body>
842 </S:Envelope>

```

### 843 5.1.3.2 Associating Action with WSDL Operations

844 Addressing defines two mechanisms, explicit association and default action pattern, to associate an  
845 action with input, output, and fault elements within a WSDL port type.

#### 846 5.1.3.2.1 Explicit Association

847 The action may be explicitly associated using the `wsa:Action` attribute.

848 EXAMPLE: Consider the following WSDL excerpt:

```

849 <definitions targetNamespace="http://example.com/stockquote" ...>
850     ...
851     <portType name="StockQuotePortType">
852         <operation name="GetLastTradePrice">
853             <input message="tns:GetTradePricesInput"
854                 wsa:Action="http://example.com/GetQuote"/>
855             <output message="tns:GetTradePricesOutput"
856                 wsa:Action="http://example.com/Quote"/>
857         </operation>
858     </portType>
859     ...
860 </definitions>

```

861 The action for the input of the `GetLastTradePrice` operation within the `StockQuotePortType` is explicitly defined to  
862 be `http://example.com/GetQuote`. The action for the output of this same operation is `http://example.com/Quote`.

#### 863 5.1.3.2.2 Default Action Pattern

864 In the absence of the `wsa:Action` attribute, the following pattern is used to construct a default action  
865 for inputs and outputs. The general form of an action URI is as follows:

```
866 targetNamespace/portTypeName/(inputName|outputName)
```

867 The `"/"` is a literal character to be included in the action. The values of the properties are as follows:

- 868 • *targetNamespace* is the target namespace (`/definition/@targetNamespace`). If *target*  
869 *namespace* ends with a `"/"` an additional `"/"` is not added.
- 870 • *portTypeName* is the name of the port type (`/definition/portType/@name`).
- 871 • *(inputName|outputName)* is the name of the element as defined in Section 2.4.5 of  
872 [WSDL 1.1](#).

873 For fault messages, this pattern is not applied. Instead, the following URI is the default action URI for  
874 fault messages:

```
875 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault
```

876 EXAMPLE: Consider the following WSDL excerpt:

```
877 <definitions targetNamespace="http://example.com/stockquote" ...>
878   ...
879   <portType name="StockQuotePortType">
880     <operation name="GetLastTradePrice">
881       <input message="tns:GetTradePricesInput" name="GetQuote"/>
882       <output message="tns:GetTradePricesOutput" name="Quote"/>
883     </operation>
884   </portType>
885   ...
886 </definitions>
```

887 *targetNamespace* = http://example.com/stockquote

888 *portTypeName* = StockQuotePortType

889 *inputName* = GetQuote

890 *outputName* = Quote

891 Applying the preceding pattern with these values produces the following:

892 input action = http://example.com/stockquote/StockQuotePortType/GetQuote

893 output action = http://example.com/stockquote/StockQuotePortType/Quote

894 WSDL defines rules for a default input or output name if the name attribute is not present. Consider  
895 the following example:

896 EXAMPLE: The following is a WSDL excerpt:

```
897 <definitions targetNamespace="http://example.com/stockquote" ...>
898   ...
899   <portType name="StockQuotePortType">
900     <operation name="GetLastTradePrice">
901       <input message="tns:GetTradePricesInput"/>
902       <output message="tns:GetTradePricesOutput"/>
903     </operation>
904   </portType>
905   ...
906 </definitions>
```

907 *targetNamespace* = http://example.com/stockquote

908 *portTypeName* = StockQuotePortType

909 According to the rules defined in 2.4.5 of [WSDL](#), if the name attribute is absent for the input of a  
910 request response operation, the default value is the name of the operation with "Request" appended.

911 *inputName* = GetLastTradePriceRequest

912 Likewise, the output defaults to the operation name with "Response" appended.

913 *outputName* = GetLastTradePriceResponse

914 Applying the previous pattern with these values produces the following:

915 input action = http://example.com/stockquote/StockQuotePortType/GetLastTradePriceRequest

916 output action = http://example.com/stockquote/StockQuotePortType/GetLastTradePriceResponse

## 917 5.2 Versions of Addressing

918 To maintain compatibility with implementations of previous versions of WS-Management, this protocol  
919 accommodates messages formatted by those previous versions. However, WS-Management 1.1 also  
920 allows for the optional use of the [WS-Addressing W3C Recommendation](#).

921 The following abbreviations are used for clarity and brevity.

- 922 • "WSMA" refers to the version of Management Addressing as specified in 5.1.
- 923 • "WSA-Rec" refers to the WS-Addressing W3C Recommendation.
- 924 • "WS-Man 1.0" refers to the *WS-Management Specification* 1.0 and implementations  
925 compatible with that specification.
- 926 • "WS-Man 1.1" refers to this specification and implementations compatible with this  
927 specification.
- 928 • "Addressing Anonymous URI" refers to the anonymous URI that is defined by the version of  
929 Addressing currently in use. The anonymous URI defined by WSA-Rec is  
930 <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous>. The anonymous URI  
931 defined by WSMA is <http://www.w3.org/2005/08/addressing/anonymous>.

932 NOTE: Some information in this clause is implementation advice to clients on algorithms for efficient  
933 communication with unknown services. This informative advice should not be construed to place normative  
934 requirements on the behavior of compliant clients or services.

### 935 5.2.1 Technical Differences

936 The [WSMA](#) and [WSA-Rec](#) specifications reference different XML namespaces. An endpoint sending  
937 Web service messages shall use, for the Addressing SOAP headers, one namespace or the other; a  
938 receiving endpoint may recognize one namespace or both namespaces. Existing implementations of  
939 WS-Man 1.0 are limited to recognizing only the WSMA namespace. Interactions between WS-Man  
940 1.0 and WS-Man 1.1 implementations will have to allow for these limitations.

## 941 5.3 Requirements for Compatibility

942 To maximize interoperability of WS-Management implementations, WS-Man 1.0 and WS-Man 1.1  
943 clients and services need to be able to exchange messages. These requirements are summarized in  
944 Table 2.

945 **Table 2 – Interoperability Requirements**

| Interoperability Requirements between WS-Management Versions | WS-Man 1.0 Service                                       | WS-Man 1.1 Service   |
|--|--|--|
| WS-Man 1.0 client  | It works.  | WS-Man 1.0 client needs to be able to access WS-Man 1.1 service, but some negotiation might be needed. |
| WS-Man 1.1 client  | WSMan 1.1 client needs to be able to access 1.0 service. | It works, but some negotiations might be needed.   |

946 Homogeneous pairings of compliant clients and services (that is, a version 1.0 client with a version  
947 1.0 service, or a version 1.1 client with a version 1.1 service) can exchange messages in accordance  
948 with their respective specifications. To ensure reliable communications, heterogeneous pairings need  
949 to meet certain requirements and implement certain sequencing strategies.

950 In particular, clients and services that implement WS-Man 1.0 can use only WSMA in any exchanges;  
 951 therefore, all exchanges with version 1.0 endpoints use only WSMA. This conclusion is summarized  
 952 in Table 3.

953

**Table 3 – WSA Versions in Exchanges**

| Interoperable Version of Addressing | WS-Man 1.0 Service | WS-Man 1.1 Service |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| WS-Man 1.0 client                   | WSMA               | WSMA               |
| WS-Man 1.1 client                   | WSMA               | WSMA or WSA-Rec    |

### 954 5.3.1 Discovery or Negotiation

955 If it is possible for a client to determine the capabilities of the service with respect to WSA, such  
 956 discovery is more efficient than negotiating the WSA version. For instance, if a service supports  
 957 Identify, then a client can determine in advance the WS-Man protocol, as well as an Addressing  
 958 version or versions supported by the service. For this reason, support of Identify is mandatory in this  
 959 specification when [WSA-Rec](#) is used.

960 Identify would be used as follows:

- 961 • The client sends the service an Identify message.
- 962 • If the service does not support Identify, the client can conclude that the service is a WS-  
 963 Man 1.0 implementation and only supports WSMA.
- 964 • If the service successfully processes the Identify message, the client examines the versions  
 965 of Addressing by looking at the AddressingVersionURI element (as defined in clause 11), if  
 966 present, and can choose the appropriate version.
- 967 • If the Identify response message does not contain any Addressing versions, then there is  
 968 no way for the client to know which version of Addressing to use and it would need to use  
 969 one of the strategies described in 5.3.2.

970 In any case, to avoid unnecessary re-discovery or re-negotiation, a WS-Man 1.1 client should retain  
 971 information about the capabilities of service endpoints where practical.

### 972 5.3.2 Client Negotiation Strategies

973 A compliant WS-Man 1.0 client will use only WSMA in message exchanges. A WS-Man 1.1 client,  
 974 however, may use either WSMA or WSA-Rec in message exchanges. If a WS-Man 1.1 client does  
 975 not know the WSA version capabilities of a service, it may use different strategies when initially  
 976 contacting the service. The client may begin a message exchange with either version of WSA, using  
 977 WSA-Rec or WSMA in the request message. The message exchange would proceed as follows:

- 978 • Strategy type 1: A client sends the request using WSA-Rec. The WSA-Rec SOAP headers  
 979 need to be marked with a mustUnderstand="1" attribute to ensure that a fault will be  
 980 generated if the receiver does not support the WSA-Rec version of Addressing. The client  
 981 can then retry the operation using WSMA.
- 982 • Strategy type 2: A client sends the request using WSMA. Both WS-Man 1.0 services and  
 983 WS-Man 1.1 services respond to the request using WSMA.

### 984 5.3.3 Initiating Message Exchanges

985 Outgoing messages initiated by a WS-Man implementation need to use the same version of  
 986 Addressing that was used in the Endpoint Reference to which those messages are being sent. For  
 987 example, if a Subscribe request message uses WSA-Rec in the SOAP headers (for example, for the  
 988 wsa:To and wsa:ReplyTo), but uses WSMA for the NotifyTo EPR, then the Subscribe response will  
 989 be sent using WSA-Rec, but the events will be sent using WSMA.

#### 990 5.3.4 Normative Rules

991 **R5.3.4-1:** If a WS-Man 1.1 service supports WSA-Rec, then it shall also support the Identify  
 992 operation.

993 **R5.3.4-2:** A WS-Man 1.1 service shall support WSMA and should support WSA-Rec.

994 **R5.3.4-3:** A WS-Man 1.1 implementation shall send messages to endpoints using the same  
 995 version of Addressing used in the Endpoint Reference of the destination endpoint (see 5.2).

996 **R5.3.4-4:** Within a single SOAP message, a WS-Man 1.1 implementation shall use the same  
 997 version of Addressing for all Addressing SOAP headers.

998 Because WS-Man 1.1 allows for either version of Addressing to be used, R5.3.4-4 removes the  
 999 possibility of mixing the two versions for the WSA SOAP headers, but it does not disallow Endpoint  
 1000 References that might appear elsewhere in the message to be of a different version.

1001 In order to provide a migration path from the WSMA to WSA-Rec, the schema of certain messages  
 1002 allows for either version's EndpointReferenceType to be used. While the schema itself is written in a  
 1003 very generic way (that is, using an xs:any) allowing any arbitrary XML to appear, implementations  
 1004 shall restrict the contents of this element to one of the EndpointReference Types.

1005 NOTE: This allows existing WS-Man 1.0 implementations to be compliant, while providing newer  
 1006 implementations a migration path. In this spirit, newer implementations are strongly encouraged to support both  
 1007 versions of Addressing.

### 1008 5.4 Use of Addressing in WS-Management

1009 This clause describes the use of Endpoint References regardless of whether an implementation uses  
 1010 WS-Management Addressing (see 5.1) or the W3C Recommendation version of WS-Addressing.

1011 Addressing (either addressing type) endpoint references (EPRs) are used to convey information  
 1012 needed to address a Web service endpoint. WS-Management defines a default addressing model  
 1013 that can optionally be used in EPRs.

#### 1014 5.4.1 Use of Endpoint References

1015 WS-Management uses EPRs as the addressing mechanism for individual resource instances.  
 1016 WS-Management also defines a default addressing model for use in addressing resources. In cases  
 1017 where this default addressing model is not appropriate, such as in systems with well-established  
 1018 addressing models or with EPRs retrieved from a discovery service, services may use those service-  
 1019 specific addressing models if they are based on either addressing version supported by WS-  
 1020 Management.

1021 **R5.4.1-1:** All messages that are addressed to a resource class or instance that is referenced  
 1022 by an EPR must follow the Addressing rules for representing content from the EPR (the address  
 1023 and reference parameters) in the SOAP message. This rule also applies to continuation  
 1024 messages such as Pull or Release, which continue an operation begun in a previous message.  
 1025 Even though such messages contain contextual information that binds them to a previous  
 1026 operation, the information from the EPR is still required in the message to help route it to the  
 1027 correct handler.

1028 Rule R5.4.1-1 clarifies that messages such as Pull or Renew still require a full EPR. For Pull, for  
 1029 example, this EPR would be the same as the original Enumerate, even though EnumerateResponse  
 1030 returns a context object that would seem to obviate the need for the EPR. The EPR is still required to  
 1031 route the message properly. Similarly, the Renew request uses the SubscriptionManager EPR  
 1032 received in the SubscribeResponse.

1033 When a service includes an EPR in a response message, it must be willing to accept subsequent  
 1034 request messages targeted to that EPR for the same individual managed resource. Clients are not  
 1035 required to process or enhance EPRs given to them by the service before using them to address a  
 1036 managed resource.

1037 **R5.4.1-2:** An EPR returned by a service shall be acceptable to that service to refer to the  
 1038 same managed resource.

1039 **R5.4.1-3:** All EPRs returned by a service, whether expressed using the WS-Management  
 1040 default addressing model (see 5.4.2) or any other addressing model, shall be valid as long as the  
 1041 managed resource exists.

## 1042 5.4.2 WS-Management Default Addressing Model

1043 WS-Management defines a default addressing model for resources. A service is not required to use  
 1044 this addressing model, but it is suitable for many new implementations and can increase the chances  
 1045 of successful interoperation between clients and services.

1046 This document uses examples of this addressing model that contain its component parts, the  
 1047 ResourceURI and SelectorSet SOAP headers. This specification is independent of the actual data  
 1048 model and does not define the structure of the ResourceURI or the set of values for selectors for a  
 1049 given resource. These may be vendor specific or defined by other specifications.

1050 Description and use of this addressing model in this specification do not indicate that support for this  
 1051 addressing model is a requirement for a conformant service.

1052 All of the normative text, examples, and conformance rules in 5.4.2 and 5.4.2.2 presume that the  
 1053 service is based on the default addressing model. In cases where this addressing model is not in use,  
 1054 these rules do not apply.

1055 The default addressing model uses a representation of an EPR that is a tuple of the following SOAP  
 1056 headers:

- 1057 • **wsa:To** (required): the transport address of the service
- 1058 • **wsman:ResourceURI** (required if the default addressing model is used): the URI of the  
 1059 resource class representation or instance representation
- 1060 • **wsman:SelectorSet** (optional): a header that identifies or "selects" the resource instance to  
 1061 be accessed if more than one instance of a resource class exists

1062 The wsman:ResourceURI value needs to be marked with an s:mustUnderstand attribute set to "true"  
 1063 in all messages that use the default addressing model. Otherwise, a service that does not understand  
 1064 this addressing model might inadvertently return a resource that was not requested by the client.

1065 The WS-Management default addressing model is defined in the following XML outline for an EPR:

```

1066 (1) <wsa:EndpointReference>
1067 (2)   <wsa:Address>
1068 (3)     Network address
1069 (4)   </wsa:Address>
1070 (5)   <wsa:ReferenceParameters>
1071 (6)     <wsman:ResourceURI> resource URI </wsman:ResourceURI>
1072 (7)     <wsman:SelectorSet>
```

```

1073 (8) <wsman:Selector Name="selector-name"> *
1074 (9) Selector-value
1075 (10) </wsman:Selector>
1076 (11) </wsman:SelectorSet> ?
1077 (12) </wsa:ReferenceParameters>
1078 (13) </wsa:EndpointReference>

```

1079 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

1080 **wsa:Address**

1081 the URI of the transport address

1082 **wsa:ReferenceParameters/wsman:ResourceURI**

1083 the URI of the resource class or instance to be accessed

1084 Typically, this URI represents the resource class, but it may represent the instance. The  
 1085 combination of this URI and the **wsa:To** URI form the full address of the resource class or  
 1086 instance.

1087 **wsa:ReferenceParameters/wsman:SelectorSet:**

1088 the optional set of selectors as described in 5.4.2.2

1089 These values are used to select an instance if the **ResourceURI** identifies a multi-instanced  
 1090 target.

1091 When the default addressing model is used in a SOAP message, Addressing specifies that  
 1092 translations take place and the headers are flattened out.

1093 **EXAMPLE:** The following is an example EPR definition:

```

1094 (1) <wsa:EndpointReference>
1095 (2) <wsa:Address> Address </wsa:Address>
1096 (3) <wsa:ReferenceParameters xmlns:wsman="...">
1097 (4) <wsman:ResourceURI>resURI</wsman:ResourceURI>
1098 (5) <wsman:SelectorSet>
1099 (6) <wsman:Selector Name="Selector-name">
1100 (7) Selector-value
1101 (8) </wsman:Selector>
1102 (9) </wsman:SelectorSet>
1103 (10) </wsa:ReferenceParameters>
1104 (11) </wsa:EndpointReference>

```

1105 This address definition is translated as follows when used in a SOAP message. **wsa:Address** becomes **wsa:To**,  
 1106 and the reference parameters are unwrapped and juxtaposed. The following example shows a sample SOAP  
 1107 message using WSMA:

```

1108 (1) <s:Envelope xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing">
1109 (2) <s:Header>
1110 (3) <wsa:To> Address </wsa:To>
1111 (4) <wsa:Action> Action URI </wsa:Action>
1112 (5) <wsman:ResourceURI s:mustUnderstand="true">resURI</wsman:ResourceURI>
1113 (6) <wsman:SelectorSet>
1114 (7) <wsman:Selector Name="Selector-name">
1115 (8) Selector-value
1116 (9) </wsman:Selector>
1117 (10) </wsman:SelectorSet>
1118 (11) ...
1119 (12) </s:Header>
1120 (13) <s:Body> ... </s:Body>
1121 (14) </s:Envelope>

```

1122 The following message shows a sample SOAP message using WS-Rec:

```

1123 (1) <s:Envelope xmlns:wsa="http://www.w3.org/2005/08/addressing ">
1124 (2)   <s:Header>
1125 (3)     <wsa:To s:mustUnderstand="true"> Address </wsa:To>
1126 (4)     <wsa:Action s:mustUnderstand="true"> Action URI </wsa:Action>
1127 (5)     <wsman:ResourceURI s:mustUnderstand="true"
1128 (6)       wsa:isReferenceParameter="true">resURI</wsman:ResourceURI>
1129 (7)     <wsman:SelectorSet wsa:isReferenceParameter="true">
1130 (8)       <wsman:Selector Name="Selector-name">
1131 (9)         Selector-value
1132 (10)       </wsman:Selector>
1133 (11)     </wsman:SelectorSet>
1134 (12)     ...
1135 (13)   </s:Header>
1136 (14)   <s:Body> ... </s:Body>
1137 (15) </s:Envelope>

```

1138 In both cases, the wsa:To, wsman:ResourceURI, and wsman:SelectorSet elements work together to  
1139 *reference* the resource instance to be managed, but the actual *method* or *operation* to be executed  
1140 against this resource is indicated by the wsa:Action header.

1141 **EXAMPLE:** The following is an example of Addressing headers based on the default addressing model in an  
1142 actual message:

```

1143 (1) <s:Envelope
1144 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
1145 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
1146 (4)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
1147 (5)   <s:Header>
1148 (6)     ...
1149 (7)     <wsa:To>http://123.99.222.36/wsman</wsa:To>
1150 (8)     <wsman:ResourceURI s:mustUnderstand="true">
1151 (9)       http://example.org/hardware/2005/02/storage/physDisk
1152 (10)    </wsman:ResourceURI>
1153 (11)    <wsman:SelectorSet>
1154 (12)      <wsman:Selector Name="LUN"> 2 </wsman:Selector>
1155 (13)    </wsman:SelectorSet>
1156 (14)    <wsa:Action> http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Get
1157 (15)    </wsa:Action>
1158 (16)    <wsa:MessageID> urn:uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a91
1159 (17)    </wsa:MessageID>
1160 (18)    ...
1161 (19)  </s:Header>
1162 (20)  <s:Body> ... </s:Body>
1163 (21) </s:Envelope>

```

1164 The following definitions apply to the preceding message example:

- 1165 **wsa:To**  
1166 the network (or transport-level) address of the service
- 1167 **wsman:ResourceURI**  
1168 the ResourceURI of the resource class or resource instance to be accessed
- 1169 **wsman:SelectorSet**  
1170 a wrapper for the selectors

- 1171 wsman:SelectorSet/wsman:Selector  
 1172 identifies or selects the resource instance to be accessed, if more than one instance of the  
 1173 resource exists  
 1174 In this case, the selector is "LUN" (logical unit number), and the selected device is unit number  
 1175 "2".
- 1176 wsa:Action  
 1177 identifies which operation is to be carried out against the resource (in this case, a "Get")
- 1178 wsa:MessageID  
 1179 identifies this specific message uniquely for tracking and correlation purposes  
 1180 The format defined in [RFC 4122](#) is often used in the examples in this specification, but it is not  
 1181 required.

#### 1182 5.4.2.1 ResourceURI

1183 The ResourceURI is used to indicate the class resource or instance.

1184 **R5.4.2.1-1:** The format of the wsman:ResourceURI is unconstrained provided that it meets  
 1185 [RFC 3986](#) requirements.

1186 The format and syntax of the ResourceURI is any valid URI according to [RFC 3986](#). Although there is  
 1187 no default scheme, http: and urn: are common defaults. If http: is used, users may expect to find  
 1188 Web-based documentation of the resource at that address. The wsa:To and the wsman:ResourceURI  
 1189 elements work together to define the actual resource being targeted.

1190 **R5.4.2.1-2:** Vendor-specific or organization-specific URIs should contain the Internet domain  
 1191 name in the first token sequence after the scheme, such as "example.org" in ResourceURI in the  
 1192 following example.

1193 EXAMPLE:

```

1194 (20) <s:Header>
1195 (21)   <wsa:To> http://123.15.166.67/wsman </wsa:To>
1196 (22)   <wsman:ResourceURI>
1197 (23)     http://schemas.example.org/2005/02/hardware/physDisk
1198 (24)   </wsman:ResourceURI>
1199 (25)     ...
1200 (26) </s:Header>
  
```

1201 **R5.4.2.1-3:** When the default addressing model is used, the wsman:ResourceURI reference  
 1202 parameter is required in messages with the following wsa:Action URIs:

```

1203 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Get
1204 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Put
1205 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Create
1206 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Delete
1207 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Enumerate
1208 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Pull
1209 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Renew
1210 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/GetStatus
1211 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Release
1212 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Subscribe
  
```

- 1213 The following messages require the EPR to be returned in the SubscriptionManager element of the  
1214 SubscribeResponse message. The format of the EPR is determined by the service and might or  
1215 might not include the ResourceURI:
- 1216 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Renew`  
1217 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/GetStatus`
- 1218 While the ResourceURI SOAP header is required when the WS-Management default addressing  
1219 mode is used, it may be short and of a very simple form, such as `http://example.com/*` or  
1220 `http://example.com/resource`.
- 1221 **R5.4.2.1-4:** For the request message of custom actions (methods), the ResourceURI header may  
1222 be present in the message to help route the message to the correct handler.
- 1223 **R5.4.2.1-5:** The ResourceURI element should not appear in other messages, such as responses  
1224 or events, unless the associated EPR includes it in its ReferenceParameters.
- 1225 In practice, the wsman:ResourceURI element is required only in requests to reference the targeted  
1226 resource class. Responses are not addressed to a management resource, so the  
1227 wsman:ResourceURI has no meaning in that context.
- 1228 **R5.4.2.1-6:** When the default addressing model is used and the wsman:ResourceURI element is  
1229 missing or in an incorrect form, the service shall issue a wsa:DestinationUnreachable fault with a  
1230 detail code of
- 1231 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidResourceURI`
- 1232 **R5.4.2.1-7:** The wsman:ResourceURI element shall be used to indicate only the identity of a  
1233 resource, and it may not be used to indicate the action being applied to that resource, which is  
1234 properly expressed using the wsa:Action URI.
- 1235 Custom WSDL-based methods have both a ResourceURI identity from the perspective of addressing  
1236 and a wsa:Action URI from the perspective of execution. In many cases, the ResourceURI is simply a  
1237 pseudonym for the WSDL identity and Port, and the wsa:Action URI is the specific method within that  
1238 port (or interface) definition.
- 1239 Although a single URI could theoretically be used alone to define an instance of a multi-instance  
1240 resource, it is recommended that the wsa:To element be used to locate the WS-Management service,  
1241 that the wsman:ResourceURI element be used to identify the resource class, and that the  
1242 wsman:SelectorSet element be used to reference the resource instance. If the resource consists of  
1243 only a single instance, then the wsman:ResourceURI element alone refers to the single instance.
- 1244 This usage is not a strict requirement, just a guideline. The service can use distinct selectors for any  
1245 given operation, even against the same resource class, and may allow or require selectors for the  
1246 Enumerate operation.
- 1247 See the recommendations in 7.2 regarding addressing uniformity.
- 1248 Custom actions have two distinct identities: the ResourceURI, which can identify the WSDL and port  
1249 (or interface), and the wsa:Action URI, which identifies the specific method. If only one method exists  
1250 in the interface, in a sense the ResourceURI and wsa:Action URI are identical.
- 1251 It is not an error to use the wsa:Action URI for the ResourceURI of a custom method, but both are still  
1252 required in the message for uniform processing on both clients and servers.

1253 EXAMPLE 1: The following action to reset a network card might have the following EPR usage:

```

1254 (1) <s:Header>
1255 (2)   <wsa:To>
1256 (3)     http://1.2.3.4/wsman/
1257 (4)   </wsa:To>
1258 (5)   <wsman:ResourceURI>http://example.org/2005/02/networkcards/reset
1259 (6)   </wsman:ResourceURI>
1260 (7)   <wsa:Action>
1261 (8)     http://example.org/2005/02/networkcards/reset
1262 (9)   </wsa:Action>
1263 (10)  ...
1264 (11) </s:Header>

```

1265 In many cases, the ResourceURI is equivalent to a WSDL name and port, and the wsa:Action URI  
1266 contains an additional token as a suffix, as in the following example.

1267 EXAMPLE 2:

```

1268 (1) <s:Header>
1269 (2)   <wsa:To>
1270 (3)     http://1.2.3.4/wsman
1271 (4)   </wsa:To>
1272 (5)   <wsman:ResourceURI>http://example.org/2005/02/networkcards
1273 (6)   </wsman:ResourceURI>
1274 (7)   <wsa:Action>
1275 (8)     http://example.org/2005/02/networkcards/reset
1276 (9)   </wsa:Action>
1277 (10)  ...
1278 (11) </s:Header>

```

1279 Finally, the ResourceURI may be completely unrelated to the wsa:Action URI, as in the following  
1280 example.

1281 EXAMPLE 3:

```

1282 (1) <s:Header>
1283 (2)   <wsa:To>http://1.2.3.4/wsman</wsa:To>
1284 (3)   <wsman:ResourceURI>
1285 (4)     http://example.org/products/management/networkcards
1286 (5)   </wsman:ResourceURI>
1287 (6)   <wsa:Action>
1288 (7)     http://example.org/2005/02/netcards/reset
1289 (8)   </wsa:Action>
1290 (9)   ...
1291 (10) </s:Header>

```

1292 All of these uses are legal.

1293 When used with subscriptions, the EPR described by wsa:Address and wsman:ResourceURI (and  
1294 optionally the wsman:SelectorSet values) identifies the event source to which the subscription is  
1295 directed. In many cases, the ResourceURI identifies a real or virtual event log, and the subscription is  
1296 intended to provide real-time notifications of any new entries added to the log. In many cases, the  
1297 wsman:SelectorSet element might not be used as part of the EPR.

#### 1298 5.4.2.2 Selectors

1299 In the WS-Management default addressing model, selectors are optional elements used to identify  
1300 instances within a resource class. For operations such as Get or Put, the selectors are used to  
1301 identify a single instance of the resource class referenced by the ResourceURI.

1302 In practice, because the ResourceURI often acts as a table or a "class," the SelectorSet element is a  
1303 discriminant used to identify a specific "row" or "instance." If only one instance of a resource class is  
1304 implied by the ResourceURI, the SelectorSet can be omitted because the ResourceURI is acting as  
1305 the full identity of the resource. If more than one selector value is required, the entire set of selectors  
1306 is interpreted by the service in order to reference the specific instance. The selectors are interpreted  
1307 as being separated by implied logical AND operators.

1308 In some information domains, the values referenced by the selectors are "keys" that are part of the  
1309 resource content itself, whereas in other domains the selectors are part of a logical or physical  
1310 directory system or search space. In these cases, the selectors are used to identify the resource, but  
1311 are not part of the representation.

1312 **R5.4.2.2-1:** If a resource has more than one instance, a wsman:SelectorSet element may be  
1313 used to distinguish which instance is targeted if the WS-Management default addressing model is  
1314 in use. Any number of wsman:Selector values may appear with the wsman:SelectorSet element,  
1315 as required to identify the precise instance of the resource class. The service may consider the  
1316 case of selector names and values (see 13.6), as required by the underlying execution  
1317 environment.

1318 If the client needs to discover the policy on how the case of selector values is interpreted, the service  
1319 can provide metadata documents that describe this policy. The format of such metadata is beyond  
1320 the scope of this specification.

1321 **R5.4.2.2-2:** All content within the SelectorSet element is to be treated as a single reference  
1322 parameter with a scope relative to the ResourceURI.

1323 **R5.4.2.2-3:** A service using the WS-Management default addressing model shall examine all  
1324 selectors in the message and process them as if they were logically joined by AND. If the set of  
1325 selectors is incorrect for the targeted resource instance, a wsman:InvalidSelectors fault should be  
1326 returned to the client with the following detail codes:

- 1327 • if selectors are missing:  
1328 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InsufficientSelectors>
- 1329 • if selector values are the wrong types:  
1330 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/TypeMismatch>
- 1331 • if the selector value is of the correct type from the standpoint of XML types, but out of range  
1332 or otherwise illegal in the specific information domain:  
1333 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidValue>
- 1334 • if the name is not a recognized selector name  
1335 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/UnexpectedSelectors>

1336 **R5.4.2.2-4:** The Selector Name attribute shall not be duplicated at the same level of nesting. If  
1337 this occurs, the service should return a wsman:InvalidSelectors fault with the following detail  
1338 code:

1339 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/DuplicateSelectors>

1340 This specification does not mandate the use of selectors. Some implementations may decide to use  
1341 complex URI schemes in which the ResourceURI itself implicitly identifies the instance.

1342 The format of the SelectorSet element is as follows:

```

1343 (1) <s:Envelope
1344 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
1345 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
1346 (4)   xmlns:wsmn="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
1347 (5)   <s:Header>
1348 (6)     ...
1349 (7)     <wsa:To> service transport address </wsa:To>
1350 (8)     <wsman:ResourceURI> ResourceURI </wsman:ResourceURI>
1351 (9)     <wsman:SelectorSet>
1352 (10)      <wsman:Selector Name="name"> value </wsman:Selector> +
1353 (11)    </wsman:SelectorSet> ?
1354 (12)    ...
1355 (13)   </s:Header>
1356 (14)   <s:Body> ... </s:Body>
1357 (15)  </s:Envelope>

```

1358 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

1359 **wsman:SelectorSet**

1360 the wrapper for one or more Selector elements required to reference the instance

1361 **wsman:SelectorSet/wsman:Selector**

1362 used to describe the selector and its value

1363 If more than one selector is required, one Selector element exists for each part of the overall  
 1364 selector. The value of this element is the Selector value.

1365 **wsman:SelectorSet/wsman:Selector/@Name**

1366 the name of the selector (to be treated in a case-insensitive manner)

1367 The value of a selector may be a nested EPR.

1368 **EXAMPLE:** In the following example, the selector on line 9 is a part of a SelectorSet that contains a nested  
 1369 EPR (lines 10–18) with its own Address, ResourceURI, and SelectorSet elements:

```

1370 (1) <s:Envelope
1371 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
1372 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
1373 (4)   xmlns:wsmn="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
1374 (5)   <s:Header>
1375 (6)     ...
1376 (7)     <wsman:SelectorSet>
1377 (8)       <wsman:Selector Name="Primary"> 123 </wsman:Selector>
1378 (9)       <wsman:Selector Name="EPR">
1379 (10)        <wsa:EndpointReference>
1380 (11)         <wsa:Address> address </wsa:Address>
1381 (12)         <wsa:ReferenceParameters>
1382 (13)          <wsman:ResourceURI> resource URI </wsman:ResourceURI>
1383 (14)          <wsman:SelectorSet>
1384 (15)           <wsman:Selector Name="name"> value </wsman:Selector>
1385 (16)          </wsman:SelectorSet>
1386 (17)         </wsa:ReferenceParameters>
1387 (18)        </wsa:EndpointReference>
1388 (19)       </wsman:Selector>
1389 (20)     </wsman:SelectorSet>
1390 (21)     ...
1391 (22)   </s:Header>
1392 (23)   <s:Body> ... </s:Body>
1393 (24)  </s:Envelope>

```

1394 **R5.4.2.2-5:** For those services using the WS-Management default addressing model, the value of  
1395 a wsman:Selector shall be one of the following values:

1396 • a simple type as defined in the XML schema namespace

1397 `http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema`

1398 • a nested wsa:EndpointReference using the WS-Management default addressing model

1399 A service may fault selector usage with wsman:InvalidSelectors if the selector is not a simple type or  
1400 an EPR.

1401 **R5.4.2.2-6:** A conformant service may reject any selector or nested selector with a nested EPR  
1402 whose wsa:Address value is not the same as the primary wsa:To value or is not the Addressing  
1403 Anonymous URI.

1404 The primary purpose for this nesting mechanism is to allow resources that can answer questions  
1405 about other resources.

1406 **R5.4.2.2-7:** A service may fail to process a selector name of more than 2048 characters.

1407 **R5.4.2.2-8:** A service may fail to process a selector value of more than 4096 characters,  
1408 including any embedded selectors, and may fail to process a message that contains more than  
1409 8096 characters of content in the root SelectorSet element.

#### 1410 **5.4.2.3 Faults for Default Addressing Model**

1411 When faults related to the information in the addressing model based on the default format are  
1412 generated, they may contain specific fault detail codes. These detail codes are called out separately  
1413 in 14.6 and do not apply when service-specific addressing is used.

#### 1414 **5.4.3 Service-Specific Endpoint References**

1415 Although WS-Management specifies a default addressing model, in some cases this model is not  
1416 available or appropriate.

1417 **R5.4.3-1:** A conformant service may not understand the header values used by the  
1418 WS-Management default addressing model. If this is the case, and if the client marks the  
1419 wsman:ResourceURI with `mustUnderstand="true"`, the service shall return an s:NotUnderstood  
1420 fault.

1421 **R5.4.3-2:** A conformant service may require additional header values to be present that are  
1422 beyond the scope of this specification.

1423 Services can thus use alternative addressing models for referencing resources with  
1424 WS-Management. These addressing models might or might not use ResourceURI or SelectorSet  
1425 elements and still be valid addressing models if they conform to the rules of Addressing.

1426 In addition to a defined alternative addressing model, a service might not explicitly define any  
1427 addressing model at all and instead use an opaque EPR generated at run-time, which is handled  
1428 according to the standard rules of Addressing.

1429 When such addressing models are used, the client application has to understand and interoperate  
1430 with discovery methods for acquiring EPRs that are beyond the scope of this specification.

#### 1431 **5.4.4 mustUnderstand**

1432 This clause describes the use of the `mustUnderstand` attribute, regardless of whether an  
1433 implementation uses WS-Management Addressing (see 5.1) or the W3C Recommendation type of  
1434 WS-Addressing.

1435 The mustUnderstand attribute for SOAP headers is to be interpreted as a "must comply" instruction in  
 1436 WS-Management. For example, if a SOAP header that is listed as being optional in this specification  
 1437 is tagged with mustUnderstand="true", the service is required to comply or return a fault. To ensure  
 1438 that the service treats a header as optional, the mustUnderstand attribute can be omitted.

1439 If the wsa:Action URI is not understood, the implementation might not know how to process the  
 1440 message. So, for the following elements, the omission or inclusion of mustUnderstand="true" has no  
 1441 real effect on the message in practice, because mustUnderstand is implied:

- 1442 • wsa:To
- 1443 • wsa:MessageID
- 1444 • wsa:RelatesTo
- 1445 • wsa:Action
- 1446 • wsa:ReplyTo
- 1447 • wsa:FaultTo

1448 **R5.4.4-1:** A conformant service shall process any of the preceding elements identically  
 1449 regardless of whether mustUnderstand="true" is present.

1450 As a corollary, clients can omit mustUnderstand="true" from any of the preceding elements with no  
 1451 change in meaning.

1452 **R5.4.4-2:** If a service cannot comply with a header marked with mustUnderstand="true", it  
 1453 shall issue an s:NotUnderstood fault.

1454 The goal is for the service to be tolerant of inconsistent mustUnderstand usage by clients when the  
 1455 request is not likely to be misinterpreted.

1456 It is important that clients using the WS-Management default addressing model (ResourceURI and  
 1457 SelectorSet) use mustUnderstand="true" on the wsman:ResourceURI element to ensure that the  
 1458 service is compliant with that addressing model. Implementations that use service-specific addressing  
 1459 models will otherwise potentially ignore these header values and behave inconsistently with the  
 1460 intentions of the client.

#### 1461 **5.4.5 wsa:To**

1462 This clause describes the use of the Addressing wsa:To header regardless of whether an  
 1463 implementation uses WS-Management Addressing (see 5.1) or the W3C Recommendation version of  
 1464 WS-Addressing.

1465 In request messages, the wsa:To address contains the transport address of the service. In some  
 1466 cases, this address is sufficient to locate the resource. In other cases, the service is a dispatching  
 1467 agent for multiple resources. In these cases, the message typically contains additional headers to  
 1468 allow the service to identify a resource within its scope. For example, when the default addressing  
 1469 model is in use, these additional headers will be the ResourceURI and SelectorSet elements.

1470 **NOTE:** WS-Management does not preclude multiple listener services from coexisting on the same physical  
 1471 system. Such services would be discovered and distinguished using mechanisms beyond the scope of this  
 1472 specification.

1473 **R5.4.5-1:** The wsa:To header shall be present in all messages, whether requests, responses,  
 1474 or events. In the absence of other requirements, it is recommended that the network address for  
 1475 resources that require authentication be suffixed by the token sequence /wsman. If /wsman is  
 1476 used, unauthenticated access should not be allowed.

1477 (1) <wsa:To> http://123.15.166.67/wsman </wsa:To>

1478 **R5.4.5-2:** In the absence of other requirements, it is recommended that the network address  
 1479 for resources that do not require authentication be suffixed by the token sequence */wsman-anon*.  
 1480 If */wsman-anon* is used, authenticated access shall not be required.

1481 (1) <wsa:To> http://123.15.166.67/wsman-anon </wsa:To>

1482 Including the network transport address in the SOAP message may seem redundant because the  
 1483 network connection would already be established by the client. However, in cases where the  
 1484 message is routed through intermediaries, the network transport address is required so that the  
 1485 intermediaries can examine the message and make the connection to the actual endpoint.

1486 The wsa:To header may encompass any number of tokens required to locate the service and a group  
 1487 of resources within that service.

1488 **R5.4.5-3:** The service should generate a fault when the wsa:To address cannot be processed  
 1489 due to the following situations::

- 1490 • If the resource is offline, a wsa:EndpointUnavailable fault is returned with the following  
 1491 detail code:  
 1492 http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/ResourceOffline
- 1493 • If the resource cannot be located ("not found"), a wsa:DestinationUnreachable fault is  
 1494 returned.
- 1495 • If the resource is valid, but internal errors occur, a wsman:InternalError fault is returned.
- 1496 • If the resource cannot be accessed for security reasons, a wsman:AccessDenied fault is  
 1497 returned.

#### 1498 5.4.6 Other Addressing Headers

1499 This clause describes the use of other Addressing headers, regardless of whether an implementation  
 1500 uses WS-Management Addressing (see 5.1) or the W3C Recommendation version of WS-  
 1501 Addressing.

1502 WS-Management depends on Addressing to describe the rules for use of other Addressing headers.

##### 1503 5.4.6.1 Processing Addressing Headers

1504 The following additional addressing-related header blocks occur in WS-Management messages.

1505 **R5.4.6.1-1:** A conformant service shall recognize and process the following Addressing header  
 1506 blocks.

- 1507 • **wsa:To**
- 1508 • **wsa:ReplyTo** (required when a response is expected)
- 1509 • **wsa:FaultTo** (optional)
- 1510 • **wsa:MessageID** (required)
- 1511 • **wsa:Action** (required)
- 1512 • **wsa:RelatesTo** (required in responses)

1513 The use of these header blocks is discussed in subsequent clauses.

1514 **5.4.6.2 wsa:ReplyTo**

1515 WS-Management requires the following usage of wsa:ReplyTo in addressing:

1516 **R5.4.6.2-1:** A wsa:ReplyTo header shall be present in all request messages when a reply is  
 1517 required. This address shall be either a valid address for a new connection using any transport  
 1518 supported by the service or the Addressing Anonymous URI, which indicates that the reply is to  
 1519 be delivered over the same connection on which the request arrived. If the wsa:ReplyTo header  
 1520 is missing, a wsa:MessageInformationHeaderRequired fault is returned.

1521 Some messages, such as event deliveries, SubscriptionEnd, and so on, do not require a response  
 1522 and may omit a wsa:ReplyTo element.

1523 **R5.4.6.2-2:** A conformant service may require that all responses be delivered over the same  
 1524 connection on which the request arrives. In this case, the URI discussed in R5.4.6.2-1 shall  
 1525 indicate this. Otherwise, the service shall return a wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with the  
 1526 following detail code:

1527 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/AddressingMode`

1528 **R5.4.6.2-3:** When delivering events for which acknowledgement of delivery is required, the  
 1529 sender of the event shall include a wsa:ReplyTo element and observe the usage in 10.8 of this  
 1530 specification.

1531 **R5.4.6.2-4:** This rule intentionally left blank.

1532 **R5.4.6.2-5:** This rule intentionally left blank.

1533 Addressing allows clients to include client-defined reference parameters in wsa:ReplyTo headers.  
 1534 Addressing requires that these reference parameters be extracted from requests and placed in the  
 1535 responses by removing the ReferenceParameters wrapper and placing all of the values as top-level  
 1536 SOAP headers in the response, as discussed in 5.1. This allows clients to better correlate responses  
 1537 with the original requests. This step cannot be omitted.

1538 **EXAMPLE:** In the following example, the header x:someHeader is included in the reply message:

```

1539 (1) <s:Envelope
1540 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
1541 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
1542 (4)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
1543 (5)   <s:Header>
1544 (6)     ...
1545 (7)     <wsa:To> http://1.2.3.4/wsman </wsa:To>
1546 (8)     <wsa:ReplyTo>
1547 (9)       <wsa:Address>
1548 (10)        http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous
1549 (11)       </wsa:Address>
1550 (12)       <wsa:ReferenceParameters>
1551 (13)         <x:someHeader xmlns:x="..."> user-defined content </x:someHeader>
1552 (14)       </wsa:ReferenceParameters>
1553 (15)     </wsa:ReplyTo>
1554 (16)     ...
1555 (17)   </s:Header>
1556 (18)   <s:Body> ... </s:Body>
1557 (19) </s:Envelope>

```

1558 **R5.4.6.2-6:** If the wsa:ReplyTo address is not usable or is missing, the service should not reply to  
 1559 the request and it should close or terminate the connection according to the rules of the current  
 1560 network transport. In these cases, the service should locally log some type of entry to help locate  
 1561 the client defect later.

1562 **5.4.6.3 wsa:FaultTo**

1563 WS-Management qualifies the use of wsa:FaultTo as indicated in this clause.

1564 **R5.4.6.3-1:** A conformant service may support a wsa:FaultTo address that is distinct from the  
1565 wsa:ReplyTo address. If such a request is made and is not supported by the service, a  
1566 wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault shall be returned with the following detail code:

1567 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/AddressingMode`

1568 If both the wsa:FaultTo and wsa:ReplyTo headers are omitted from a request, transport-level  
1569 mechanisms are typically used to fail the request because the address to which the fault is to be sent  
1570 is uncertain. In such a case, it is not an error for the service to simply shut down the connection.

1571 **R5.4.6.3-2:** If wsa:FaultTo is omitted, the service shall return the fault to the wsa:ReplyTo  
1572 address if a fault occurs.

1573 **R5.4.6.3-3:** A conformant service may require that all faults be delivered to the client over the  
1574 same transport or connection on which the request arrives. In this case, the URI shall be the  
1575 Addressing Anonymous URI. If services do not support separately addressed fault delivery and  
1576 the wsa:FaultTo is any other address, a wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault shall be returned with  
1577 the following detail code:

1578 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/AddressingMode`

1579 NOTE: This specification does not restrict richer implementations from fully supporting wsa:FaultTo.

1580 **R5.4.6.3-4:** This rule intentionally left blank.

1581 EXAMPLE: In the following example, the header x:someHeader is included in fault messages if they occur:

```
1582 (1) <s:Envelope
1583 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
1584 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
1585 (4)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
1586 (5)   <s:Header>
1587 (6)     ...
1588 (7)     <wsa:To> http://1.2.3.4/wsman </wsa:To>
1589 (8)     <wsa:FaultTo>
1590 (9)       <wsa:Address>
1591 (10)        http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous
1592 (11)      </wsa:Address>
1593 (12)      <wsa:ReferenceParameters>
1594 (13)        <x:someHeader xmlns:x="..."> user-defined content </x:someHeader>
1595 (14)      </wsa:ReferenceParameters>
1596 (15)    </wsa:FaultTo>
1597 (16)    ...
1598 (17)  </s:Header>
1599 (18)  <s:Body> ... </s:Body>
1600 (19) </s:Envelope>
```

1601 **R5.4.6.3-5:** If the wsa:FaultTo address is not usable, the service should not reply to the request.  
1602 Similarly, if according to WS-Addressing processing rules there is no suitable address to send a  
1603 fault to, it should not reply and should close the network connection. In these cases, the service  
1604 should locally log some type of entry to help locate the client defect later.

1605 **R5.4.6.3-6:** The service shall properly duplicate the wsa:Address of the wsa:FaultTo element in  
1606 the wsa:To of the reply, even if some of the information is not understood by the service.

1607 This rule applies in cases where the client includes private content suffixes on the HTTP or HTTPS  
 1608 address that the service does not understand. If the service removes this information when  
 1609 constructing the address, the subsequent message might not be correctly processed.

#### 1610 **5.4.6.4 wsa:MessageID and wsa:RelatesTo**

1611 WS-Management qualifies the use of wsa:MessageID and wsa:RelatesTo as follows:

1612 **R5.4.6.4-1:** The MessageID and RelatesTo URIs may be of any format, as long as they are valid  
 1613 URIs according to [RFC 3986](#). Two URIs are considered different even if the characters in the  
 1614 URIs differ only by case.

1615 The following two formats are endorsed by this specification. The first is considered a best  
 1616 practice because it is backed by [RFC 4122](#):

1617 urn:uuid:xxxxxxxx-xxxx-xxxx-xxxx-xxxxxxxxxxxxx  
 1618 or  
 1619 uuid:xxxxxxxx-xxxx-xxxx-xxxx-xxxxxxxxxxxxx

1620 In these formats, each x is an uppercase or lowercase hexadecimal digit (lowercase is required  
 1621 by [RFC 4122](#)); there are no spaces or other tokens. The value may be a DCE-style universally  
 1622 unique identifier (UUID) with provable uniqueness properties in this format, however, it is not  
 1623 necessary to have provable uniqueness properties in the URIs used in the wsa:MessageID and  
 1624 wsa:RelatesTo headers.

1625 Regardless of format, the URI should not exceed the maximum defined in R13.1-6.

1626 UUIDs have a numeric meaning as well as a string meaning, and this can lead to confusion. A UUID  
 1627 in lowercase is a different URI from the same UUID in uppercase. This is because URIs are case-  
 1628 sensitive. If a UUID is converted to its decimal equivalent the case of the original characters is lost.  
 1629 WS-Management works with the URI value itself, not the underlying decimal equivalent  
 1630 representation. Services are free to *interpret* the URI in any way, but are not allowed to alter the case  
 1631 usage when repeating the message or any of the MessageID values in subsequent messages.

1632 The [RFC 4122](#) requires the digits to be lowercase, which is the responsibility of the client. The service  
 1633 simply processes the values as URI values and is not required to analyze the URI for correctness or  
 1634 compliance. The service replicates the client usage in the wsa:RelatesTo reply header and is not  
 1635 allowed to alter the case usage.

1636 **R5.4.6.4-2:** The MessageID should be generated according to any algorithm that ensures that no  
 1637 two MessageIDs are repeated. Because the value is treated as case-sensitive (R5.4.6.4-1),  
 1638 confusion can arise if the same value is reused differing only in case. As a result, the service shall  
 1639 not create or employ MessageID values that differ only in case. For any message transmitted by  
 1640 the service, the MessageID shall not be reused.

1641 The client ensures that MessageID values are not reused in requests. Although services and clients  
 1642 can issue different MessageIDs that differ only in case, the service is not required to detect this  
 1643 difference, nor is it required to analyze the URI for syntactic correctness or repeated use.

1644 **R5.4.6.4-3:** The RelatesTo element shall be present in all response messages and faults, shall  
 1645 contain the MessageID of the associated request message, and shall match the original in case,  
 1646 being treated as a URI value and not as a binary UUID value.

1647 **R5.4.6.4-4:** If the MessageID is not parsable or is missing, a  
 1648 wsa:InvalidMessageInformationHeader fault should be returned.

1649 EXAMPLE: The following examples show wsa:MessageID usage:

```

1650 (20) <wsa:MessageID>
1651 (21)     uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a91
1652 (22) </wsa:MessageID>
1653 (23)
1654 (24) <wsa:MessageID>
1655 (25)     anotherScheme:ID/12310/1231/16607/25
1656 (26) </wsa:MessageID>
    
```

1657 **5.4.6.5 wsa:Action**

1658 The wsa:Action URI indicates the "operation" being invoked against the resource.

1659 **R5.4.6.5-1:** The wsa:Action URI shall not be used to identify the specific resource class or  
 1660 instance, but only to identify the operation to use against that resource.

1661 **R5.4.6.5-2:** For all resource endpoints, a service shall return a wsa:ActionNotSupported fault if a  
 1662 requested action is not supported by the service for the specified resource.

1663 In other words, to model the "Get" of item "Disk", the wsa:Action URI contains the "Get". The wsa:To,  
 1664 and potentially other SOAP headers, indicate *what* is being accessed. When the default addressing  
 1665 model is used, for example, the ResourceURI typically contains the reference to the "Disk" and the  
 1666 SelectorSet identifies which disk. Other service-specific addressing models can factor the identity of  
 1667 the resource in different ways.

1668 Implementations are free to support additional custom methods that combine the notion of "Get" and  
 1669 "Disk" into a single "GetDisk" action if they strive to support the separated form to maximize  
 1670 interoperability. One of the main points behind WS-Management is to unify common methods  
 1671 wherever possible.

1672 **R5.4.6.5-3:** If a service exposes any of the following types of capabilities, a conformant service  
 1673 shall at least expose that capability using the definitions in Table 4 according to the rules of this  
 1674 specification. The service may optionally expose additional similar functionality using a distinct  
 1675 wsa:Action URI.

1676 **Table 4 – wsa:Action URI Descriptions**

| Action URI  | Description  |
|---|--|
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Get                  | Models any simple single item retrieval              |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/GetResponse          | Response to "Get"                                    |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Put                  | Models an update of an entire item                   |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/PutResponse          | Response to "Put"                                    |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Create               | Models creation of a new item                        |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/CreateResponse       | Response to "Create"                                 |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Delete               | Models the deletion of an item                       |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/DeleteResponse       | Response to "Delete"                                 |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Enumerate         | Begins an enumeration or query                       |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/EnumerateResponse | Response to "Enumerate"                              |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Pull              | Retrieves the next batch of results from enumeration |
| http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/PullResponse      | Response to "Pull"                                   |

| Action URI  | Description  |
|---|--|
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Renew">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Renew</a>                         | Renews an enumerator that may have timed out<br>(not required in WS-Management)  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/RenewResponse">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/RenewResponse</a>         | Response to "Renew"<br>(not required in WS-Management)   |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/GetStatus">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/GetStatus</a>                 | Gets the status of the enumerator<br>(not required in WS-Management)   |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/GetStatusResponse">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/GetStatusResponse</a> | Response to "GetStatus"<br>(not required in WS-Management)   |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Release">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Release</a>                     | Releases an active enumerator  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/ReleaseResponse">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/ReleaseResponse</a>     | Response to "Release"  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/EnumerationEnd">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/EnumerationEnd</a>       | Notifies that an enumerator has terminated<br>(not required in WS-Management)  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Subscribe">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Subscribe</a>                       | Models a subscription to an event source   |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SubscribeResponse">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SubscribeResponse</a>       | Response to "Subscribe"  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Renew">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Renew</a>                               | Renews a subscription prior to its expiration  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/RenewResponse">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/RenewResponse</a>               | Response to "Renew"  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/GetStatus">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/GetStatus</a>                       | Requests the status of a subscription  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/GetStatusResponse">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/GetStatusResponse</a>       | Response to "GetStatus"  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Unsubscribe">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Unsubscribe</a>                   | Removes an active subscription   |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/UnsubscribeResponse">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/UnsubscribeResponse</a>   | Response to "Unsubscribe"  |
| <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SubscriptionEnd">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SubscriptionEnd</a>           | Delivers a message to indicate that a subscription has terminated  |
| <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events</a>                                     | Delivers batched events based on a subscription  |
| <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Heartbeat">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Heartbeat</a>                               | A pseudo-event that models a heartbeat of an active subscription; delivered when no real events are available, but used to indicate that the event subscription and delivery mechanism is still active |
| <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/DroppedEvents">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/DroppedEvents</a>                       | A pseudo-event that indicates that the real event was dropped  |
| <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Ack">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Ack</a>   | Used by event subscribers to acknowledge receipt of events; allows event streams to be strictly sequenced  |
| <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Event">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Event</a>                                       | Used for a singleton event that does not define its own action   |

1677 **R5.4.6.5-4:** A custom action may be supported if the operation is a custom method whose  
1678 semantic meaning is not present in the table.

1679 **R5.4.6.5-5:** All notifications shall contain a unique action URI that identifies the type of the event  
1680 delivery. For singleton notifications with only one event per message (the delivery mode  
1681 <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/DeliveryModes/Push>), the wsa:Action URI

1682 defines the event type. For other delivery modes, the Action varies, as described in clause 10.2.7  
1683 of this specification.

#### 1684 5.4.6.6 wsa:From

1685 The wsa:From header can be used in any messages, responses, or events to indicate the source.  
1686 When the same connection is used for both request and reply, this header provides no useful  
1687 information, but can be useful in cases where the response arrives on a different connection.

1688 **R5.4.6.6-1:** A conformant service may include a wsa:From address in the message. A  
1689 conformant service should process any incoming message that has a wsa:From element.

1690 **R5.4.6.6-2:** A conformant service should not fault any message with a wsa:From element,  
1691 regardless of whether the mustUnderstand attribute is included.

1692 NOTE: Processing the wsa:From header is trivial because it has no effect on the meaning of the  
1693 message. The *From* address is primarily for auditing and logging purposes.

## 1694 6 WS-Management Control Headers

1695 WS-Management defines several SOAP headers that can be used with any operation.

### 1696 6.1 wsman:OperationTimeout

1697 Most management operations are time-critical due to quality-of-service constraints and obligations. If  
1698 operations cannot be completed in a specified time, the service returns a fault so that a client can  
1699 comply with its obligations. The following header value can be supplied with any WS-Management  
1700 message to indicate that the client expects a response or a fault within the specified time:

```
1701 (1) <wsman:OperationTimeout> xs:duration </wsman:OperationTimeout>
```

1702 **R6.1-1:** All request messages may contain a wsman:OperationTimeout header element that  
1703 indicates the maximum amount of time the client is willing to wait for the service to issue a  
1704 response. The service should interpret the timeout countdown as beginning from the point the  
1705 message is processed until a response is generated.

1706 **R6.1-2:** The service should *immediately* issue a wsman:TimedOut fault if the countdown time is  
1707 exceeded and the operation is not yet complete. If the OperationTimeout value is not valid, a  
1708 wsa:InvalidMessageInformationHeader fault should be returned.

1709 **R6.1-3:** If the service does not support user-defined timeouts, a wsman:UnsupportedFeature  
1710 fault should be returned with the following detail code:

```
1711 http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/OperationTimeout
```

1712 **R6.1-4:** If the wsman:OperationTimeout element is omitted, the service may interpret this  
1713 omission as an instruction to block indefinitely until a response is available, or it may impose a  
1714 default timeout.

1715 These rules do not preclude services from supporting infinite or very long timeouts. Because network  
1716 connections seldom block indefinitely with no traffic occurring, some type of transport timeout is likely.  
1717 Also the countdown is initiated from the time the message is received, so network latency is not  
1718 included. If a client needs to discover the range of valid timeouts or defaults, metadata can be  
1719 retrieved, but the format of such metadata is beyond the scope of this specification.

1720 If the timeout occurs in such a manner that the service has already performed some of the work  
1721 associated with the request, the service state reaches an anomalous condition. This specification  
1722 does not attempt to address behavior in this situation. Clearly, services can attempt to undo the

1723 effects of any partially complete operations, but this is not always practical. In such cases, the service  
1724 can keep a local log of requests and operations, which the client can query later.

1725 For example, if a Delete operation is in progress and a timeout occurs, the service decides whether to  
1726 attempt a rollback or roll-forward of the deletion, even though it issues a wsman:TimedOut fault. The  
1727 service can elect to include additional information in the fault (see 14.5) regarding its internal policy in  
1728 this regard. The service can attempt to return to the state that existed before the operation was  
1729 attempted, but this is not always possible.

1730 **R6.1-5:** If the mustUnderstand attribute is applied to the wsman:OperationTimeout element and  
1731 the service understands wsman:OperationTimeout, the service shall observe the requested value  
1732 or return the fault specified in R6.1-2. The service should attempt to complete the request within  
1733 the specified time or issue a fault without any further delay.

1734 Clients can always omit the mustUnderstand header for uniform behavior against all implementations.  
1735 It is not an error for a compliant service to ignore the timeout value or treat it as a hint if  
1736 mustUnderstand is omitted.

1737 EXAMPLE: The following is an example of a correctly formatted 30-second timeout in the SOAP header:

1738 `(1) <wsman:OperationTimeout>PT30S</wsman:OperationTimeout>`

1739 If the transport timeout occurs before the actual wsman:OperationTimeout, the operation can be  
1740 treated as specified in 13.3, the same as a failed connection. In practice, the network transport  
1741 timeout can be configured to be longer than any expected wsman:OperationTimeout.

## 1742 6.2 wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize

1743 To prevent a response beyond the capability of the client, the request message can contain a  
1744 restriction on the response size.

1745 The following header value may be supplied with any WS-Management message to indicate that the  
1746 client expects a response whose total SOAP envelope does not exceed the specified number of  
1747 octets:

1748 `(1) <wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize>xs:positiveInteger </wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize>`

1749 The limitation is on the entire envelope. Resource-constrained implementations need a reliable figure  
1750 for the required amount of memory for all SOAP processing, not just the SOAP Body.

1751 **R6.2-1:** All request messages may contain a wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize header element that  
1752 indicates the maximum number of octets (not characters) in the entire SOAP envelope in the  
1753 response. If the service cannot compose a reply within the requested size, it should return a  
1754 wsman:EncodingLimit fault with the following detail code:

1755 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxEnvelopeSize`

1756 **R6.2-2:** If the mustUnderstand attribute is set to "true", the service shall comply with the  
1757 request. If the response would exceed the maximum size, the service should return a  
1758 wsman:EncodingLimit fault. Because a service might execute the operation prior to knowing the  
1759 response size, the service should undo any effects of the operation before issuing the fault. If the  
1760 operation cannot be reversed (such as a destructive Put or Delete, or a Create), the service shall  
1761 indicate that the operation succeeded in the wsman:EncodingLimit fault with the following detail  
1762 code:

1763 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/UnreportableSuccess`

1764 **R6.2-3:** If the mustUnderstand attribute is set to "false", the service may ignore the header.

1765 **R6.2-4:** Services should reject any MaxEnvelopeSize value less than 8192 octets. This number  
 1766 is the safe minimum in which faults can be reliably encoded for all character sets. If the requested  
 1767 size is less than this, the service should return a wsman:EncodingLimit fault with the following  
 1768 detail code:

1769 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MinimumEnvelopeLimit`

1770 A service might have its own encoding limit independent of what the client specifies, and the same  
 1771 fault applies.

1772 **R6.2-5:** If the service cannot compose a reply within its own internal limits, the service should  
 1773 return a wsman:EncodingLimit fault with the following detail code:

1774 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/ServiceEnvelopeLimit`

1775 The definition of the wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize element in the schema contains a Policy attribute  
 1776 because this element is used for other purposes. This specification does not define a meaning for the  
 1777 Policy attribute when the wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize element is used as a SOAP header.

1778 **R6.2-6:** Clients should not add the Policy attribute to the wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize element  
 1779 when it is used as a SOAP header. Services should ignore the Policy attribute if it appears in the  
 1780 wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize element when used as a SOAP header.

### 1781 **6.3 wsman:Locale**

1782 Management operations often span locales, and many items in responses can require translation.  
 1783 Typically, translation is required for descriptive information, intended for human readers, that is sent  
 1784 back in the response. If the client requires such output to be translated into a specific language, it can  
 1785 employ the optional wsman:Locale header, which makes use of the standard XML attribute xml:lang,  
 1786 as follows:

1787 

```
(1) <wsman:Locale xml:lang="xs:language" s:mustUnderstand="false"/>
```

1788 **R6.3-1:** If the mustUnderstand attribute is omitted or set to “false”, the service should use this  
 1789 value when composing the response message and adjust any localizable values accordingly.  
 1790 This use is recommended for most cases. The locale is treated as a hint in this case.

1791 **R6.3-2:** If the mustUnderstand attribute is set to “true”, the service shall ensure that the replies  
 1792 contain localized information where appropriate, or else the service shall issue a  
 1793 wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with the following detail code:

1794 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Locale`

1795 A service may always fault if wsman:Locale contains s:mustUnderstand set to “true”, because it  
 1796 may not be able to ensure that the reply is localized.

1797 Some implementations delegate the request to another subsystem for processing, so the service  
 1798 cannot be certain that the localization actually occurred.

1799 **R6.3-3:** The value of the xml:lang attribute in the wsman:Locale header shall be a valid  
 1800 [RFC 5646](#) language code.

1801 **R6.3-4:** In any response, event, or singleton message, the service should include the xml:lang  
 1802 attribute in the s:Envelope (or other elements) to signal to the receiver that localized content  
 1803 appears in the body of the message. This attribute may be omitted if no descriptive content  
 1804 appears in the body. Including the xml:lang attribute is not an error, even if no descriptive content  
 1805 occurs.

1806 EXAMPLE:

```

1807 (1) <s:Envelope
1808 (2)   xml:lang="en-us"
1809 (3)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
1810 (4)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
1811 (5)   xmlns:wsmn="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsmn/1/wsmn.xsd">
1812 (6)   <s:Header> ... </s:Header>
1813 (7)   <s:Body> ... </s:Body>
1814 (8) </s:Envelope>

```

1815 The xml:lang attribute can appear on any content in the message, although a simpler approach  
 1816 allows the client always to check for the attribute in one place, the s:Envelope wrapper.

1817 **R6.3-5:** For operations that span multiple message sequences, the wsman:Locale element is  
 1818 processed in the initial message only. It should be ignored in subsequent messages because the  
 1819 first message establishes the required locale. The service may issue a fault if the wsman:Locale  
 1820 is present in subsequent messages and the value is different from that used in the initiating  
 1821 request.

1822 This rule applies primarily to Enumerate and Pull messages. The locale is clearly established during  
 1823 the initial Enumerate request, so changing the locale during the enumeration serves no purpose. The  
 1824 service ignores any wsman:Locale elements in subsequent Pull messages, but the client can ensure  
 1825 that the value does not change between Pull requests. This uniformity enables the client to construct  
 1826 messages more easily.

1827 It is recommended (as established in R6.3-1) that the wsman:Locale element never contain a  
 1828 mustUnderstand attribute. In this way, the client will not receive faults in unexpected places.

## 1829 6.4 wsman:OptionSet

1830 The OptionSet header is used to pass a set of switches to the service to modify or refine the nature of  
 1831 the request. This facility is intended to help the service observe any context or side effects desired by  
 1832 the client, but *not* to alter the output schema or modify the meaning of the addressing. Options are  
 1833 similar to switches used in command-line shells in that they are service-specific, text-based  
 1834 extensions.

1835 **R6.4-1:** Any request message may contain a wsman:OptionSet header, which wraps a set of  
 1836 optional switches or controls on the message. These switches help the service compose the  
 1837 desired reply or observe the required side effect.

1838 **R6.4-2:** The service should not send responses, unacknowledged events, or singleton  
 1839 messages that contain wsman:OptionSet headers unless it is acting in the role of a client to  
 1840 another service. Those headers are intended for request messages to which a subsequent  
 1841 response is expected, including acknowledged events.

1842 **R6.4-3:** If the mustUnderstand attribute is omitted from the OptionSet block or if it is present  
 1843 with a value of "false", the service may ignore the entire wsman:OptionSet block. If it is present  
 1844 with a value of "true" and the service does not support wsman:OptionSet, the service shall return  
 1845 a s:NotUnderstood fault.

1846 Services can process an OptionSet block if it is present, but they are not required to understand or  
 1847 process individual options, as shown in R6.4-6. However, if MustComply is set to "true" on any given  
 1848 option, then mustUnderstand needs to be set to "true". Doing so avoids the incongruity of allowing the  
 1849 entire OptionSet block to be ignored while having MustComply on individual options.

1850 **R6.4-4:** Each resource class may observe its own set of options, and an individual instance of  
 1851 that resource class may further observe its own set of options. Consistent option usage is not

1852 required across resource class and instance boundaries. The metadata formats and definitions of  
1853 options are beyond the scope of this specification and may be service-specific.

1854 **R6.4-5:** Any number of individual option elements may appear under the `wsman:OptionSet`  
1855 wrapper. Option names may be repeated if appropriate. The content shall be a simple string  
1856 (`xs:string`). This specification places no restrictions on whether the names or values are to be  
1857 treated in a case-sensitive or case-insensitive manner. However, case usage shall be retained as  
1858 the message containing the `OptionSet` element and its contents are propagated through SOAP  
1859 intermediaries.

1860 Interpretation of the option with regard to case sensitivity is up to the service and the definition of the  
1861 specific option because the value might be passed through to real-world subsystems that  
1862 inconsistently expose case usage. Where interoperability is a concern, the client can omit both  
1863 `mustUnderstand` and `MustComply` attributes.

1864 **R6.4-6:** Individual option values may be advisory or may be required by the client. The service  
1865 shall observe and execute any option marked with the `MustComply` attribute set to "true", or  
1866 return a `wsman:InvalidOptions` fault with the following detail code:

1867 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/NotSupported`

1868 Any option not marked with this attribute (or if the attribute is set to "false") is advisory to the  
1869 service, and the service may ignore it. If any option is marked with `MustComply` set to "true", then  
1870 the `mustUnderstand` attribute shall be used on the entire `wsman:OptionSet` block.

1871 This capability is required when the service delegates interpretation and execution of the options  
1872 to another component. In many cases, the SOAP processor cannot know if the option was  
1873 observed and can only pass it along to the next subsystem.

1874 **R6.4-7:** Options may optionally contain a `Type` attribute, which indicates the data type of the  
1875 content of the `Option` element. A service may require that this attribute be present on any given  
1876 option and that it be set to the `QName` of a valid XML schema data type. Only the standard  
1877 simple types declared in the `http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema` namespace are supported in  
1878 this version of WS-Management.

1879 This rule can help some services distinguish numeric or date/time types from other string values.

1880 **R6.4-8:** Options should not be used as a replacement for the documented parameterization  
1881 technique for the message; they should be used only as a modifier for it.

1882 Options are primarily used to establish context or otherwise instruct the service to perform side-band  
1883 operations while performing the operation, such as turning on logging or tracing.

1884 **R6.4-9:** The following faults should be returned by the service:

1885 • when options are not supported, **`wsman:InvalidOptions`** with the following detail code:

1886 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/NotSupported`

1887 • when one or more option names are not valid or supported by the specific  
1888 resource, **`wsman:InvalidOptions`** with the following detail code:

1889 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidName`

1890 • when the value is not correct for the option name, **`wsman:InvalidOptions`** with the  
1891 following detail code:

1892 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidValue`

1893 **R6.4-10:** For operations that span multiple message sequences, the `wsman:OptionSet` element  
1894 is processed in the initial message only. It should be ignored in subsequent messages because

1895 the first message establishes the required set of options. The service may issue a fault if the  
 1896 wsman:OptionSet is present in subsequent messages and the value is different from that used in  
 1897 the initiating request, or the service may ignore the values of wsman:OptionSet in such  
 1898 messages.

1899 This rule applies primarily to Enumerate and Pull messages. The set of options is established once  
 1900 during the initial Enumerate request, so changing the options during the enumeration would constitute  
 1901 an error.

1902 Options are intended to make operations more efficient or to preprocess output on behalf of the client.  
 1903 For example, the options could indicate to the service that the returned values are to be recomputed  
 1904 and that cached values are not to be used, or that any optional values in the reply may be omitted.  
 1905 Alternately, the options could be used to indicate verbose output within the limits of the XML schema  
 1906 associated with the reply.

1907 Option values are not intended to contain XML. If XML-based input is required, a custom operation  
 1908 with its own wsa:Action URI is the correct model for the operation. This ensures that no backdoor  
 1909 parameters are introduced over well-known message types. For example, when issuing a Subscribe  
 1910 request, the message already defines a technique for passing an event filter to the service, so the  
 1911 option is not used to circumvent this and pass a filter using an alternate method.

1912 EXAMPLE: The following is an example of wsman:OptionSet:

```

1913 (1) <s:Envelope
1914 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
1915 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
1916 (4)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd"
1917 (5)   xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
1918 (6)   <s:Header>
1919 (7)     ...
1920 (8)     <wsman:OptionSet s:mustUnderstand="true">
1921 (9)       <wsman:Option Name="VerbosityLevel" Type="xs:int">
1922 (10)        3
1923 (11)      </wsman:Option>
1924 (12)      <wsman:Option Name="LogAllRequests" MustComply="true"/>
1925 (13)    </wsman:OptionSet>
1926 (14)    ...
1927 (15)  </s:Header>
1928 (16)  <s:Body> ... </s:Body>
1929 (17) </s:Envelope>
  
```

1930 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

1931 wsman:OptionSet

1932 used to wrap individual option blocks

1933 In this example, s:mustUnderstand is set to "true", indicating that the client is requiring the  
 1934 service to process the option block using the given rules.

1935 wsman:OptionSet/wsman:Option/@Name

1936 identifies the option (an xs:string), which may be a simple name or a URI

1937 This name is scoped to the resource to which it applies. The name may be repeated in  
 1938 subsequent elements. The name cannot be blank and can be a short non-colliding URI that is  
 1939 vendor-specific.

1940 wsman:OptionSet/wsman:Option/@MustComply

1941 if set to "true", indicates that the option shall be observed; otherwise, indicates an advisory or a  
 1942 hint

1943 wsman:OptionSet/wsman:Option/@Type  
 1944 (optional) if present, indicates the data type of the element content, which helps the service to  
 1945 interpret the content  
 1946 A service may require this attribute to be present on any given option element.

1947 wsman:OptionSet/wsman:Option  
 1948 the content of the option  
 1949 The value may be any simple string value. If the option value is empty, the option should be  
 1950 interpreted as logically "true", and the option should be "enabled". The following example  
 1951 enables the "Verbose" option:

1952 (1) `<wsman:Option Name="Verbose"/>`

1953 Options are logically false if they are not present in the message. All other cases require an explicit  
 1954 string to indicate the option value. The reasoning for allowing the same option to repeat is to allow  
 1955 specification of a list of options of the same name.

## 1956 6.5 wsman:RequestEPR

1957 Some service operations, including "Put", are able to modify the resource representation in such a  
 1958 way that the update results in a logical identity change for the resource, such as the "rename" of a  
 1959 document. In many cases, this modification in turn alters the EPR of that resource after the operation  
 1960 is completed, as EPRs are often dynamically derived from naming values within the resource  
 1961 representation itself. This behavior is common in SOAP implementations that delegate operations to  
 1962 underlying systems.

1963 To provide the client a way to determine when such a change has happened, two SOAP headers are  
 1964 defined to request and return the EPR of a resource instance.

1965 In any WS-Management request message, the following header may appear:

1966 (1) `<wsman:RequestEPR .../>`

1967 **R6.5-1:** A service receiving a message that contains the wsman:RequestEPR header block  
 1968 should return a response that contains a wsman:RequestedEPR header block. This block  
 1969 contains the most recent EPR of the resource being accessed or a status code if the service  
 1970 cannot determine or return the EPR. This EPR reflects any identity changes that may have  
 1971 occurred as a result of the current operation, as set forth in the following behavior. The header  
 1972 block in the corresponding response message has the following format:

1973 (1) `<wsman:RequestedEPR ...>`  
 1974 (2) `[ <wsa:EndpointReference>`  
 1975 (3) `wsa:EndpointReferenceType`  
 1976 (4) `</wsa:EndpointReference> |`  
 1977 (5) `<wsman:EPRInvalid/> |`  
 1978 (6) `<wsman:EPRUnknown/> ]`  
 1979 (7) `</wsman:RequestedEPR>`

1980 The following definitions describe additional, normative constraints on the preceding format:

1981 wsman:RequestedEPR/wsa:EndpointReference  
 1982 one of three elements that can be returned as a child element of the wsman:RequestedEPR  
 1983 element  
 1984 The use of this element indicates that the service understood the request to return the EPR of  
 1985 the resource and is including the EPR of the resource. The returned EPR is calculated after all  
 1986 intentional effects or side effects of the associated request message have occurred. The EPR  
 1987 may not have changed as a result of the operation, but the service is still obligated to return it.

- 1988 wsman:RequestedEPR/wsman:EPRIInvalid  
 1989 one of three elements that can be returned as a child element of the wsman:RequestedEPR  
 1990 element  
 1991 The use of this element (no value is required) indicates that the service understands the request  
 1992 to return the EPR of the resource but is unable to calculate a full EPR. However, the service is  
 1993 able to determine that this message exchange has modified the resource representation in such  
 1994 a way that any previous references to the resource are no longer valid. When EPRIInvalid is  
 1995 returned, the client shall not use the old wsa:EndpointReference in subsequent operations.
- 1996 wsman:RequestedEPR/wsman:EPRIUnknown  
 1997 one of three elements that can be returned as a child element of the wsman:RequestedEPR  
 1998 element  
 1999 The use of this element (no value is required) indicates that the service understands the request  
 2000 to return the EPR of the resource but is unable to determine whether existing references to the  
 2001 resource are still valid. When EPRIUnknown is returned, the client may attempt to use the old  
 2002 wsa:EndpointReference in subsequent operations. The result of using an old  
 2003 wsa:EndpointReference, however, is unpredictable; a result may be a fault or a successful  
 2004 response.

## 2005 7 Resource Access

### 2006 7.1 General

- 2007 Resource access applies to all synchronous operations regarding getting, setting, and enumerating  
 2008 values. The subclauses in clause 7 define a mechanism for acquiring management-specific XML-  
 2009 based representations of entities using the Web service infrastructure, such as managed resources.
- 2010 Specifically, two operations are defined for sending and receiving the management representation of  
 2011 a given resource and two operations are defined for creating and deleting a management resource  
 2012 and its corresponding representation. Multi-Instance retrieval is achieved using the enumeration  
 2013 messages. This specification does not define any messages or techniques for batched operations,  
 2014 such as batched Get or Delete. All such operations can be sent as a series of single messages.
- 2015 It should be noted that the state maintenance of a resource is at most subject to the "best efforts" of  
 2016 the hosting server. When a client receives the server's acceptance of a request to create or update a  
 2017 resource, it can reasonably expect that the resource now exists at the confirmed location and with the  
 2018 confirmed representation, but this is not a guarantee, even in the absence of any third parties. The  
 2019 server may change the representation of a resource, may remove a resource entirely, or may bring  
 2020 back a resource that was deleted.
- 2021 For instance, the server may store resource state information on a disk drive. If that drive crashes and  
 2022 the server recovers state information from a backup tape, changes that occurred after the backup  
 2023 was made would be lost.
- 2024 A server may have other operational processes that change resource state information. A server may  
 2025 run a background process that examines resources for objectionable content and deletes any such  
 2026 resources it finds. A server may purge resources that have not been accessed for some period of  
 2027 time. A server may apply storage quotas that cause it to occasionally purge resources.
- 2028 In essence, the confirmation by a service of having processed a request to create, modify, or delete a  
 2029 resource implies a commitment only at the instant that the confirmation was generated. While the  
 2030 usual case should be that resources are long-lived and stable, there are no guarantees, and clients  
 2031 should code defensively.
- 2032 There is no requirement for uniformity in resource representations between the messages defined in  
 2033 this specification. For example, the representations required by Create or Put may differ from the

2034 representation returned by Get, depending on the semantic requirements of the service. Additionally,  
 2035 there is no requirement that the resource content is fixed for any given endpoint reference. The  
 2036 resource content may vary based on environmental factors, such as the security context, time of day,  
 2037 configuration, or the dynamic state of the service.

2038 As per the SOAP processing model, other specifications may define SOAP headers that may be  
 2039 optionally added to request messages to require the transfer of subsets or the application of  
 2040 transformations of the resource associated with the endpoint reference. When the Action URIs  
 2041 defined by this specification are used, such extension specifications must also allow the basic  
 2042 processing models defined herein.

2043 NOTE: The WSDL for the resource access operations (see ANNEX G), as well as the pseudo schema and  
 2044 example message fragments throughout clause 7, is not usable as represented without first replacing the  
 2045 "resource-specific-GED" text with the application-defined GED.

2046 EXAMPLE 1: Following is a full example of a hypothetical Get request:

```

2047 (1) <s:Envelope
2048 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
2049 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
2050 (4)   xmlns:wsmn="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
2051 (5)   <s:Header>
2052 (6)     <wsa:To>http://1.2.3.4/wsman/</wsa:To>
2053 (7)     <wsman:ResourceURI>http://example.org/2005/02/physicalDisk
2054 (8)       </wsman:ResourceURI>
2055 (9)     <wsa:ReplyTo>
2056 (10)      <wsa:Address>
2057 (11)        http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous
2058 (12)      </wsa:Address>
2059 (13)    </wsa:ReplyTo>
2060 (14)    <wsa:Action>
2061 (15)      http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Get
2062 (16)    </wsa:Action>
2063 (17)    <wsa:MessageID>
2064 (18)      urn:uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a87
2065 (19)    </wsa:MessageID>
2066 (20)    <wsman:SelectorSet>
2067 (21)      <wsman:Selector Name="LUN"> 2 </wsman:Selector>
2068 (22)    </wsman:SelectorSet>
2069 (23)    <wsman:OperationTimeout> PT30S </wsman:OperationTimeout>
2070 (24)  </s:Header>
2071 (25)  <s:Body/>
2072 (26) </s:Envelope>
  
```

2073 Notice that the `wsa:ReplyTo` indicates the response is to be sent on the same connection as the  
 2074 request (line 10), the action is a Get (line 14), and the ResourceURI (line 7) and `wsman:SelectorSet`  
 2075 (line 20) are used to address the requested management information. This example assumes that the  
 2076 WS-Management default addressing model is in use. The service is expected to complete the  
 2077 operation in 30 seconds or return a fault to the client (line 22).

2078 Also, the `s:Body` in a Get request has no content.

2079 EXAMPLE 1 (continued): The following shows a hypothetical response to the preceding hypothetical Get request:

```

2080 (26) <s:Envelope
2081 (27)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
2082 (28)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
2083 (29)   xmlns:wsmn="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
2084 (30)   <s:Header>
2085 (31)     <wsa:To>
2086 (32)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous
  
```

```

2087 (33) </wsa:To>
2088 (34) <wsa:Action s:mustUnderstand="true">
2089 (35) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/GetResponse
2090 (36) </wsa:Action>
2091 (37) <wsa:MessageID s:mustUnderstand="true">
2092 (38) urn:uuid:217a431c-b071-3301-9bb8-5f538bec89b8
2093 (39) </wsa:MessageID>
2094 (40) <wsa:RelatesTo>
2095 (41) urn:uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a87
2096 (42) </wsa:RelatesTo>
2097 (43) </s:Header>
2098 (44) <s:Body>
2099 (45) <PhysicalDisk
2100 (46) xmlns="http://schemas.example.org/2005/02/samples/physDisk">
2101 (47) <Manufacturer> Acme, Inc. </Manufacturer>
2102 (48) <Model> 123-SCSI 42 GB Drive </Model>
2103 (49) <LUN> 2 </LUN>
2104 (50) <Cylinders> 16384 </Cylinders>
2105 (51) <Heads> 80 </Heads>
2106 (52) <Sectors> 63 </Sectors>
2107 (53) <OctetsPerSector> 512 </OctetsPerSector>
2108 (54) <BootPartition> 0 </BootPartition>
2109 (55) </PhysicalDisk>
2110 (56) </s:Body>
2111 (57) </s:Envelope>

```

2112 Notice that the response uses the wsa:To address (line 32) that the original request had specified in  
2113 wsa:ReplyTo. Also, the wsa:MessageID for this response is unique (line 38). The wsa:RelatesTo  
2114 (line 41) contains the UUID of the wsa:MessageID of the original request to allow the client to  
2115 correlate the response.

2116 The s:Body (lines 44-55) contains the requested resource representation.

2117 The same general approach exists for Delete, except that no content exists in the response s:Body.  
2118 The Create and Put operations are similar, except that they contain content in the request s:Body to  
2119 specify the values being created or updated.

## 2120 7.2 Addressing Uniformity

2121 Where practical, the EPR of the resource can be the same whether a Get, Delete, or Put operation is  
2122 being used. This is not a strict requirement, but it reduces the education and training required to  
2123 construct and use WS-Management-aware tools.

2124 Create is a special case, in that the EPR of the newly created resource is often not known until the  
2125 resource is actually created. For example, although it might be possible to return running process  
2126 information using a hypothetical *ProcessID* in an addressing header, it is typically not possible to  
2127 assert the *ProcessID* during the creation phase because the underlying system does not support the  
2128 concept. Thus, the Create operation would not have the same addressing headers as the  
2129 corresponding Get or Delete operations.

2130 If the WS-Management default addressing model is in use, it would be typical to use the  
2131 ResourceURI as a "type" and selector values for "instance" identification. Thus, the same address  
2132 would be used for Get, Put, and Delete when working with the same instance. When enumerating all  
2133 instances, the selectors would be omitted and the ResourceURI would be used alone to indicate the  
2134 "type" of the object being enumerated. The Create operation might also share this usage, or have its  
2135 own ResourceURI and selector usage (or not even use selectors). This pattern is not a requirement.

2136 Throughout, it is expected that the s:Body of the messages contains XML with correct and valid XML  
 2137 namespaces referring to XML Schemas that can validate the message. Most services and clients do  
 2138 not perform real-time validation of messages in production environments because of performance  
 2139 constraints; however, during debugging or other systems verification, validation might be enabled,  
 2140 and messages without the appropriate XML namespace declarations would be considered invalid.

2141 When performing resource access operations, side effects might occur. For example, deletion of a  
 2142 particular resource by using Delete can result in several other dependent instances disappearing, and  
 2143 a Create operation can result in the logical creation of more than one resource that can be  
 2144 subsequently returned through a Get operation. Similarly, a Put operation can result in a rename of  
 2145 the target instance, a rename of some unrelated instance, or the deletion of some unrelated instance.  
 2146 These side effects are service specific, and this specification makes no statements about the  
 2147 taxonomy and semantics of objects over which these operations apply.

### 2148 7.3 Get

2149 A Web service operation (Get) is defined for fetching a one-time snapshot of the representation of a  
 2150 resource. A snapshot is a complete XML representation of a resource at the time the service  
 2151 processes the request.

2152 The Get request message shall be of the following form:

```

2153 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
2154 (2)   <s:Header ...>
2155 (3)     <wsa:Action>
2156 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Get
2157 (5)     </wsa:Action>
2158 (6)     <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
2159 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
2160 (8)     ...
2161 (9)   </s:Header>
2162 (10)  <s:Body .../>
2163 (11) </s:Envelope>
  
```

2164 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

2165 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

2166 This required element shall contain the value  
 2167 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Get. If a SOAP Action URI is also present in the  
 2168 underlying transport, its value shall convey the same value.

2169 A Get request shall be targeted at the resource whose representation is desired.

2170 There are no body blocks defined by default for a Get Request. As per the SOAP processing model,  
 2171 other specifications may introduce various types of extensions to the semantics of this message that  
 2172 are enabled through headers tagged with s:mustUnderstand="true". Such extensions may define how  
 2173 resource or subsets of it are to be retrieved or transformed prior to retrieval. Specifications that define  
 2174 such extensions shall allow processing the basic Get request message without those extensions.  
 2175 Because the response may not be sent to the original sender, extension specifications should  
 2176 consider adding a corresponding SOAP header value in the response to signal to the receiver that the  
 2177 extension is being used.

2178 Implementations may respond with a fault message using the standard fault codes defined in  
 2179 Addressing (for example, wsa:ActionNotSupported). Other components of the preceding outline are  
 2180 not further constrained by this specification.

2181 If the resource accepts a Get request, it shall reply with a response of the following form:

```

2182 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
  
```

```

2183 (2) <s:Header ...>
2184 (3) <wsa:Action>
2185 (4) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/GetResponse
2186 (5) </wsa:Action>
2187 (6) <wsa:RelatesTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
2188 (7) <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
2189 (8) ...
2190 (9) </s:Header>
2191 (10) <s:Body ...>
2192 (11) resource-specific-element
2193 (12) </s:Body>
2194 (13) </s:Envelope>

```

2195 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

2196 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

2197 This required element shall contain the value  
 2198 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/GetResponse. If a SOAP Action URI is also  
 2199 present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same value.

2200 /s:Envelope/s:Body/child

2201 The representation itself shall be the child element of the SOAP:Body element of the response  
 2202 message.

2203 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

2204 The Get operation retrieves resource representations. The message can be targeted to return a  
 2205 complex XML document or to return a single, simple value. The nature and complexity of the  
 2206 representation is not constrained by this specification.

2207 **R7.3-1:** A conformant service should support Get operations to service metadata requests  
 2208 about the service itself or to verify the result of a previous action or operation.

2209 This statement does not constrain implementations from supplying additional similar methods for  
 2210 resource and metadata retrieval.

2211 **R7.3-2:** Execution of Get should not in itself have side effects on the value of the resource.

2212 **R7.3-3:** If an object cannot be retrieved due to locking conditions, simultaneous access, or  
 2213 similar conflicts, a wsman:Concurrency fault should be returned.

2214 In practice, Get is designed to return XML that corresponds to real-world objects. To retrieve  
 2215 individual property values, either the client can postprocess the XML content for the desired value, or  
 2216 the service can support fragment-level access (7.7).

2217 Fault usage is generally as described in clause 14. An inability to locate or access the resource is  
 2218 equivalent to problems with the SOAP message when the EPR is defective. There are no "Get-  
 2219 specific" faults.

## 2220 7.4 Put

2221 A Web service operation (Put) is defined for updating a resource by providing a replacement  
 2222 representation. A resource may accept updates that provide different XML representations than that  
 2223 returned by the resource; in such a case, the semantics of the update operation is defined by the  
 2224 resource.

2225 The Put request message shall be of the following form:

```

2226 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
2227 (2) <s:Header ...>

```

```

2228     (3)     <wsa:Action>
2229     (4)     http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Put
2230     (5)     </wsa:Action>
2231     (6)     <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
2232     (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
2233     (8)     ...
2234     (9)     </s:Header>
2235     (10)    <s:Body...>
2236     (11)    resource-specific-element
2237     (12)    </s:Body>
2238     (13)   </s:Envelope>

```

2239 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

2240 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

2241 This required element shall contain the value  
 2242 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Put. If a SOAP Action URI is also present in the  
 2243 underlying transport, its value shall convey the same value.

2244 /s:Envelope/s:Body/child

2245 The representation to be used for the update shall be the child element of the s:Body element of  
 2246 the request message.

2247 A Put request shall be targeted at the resource whose representation is desired to be replaced. As  
 2248 per the SOAP processing model, other specifications may introduce various types of extensions to  
 2249 this message, which are enabled through headers tagged with s:mustUnderstand="true". Such  
 2250 extensions may require that a full or partial update should be accomplished using symbolic,  
 2251 instruction-based, or other methodologies.

2252 Extension specifications may also define extensions to the original Put request, enabled by optional  
 2253 SOAP headers, which control the nature of the response (see the information about PutResponse  
 2254 later in this clause).

2255 Specifications that define any of these extensions shall allow processing of the Put message without  
 2256 such extensions.

2257 In addition to the standard fault codes defined in Addressing, implementations may use the fault code  
 2258 wsmt:InvalidRepresentation if the presented representation is invalid for the target resource. Other  
 2259 components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

2260 A successful Put operation updates the current representation associated with the targeted resource.

2261 If the resource accepts a Put request and performs the requested update, it shall reply with a  
 2262 response of the following form:

```

2263     (1)     <s:Envelope ...>
2264     (2)     <s:Header ...>
2265     (3)     <wsa:Action>
2266     (4)     http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/PutResponse
2267     (5)     </wsa:Action>
2268     (6)     <wsa:RelatesTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
2269     (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
2270     (8)     ...
2271     (9)     </s:Header>
2272     (10)    <s:Body ...>
2273     (11)    resource-specific-element ?
2274     (12)    </s:Body>
2275     (13)   </s:Envelope>

```

- 2276 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action  
 2277 This required element shall contain the value  
 2278 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/PutResponse. If a SOAP Action URI is also  
 2279 present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same value.
- 2280 /s:Envelope/s:Body/child  
 2281 An implementation of a service shall choose, in advance, whether to return an empty Body or the  
 2282 resulting representation of the resource. This choice shall be explicitly stated in the WSDL, if  
 2283 WSDL is provided.  
 2284 By default, a service shall return the current representation of the resource as the child of the  
 2285 s:Body element if the updated representation differs from the representation sent in the Put  
 2286 request message.  
 2287 As an optimization and as a service to the requester, the s:Body element of the response  
 2288 message should be empty if the updated representation does not differ from the representation  
 2289 sent in the Put request message; that is, if the service accepted the new representation  
 2290 verbatim.  
 2291 Such a response (an empty s:Body) implies that the update request was successful in its entirety  
 2292 (assuming no intervening mutating operations are performed). A service may return the current  
 2293 representation of the resource as the initial child of the s:Body element even in this case,  
 2294 however.
- 2295 Extension specifications may define extensions to the original Put request, enabled by optional  
 2296 header values, in order to optimize the response. In the absence of such headers, the behavior shall  
 2297 be as previously described. Specifications that define any of these extensions shall allow processing  
 2298 the Put message without such extensions. Because the response may not be sent to the original  
 2299 sender, extension specifications should consider adding a corresponding SOAP header value in the  
 2300 response to signal to the receiver that the extension is being used.
- 2301 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.
- 2302 If a resource can be updated in its entirety within the constraints of the corresponding XML schema  
 2303 for the resource, the service can support the Put operation.
- 2304 **R7.4-1:** A conformant service may support Put.
- 2305 **R7.4-2:** If a single resource instance can be updated (within the constraints of its schema) by  
 2306 using a SOAP message, and that resource subsequently can be retrieved using Get, a service  
 2307 should support updating the resource by using Put. The service may additionally export a custom  
 2308 method for updates.
- 2309 **R7.4-3:** If a single resource instance contains a mix of modifiable and non-modifiable  
 2310 properties, the Put message may contain values for both the modifiable and non-modifiable  
 2311 properties if the XML content is legal with regard to its XML schema namespace. If the Put  
 2312 message contains values for modifiable properties, the service shall set these properties to these  
 2313 values during the Put operation. If the Put message contains values for non-modifiable properties,  
 2314 the service should ignore those values during the Put operation. If none of the properties are  
 2315 modifiable, the service should return a wsa:ActionNotSupported fault.
- 2316 This situation typically happens if a Get operation is performed, a value is altered, and the entire  
 2317 updated representation is sent using Put. In this case, any read-only values would still be present.
- 2318 A complication arises because Put contains the complete new representation for the instance. If the  
 2319 resource schema requires the presence of any given value (minOccurs is not zero), it will be supplied  
 2320 as part of the Put message, even if it is not being altered from its original value.
- 2321 **R7.4-4:** If a Put operation specifies a modifiable value as NULL using the xsi:nil attribute, then  
 2322 the service shall set the value to NULL.

2323 If the schema definition includes elements that are optional (minOccurs=0), the Put message can omit  
 2324 these values. Existing implementations provide two different responses when these elements are  
 2325 modifiable (writable). They either set the omitted element's value to NULL or leave the value  
 2326 unchanged. Given this reality, the following rules apply:

2327 **R7.4-5:** Any modifiable properties that are optional in the XML schema (that is, minOccurs="0")  
 2328 and that are omitted from the Put message shall either be set to a resource-specific default  
 2329 value or be left unchanged. Setting to a resource specific default value is recommended.

2330 NOTE 1: Elements not set may have their value changed as a result of other constraints.

2331 NOTE 2: The resource-specific default value is outside the scope of this specification.

2332 To update isolated values without having to supply all values, use the fragment-level resource access  
 2333 mechanism described in 7.7.

2334 In short, the s:Body of the Put message complies with the constraints of the associated XML schema.

2335 EXAMPLE 1: For example, assume that Get returns the following information:

```
2336 (1) <s:Body>
2337 (2)   <MyObject xmlns="examples.org/2005/02/MySchema">
2338 (3)     <A> 100 </A>
2339 (4)     <B> 200 </B>
2340 (5)     <C> 100 </C>
2341 (6)   </MyObject>
2342 (7) </s:Body>
```

2343 EXAMPLE 2: The corresponding XML schema has defined A, B, and C as minOccurs=1:

```
2344 (8) <xs:element name="MyObject">
2345 (9)   <xs:complexType>
2346 (10)    <xs:sequence>
2347 (11)      <xs:element name="A" type="xs:int" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
2348 (12)      <xs:element name="B" type="xs:int" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
2349 (13)      <xs:element name="C" type="xs:int" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
2350 (14)      ...
2351 (15)    </xs:sequence>
2352 (16)  </xs:complexType>
2353 (17) </xs:element>
```

2354 In this case, the corresponding Put needs to contain all three elements because the schema mandates that all  
 2355 three be present. Even if the only value being updated is <B>, the client has to supply all three values. This  
 2356 usually means that the client first has to issue a Get to preserve the current values of <A> and <C>, change <B>  
 2357 to the desired value, and then write the object using Put. As noted in R7.4-3, the service can ignore attempts to  
 2358 update values that are read-only with regard to the underlying real-world object.

2359 **R7.4-6:** A conformant service should support Put using the same EPR as a corresponding Get  
 2360 or other messages, unless the Put mechanism for a resource is semantically distinct.

2361 **R7.4-7:** If the supplied Body does not have the correct content to update the resource, the  
 2362 service should return a wsmt:InvalidRepresentation fault and detail codes as follows:

- 2363 • if any values in the s:Body are not correct:  
 2364 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidValues>
- 2365 • if any values in the s:Body are missing:  
 2366 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MissingValues>

2367 • if the wrong XML schema namespace is used and is not recognized by the service:

2368 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidNamespace`

2369 **R7.4-8:** If an object cannot be updated because of locking conditions, simultaneous access, or  
2370 similar conflicts, the service should return a `wsman:Concurrency` fault.

2371 **R7.4-9:** A Put operation may result in a change to the EPR for the resource because the values  
2372 being updated may in turn cause an identity change.

2373 Because WS-Management services typically delegate the Put to underlying subsystems, the service  
2374 might not always be aware of an identity change. Clients can make use of the mechanism in 6.5.1  
2375 to be informed of EPR changes that may have occurred as a side effect of executing a Put operation.

2376 **R7.4-10:** It is recommended that the service return the new representation in the Put response in  
2377 all cases. Knowing whether the actual resulting representation is different from the requested  
2378 update is often difficult because resource-constrained implementations may have insufficient  
2379 resources to determine the equivalence of the requested update with the actual resulting  
2380 representation.

2381 The implication of this rule is that if the new representation is not returned, it precisely matches what  
2382 was submitted in the Put message. Because implementations can rarely assure this, they can always  
2383 return the new representation.

2384 **R7.4-11:** If the success of an operation cannot be reported as described in this clause because  
2385 of encoding limits or other reasons, and it cannot be reversed, the service should return a  
2386 `wsman:EncodingLimit` fault with the following detail code:

2387 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/UnreportableSuccess`

2388 **R7.4-12:** The Put operation may contain updates of multiple values. The service shall  
2389 successfully carry out an update of all the specified values or return the fault that was the cause  
2390 of the error. If any fault is returned, the implication is that 0... $n-1$  values were updated out of  $n$   
2391 possible update values.

## 2392 7.5 Delete

2393 This specification defines one Web service operation (Delete) for deleting a resource in its entirety.

2394 Extension specifications may define extensions to the Delete request, enabled by optional header  
2395 values, which specifically control preconditions for the Delete to succeed and which may control the  
2396 nature or format of the response. Because the response may not be sent to the original sender,  
2397 extension specifications should consider adding a corresponding SOAP header value in the response  
2398 to signal to the receiver that the extension is being used.

2399 The Delete request message shall be of the following form:

```

2400 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
2401 (2)   <s:Header ...>
2402 (3)     <wsa:Action>
2403 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Delete
2404 (5)     </wsa:Action>
2405 (6)     <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
2406 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
2407 (8)     ...
2408 (9)   </s:Header>
2409 (10)  <s:Body ... />
2410 (11) </s:Envelope>

```

2411 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

2412 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

2413 This required element shall contain the value

2414 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Delete`. If a SOAP Action URI is also present in  
2415 the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same value.

2416 A Delete request shall be targeted at the resource to be deleted.

2417 There are no body blocks defined for a Delete Request.

2418 Implementations may respond with a fault message using the standard fault codes defined in  
2419 Addressing (for example, `wsa:ActionNotSupported`). Other components of the preceding outline are  
2420 not further constrained by this specification.

2421 A successful Delete operation invalidates the current representation associated with the targeted  
2422 resource.

2423 If the resource accepts a Delete request, it shall reply with a response of the following form:

```
2424 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
2425 (2)   <s:Header ...>
2426 (3)     <wsa:Action>
2427 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/DeleteResponse
2428 (5)     </wsa:Action>
2429 (6)     <wsa:RelatesTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
2430 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
2431 (8)     ...
2432 (9)   </s:Header>
2433 (10)  <s:Body .../>
2434 (11) </s:Envelope>
```

2435 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

2436 This required element shall contain the value

2437 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/DeleteResponse`. If a SOAP Action URI is also  
2438 present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same value.

2439 By default, there are no `s:Body` blocks defined for a Delete response. Specifications that define  
2440 extensions for use in the original Delete request that control the format of the response shall allow  
2441 processing the Delete message without such extensions.

2442 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

2443 In general, the addressing can be the same as for a corresponding Get operation for uniformity, but  
2444 this is not absolutely required.

2445 **R7.5-1:** A conformant service may support Delete.

2446 **R7.5-2:** A conformant service should support Delete using the same EPR as a corresponding  
2447 Get or other messages, unless the deletion mechanism for a resource is semantically distinct.

2448 **R7.5-3:** If deletion is supported and the corresponding resource can be retrieved using Get, a  
2449 conformant service should support deletion using Delete. The service may additionally export a  
2450 custom action for deletion.

2451 **R7.5-4:** If an object cannot be deleted due to locking conditions, simultaneous access, or  
2452 similar conflicts, a `wsman:Concurrency` fault should be returned.

2453 In practice, Delete removes the resource instance from the visibility of the client and is a *logical*  
2454 deletion.

2455 The operation might result in an actual deletion, such as removal of a row from a database table, or it  
 2456 might simulate deletion by unbinding the representation from the real-world object. Deletion of a  
 2457 "printer," for example, does not result in literal annihilation of the printer, but simply removes it from  
 2458 the access scope of the service, or "unbinds" it from naming tables. WS-Management makes no  
 2459 distinction between literal deletions and logical deletions.

2460 To delete individual property values within an object that, itself, is not to be deleted, either the client  
 2461 can perform a Put, according to section 7.4 or the service can support fragment-level delete (7.7).

2462 Fault usage is generally as described in clause 14. Inability to locate or access the resource is  
 2463 equivalent to problems with the SOAP message when the EPR is defective. There are no "Delete-  
 2464 specific" faults.

## 2465 7.6 Create

2466 A Web service operation (Create) is defined for creating a resource and providing its initial  
 2467 representation. In some cases, the initial representation may constitute the representation of a logical  
 2468 constructor for the resource and may thus differ structurally from the representation returned by Get  
 2469 or the one required by Put. This difference is because the parameterization requirement for creating a  
 2470 resource is often distinct from the steady-state representation of the resource. Implementations  
 2471 should provide metadata that describes the use of the representation and how it relates to the  
 2472 resource which is created, but such mechanisms are beyond the scope of this specification. The  
 2473 resource factory that receives a Create request allocates a new resource that is initialized from the  
 2474 presented representation. The new resource is assigned a service-determined endpoint reference  
 2475 that is returned in the response message.

2476 The Create request message shall be of the following form:

```

2477 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
2478 (2)   <s:Header ...>
2479 (3)     <wsa:Action>
2480 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Create
2481 (5)     </wsa:Action>
2482 (6)     <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
2483 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
2484 (8)     ...
2485 (9)   </s:Header>
2486 (10)  <s:Body ...>
2487 (11)   resource-specific-element
2488 (12)  </s:Body>
2489 (13) </s:Envelope>
  
```

2490 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

2491 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

2492 This required element shall contain the value  
 2493 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Create. If a SOAP Action URI is also present in  
 2494 the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same value.

2495 /s:Envelope/s:Body/child

2496 The child element of the s:Body element shall not be omitted. The contents of this element are  
 2497 service-specific, and may contain the literal initial resource representation, a representation of  
 2498 the constructor for the resource, or other instructions for creating the resource.

2499 Extension specifications may also define extensions to the original Create request, enabled by  
 2500 optional SOAP headers, which constrain the nature of the response (see information about the  
 2501 CreateResponse later in this clause). Similarly, they may require headers that control the  
 2502 interpretation of the s:Body as part of the resource creation process.

2503 Such specifications shall also allow processing the Create message without such extensions.

2504 A Create request shall be targeted at a resource factory capable of creating the desired new  
2505 resource. This factory is distinct from the resource being created (which by definition does not exist  
2506 prior to the successful processing of the Create request message).

2507 In addition to the standard fault codes defined in Addressing, implementations may use the fault code  
2508 wsmt:InvalidRepresentation if the presented representation is invalid for the target resource.

2509 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

2510 If the resource factory accepts a Create request, it shall reply with a response of the following form:

```

2511 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
2512 (2)   <s:Header ...>
2513 (3)     <wsa:Action>
2514 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/CreateResponse
2515 (5)     </wsa:Action>
2516 (6)     <wsa:RelatesTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
2517 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
2518 (8)     ...
2519 (9)   </s:Header>
2520 (10)  <s:Body ...>
2521 (11)   <wsmt:ResourceCreated>endpoint-reference</wsmt:ResourceCreated>
2522 (12)  </s:Body>
2523 (13) </s:Envelope>

```

2524 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

2525 This required element shall contain the value  
2526 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/CreateResponse. If a SOAP Action URI is also  
2527 present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same value.

2528 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmt:ResourceCreated

2529 This required element shall contain a resource reference for the newly created resource. This  
2530 resource reference, represented as an endpoint reference as defined in Addressing, shall  
2531 identify the resource for future Get, Put, and Delete operations.

2532 Extension specifications may define extensions to the original Create request, enabled by optional  
2533 header values. These headers may override the default behavior if they are marked with  
2534 s:mustUnderstand="true". In the absence of such optional headers, the behavior shall be as  
2535 described in the previous paragraphs. Because the response may not be sent to the original sender,  
2536 extension specifications should consider adding a corresponding SOAP header value in the response  
2537 to signal to the receiver that the extension is being used.

2538 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

2539 In general, the addressing is not the same as that used for Get or Delete in that the EPR assigned to  
2540 a newly created instance for subsequent access is not necessarily part of the XML content used for  
2541 creating the resource. Because the EPR is usually assigned by the service or one of its underlying  
2542 systems, the CreateResponse contains the applicable EPR of the newly created instance.

2543 **R7.6-1:** A conformant service may support Create.

2544 **R7.6-2:** If a single resource can be created using a SOAP message and that resource can be  
2545 subsequently retrieved using Get, then a service should support creation of the resource using  
2546 Create. The service may additionally export a custom method for instance creation.

2547 **R7.6-3:** If the supplied SOAP Body does not have the correct content for the resource to be  
2548 created, the service should return a wsmt:InvalidRepresentation fault and detail codes as follows:

- 2549 • if one or more values in the <s:Body> were not correct:  
2550 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidValues`
  - 2551 • if one or more values in the <s:Body> were missing:  
2552 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MissingValues`
  - 2553 • if the wrong XML schema namespace was used and is not recognized by the service:  
2554 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidNamespace`
- 2555 **R7.6-4:** A service shall not use Create to modify the value of an existing representation (except  
2556 as specified in 7.11). If the targeted object already exists, the service should return a  
2557 `wsman:AlreadyExists` fault.

2558 The message body for Create is not required to use the same schema as that returned with a Get  
2559 operation for the resource. Often, the values required to create a resource are different from those  
2560 retrieved using a Get operation or those used for updates with a Put operation.

2561 If a service needs to support creation of individual values within a representation (fragment-level  
2562 creation, array insertion, and so on), it can support fragment-level access (7.7).

2563 **R7.6-5:** The response to a Create message shall contain the new EPR of the created resource  
2564 in the `ResourceCreated` element.

2565 **R7.6-6:** This rule intentionally left blank.

2566 **EXAMPLE:** The following is a hypothetical example of a response for a newly created virtual drive:

```

2567 (1) <s:Envelope
2568 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
2569 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
2570 (4)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd"
2571 (5)   xmlns:wsmt="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer">
2572 (6)   <s:Header>
2573 (7)     ...
2574 (8)     <wsa:Action>
2575 (9)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/CreateResponse
2576 (10)    </wsa:Action>
2577 (11)    ...
2578 (12)  </s:Header>
2579 (13)  <s:Body>
2580 (14)    <wsmt:ResourceCreated>
2581 (15)      <wsa:Address>
2582 (16)        http://1.2.3.4/wsman/
2583 (17)      </wsa:Address>
2584 (18)      <wsa:ReferenceParameters>
2585 (19)        <wsman:ResourceURI>
2586 (20)          http://example.org/2005/02/virtualDrive
2587 (21)        </wsman:ResourceURI>
2588 (22)        <wsman:SelectorSet>
2589 (23)          <wsman:Selector Name="ID"> F: </wsman:Selector>
2590 (24)        </wsman:SelectorSet>
2591 (25)      </wsa:ReferenceParameters>
2592 (26)    </wsmt:ResourceCreated>
2593 (27)  </s:Body>
2594 (28) </s:Envelope>

```

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2595 This example assumes that the default addressing model is in use. The response contains a ResourceCreated  
 2596 block (lines 14-26), which contains the new endpoint reference of the created resource, including its  
 2597 ResourceURI and the SelectorSet. This address would be used to retrieve the resource in a subsequent Get  
 2598 operation.

2599 The service might use a network address that is the same as the <wsa:To> address in the Create request.

2600 **R7.6-7:** The service may ignore any values in the initial representation that are considered  
 2601 read-only from the point of view of the underlying real-world object.

2602 This rule allows Get, Put, and Create to share the same schema. Put also allows the service to ignore  
 2603 read-only properties during an update.

2604 **R7.6-8:** If the success of an operation cannot be reported as described in this clause and  
 2605 cannot be reversed, the service should return a wsman:EncodingLimit fault with the following  
 2606 detail code:

2607 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/UnreportableSuccess`

## 2608 7.7 Fragment-Level Access

2609 Because the resource access mechanism defined in this specification works with entire instances and  
 2610 it can be inconvenient to specify hundreds or thousands of EPRs just to model fragment-level access  
 2611 with full EPRs, WS-Management supports the concept of fragment-level (property) access of  
 2612 resources that are normally accessed through the resource access operations. This access is done  
 2613 through special use of these operations.

2614 Because of the XML schema limitations discussed in 7.6, simply returning a subset of the XML  
 2615 defined for the object being accessed is often incorrect because a subset may violate the XML  
 2616 schema for that fragment. To support resource access of fragments or individual elements of a  
 2617 representation object, several modifications to the basic resource access operations are made.

2618 **R7.7-1:** A conformant service may support fragment-level access. If the service supports  
 2619 fragment-level access, the service shall not behave as if the normal access operations were in  
 2620 place but shall operate exclusively on the fragments specified. If the service does not support  
 2621 fragment-level access, it shall return a wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with the following detail  
 2622 code:

2623 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FragmentLevelAccess`

2624 **R7.7-2:** A conformant service that supports fragment-level access shall accept the following  
 2625 SOAP header in all requests and include it in all responses that transport the fragments:

```
2626 (1) <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2627 (2)   xpath to fragment
2628 (3) </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
```

2629 The value of this header is the [XPath 1.0](#) expression that identifies the fragment being transferred  
 2630 with relation to the full representation of the object. If an expression other than [XPath 1.0](#) is used,  
 2631 a Dialect attribute can be added to indicate this, as follows:

```
2632 (4) <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true"
2633 (5)   Dialect="URIToNewFragmentDialect">
2634 (6)   dialect expression
2635 (7) </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
```

2636 The client needs to understand that unless the header is marked mustUnderstand="true", the service  
 2637 might process the request while ignoring the header, resulting in unexpected and potentially serious  
 2638 side effects.

2639 XPath is explicitly defined as a dialect due to its importance, but it is not required that  
 2640 implementations support XPath as a fragment dialect. Any other type of language to describe  
 2641 fragment-level access is permitted as long as the Dialect value is set to indicate to the service what  
 2642 dialect is being used.

2643 **R7.7-3:** For resource access fragment operations that use [XPath 1.0](#) (Dialect URI of  
 2644 <http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116>), the value of the  
 2645 `/s:Envelope/s:Header/wsman:FragmentTransfer` element is an XPath expression. This XPath  
 2646 expression is evaluated using the following context:

- 2647 • **Context Node:** the root element of the XML representation of the resource addressed in  
 2648 the request that would be returned as the initial child element of the SOAP Body response if  
 2649 a Get operation was applied against the addressed resource without using fragment access
- 2650 • **Context Position:** 1
- 2651 • **Context Size:** 1
- 2652 • **Variable Bindings:** none
- 2653 • **Function Libraries:** Core Function Library [XPath 1.0](#)
- 2654 • **Namespace Declarations:** the [in-scope namespaces] property [XML Infoset](#) of the  
 2655 request `/s:Envelope/s:Header/wsman:FragmentTransfer` element

2656 This rule means that the XPath is to be interpreted relative to the XML representation of the resource  
 2657 and not relative to any of the SOAP content.

2658 For the Enumeration operations, the XPath is interpreted as defined in clause 8, although the output  
 2659 is subsequently wrapped in `wsman:XmlFragment` wrappers after the XPath is evaluated.

2660 An XPath value can refer to the entire node, so the concept of a fragment includes the entire object,  
 2661 making fragment-level access a proper superset of normal resource access operations.

2662 If the full XPath expression syntax cannot be supported, a common subset for this purpose is  
 2663 described in ANNEX C of this specification. However, in such cases, the Dialect URI is still that of  
 2664 XPath.

2665 **R7.7-4:** If a service understands fragment access but does not understand the specified  
 2666 fragment Dialect URI or the default dialect, the service shall issue a  
 2667 `wsman:FragmentDialectNotSupported` fault.

2668 **R7.7-5:** All resource access messages in either direction of the XML fragments shall be  
 2669 wrapped with a `<wsman:XmlFragment>` wrapper that contains a definition that suppresses  
 2670 validation and allows any content to pass. A service shall reject any attempt to use  
 2671 `wsman:FragmentTransfer` unless the `s:Body` wraps the content using a `wsman:XmlFragment`  
 2672 wrapper. If any other usage is encountered, the service shall fault the request by using a  
 2673 `wsmt:InvalidRepresentation` fault with the following detail code:

2674 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidFragment`

2675 Fragment access can occur at any level, including single element, complex elements, simple values,  
 2676 and attributes. In practice, services typically support only value-level access to elements.

2677 **R7.7-6:** If fragment-level access is supported, a conformant service should support at least  
 2678 leaf-node, value-level access using an XPath expression that uses the `/text()` NodeTest. In this  
 2679 case, the value is not wrapped with XML but is transferred directly as text within the  
 2680 `wsman:XmlFragment` wrapper.

2681 In essence, the transferred content is whatever an XPath operation over the full XML would produce.

2682 **R7.7-7:** If fragment-level access is supported but the filter expression exceeds the capability of  
2683 the service, the service should return a wsman:CannotProcessFilter fault with text explaining why  
2684 the filter was problematic.

2685 **R7.7-8:** For all fragment-level operations, partial successes are not permitted. The entire  
2686 meaning of the XPath expression or other dialect shall be fully observed by the service in all  
2687 operations, and the entire fragment that is specified shall be successfully transferred in either  
2688 direction. Otherwise, faults occur as if none of the operation had succeeded.

2689 All faults are the same as for normal, "full" resource access operations.

2690 The following clauses show how the underlying resource access operations change when transferring  
2691 XML fragments.

## 2692 7.8 Fragment-Level Get

2693 Fragment-level Get is similar to full Get, except for the wsman:FragmentTransfer header (lines 25-  
2694 27).

2695 EXAMPLE 1: The following example is drawn from the example in 7.1:

```

2696 (1) <s:Envelope
2697 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
2698 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
2699 (4)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
2700 (5)   <s:Header>
2701 (6)     <wsa:To>
2702 (7)       http://1.2.3.4/wsman
2703 (8)     </wsa:To>
2704 (9)     <wsman:ResourceURI>http://example.org/2005/02/physicalDisk
2705 (10)    </wsman:ResourceURI>
2706 (11)    <wsa:ReplyTo>
2707 (12)      <wsa:Address>
2708 (13)        http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous
2709 (14)      </wsa:Address>
2710 (15)    </wsa:ReplyTo>
2711 (16)    <wsa:Action>
2712 (17)      http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Get
2713 (18)    </wsa:Action>
2714 (19)    <wsa:MessageID>
2715 (20)      urn:uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a87
2716 (21)    </wsa:MessageID>
2717 (22)    <wsman:SelectorSet>
2718 (23)      <wsman:Selector Name="LUN"> 2 </wsman:Selector>
2719 (24)    </wsman:SelectorSet>
2720 (25)    <wsman:OperationTimeout> PT30S </wsman:OperationTimeout>
2721 (26)    <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2722 (27)      Manufacturer
2723 (28)    </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
2724 (29)  </s:Header>
2725 (30)  <s:Body/>
2726 (31) </s:Envelope>

```

2727 In this case, the service executes the specified XPath expression against the representation that  
2728 would normally have been retrieved, and then return a fragment instead.

2729 EXAMPLE 2: The service repeats the wsman:FragmentTransfer element in the GetResponse (lines 48-50) to  
 2730 reference the fragment and signal that a fragment has been transferred. The response is wrapped in a  
 2731 wsman:XmlFragment wrapper, which suppresses the schema validation that would otherwise apply.

```

2732 (31) <s:Envelope
2733 (32)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
2734 (33)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
2735 (34)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
2736 (35)   <s:Header>
2737 (36)     <wsa:To>
2738 (37)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous
2739 (38)     </wsa:To>
2740 (39)     <wsa:Action s:mustUnderstand="true">
2741 (40)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/GetResponse
2742 (41)     </wsa:Action>
2743 (42)     <wsa:MessageID s:mustUnderstand="true">
2744 (43)       urn:uuid:1a7e7314-d791-4b4b-3eda-c00f7e833a8c
2745 (44)     </wsa:MessageID>
2746 (45)     <wsa:RelatesTo>
2747 (46)       urn:uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a87
2748 (47)     </wsa:RelatesTo>
2749 (48)     <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2750 (49)       Manufacturer
2751 (50)     </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
2752 (51)   </s:Header>
2753 (52)   <s:Body>
2754 (53)     <wsman:XmlFragment
2755 (54)       xmlns="http://schemas.example.org/2005/02/samples/physDisk">
2756 (55)       <Manufacturer> Acme, Inc. </Manufacturer>
2757 (56)     </wsman:XmlFragment>
2758 (57)   </s:Body>
2759 (58) </s:Envelope>
  
```

2760 The output (lines 53-55) is like that supplied by a typical XPath processor.

2761 To receive the value in isolation without an XML element wrapper, the client can use XPath  
 2762 techniques such as the text() operator to retrieve just the values.

2763 EXAMPLE 3: The following example request uses text() to get the manufacturer name:

```

2764 (1) <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2765 (2)   Manufacturer/text()
2766 (3) </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
  
```

2767 This request results in the following XML in the response SOAP Body:

```

2768 (1) <wsman:XmlFragment>
2769 (2)   Acme, Inc.
2770 (3) </wsman:XmlFragment>
  
```

## 2771 7.9 Fragment-Level Put

2772 Fragment-level Put works like regular Put except that it transfers only the part being updated.  
 2773 Although the fragment can be considered part of an instance from the observer's perspective, the  
 2774 referenced fragment is treated as the "instance" during the execution of the operation.

2775 NOTE: Put is *always* an update operation of an existing element, whether a simple element or an array. To  
 2776 create or insert new elements, Create is required.

2777 EXAMPLE 1: Consider the following XML for illustrative purposes:

```

2778 (1) <a>
2779 (2)   <b>
2780 (3)     <c> </c>
2781 (4)     <d> </d>
2782 (5)   </b>
2783 (6)   <e>
2784 (7)     <f> </f>
2785 (8)     <g> </g>
2786 (9)   </e>
2787 (10) </a>

```

2788 Although <a> is the entire representation of the resource instance, if the operation references the a/b  
 2789 node during the Put operation, using an XPath expression of "b", then the content of <b> is updated  
 2790 without touching other parts of <a>, such as <e>. If the client wants to update only <d>, then the  
 2791 XPath expression used is "b/d".

2792 EXAMPLE 2: Continuing from the example in SECTION 7.1, if the client wanted to update the <BootPartition>  
 2793 value from 0 to 1, the following Put fragment could be sent to the service:

```

2794 (1) <s:Envelope
2795 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
2796 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
2797 (4)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
2798 (5) <s:Header>
2799 (6)   <wsa:To>
2800 (7)     http://1.2.3.4/wsman
2801 (8)   </wsa:To>
2802 (9)   <wsman:ResourceURI>http://example.org/2005/02/physicalDisk
2803 (10)  </wsman:ResourceURI>
2804 (11)  <wsa:ReplyTo>
2805 (12)    <wsa:Address>
2806 (13)     http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous
2807 (14)   </wsa:Address>
2808 (15)  </wsa:ReplyTo>
2809 (16)  <wsa:Action>
2810 (17)    http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/Put
2811 (18)  </wsa:Action>
2812 (19)  <wsa:MessageID>
2813 (20)    urn:uuid:d9726315-bc91-2222-9ed8-c044c9658a87
2814 (21)  </wsa:MessageID>
2815 (22)  <wsman:SelectorSet>
2816 (23)    <wsman:Selector Name="LUN"> 2 </wsman:Selector>
2817 (24)  </wsman:SelectorSet>
2818 (25)  <wsman:OperationTimeout> PT30S </wsman:OperationTimeout>
2819 (26)  <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2820 (27)    BootPartition
2821 (28)  </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
2822 (29) </s:Header>
2823 (30) <s:Body>
2824 (31)   <wsman:XmlFragment>
2825 (32)     <BootPartition> 1 </BootPartition>
2826 (33)   </wsman:XmlFragment>
2827 (34) </s:Body>
2828 </s:Envelope>

```

2829 EXAMPLE 3: The <BootPartition> wrapper is present because the XPath value specifies this. If  
 2830 "BootPartition/text()" were used as the expression, the Body would contain just the value, as in the following  
 2831 example:

```

2832 (35) <s:Header>
2833 (36)   ...
2834 (37)   <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2835 (38)     BootPartition/text()
2836 (39)   </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
2837 (40) </s:Header>
2838 (41) <s:Body>
2839 (42)   <wsman:XmlFragment>
2840 (43)     1
2841 (44)   </wsman:XmlFragment>
2842 (45) </s:Body>
  
```

2843 If the corresponding update occurs, the new representation matches, so no s:Body result is expected,  
 2844 although returning it is always legal. If a value does not match what was requested, the service needs  
 2845 to supply only the parts that are different than what is requested. This situation would generally not  
 2846 occur for single values because a failure to honor the new value would result in a  
 2847 wsmt:InvalidRepresentation fault.

2848 EXAMPLE 4: The following is a sample reply:

```

2849 (46) <s:Envelope
2850 (47)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
2851 (48)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
2852 (49)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
2853 (50) <s:Header>
2854 (51)   <wsa:To>
2855 (52)     http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/role/anonymous
2856 (53)   </wsa:To>
2857 (54)   <wsa:Action s:mustUnderstand="true">
2858 (55)     http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/PutResponse
2859 (56)   </wsa:Action>
2860 (57)   <wsa:MessageID s:mustUnderstand="true">
2861 (58)     urn:uuid:ee7f13b5-0091-430b-9ed8-2e12fbaa8a7e
2862 (59)   </wsa:MessageID>
2863 (60)   <wsa:RelatesTo>
2864 (61)     urn:uuid:d9726315-bc91-2222-9ed8-c044c9658a87
2865 (62)   </wsa:RelatesTo>
2866 (63)   <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2867 (64)     BootPartition/text()
2868 (65)   </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
2869 (66) </s:Header>
2870 (67) <s:Body>
2871 (68)   <wsman:XmlFragment>
2872 (69)     1
2873 (70)   </wsman:XmlFragment>
2874 (71) </s:Body>
2875 (72) </s:Envelope>
  
```

2876 **R7.9-1:** This rule intentionally left blank.

2877 **R7.9-2:** If the service encounters an attempt to update a read-only value using a fragment-level  
 2878 Put operation, it should return a wsa:ActionNotSupported fault with the following detail code:

2879 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/ActionMismatch>

2880 NOTE: The fragment-level Put operation implies replacement or update and does not insert new values into the  
 2881 representation object. Thus, it is not appropriate to use Put to insert a new value at the end of an array, for  
 2882 example. The entire array can be returned and then updated and replaced (because it is therefore an update of  
 2883 the entire array), but a single operation to insert a new element in the middle or at the end of an array is actually  
 2884 a Create operation.

2885 As stated in 7.4, if the new representation differs from the input, the new representation is to be  
 2886 returned in the response. With fragment-level Put, this rule applies only to the portion of the  
 2887 representation object being written, not the entire object. If a single value is written and accepted, but  
 2888 has side effects on other values in the representation, the entire object is *not* returned.

2889 To set a value to NULL without removing it as an element, use an attribute value of xsi:nil on the  
 2890 element being set to NULL to ensure that the fragment path is adjusted appropriately.

2891 EXAMPLE 5:

```

2892 (73) <s:Header> ...
2893 (74)   <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2894 (75)     AssetLabel
2895 (76)   </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
2896 (77)   ...
2897 (78) </Header>
2898 (79) <s:Body>
2899 (80)   <wsman:XmlFragment xmlns:xsi="www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
2900 (81)     <AssetLabel xsi:nil="true"/>
2901 (82)   </wsman:XmlFragment>
2902 (83) </s:Body>
  
```

## 2903 7.10 Fragment-Level Delete

2904 Fragment-level Delete applies only if the XML schema for the targeted object supports optional  
 2905 elements that can be removed from the representation object, or supports arrays (repeated elements)  
 2906 with varying numbers of elements and the client wants to remove an element in an array. If  
 2907 replacement of an entire array is needed, fragment-level Put can be used. For array access, the  
 2908 XPath array access notation can conveniently be used. To delete a value that is legal to remove  
 2909 (according to the rules of the schema for the object), the wsman:FragmentTransfer expression  
 2910 identifies the item to be removed:

2911 EXAMPLE 1:

```

2912 (1) <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2913 (2)   VolumeLabel
2914 (3) </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
  
```

2915 To set a value to NULL without removing it as an element, use fragment-level Put with a value of  
 2916 xsi:nil.

2917 To delete an array element, use the XPath [ ] operators.

2918 EXAMPLE 2: The following example deletes the second <BlockedIPAddress> element in the representation.  
 2919 (XPath arrays are 1 based.)

```

2920 (1) <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2921 (2)   BlockedIPAddress[2]
2922 (3) </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
  
```

2923 The <s:Body> is empty for all Delete operations, even with fragment-level access, and all normal  
 2924 faults for Delete apply.

2925 **R7.10-1:** If a value cannot be deleted because of locking conditions or similar phenomena, the  
 2926 service should return a wsman:AccessDenied fault.

2927 **7.11 Fragment-Level Create**

2928 Fragment-level Create applies only if the XML schema for the targeted object supports optional  
 2929 elements that are not currently present, or supports arrays with varying numbers of elements and the  
 2930 client wants to insert an element in an array (a repeated element). If entire array replacement is  
 2931 needed, Fragment-level Put can be used. For array access, the XPath array access notation (the [ ]  
 2932 operators) can be used.

2933 NOTE: Create can be used only to add new content, not to update existing content.

2934 To insert a value that can be legally added (according to the rules of the schema for the object), the  
 2935 wsman:FragmentTransfer expression identifies the item to be added.

2936 EXAMPLE 1: For example, assume the following message fragment is sent to a LogicalDisk resource:

```
2937 (1) <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2938 (2)   VolumeLabel
2939 (3) </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
```

2940 EXAMPLE 2: In this case, the <Body> contains both the element and the value:

```
2941 (4) <s:Body>
2942 (5)   <wsman:XmlFragment>
2943 (6)     <VolumeLabel> MyDisk </VolumeLabel>
2944 (7)   </wsman:XmlFragment>
2945 (8) </s:Body>
```

2946 This operation creates a <VolumeLabel> element where none existed before.

2947 EXAMPLE 3: To create the target using the value alone, apply the XPath text() operator to the path, as follows:

```
2948 (9) <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2949 (10)   VolumeLabel/text()
2950 (11) </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
```

2951 EXAMPLE 4: The body of Create contains the value to be inserted and is the same as for fragment-level Put:

```
2952 (12) <s:Body>
2953 (13)   <wsman:XmlFragment>
2954 (14)     MyDisk
2955 (15)   </wsman:XmlFragment>
2956 (16) </s:Body>
```

2957 To create an array element in the target, the XPath [ ] operator may be used. To insert a new element  
 2958 at the end of the array, the user needs to know the number of elements in the array so that the new  
 2959 index can be used.

2960 EXAMPLE 5: The following message fragment is sent to an InternetServer resource:

```
2961 (17) <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2962 (18)   BlockedIPAddress[3]
2963 (19) </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
```

2964 Insertion of a new element within the array is done using the index of the desired location, and the  
 2965 array expands at that location to accommodate the new element. Using Put at this location *overwrites*  
 2966 the existing array element, whereas Create inserts a *new* element, making the array larger.

2967 The body of Create contains the value to be inserted and is the same as for fragment-level Put.

2968 EXAMPLE 6:

```

2969 (20) <s:Body>
2970 (21)   <wsman:XmlFragment>
2971 (22)     <BlockedIPAddress> 123.12.188.44 </BlockedIPAddress>
2972 (23)   </wsman:XmlFragment>
2973 (24) </s:Body>

```

2974 This operation adds a third IP address to the <BlockedIPAddress> array (a repeated element),  
2975 assuming that at least two elements are at that level already.

2976 **R7.11-1:** A service shall not use fragment-level Create to modify the value of an existing  
2977 property. If the targeted object and the targeted property already exists, the service should return  
2978 a wsman:AlreadyExists fault.

2979 **R7.11-2:** If the Create fails because the result would not conform to the schema in some way,  
2980 the service should return a wsmt:InvalidRepresentation fault.

2981 As defined in 7.6, the CreateResponse contains the EPR of the created resource. In the case of  
2982 fragment-level Create, the response additionally contains the wsman:FragmentTransfer block,  
2983 including the path (line 12), in a SOAP header.

2984 EXAMPLE 7: In the following example, the ResourceCreated EPR continues to refer to the entire object, not just  
2985 to the fragment.

```

2986 (25) <s:Envelope
2987 (26)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
2988 (27)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
2989 (28)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd"
2990 (29)   xmlns:wsmt="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer">
2991 (30) <s:Header>
2992 (31)   ...
2993 (32)   <wsa:Action>
2994 (33)     http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/CreateResponse
2995 (34) </wsa:Action>
2996 (35) <wsman:FragmentTransfer s:mustUnderstand="true">
2997 (36)   Path To Fragment
2998 (37) </wsman:FragmentTransfer>
2999 (38)   ...
3000 (39) </s:Header>
3001 (40) <s:Body>
3002 (41)   <wsmt:ResourceCreated>
3003 (42)     <wsa:Address> ... </wsa:Address>
3004 (43)     <wsa:ReferenceParameters>
3005 (44)       <wsman:SelectorSet>
3006 (45)         <wsman:Selector ...> ... </wsman:Selector>
3007 (46)       </wsman:SelectorSet>
3008 (47)     </wsa:ReferenceParameters>
3009 (48)   </wsmt:ResourceCreated>
3010 (49) </s:Body>
3011 (50) </s:Envelope>

```

3012 As discussed in 7.6, to remain compatible with WSDL, only the EPR of the item is returned in the  
3013 SOAP Body, in spite of other options discussed in 7.6.

## 3014 8 Enumeration of Datasets

### 3015 8.1 General

3016 This clause defines a set of operations that can be used as a basis for iteration through the members  
3017 of a management-specific dataset or collection. WS-Management qualifies and extends these  
3018 operations as described in this clause.

3019 There are numerous applications for which a simple single-request/single-reply metaphor is  
3020 insufficient for transferring large data sets over SOAP. Applications that do not fit into this simple  
3021 paradigm include streaming, traversal, query, and enumeration.

3022 This clause defines a simple SOAP-based protocol for enumeration that allows the data source to  
3023 provide a session abstraction, called an enumeration context, to a consumer that represents a logical  
3024 cursor through a sequence of data items. The consumer can then request XML element information  
3025 items using this enumeration context over the span of one or more SOAP messages.

3026 Somewhere, state must be maintained regarding the progress of the iteration. This state may be  
3027 maintained between requests by the data source being enumerated or by the data consumer. The  
3028 operations defined in this clause allow the data source to decide, on a request-by-request basis,  
3029 which party is responsible for maintaining this state for the next request.

3030 In its simplest form, there is a single operation, Pull, which allows a data source, in the context of a  
3031 specific enumeration, to produce a sequence of XML elements in the body of a SOAP message.  
3032 Each subsequent Pull operation returns the next N elements in the aggregate sequence.

3033 A data source may provide a custom mechanism for starting a new enumeration. For instance, a data  
3034 source that provides access to a SQL database may support a SELECT operation that performs a  
3035 database query and uses an explicit database cursor to iterate through the returned rows. In general,  
3036 however, it is simpler if all data sources support a single, standard operation to start an enumeration.  
3037 This specification defines such an operation, Enumerate, which data sources may implement for  
3038 starting a new enumeration of a data source. The Enumerate operation is used to create new  
3039 enumeration contexts for subsequent traversal/retrieval. Each Enumerate operation results in a  
3040 distinct enumeration context, each with its own logical cursor/position.

3041 It should be emphasized that different enumerations of the same data source may produce different  
3042 results; this may happen even for two enumeration contexts created concurrently by a single  
3043 consumer using identical Enumerate requests. In general, the consumer of an enumeration should  
3044 not make any assumptions about the ordering or completeness of the enumeration; the returned data  
3045 items represent a selection by the data source of items it wishes to present to that consumer at that  
3046 time in that order with no guarantee that every available item is returned or that the order in which  
3047 items is returned has any semantic meaning whatsoever (of course, any specific data source may  
3048 provide strong guarantees, if so desired). In particular, it should be noted that the very act of  
3049 enumerating the contents of a data source may modify the contents of the data source; for instance, a  
3050 queue might be represented as a data source such that items that are returned in a Pull response are  
3051 removed from the queue.

3052 Enumeration contexts represent a specific traversal through a sequence of XML information items. An  
3053 Enumerate operation may be used to establish an enumeration context from a data source. A Pull  
3054 operation is used to fetch information items from a data source according to a specific enumeration  
3055 context. A Release operation is used to tell a data source that the consumer is abandoning an  
3056 enumeration context before it has completed the enumeration.

3057 Enumeration contexts are represented as XML data that is opaque to the consumer. Initially, the  
3058 consumer gets an enumeration context from the data source by means of an Enumerate operation.  
3059 The consumer then passes that XML data back to the data source in the Pull request. Optionally, the  
3060 data source may return an updated enumeration context in the Pull response; when present, this new

- 3061 enumeration context should replace the old one on the consumer, and it should be passed to the data  
3062 source in all future responses until and unless the data source again returns an updated enumeration  
3063 context.
- 3064 Consumers should not reuse old enumeration contexts that have been replaced by the data source.  
3065 Using a replaced enumeration context in a Pull response may yield undefined results, including being  
3066 ignored or generating a fault.
- 3067 After the last element in a sequence has been returned, or the enumeration context has expired, the  
3068 enumeration context is considered invalid and the result of subsequent operations referencing that  
3069 context is undefined.
- 3070 Callers may issue a Release operation against a valid enumeration context at any time, which causes  
3071 the enumeration context to become invalid and allows the data source to free up any resources it may  
3072 have allocated to the enumeration. Issuing a Release operation prior to reaching the end of the  
3073 sequence of elements is explicitly allowed; however, no further operations should be issued after a  
3074 Release.
- 3075 In addition, the data source may invalidate an enumeration context at any time, as necessary.
- 3076 If a resource with multiple instances provides a mechanism for enumerating or querying the set of  
3077 instances, the operations defined in this clause can be used to perform the iteration.
- 3078 **R8.1-1:** A service may support the Enumeration operations if enumeration of any kind is  
3079 supported.
- 3080 **R8.1-2:** If simple, unfiltered enumeration of resource instances is exposed through Web  
3081 services, a conformant service shall support the Enumeration operations to expose this. The  
3082 service may also support other techniques for enumerating the instances.
- 3083 **R8.1-3:** If filtered enumeration (queries) of resource instances is exposed through Web  
3084 services, a conformant service should support the Enumeration operations to expose this. The  
3085 service may also support other techniques for enumerating the instances.
- 3086 This clause indicates that enumeration is a three-part operation:
- 3087 1) An initial Enumerate message is issued to establish the enumeration context.  
3088 2) Pull operations are used to iterate over the result set.  
3089 3) When the enumeration iterator is no longer required and not yet exhausted, a Release  
3090 message is issued to release the enumerator and associated resources.
- 3091 As with other WS-Management methods, the enumeration can make use of wsman:OptionSet.
- 3092 **R8.1-4:** A service may implement wsmen:Renew, wsmen:GetStatus and  
3093 wsmen:EnumerationEnd messages; however, in constrained environments these are candidates  
3094 for exclusion. If these messages are not supported, then a wsa:ActionNotSupported fault shall be  
3095 returned in response to these requests.
- 3096 **R8.1-5:** If a service is exposing enumeration, it shall at least support the following messages:  
3097 Enumerate, Pull, and Release, and their associated responses.
- 3098 If the service does not support stateful enumerators, the Release is a simple no-op, so it is trivial to  
3099 implement. (It always succeeds when the operation is valid.) However, it is supported to allow for the  
3100 uniform construction of clients.
- 3101 **R8.1-6:** The Pull and Release operations are a continuation of the original Enumerate  
3102 operation. The service should enforce the same authentication and authorization throughout the

3103 entire sequence of operations and should fault any attempt to change credentials during the  
3104 sequence.

3105 Some transports such as HTTP might drop or reestablish connections between Enumerate and  
3106 subsequent Pull operations, or between Pull operations. It is expected that services will allow the  
3107 enumeration to continue uninterrupted, but for practical reasons some services might require that the  
3108 same connection be used. This specification establishes no requirements in this regard. However,  
3109 R8.1-6 establishes that the user credentials do not change during the entire enumeration sequence.

## 3110 8.2 Enumerate

3111 All data sources shall support some operation that allows an enumeration to be started. A data  
3112 source may support the Enumerate operation, or it may provide some other mechanism for starting  
3113 an enumeration and receiving an enumeration context.

3114 The Enumerate operation is initiated by sending an Enumerate request message to the data source.  
3115 The Enumerate request message shall be of the following form:

```

3116 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3117 (2)   <s:Header ...>
3118 (3)     <wsa:Action>
3119 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Enumerate
3120 (5)     </wsa:Action>
3121 (6)     <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
3122 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
3123 (8)     ...
3124 (9)   </s:Header>
3125 (10)  <s:Body ...>
3126 (11)   <wsmen:Enumerate ...>
3127 (12)     <wsmen:EndTo>endpoint-reference</wsmen:EndTo> ?
3128 (13)     <wsmen:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsmen:Expires> ?
3129 (14)     <wsmen:Filter Dialect="xs:anyURI"?> xs:any </wsmen:Filter> ?
3130 (15)     ...
3131 (16)   </wsmen:Enumerate>
3132 (17)  </s:Body>
3133 (18) </s:Envelope>

```

3134 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

3135 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

3136 This required element shall contain the value:

3137 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Enumerate.

3138 If a SOAP Action URI is also present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same  
3139 value.

3140 /s:Envelope/s:Body/\*wsmen:EndTo

3141 This optional element denotes where to send an EnumerationEnd message if the enumeration is  
3142 terminated unexpectedly. If present, this element shall be of type wsa:EndpointReferenceType.

3143 The default is to not send this message. The endpoint referenced by this EPR shall implement a  
3144 binding of the "EnumEndEndpoint" portType described in ANNEX H.

3145 /s:Envelope/s:Body/\*wsmen:Expires

3146 Requested expiration time for the enumeration. (No implied value.) The data source defines the  
3147 actual expiration and is not constrained to use a time less or greater than the requested  
3148 expiration. The expiration time may be a specific time or a duration from the enumeration's  
3149 creation time. Both specific times and durations are interpreted based on the data source's clock.

3150 If this element does not appear, then the request is for an enumeration that will not expire. That  
 3151 is, the consumer is requesting the data source to create an enumeration with an indefinite  
 3152 lifetime. If the data source grants such an enumeration, it will terminate when the end of the  
 3153 enumeration is reached, or if the consumer sends a Release request, or by the data source at  
 3154 any time for reasons such as connection termination, resource constraints, or system shut-down.  
 3155 If the expiration time is either a zero duration or a specific time that occurs in the past according  
 3156 to the data source, then the request shall fail, and the data source may generate a  
 3157 wsmen:InvalidExpirationTime fault indicating that an invalid expiration time was requested.  
 3158 Some data sources may not have a "wall time" clock available, and so are able only to accept  
 3159 durations as expirations. If such a source receives an Enumerate request containing a specific  
 3160 time expiration, then the request shall fail; if so, the data source should generate a  
 3161 wsmen:UnsupportedExpirationType fault indicating that an unsupported expiration type was  
 3162 requested.

3163 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:Enumerate/wsmen:Filter

3164 This optional element contains a Boolean predicate in some dialect (see  
 3165 /s:Envelope/s:Body/\*/wsmen:Filter/@Dialect) that all elements of interest must satisfy. The  
 3166 resultant enumeration context shall not return elements for which this predicate expression  
 3167 evaluates to the value false. If this element is absent, then the implied value is the expression  
 3168 true(), indicating that no filtering is desired.

3169 If the data source does not support filtering, the request shall fail, and the data source may  
 3170 generate a wsmen:FilteringNotSupported SOAP fault as follows:

3171 If the data source supports filtering but cannot honor the requested filter dialect, the request shall  
 3172 fail, and the data source may generate a wsmen:FilterDialectRequestedUnavailable SOAP fault  
 3173 as follows:

3174 If the data source supports filtering and the requested dialect but cannot process the requested  
 3175 filter content, the request shall fail, and the data source may generate a  
 3176 wsman:CannotProcessFilter SOAP fault as follows:

3177 /s:Envelope/s:Body/\*/wsmen:Filter/@Dialect

3178 Implied value is "http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116".

3179 /s:Envelope/ s:Body/ \*/ wsmen:Filter/ @Dialect= "http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116"

3180 Value of /s:Envelope/s:Body/\*/wsmen:Filter is an XPath [XPath 1.0] predicate expression  
 3181 (PredicateExpr); the context of the expression is:

- 3182 • **Context Node:** any XML element that could be returned as a direct child of the Items  
 3183 element
- 3184 • **Context Position:** 1
- 3185 • **Context Size:** 1
- 3186 • **Variable Bindings:** None
- 3187 • **Function Libraries:** Core Function Library [XPath 1.0]
- 3188 • **Namespace Declarations:** The [in-scope namespaces] property [XML Infoset] of  
 3189 /s:Envelope/s:Body/\*/wsmen:Filter

3190 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

3191 Upon successful processing of an Enumerate request message, a data source is expected to create  
 3192 an enumeration context and return that context in an Enumerate response message, which shall  
 3193 adhere to the following form:

```
3194 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3195 (2)   <s:Header ...>
3196 (3)     <wsa:Action>
```

```

3197 (4) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/EnumerateResponse
3198 (5) </wsa:Action>
3199 (6) <wsa:ReplyTo>endpoint-reference</wsa:ReplyTo>
3200 (7) <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
3201 (8) ...
3202 (9) </s:Header>
3203 (10) <s:Body ...>
3204 (11) <wsmen:EnumerateResponse ...>
3205 (12) <wsmen:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsmen:Expires> ?
3206 (13) <wsmen:EnumerationContext>...</wsmen:EnumerationContext>
3207 (14) ...
3208 (15) </wsmen:EnumerateResponse>
3209 (16) </s:Body>
3210 (17) </s:Envelope>

```

3211 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

3212 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

3213 This required element shall contain the value:

3214 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/EnumerateResponse`

3215 If a SOAP Action URI is also present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same  
3216 value.

3217 /s:Envelope/s:Body/\*/wsmen:Expires

3218 The expiration time assigned by the data source. The expiration time may be either an absolute  
3219 time or a duration but should be of the same type as the requested expiration (if any).

3220 If this element does not appear, then the enumeration will not expire. That is, the enumeration  
3221 has an indefinite lifetime. It will terminate when the end of the enumeration is reached, if the  
3222 consumer sends a Release request, or by the data source at any time for reasons such as  
3223 connection termination, resource constraints, or system shut-down.

3224 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:EnumerateResponse/wsmen:EnumerationContext

3225 The required EnumerationContext element contains the XML representation of the new  
3226 enumeration context. The consumer is required to pass this XML data in Pull requests for this  
3227 enumeration context, until and unless a PullResponse message updates the enumeration  
3228 context.

### 3229 8.2.1 General

3230 WS-Management qualifies the Enumerate operation as described in this clause.

3231 **R8.2.1-1:** A conformant service may accept a wsmen:Enumerate message with an EndTo  
3232 address; however, if EnumerationEnd is not supported, a service may instead issue a  
3233 wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with the following detail code:

3234 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/AddressingMode`

3235 **R8.2.1-2:** A conformant service shall accept an Enumerate message with an Expires timeout  
3236 or fault with wsman:UnsupportedFeature and the following detail code:

3237 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/ExpirationTime`

3238 **R8.2.1-3:** The wsman:Filter element (see 8.3) in the Enumerate body shall be either simple  
3239 text or a single complex XML element. A conformant service shall not accept mixed content of  
3240 both text and elements, or multiple peer XML elements under the wsman:Filter element.

3241 Although this use of mixed content is allowed in the general case of Enumerate, it is unnecessarily  
3242 complex for WS-Management implementations.

3243 A common filter dialect is [XPath 1.0](#) (identified by the Dialect URI <http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116>). Resource-constrained implementations might have difficulty exporting full XPath  
3244 processing and yet still want to use a subset of XPath syntax. As long as the filter expression is a  
3245 proper subset of the specified dialect, it is legal and can be described using that Dialect value.  
3246

3247 No rule mandates the use of XPath or any subset as a filtering dialect. If no Dialect is specified, the  
3248 default interpretation is that the Filter value is XPath (as specified previously in this clause).

3249 **R8.2.1-4:** A conformant service may not support the entire syntax and processing power of  
3250 the specified Filter Dialect. The only requirement is that the specified Filter is syntactically correct  
3251 within the definition of the Dialect. Subsets are therefore legal. If the specified Filter exceeds the  
3252 capability of the service, the service should return a wsman:CannotProcessFilter fault with some  
3253 text indicating what went wrong.

3254 Some services require filters to function because their search space is so large that simple  
3255 enumeration is meaningless or impossible.

3256 **R8.2.1-5:** If a wsman:Filter is required, a conformant service shall fault any request without a  
3257 wsman:Filter, by using a wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with the following detail code:

3258 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FilteringRequired`

3259 **R8.2.1-6:** A conformant service may block, fault (using wsman:Concurrency faults), or allow  
3260 other concurrent operations on the resource for the duration of the enumeration, and may include  
3261 or exclude the results of such operations as part of any enumeration still in progress.

3262 If clients execute other operations, such as Create or Delete, while an enumeration is occurring, this  
3263 specification makes no restrictions on the behavior of the enumeration. The service can include or  
3264 exclude the results of these operations in real time, can produce an initial snapshot of the  
3265 enumeration and execute the Pull requests from this snapshot, or can deny access to other  
3266 operations while enumerations are in progress.

## 3267 8.2.2 Enumeration "Count" Option

3268 To give clients an estimate of the number of items in an enumeration, two optional SOAP headers are  
3269 defined: one for use in the request message to return an approximate count of items in an  
3270 enumeration sequence, and a corresponding header for use in the response to return this value to the  
3271 client.

3272 These SOAP headers are defined for use with the Enumerate and Pull messages and their  
3273 responses. The header used in Enumerate and Pull is as follows:

```
3274 (1) <s:Header>
3275 (2) ...
3276 (3) <wsman:RequestTotalItemsCountEstimate .../>
3277 (4) </s:Header>
```

3278 The header used by the service to return the value is as follows:

```
3279 (5) <s:Header>
3280 (6) ...
3281 (7) <wsman:TotalItemsCountEstimate>
3282 (8) xs:nonNegativeInteger
3283 (9) </wsman: TotalItemsCountEstimate>
3284 (10) </s:Header>
```

3285 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding headers:

3286 wsman:RequestTotalItemsCountEstimate

3287 when present as a SOAP header on an Enumerate or Pull message, indicates that the client is  
3288 requesting that the associated response message includes an estimate of the total number of  
3289 items in the enumeration sequence

3290 This SOAP header does not have any meaning defined by this specification when included with  
3291 any other messages.

3292 wsman:TotalItemsCountEstimate

3293 when present as a SOAP header on an EnumerateResponse or PullResponse message,  
3294 indicates the approximate number of items in the enumeration sequence

3295 This is the total number of items and not the remaining number of items in the sequence. This  
3296 SOAP header does not have any meaning defined by this specification when included with any  
3297 other messages.

3298 When a service understands the TotalItemsCountEstimate feature but cannot determine the  
3299 number of items, the service responds with the wsman:TotalItemsCountEstimate element having  
3300 an xsi:nil attribute with value 'true', and having no value, as follows:

3301 (1) `<wsman:TotalItemsCountEstimate xsi:nil="true"/>`

3302 **R8.2.2-1:** A conformant service may support the ability to return an estimate of the number of  
3303 items in an enumeration sequence. If a service receives an Enumerate or Pull message without  
3304 the wsman:RequestTotalItemsCountEstimate SOAP header, the service shall not return the  
3305 wsman:TotalItemsCountEstimate SOAP header on the associated response message.

3306 **R8.2.2-2:** The value returned in the wsman:TotalItemsCountEstimate SOAP header is only an  
3307 estimate of the number of items in the sequence. The client should not use the  
3308 wsman:TotalItemsCountEstimate value for determining an end of enumeration instead of using  
3309 EndOfSequence.

3310 This mechanism is intended to assist clients in determining the percentage of completion of an  
3311 enumeration as it progresses. When a service sends a result count estimate after a previous estimate  
3312 for the same enumeration sequence, the most recent total results count estimate is considered to be  
3313 the more precise estimate.

### 3314 8.2.3 Optimization for Enumerations with Small Result Sets

3315 To optimize the number of round-trip messages required to enumerate the items in an enumerable  
3316 resource, a client can request optimized enumeration behavior. This behavior is useful in cases  
3317 where the enumeration has such a small number of items that the initial EnumerateResponse could  
3318 reasonably include the entire result, without the need for a subsequent Pull to retrieve the items. This  
3319 mechanism can be used even for large enumerations to get the first few results in the initial response.

3320 A client initiates an optimized enumeration by placing the wsman:OptimizeEnumeration element as a  
3321 child element of the Enumerate element, and can optionally include the wsman:MaxElements  
3322 element, as follows:

3323 EXAMPLE:

3324 (1) `<s:Body>`  
3325 (2) `<wsmen:Enumerate>`  
3326 (3) `...`  
3327 (4) `<wsman:OptimizeEnumeration/>`  
3328 (5) `<wsman:MaxElements>x:positiveInteger</wsman:MaxElements> ?`

3329 (6) </wsmen:Enumerate>  
 3330 (7) </s:Body>

3331 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

3332 wsman:Enumerate/wsman:OptimizeEnumeration

3333 when present as a child of the Enumerate element, indicates that the client is requesting an  
 3334 optimized enumeration

3335 wsman:Enumerate/wsman:MaxElements

3336 (optional) indicates the maximum number of items the consumer is willing to accept in the  
 3337 EnumerateResponse

3338 It plays the same role as wsman:Pull/wsman:MaxElements. When this element is absent, its  
 3339 implied value is 1.

3340 **R8.2.3-1:** A conformant service may support enumeration optimization. If a service receives  
 3341 the wsman:OptimizeEnumeration element in an Enumerate message and it does not support  
 3342 enumeration optimization, it should ignore the element and complete the enumeration request as  
 3343 if the element were not present.

3344 If the service ignores the element, the client continues with a subsequent Pull as if the option was not  
 3345 in force. The client requires no special mechanisms over what was needed for normal enumeration if  
 3346 the optimization request is ignored.

3347 **R8.2.3-2:** A conformant service that receives an Enumerate message without the  
 3348 wsman:OptimizeEnumeration element shall not return any enumeration items in the  
 3349 EnumerateResponse message and shall return a EnumerationContext initialized to return the first  
 3350 items when the first Pull message is received.

3351 If the service implements the optimization even if it was not requested, clients unaware of the  
 3352 optimization will incorrectly process the enumeration result.

3353 **R8.2.3-3:** A conformant service that receives an Enumerate message with the  
 3354 wsman:OptimizeEnumeration element shall not return more elements in the Enumerate response  
 3355 message than requested in the wsman:MaxElements element (or no more than 1 item if the  
 3356 wsman:MaxElements element is not present). Implementations may return fewer items based on  
 3357 either the wsman:OperationTimeout SOAP header, wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize SOAP header, or  
 3358 implementation-specific constraints.

3359 When requested by the client, a service implementing the optimized enumeration will respond with  
 3360 the following additional content in an EnumerateResponse message:

```

3361 (1) <s:Body>
3362 (2)   <wsmen:EnumerateResponse>
3363 (3)     <wsmen:EnumerationContext> ... </wsmen:EnumerationContext>
3364 (4)     <wsman:Items>
3365 (5)       ...same as for wsman:Items in wsman:PullResponse
3366 (6)     </wsman:Items> ?
3367 (7)     <wsman:EndOfSequence/> ?
3368 (8)     ...
3369 (9)   </wsmen:EnumerateResponse>
3370 (10) </s:Body>
```

3371 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

3372 `wsman:Items`

3373 (optional) contains one or more enumeration-specific elements as would have been encoded for  
3374 `Items` in a `PullResponse`

3375 The service will return no more than `wsman:MaxElements` elements in this list if  
3376 `wsman:MaxElements` is specified in the request message, or one element if  
3377 `wsman:MaxElements` was omitted.

3378 `wsman:EndOfSequence`

3379 (optional) indicates that no more elements are available from this enumeration and that the  
3380 entire result (even if there are zero elements) is contained within the `wsman:Items` element

3381 `wsmen:EnumerationContext`

3382 required context for requesting additional items, if any, in subsequent `Pull` messages

3383 If the `wsman:EndOfSequence` is also present, the `EnumerationContext` cannot be used in a  
3384 subsequent `Pull` request. The service should observe the same fault usage that would occur if  
3385 the `EnumerationContext` were used in a `Pull` request after the `EndOfSequence` element occurred  
3386 in a `PullResponse`. Although the `EnumerationContext` element must be present, no value is  
3387 required; therefore, in cases where the `wsman:EndOfSequence` element is present, the value for  
3388 `EnumerationContext` can be empty.

3389 EXAMPLE:

```
3390 (1) <s:Body>
3391 (2)   <wsmen:EnumerateResponse>
3392 (3)     <wsmen:EnumerationContext />
3393 (4)     <wsman:Items>
3394 (5)       Items
3395 (6)     </wsman:Items>
3396 (7)     <wsman:EndOfSequence />
3397 (8)     ...
3398 (9)   </wsmen:EnumerateResponse>
3399 (10) </s:Body>
```

3400 **R8.2.3-4:** A conformant service that supports optimized enumeration and is responding with  
3401 an `EnumerateResponse` message shall include the `wsman:Items` element, the  
3402 `wsman:EndOfSequence` element, or both in the response as an indication to the client that the  
3403 optimized enumeration request was understood and honored.

3404 If neither `wsman:Items` nor `wsman:EndOfSequence` is in the `EnumerateResponse` message, the  
3405 client can continue to use the enumeration message exchanges as defined in 8.2.1.

3406 **R8.2.3-5:** A conformant service that supports optimized enumeration and has not returned all  
3407 items of the enumeration sequence in the `EnumerateResponse` message shall return an  
3408 `EnumerationContext` element that is initialized such that a subsequent `Pull` message will return  
3409 the set of items after those returned in the `EnumerateResponse`. If all items of the enumeration  
3410 sequence have been returned in the `EnumerateResponse` message, the service should return an  
3411 empty `EnumerationContext` element and shall return the `wsman:EndOfSequence` element in the  
3412 response.

3413 A client that has requested optimized enumeration can determine if this request was understood and  
3414 honored by the service by examining the response message.

3415 Clients concerned about the size of the initial response, irrespective of the number of items, can use  
3416 the wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize mechanism described in 6.2.

### 3417 **8.3 Filter Interpretation**

3418 The Filter expression is constrained to be a Boolean predicate. To support ad hoc queries including  
3419 projections, WS-Management defines a wsman:Filter element of exactly the same form as in the  
3420 Enumeration filter except that the filter expression is not constrained to be a Boolean predicate. This  
3421 allows the use of enumeration using existing query languages such as SQL and CQL, which combine  
3422 predicate and projection information in the same syntax. The use of projections is defined by the filter  
3423 dialect, not by WS-Management.

3424 (1) `<wsman:Filter Dialect="xs:anyURI"?> xs:any </wsman:Filter>`

3425 The Dialect attribute is optional. When not specified, it has the following implied value:

3426 `http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116`

3427 This dialect allows any full XPath expression or subset to be used.

3428 The wsman:Filter element is a child of the Enumerate element.

3429 If the filter dialect used for the Enumerate message is XPath 1.0, the context node is the same as that  
3430 specified in 8.1.

3431 **R8.3-1:** If a service supports filtered enumeration using Filter, it shall also support filtering using  
3432 wsman:Filter. This rule allows client stacks to always pick the wsman XML namespace for the  
3433 Filter element. Even though a service supports wsman:Filter, it is not required to support  
3434 projections.

3435 **R8.3-2:** If a service supports filtered enumeration using wsman:Filter, it should also support  
3436 filtering using Filter.

3437 **R8.3-3:** If an Enumerate request contains both Filter and wsman:Filter, the service shall return  
3438 a wsman:CannotProcessFilter fault.

3439 Filters are generally intended to select entire XML document representations. However, most query  
3440 languages have both filtering and compositional capabilities in that they can return subsets of the  
3441 original representation, or perform complex operations on the original representation and return  
3442 something entirely new.

3443 This specification places no restriction on the capabilities of the service, but services may elect to  
3444 provide only simple filtering capability and no compositional capabilities. In general, filtering dialects  
3445 fall into the following simple hierarchy:

- 3446 1) simple enumeration with no filtering
- 3447 2) filtered enumeration with no representation change (within the capabilities of XPath, for  
3448 example)
- 3449 3) filtered enumeration in which a subset of each item is selected (within the capabilities of  
3450 XPath, for example)
- 3451 4) composition of new output (XQuery), including simple projection

3452 Most services fall into the first or second category. However, if a service wants to support fragment-  
3453 level enumeration to complement fragment-level access (7.7), the service can implement category 3  
3454 as well. Only rarely do services implement category 4.

3455 [XPath 1.0](#) can be used simply for filtering, or it can be used to send back subsets of the  
 3456 representation (or even the values without XML wrappers). In cases where the result is not just  
 3457 filtered but also "altered," the technique in 8.6 applies.

3458 If full XPath cannot be supported, a common subset for this purpose is described in D.3 of this  
 3459 specification.

3460 EXAMPLE 1: Following is a typical example of the use of XPath in a filter. Assume that each item in the  
 3461 enumeration to be delivered has the following XML content:

```

3462 (1) <s:Body>
3463 (2)   ...
3464 (3)   <wsmen:Items>
3465 (4)     <DiskInfo xmlns="...">
3466 (5)       <LogicalDisk>C:</LogicalDisk>
3467 (6)       <CurrentMegabytes>12</CurrentMegabytes>
3468 (7)       <BackupDrive> true </BackupDrive>
3469 (8)     </DiskInfo>
3470 (9)     ...
3471 (10)  </wsmen:Items>
3472 (11) </s:Body>
  
```

3473 The anchor point for the XPath evaluation is at the first element of each item within the Items  
 3474 wrapper, and it does not reference the s:Body or Items elements. The XPath expression is evaluated  
 3475 as if each item in the Items block were a separate document.

3476 EXAMPLE 2: When used for simple document processing, the following four XPath expressions "select" the  
 3477 entire DiskInfo node:

```

3478 (12) /
3479 (13) /DiskInfo
3480 (14) ../DiskInfo
3481 (15) .
  
```

3482 If used as a "filter," this XPath expression does not filter out any instances and is the same as  
 3483 selecting all instances, or omitting the filter entirely. However, using the following syntax, the XPath  
 3484 expression selects the XML node only if the test expression in brackets evaluates to logical "true":

```

3485 (1) ../DiskInfo[LogicalDisk="C:"]
  
```

3486 In this case, the item is selected only if it refers to disk drive "C:"; otherwise the XML node is not  
 3487 selected. This XPath expression filters out all DiskInfo instances for other drives.

3488 EXAMPLE 3: Full XPath implementations may support more complex test expressions, as follows:

```

3489 (1) ../DiskInfo[CurrentMegabytes>"10" and CurrentMegabytes <"200"]
  
```

3490 This action selects only drives with free space within the range of values specified.

3491 In essence, the XML form of the event passes logically through the XPath processor to see if it would  
 3492 be selected. If so, it is delivered in the enumeration. If not, the item is discarded and not delivered as  
 3493 part of the enumeration.

3494 See the related clause (10.2.2) on filtering over subscriptions.

3495 **8.4 Pull**

3496 The Pull operation is initiated by sending a Pull request message to the data source. The Pull request  
3497 message shall be of the following form:

```

3498 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3499 (2)   <s:Header ...>
3500 (3)     <wsa:Action>
3501 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Pull
3502 (5)     </wsa:Action>
3503 (6)     <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
3504 (7)     <wsa:ReplyTo>wsa:EndpointReference</wsa:ReplyTo>
3505 (8)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
3506 (9)     ...
3507 (10)  </s:Header>
3508 (11)  <s:Body ...>
3509 (12)    <wsmen:Pull ...>
3510 (13)      <wsmen:EnumerationContext>...</wsmen:EnumerationContext>
3511 (14)      <wsmen:MaxTime>xs:duration</wsmen:MaxTime> ?
3512 (15)      <wsmen:MaxElements>xs:long</wsmen:MaxElements> ?
3513 (16)      <wsmen:MaxCharacters>xs:long</wsmen:MaxCharacters> ?
3514 (17)      ...
3515 (18)    </wsmen:Pull>
3516 (19)  </s:Body>
3517 (20) </s:Envelope>

```

3518 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

3519 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

3520 This required element shall contain the value:

3521 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Pull

3522 If a SOAP Action URI is also present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same  
3523 value.

3524 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:Pull/wsmen:EnumerationContext

3525 This required element contains the XML data that represents the current enumeration context.  
3526 If the enumeration context is not valid, because it has been replaced in the response to another  
3527 Pull request, it has completed (EndOfSequence has been returned in a Pull response), it has  
3528 been Released, it has expired, or the data source has had to invalidate the context, then the  
3529 data source should fail the request, and may generate a wsmen:InvalidEnumerationContext  
3530 fault.

3531 The data source may not be able to determine that an enumeration context is not valid,  
3532 especially if all of the state associated with the enumeration is kept in the enumeration context  
3533 and refreshed on every PullResponse.

3534 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:Pull/wsmen:MaxTime

3535 This optional element (of type xs:duration) indicates the maximum amount of time the initiator is  
3536 willing to allow the data source to assemble the Pull response. When this element is absent, the  
3537 data source is not required to limit the amount of time it takes to assemble the Pull response.

3538 This is useful with data sources that accumulate elements over time and package them into a  
3539 single Pull response.

3540 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:Pull/wsmen:MaxElements

3541 This optional element (of type xs:long) indicates the number of items (child elements of Items in  
3542 the Pull response) the consumer is willing to accept. When this element is absent, its implied  
3543 value is 1. Implementations shall not return more than this number of elements in the Pull

3544 response message. Implementations may return fewer than this number based on either the  
3545 MaxTime timeout, the MaxCharacters size limit, or implementation-specific constraints.

3546 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:Pull/wsmen:MaxCharacters

3547 This optional element (of type xs:long) indicates the maximum size of the returned elements, in  
3548 Unicode characters, that the initiator is willing to accept. When this element is absent, the data  
3549 source is not required to limit the number of characters in the Pull response. Implementations  
3550 shall not return a Pull response message whose Items element is larger than MaxCharacters.  
3551 Implementations may return a smaller message based on the MaxTime timeout, the  
3552 MaxElements limit, or implementation-specific constraints.

3553 Even if a Pull request contains a MaxCharacters element, the consumer shall be prepared to  
3554 receive a Pull response that contains more data characters than specified, as XML  
3555 canonicalization or alternate XML serialization algorithms may change the size of the  
3556 representation.

3557 It may happen that the next item the data source would return to the consumer is larger than  
3558 MaxCharacters. In this case, the data source may skip the item, or may return an abbreviated  
3559 representation of the item that fits inside MaxCharacters. If the data source skips the item, it may  
3560 return it as part of the response to a future Pull request with a larger value of MaxCharacters, or  
3561 it may omit it entirely from the enumeration. If the oversize item is the last item to be returned for  
3562 this enumeration context and the data source skips it, it shall include the EndOfSequence item in  
3563 the Pull response and invalidate the enumeration context; that is, it may not return zero items but  
3564 not consider the enumeration completed. See the discussion of EndOfSequence later in this  
3565 clause.

3566 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

3567 Upon receipt of a Pull request message, the data source may wait as long as it deems necessary (but  
3568 not longer than the value of the MaxTime element, if present) to produce a message for delivery to  
3569 the consumer. The data source shall recognize the MaxTime element and return the  
3570 wsmen:TimedOut fault if no elements are available prior to the request message's deadline.

3571 However, this fault should not cause the enumeration context to become invalid (of course, the data  
3572 source may invalidate the enumeration context for other reasons). That is, the requestor should be  
3573 able to issue additional Pull requests using this enumeration context after receiving this fault.

3574 Upon successful processing of a Pull request message, a data source is expected to return a Pull  
3575 response message, which shall adhere to the following form:

```

3576 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3577 (2)   <s:Header ...>
3578 (3)     <wsa:Action>
3579 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/PullResponse
3580 (5)     </wsa:Action>
3581 (6)     <wsa:RelatesTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
3582 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
3583 (8)     ...
3584 (9)   </s:Header>
3585 (10)  <s:Body ...>
3586 (11)   <wsmen:PullResponse ...>
3587 (12)     <wsmen:EnumerationContext>...</wsmen:EnumerationContext> ?
3588 (13)     <wsmen:Items> ?
3589 (14)       <xs:any> enumeration-specific element </xs:any> +
3590 (15)     </wsmen:Items>
3591 (16)     <wsmen:EndOfSequence/> ?
3592 (17)     ...
3593 (18)   </wsmen:PullResponse>
3594 (19) </s:Body>
3595 (20) </s:Envelope>

```

3596 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

3597 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

3598 This required element shall contain the value:

3599 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/PullResponse`

3600 If a SOAP Action URI is also present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same  
3601 value.

3602 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:PullResponse/wsmen:EnumerationContext

3603 The optional EnumerationContext element, if present, contains a new XML representation of the  
3604 current enumeration context. The consumer is required to replace the prior representation with  
3605 the contents of this element.

3606 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:PullResponse/wsmen:Items/any

3607 The optional Items element contains one or more enumeration-specific elements, one for each  
3608 element being returned.

3609 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:PullResponse/wsmen:EndOfSequence

3610 This optional element indicates that no more elements are available from this enumeration.  
3611 Additionally, once this element is returned in a Pull response message, subsequent Pull  
3612 requests using that enumeration context should generate an InvalidEnumerationContext fault  
3613 message; in any case, they shall not return a valid PullResponse.

3614 At least one of Items or EndOfSequence shall appear. It is possible for both to appear if items are  
3615 returned and the sequence is exhausted. Similarly, EnumerationContext and EndOfSequence shall  
3616 not both appear; neither may appear, or one without the other, but not both in the same  
3617 PullResponse.

3618 The consumer should not issue additional Pull request messages after a Pull response containing an  
3619 EndOfSequence element has been returned. Similarly, upon receipt of a Pull response containing an  
3620 EndOfSequence element, the consumer should not issue a Release operation to signal that the  
3621 enumeration context is no longer needed.

3622 If the consumer does issue a Pull or Release on an invalid enumeration context, the result is  
3623 undefined: the data source may ignore the request or may return an InvalidEnumerationContext fault,  
3624 as described previously in this clause, or may take some other action.

3625 Because Pull allows the client to specify a wide range of batching and timing parameters, it is often  
3626 advisable for the client to know the valid ranges ahead of time. This information can be exported from  
3627 the service in the form of metadata, which is beyond the scope of this specification. No message-  
3628 based negotiation is available for discovering the valid ranges of the parameters.

3629 Because wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize can be requested for any response in WS-Management, it is used  
3630 in the Pull message instead of MaxCharacters, which is generally redundant and preferably is  
3631 omitted. However, if wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize is present, it has the following characteristics:

3632 **R8.4-1:** If a service is exposing enumeration operations and supports Pull with the  
3633 MaxCharacters element, the service should implement MaxCharacters as a general guideline or  
3634 hint, but may ignore it if wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize is present, because it takes precedence. The  
3635 service should not fault in the case of a conflict but should observe the wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize  
3636 value.

3637 **R8.4-2:** If a service is exposing enumeration operations and supports Pull with the  
3638 MaxCharacters element, and a single response element would cause the limit to be exceeded,  
3639 the service may return the single element in violation of the hint. However, the service shall not  
3640 violate wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize in any case.

3641 A service can send a PullResponse with fewer elements to ensure that the wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize  
 3642 is not exceeded. However, if a single item would cause this to be exceeded, then the rules from 6.2  
 3643 apply.

3644 In general, MaxCharacters is a hint, and wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize is a strict rule.

3645 **R8.4-3:** If any fault occurs during a Pull, a compliant service should allow the client to retry Pull  
 3646 with other parameters, such as a larger limit or with no limit, and attempt to retrieve the items.  
 3647 The service should not cancel the enumeration as a whole, but retain enough context to be able  
 3648 to retry if the client so wishes. However, the service may cancel the enumeration outright if an  
 3649 error occurs with an InvalidEnumerationContext fault.

3650 If a fault occurs with a Pull request, the service generally does not need to cancel the entire  
 3651 enumeration, but it can simply freeze the cursor and allow the client to try again.

3652 The EnumerationContext from only the latest response is considered to be valid. Although the service  
 3653 can return the same EnumerationContext values with each Pull, it is not required to do so and can in  
 3654 fact change the EnumerationContext unpredictably.

3655 **R8.4-4:** A conformant service may ignore MaxTime if wsman:OperationTimeout is also  
 3656 specified, as wsman:OperationTimeout takes precedence. These elements have precisely the  
 3657 same meaning and may be used interchangeably. If both are used, the service should observe  
 3658 only the wsman:OperationTimeout element.

3659 Clients can use wsman:OperationTimeout and wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize rather than MaxTime and  
 3660 MaxCharacters to allow for uniform message construction.

3661 Any fault issued for Pull applies to the Pull message itself, not the underlying enumeration that is in  
 3662 progress. The most recent EnumerationContext is still considered valid, and if the service allows a  
 3663 retry of the most recent Pull message, the client can continue. However, the service can terminate  
 3664 early upon encountering any kind of problem (as specified in R8.4-7).

3665 **R8.4-5:** This rule intentionally left blank.

3666 If no content is available, the enumerator is still considered active and the Pull message can be  
 3667 retried.

3668 **R8.4-6:** If a service cannot populate the PullResponse with any items before the timeout, it  
 3669 should return a wsman:TimedOut fault to indicate that true timeout conditions occurred and that  
 3670 the client is not likely to succeed by simply issuing another Pull message. If the service is only  
 3671 waiting for results at the point of the timeout, it should return a response with no items and an  
 3672 updated EnumerationContext, which may have changed, even though no items were returned, as  
 3673 follows:

```

3674 (1) <s:Body>
3675 (2)   <wsmen:PullResponse>
3676 (3)   <wsmen:EnumerationContext> ...possibly updated...
3677 (4)   </wsmen:EnumerationContext>
3678 (5)   <wsmen:Items/>
3679 (6) </wsmen:PullResponse>
3680 (7) </s:Body>
  
```

3681 An empty Items block is essentially a directive from the service to try again. If the service faults with a  
 3682 wsman:TimedOut fault, it implies that a retry is not likely to succeed. Typically, the service knows  
 3683 which one to return based on its internal state. For example, on the very first Pull message, if the  
 3684 service is waiting for another component, a wsman:TimedOut fault could be likely. If the enumeration  
 3685 is continuing with no problem and after 50 requests a particular Pull message times out, the service  
 3686 can simply send back zero items in the expectation that the client can continue with another Pull  
 3687 message.

3688 **R8.4-7:** The service may terminate the entire enumeration early at any time, in which case an  
 3689 InvalidEnumerationContext fault is returned. No further operations are possible, including  
 3690 Release. In specific cases, such as internal errors or responses that are too large, other faults  
 3691 may also be returned. In all such cases, the service should invalidate the enumeration context as  
 3692 well.

3693 **R8.4-8:** If the EndOfSequence marker occurs in the PullResponse message, the  
 3694 EnumerationContext element shall be omitted, as the enumeration has completed. The client  
 3695 cannot subsequently issue a Release message.

3696 Normally, the end of an enumeration in all cases is reported by the EndOfSequence element being  
 3697 present in the PullResponse content, not through faults. If the client attempts to enumerate past the  
 3698 end of an enumeration, an InvalidEnumerationContext fault is returned. The client need not issue a  
 3699 Release message if the EndOfSequence actually occurs because the enumeration is then completed  
 3700 and the enumeration context is invalid.

3701 **R8.4-9:** If no MaxElements element is specified, the batch size is 1.

3702 **R8.4-10:** If the value of MaxElements is larger than the service supports, the service may ignore  
 3703 the value and use any default maximum of its own.

3704 The service can export its maximum MaxElements value in metadata, but the format and location of  
 3705 such metadata is beyond the scope of this specification.

3706 **R8.4-11:** The EnumerationContext element shall be present in all Pull requests, even if the  
 3707 service uses a constant value for the lifetime of the enumeration sequence.

## 3708 8.5 Release

3709 The Release operation is initiated by sending a Release request message to the data source. The  
 3710 Release request message shall be of the following form:

```

3711 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3712 (2)   <s:Header ...>
3713 (3)     <wsa:Action>
3714 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Release
3715 (5)     </wsa:Action>
3716 (6)     <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
3717 (7)     <wsa:ReplyTo>wsa:EndpointReference</wsa:ReplyTo>
3718 (8)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
3719 (9)     ...
3720 (10)  </s:Header>
3721 (11)  <s:Body ...>
3722 (12)    <wsmen:Release ...>
3723 (13)      <wsmen:EnumerationContext>...</wsmen:EnumerationContext>
3724 (14)      ...
3725 (15)    </wsmen:Release>
3726 (16)  </s:Body>
3727 (17) </s:Envelope>
  
```

3728 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

3729 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

3730 This required element shall contain the value:

3731 http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Release

3732 If a SOAP Action URI is also present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same  
 3733 value.

3734 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:Release/wsmen:EnumerationContext  
 3735 This required element contains the XML data that represents the enumeration context being  
 3736 abandoned.

3737 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

3738 Upon successful processing of a Release request message, a data source is expected to return a  
 3739 Release response message, which shall adhere to the following form:

```

3740 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3741 (2)   <s:Header ...>
3742 (3)     <wsa:Action>
3743 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/ReleaseResponse
3744 (5)     </wsa:Action>
3745 (6)     <wsa:RelatesTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
3746 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
3747 (8)     ...
3748 (9)   </s:Header>
3749 (10)  <s:Body />
3750 (11) </s:Envelope>
  
```

3751 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

3752 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

3753 This required element shall contain the value:

3754 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/ReleaseResponse`

3755 If a SOAP Action URI is also present in the underlying transport, its value shall convey the same  
 3756 value.

3757 Release is used only to perform an early cancellation of the enumeration. In cases in which it is not  
 3758 actually needed, the implementation can expose a dummy implementation that always succeeds.  
 3759 This promotes uniform client-side messaging.

3760 **R8.5-1:** The service shall recognize and process the Release message if the enumeration is  
 3761 terminated early. If an EndOfSequence marker occurs in a PullResponse message, the  
 3762 enumerator is already completed and a Release message cannot be issued because no up-to-  
 3763 date EnumerationContext exists.

3764 **R8.5-2:** The client may fail to deliver the Release message in a timely fashion or may never  
 3765 send it. A conformant service may terminate the enumeration after a suitable idle time has  
 3766 expired, and any attempt to reuse the enumeration context shall result in an  
 3767 InvalidEnumerationContext fault.

3768 **R8.5-3:** This rule intentionally left blank.

3769 **R8.5-4:** The service may accept a Release message asynchronously to any Pull requests  
 3770 already in progress and cancel the enumeration. The service may refuse such an asynchronous  
 3771 request and fault it with a wsmen:UnsupportedFeature fault with the following detail code:

3772 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/AsynchronousRequest`

3773 The service may also queue or block the request and serialize it so that it is processed after the Pull  
 3774 message.

3775 In most cases, it is desirable to be able to asynchronously cancel an outstanding Pull message. This  
 3776 capability requires the service to be able to receive the Release message asynchronously while still  
 3777 processing a pending Pull message. Further, it requires that the EnumerationContext element contain  
 3778 information that is constant between Pull operations.

3779 NOTE: If the value of EnumerationContext is a simple increasing integer, Release always uses a previous value,  
 3780 so the service may consider it to be invalid. If the EnumerationContext element contains a value that is constant  
 3781 across Pull requests (as well as any other information that the service might need), the service can more easily  
 3782 implement the cancellation.

## 3783 8.6 Ad-Hoc Queries and Fragment-Level Enumerations

3784 As discussed in 7.7, it is desirable that clients be able to access subsets of a representation. This is  
 3785 especially important in the area of query processing, where users routinely want to execute XPath or  
 3786 XQuery operations over the representation to receive ad-hoc results.

3787 Because SOAP messages need to conform to known schemas, and ad-hoc queries return results  
 3788 that are dynamically generated and might conform to no schema, the wsman:XmlFragment wrapper  
 3789 from 7.7 is used to wrap the responses.

3790 **R8.6-1:** The service may support ad-hoc compositional queries, projections, or enumerations of  
 3791 fragments of the representation objects by supplying a suitable dialect in the wsman:Filter. The  
 3792 resulting set of Items in the PullResponse element (or EnumerateResponse element if  
 3793 OptimizedEnumeration is used) should be wrapped with wsman:XmlFragment wrappers as  
 3794 follows:

```

3795 (1) <s:Body>
3796 (2)   <wsmen:PullResponse>
3797 (3)     <wsmen:EnumerationContext> ..possibly updated..
3798 (4)   </wsmen:EnumerationContext>
3799 (5)   <wsmen:Items>
3800 (6)     <wsman:XmlFragment>
3801 (7)       XML content
3802 (8)     </wsman:XmlFragment>
3803 (9)     <wsman:XmlFragment>
3804 (10)      XML content
3805 (11)    </wsman:XmlFragment>
3806 (12)    ...
3807 (13)   </wsmen:Items>
3808 (14)  </wsmen:PullResponse>
3809 (15) </s:Body>
  
```

3810 The schema for wsman:XmlFragment contains a directive to suppress schema validation, allowing a  
 3811 validating parser to accept ad-hoc content produced by the query processor acting behind the  
 3812 enumeration.

3813 [XPath 1.0](#) and [XQuery 1.0](#) already support returning subsets or compositions of representations, so  
 3814 they are suitable for use in this regard.

3815 **R8.6-2:** If the service does not support fragment-level enumeration, it should return a  
 3816 wsman:FilterDialectRequestedUnavailable fault, the same as for any other unsupported dialect.

3817 The XPath expression used for filtering is still as described in the Enumeration clauses (see 8.2,  
 3818 8.2.2, 8.2.3). The wsman:XmlFragment wrappers are applied after the XPath is evaluated to prevent  
 3819 schema violations if the XPath selects node sets that are fragments and not legal according to the  
 3820 original schema.

## 3821 8.7 Enumeration of EPRs

3822 Typically, inferring the EPR of an enumerated object simply by inspection is not possible. In many  
 3823 cases, it is desirable to enumerate the EPRs of objects rather than the objects themselves. Such  
 3824 EPRs can be usable in subsequent Get or Delete requests, for example. Similarly, it is often desirable  
 3825 to enumerate both the objects and the associated EPRs.

3826 The default behavior for Enumerate is as defined in 8.1. However, WS-Management provides an  
3827 additional extension for controlling the output of the enumeration.

3828 **R8.7-1:** A service may optionally support the wsman:EnumerationMode modifier element with a  
3829 value of *EnumerateEPR*, which returns only the EPRs of the objects as the result of the  
3830 enumeration.

3831 EXAMPLE 1:

```
3832 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3833 (2)   <s:Header>
3834 (3)     ...
3835 (4)     <wsa:Action>
3836 (5)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Enumerate
3837 (6)     </wsa:Action>
3838 (7)     ...
3839 (8)   </s:Header>
3840 (9)   <s:Body>
3841 (10)    <wsmen:Enumerate>
3842 (11)      <wsman:Filter Dialect="..."> filter </wsman:Filter>
3843 (12)      <wsman:EnumerationMode> EnumerateEPR </wsman:EnumerationMode>
3844 (13)      ...
3845 (14)    </wsmen:Enumerate>
3846 (15)  </s:Body>
3847 (16) </s:Envelope>
```

3848 EXAMPLE 2: The hypothetical response would appear as in the following example:

```
3849 (17) <s:Body>
3850 (18)   <wsmen:PullResponse>
3851 (19)     <wsmen:Items>
3852 (20)       <wsa:EndpointReference> </wsa:EndpointReference>
3853 (21)       <wsa:EndpointReference> .. </wsa:EndpointReference>
3854 (22)       <wsa:EndpointReference> ... </wsa:EndpointReference>
3855 (23)       ...
3856 (24)     </wsmen:Items>
3857 (25)   </wsmen:PullResponse>
3858 (26) </s:Body>
```

3859 The filter, if any, is still applied to the enumeration, but the response contains only the EPRs of the  
3860 items that would have been returned. These EPRs are intended for use in subsequent Get  
3861 operations.

3862 **R8.7-2:** A service may optionally support the wsman:EnumerationMode modifier with the value  
3863 of *EnumerateObjectAndEPR*. If present, the enumerated objects are wrapped in a wsman:Item  
3864 element that juxtaposes two XML representations: the payload representation followed by the  
3865 associated wsa:EndpointReference.

3866 EXAMPLE 3: The wsman:EnumerationMode example appears as follows:

```
3867 (1) <s:Header>
3868 (2)   ...
3869 (3)   <wsa:Action>
3870 (4)     http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Enumerate
3871 (5)   </wsa:Action>
3872 (6) </s:Header>
3873 (7) <s:Body>
3874 (8)   <wsmen:Enumerate>
3875 (9)     <wsman:Filter Dialect="..."> filter </wsman:Filter>
```

```

3876     (10)     <wsman:EnumerationMode> EnumerateObjectAndEPR
3877     </wsman:EnumerationMode>
3878     (11)     ...
3879     (12)     </wsmen:Enumerate>
3880     (13)     </s:Body>

```

3881 **EXAMPLE 4:** The response appears as follows:

```

3882     (1)     <s:Body>
3883     (2)     <wsmen:PullResponse>
3884     (3)     <wsmen:Items>
3885     (4)     <wsman:Item>
3886     (5)     <PayloadObject xmlns="..."> ... </PayloadObject> <!-- Object -->
3887     (6)     <wsa:EndpointReference> ... </wsa:EndpointReference> <!-- EPR -->
3888     (7)     </wsman:Item>
3889     (8)     <wsman:Item>
3890     (9)     <PayloadObject xmlns="..."> ... </PayloadObject> <!-- Object -->
3891     (10)    <wsa:EndpointReference> ... </wsa:EndpointReference> <!-- EPR -->
3892     (11)    </wsman:Item>
3893     (12)    ...
3894     (13)    </wsmen:Items>
3895     (14)    </wsmen:PullResponse>
3896     (15)    </s:Body>

```

3897 In the preceding example, each item is wrapped in a wsman:Item wrapper (line 8), which itself contains the  
3898 representation object (line 9) followed by its EPR (line 10). As many wsman:Item objects may be present as is  
3899 consistent with other encoding limitations.

3900 **R8.7-3:** If a service does not support the wsman:EnumerationMode modifier, it shall return a  
3901 fault of wsman:UnsupportedFeature with the following detail code:

3902 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/EnumerationMode`

## 3903 8.8 Renew

3904 To renew an enumeration, the consumer sends a request of the following form to the data source:

```

3905     (1)     <s:Envelope ...>
3906     (2)     <s:Header ...>
3907     (3)     <wsa:Action>
3908     (4)     http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/Renew
3909     (5)     </wsa:Action>
3910     (6)     <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
3911     (7)     <wsa:FaultTo>endpoint-reference</wsa:FaultTo> ?
3912     (8)     <wsa:ReplyTo>endpoint-reference</wsa:ReplyTo>
3913     (9)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
3914     (10)    ...
3915     (11)    </s:Header>
3916     (12)    <s:Body ...>
3917     (13)    <wsmen:Renew ...>
3918     (14)    <wsmen:EnumerationContext>...</wsmen:EnumerationContext>
3919     (15)    <wsmen:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsmen:Expires> ?
3920     (16)    ...
3921     (17)    </wsmen:Renew>
3922     (18)    </s:Body>
3923     (19)    </s:Envelope>

```

3924 Components of the preceding outline are additionally constrained as for a request to create an  
3925 enumeration with the following addition(s):

3926 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsmen:EnumerationContext

3927 This required element contains the XML data that represents the current enumeration context.

3928 If the enumeration context is not valid, either because it has been replaced in the response to  
3929 another Pull request, or because it has completed (EndOfSequence has been returned in a Pull  
3930 response), or because it has been Released, or because it has expired, or because the data  
3931 source has had to invalidate the context, then the data source should fail the request, and may  
3932 generate a wsmen:InvalidEnumerationContext fault.

3933 The data source may not be able to determine that an enumeration context is not valid,  
3934 especially if all of the state associated with the enumeration is kept in the enumeration context  
3935 and refreshed on every PullResponse.

3936 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

3937 If the data source accepts a request to renew an enumeration, it shall reply with a response of the  
3938 following form:

```

3939 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3940 (2)   <s:Header ...>
3941 (3)     <wsa:Action>
3942 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/RenewResponse
3943 (5)     </wsa:Action>
3944 (6)     <wsa:RelatesTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
3945 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
3946 (8)     ...
3947 (9)   </s:Header>
3948 (10)  <s:Body ...>
3949 (11)   <wsmen:RenewResponse ...>
3950 (12)     <wsmen:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsmen:Expires> ?
3951 (13)     <wsmen:EnumerationContext>...</wsmen:EnumerationContext> ?
3952 (14)     ...
3953 (15)   </wsmen:RenewResponse>
3954 (16)  </s:Body>
3955 (17) </s:Envelope>

```

3956 Components of the preceding outline listed are constrained as for a response to an Enumerate  
3957 request with the following addition:

3958 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:RenewResponse/wsmen:Expires

3959 If the requested expiration is a duration, then the implied start of that duration is the time when  
3960 the data source starts processing the Renew request.

3961 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:RenewResponse/wsmen:EnumerationContext

3962 This element is optional in this response.

3963 If the data source chooses not to renew this enumeration, the request shall fail, and the data  
3964 source should generate a wsmen:UnableToRenew fault indicating that the renewal was not  
3965 accepted.

3966 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

3967 **8.9 GetStatus**

3968 To get the status of an enumeration, the subscriber sends a request of the following form to the data  
3969 source:

```

3970 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3971 (2)   <s:Header ...>
3972 (3)     <wsa:Action>
3973 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/GetStatus
3974 (5)     </wsa:Action>
3975 (6)     <wsa:MessageID>xs:anyURI</wsa:MessageID>
3976 (7)     <wsa:FaultTo>endpoint-reference</wsa:FaultTo> ?
3977 (8)     <wsa:ReplyTo>endpoint-reference</wsa:ReplyTo>
3978 (9)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
3979 (10)    ...
3980 (11)   </s:Header>
3981 (12)   <s:Body ...>
3982 (13)     <wsmen:GetStatus ...>
3983 (14)       <wsmen:EnumerationContext>...</wsmen:EnumerationContext> ?
3984 (15)     ...
3985 (16)   </wsmen:GetStatus>
3986 (17)   </s:Body>
3987 (18) </s:Envelope>

```

3988 Components of the preceding outline are additionally constrained as for a request to renew an  
3989 enumeration. Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this  
3990 specification.

3991 If the enumeration is valid and has not expired, the data source shall reply with a response of the  
3992 following form:

```

3993 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
3994 (2)   <s:Header ...>
3995 (3)     <wsa:Action>
3996 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/GetStatusResponse
3997 (5)     </wsa:Action>
3998 (6)     <wsa:RelatesTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
3999 (7)     <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
4000 (8)    ...
4001 (9)   </s:Header>
4002 (10)  <s:Body ...>
4003 (11)    <wsmen:GetStatusResponse ...>
4004 (12)      <wsmen:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsmen:Expires> ?
4005 (13)    ...
4006 (14)  </wsmen:GetStatusResponse>
4007 (15)  </s:Body>
4008 (16) </s:Envelope>

```

4009 Components of the preceding outline are constrained as for a response to a Renew request. Other  
4010 components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

4011 **8.10 EnumerationEnd**

4012 If the data source terminates an enumeration unexpectedly, the data source should send an  
4013 EnumerationEnd SOAP message to the endpoint reference indicated when the enumeration was  
4014 created. The message shall be of the following form:

```

4015 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
4016 (2)   <s:Header ...>
4017 (3)     <wsa:Action>
4018 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/EnumerationEnd

```

```

4019 (5) </wsa:Action>
4020 (6) <wsa:To>xs:anyURI</wsa:To>
4021 (7) ...
4022 (8) </s:Header>
4023 (9) <s:Body ...>
4024 (10) <wsmen:EnumerationEnd ...>
4025 (11) <wsmen:EnumerationContext>...</wsmen:EnumerationContext>
4026 (12) <wsmen:Code>
4027 (13) [
4028 (14) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/SourceShuttingDown
4029 (15) | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/SourceCancelling
4030 (16) ]
4031 (17) </wsmen:Code>
4032 (18) <wsmen:Reason xml:lang="language identifier" >
4033 (19) xs:string
4034 (20) </wsmen:Reason> ?
4035 (21) ...
4036 (22) </wsmen:EnumerationEnd>
4037 (23) </s:Body>
4038 (24) </s:Envelope>

```

4039 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

4040 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:Release/wsmen:EnumerationContext

4041 This required element contains the XML data that represents the enumeration context being  
4042 terminated. It is recommended that consumers DO NOT attempt to compare this element  
4043 against any collection of wsmen:EnumerationContext elements for purposes of correlation,  
4044 because that requires the ability to compare arbitrary XML elements. If consumers wish to  
4045 correlate this message against their outstanding contexts, it is recommend that they use the  
4046 reference parameters of the /wsmen:Enumerate/wsmen:EndTo EPR.

4047 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:EnumerationEnd/wsmen:Code =

4048 "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/SourceShuttingDown"

4049 This value shall be used if the data source terminated the enumeration because the source is  
4050 being shut down in a controlled manner; that is, if the data source is being shut down but has the  
4051 opportunity to send an EnumerationEnd message before it exits.

4052 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:EnumerationEnd/wsmen:Code =

4053 "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/SourceCancelling"

4054 This value shall be used if the data source terminated the enumeration for some other reason  
4055 before it expired.

4056 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsmen:EnumerationEnd/wsmen:Reason

4057 This optional element contains text, in the language specified by the @xml:lang attribute,  
4058 describing the reason for the unexpected enumeration termination.

4059 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

## 4060 9 Custom Actions (Methods)

4061 Custom actions, or "methods," are ordinary SOAP messages with unique Actions. An implementation  
4062 can support resource-specific methods in any form, subject to the addressing model and restrictions  
4063 described in clause 5 of this specification.

4064 **R9-1:** A conformant service may expose any custom actions or methods.

4065 **R9-2:** If custom methods are exported, Addressing rules, as described elsewhere in this  
4066 specification, shall be observed, and each custom method shall have a unique wsa:Action.

4067 **R9-3:** If a request does not contain the correct parameters for the custom action, the service  
4068 may return a wsman:InvalidParameter fault. Fault details for incorrect type and incorrect name  
4069 may also be included.

4070 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/TypeMismatch` (incorrect type)

4071 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidName` (incorrect name)

4072 As defined by Addressing, the Action URI is used to describe the semantics of the operation and the  
4073 wsa:To element describes the destination of the message. A custom method thus has a dedicated  
4074 Addressing Action URI.

4075 Because options are a parameterization technique for message types that are not user-extensible,  
4076 such as the resource access operations, they are not appropriate for use as a custom method or  
4077 combined with a custom method. Custom operations defined in a WSDL document define any  
4078 required parameters and thus expose naming and type checking in a stringent way. Mixing  
4079 wsman:OptionSet with a strongly typed WSDL operation is likely to lead to confusion.

## 4080 **10 Notifications (Eventing)**

### 4081 **10.1 General**

4082 Management infrastructures often want to receive messages when events occur in remote  
4083 management services and applications. A mechanism for registering interest is needed because the  
4084 set of Web services interested in receiving such messages is often unknown in advance or changes  
4085 over time. This specification defines a set of operations for one management Web service (called a  
4086 "subscriber") to register interest (called a "subscription") with another management Web service  
4087 (called an "event source") in receiving messages about events (called "notifications" or "event  
4088 messages"). The subscriber may manage the subscription by interacting with a Web service (called  
4089 the "subscription manager") designated by the event source.

4090 To improve robustness, a subscription may be leased by an event source to a subscriber, and the  
4091 subscription expires over time. The subscription manager provides the ability for the subscriber to  
4092 renew or cancel the subscription before it expires.

4093 There are many mechanisms by which event sources may deliver events to event sinks. This  
4094 specification provides an extensible way for subscribers to identify the delivery mechanism they  
4095 prefer. While asynchronous, pushed delivery is defined here; the intent is that there should be no  
4096 limitation or restriction on the delivery mechanisms capable of being supported by this specification.

4097 To create, renew, and delete subscriptions, subscribers send request messages to event sources and  
4098 subscription managers.

4099 When an event source accepts a request to create a subscription, it typically does so for a given  
4100 amount of time, although an event source may accept an indefinite subscription with no time-based  
4101 expiration. If the subscription manager accepts a renewal request, it updates that amount of time.  
4102 During that time, notifications are delivered by the event source to the requested event sink. An event  
4103 source may support filtering to limit notifications that are delivered to the event sink; if it does, and a  
4104 subscribe request contains a filter, the event source sends only notifications that match the requested  
4105 filter. The event source sends notifications until one of the following happens: the subscription  
4106 manager accepts an unsubscribe request for the subscription, the subscription expires without being  
4107 renewed, or the event source cancels the subscription prematurely. In this last case, the event source  
4108 makes a best effort to indicate why the subscription ended.

4109 In the absence of reliable messaging at the application layer (for example, [WS-ReliableMessaging]),  
 4110 messages defined herein are delivered using the quality of service of the underlying transport(s) and  
 4111 on a best-effort basis at the application layer.

4112 If a managed entity emits events, it can publish those events using this publish-and-subscribe  
 4113 mechanism and paradigms.

4114 **R10.1-1:** If a resource can emit events and allows clients to subscribe to and receive notification  
 4115 messages, it shall do so by implementing the operations as specified in this clause.

4116 **R10.1-2:** If the eventing mechanism as described in this clause is supported, the  
 4117 wsme:Subscribe, wsme:Renew, and wsme:Unsubscribe messages shall be supported. The  
 4118 wsme:SubscriptionEnd message is optional. The wsme:GetStatus message in a constrained  
 4119 environment is a candidate for exclusion. If this message is not supported, then a  
 4120 wsa:ActionNotSupported fault shall be returned in response to this request.

## 4121 10.2 Subscribe

4122 In some scenarios the event source itself manages the subscriptions it has created. In other  
 4123 scenarios, for example a geographically distributed publish-and-subscribe system, it may be useful to  
 4124 delegate the management of a subscription to another Web service. To support this flexibility, the  
 4125 response to a subscription request to an event source includes the EPR of a service that the  
 4126 subscriber may interact with to manage this subscription. This EPR should be the target for future  
 4127 requests to renew or cancel the subscription. It may address the same Web service (Address and  
 4128 ReferenceParameters) as the event source itself, or it may address some other Web service to which  
 4129 the event source has delegated management of this subscription; however, the full subscription  
 4130 manager EPR (Address and ReferenceParameters) must be unique for each subscription.

4131 We use the term "subscription manager" in this specification to refer to the Web service that manages  
 4132 the subscription, whether it is the event source itself or some separate Web service.

4133 To create a subscription, a subscriber sends a request message of the following form to an event  
 4134 source:

```

4135 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
4136 (2)   <s:Header ...>
4137 (3)     <wsa:Action>
4138 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Subscribe
4139 (5)     </wsa:Action>
4140 (6)     ...
4141 (7)   </s:Header>
4142 (8)   <s:Body ...>
4143 (9)     <wsme:Subscribe ...>
4144 (10)    <wsme:EndTo>endpoint-reference</wsme:EndTo> ?
4145 (11)    <wsme:Delivery Mode="xs:anyURI"? >xs:any</wsme:Delivery>
4146 (12)    <wsme:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsme:Expires> ?
4147 (13)    <wsme:Filter Dialect="xs:anyURI"? > xs:any </wsme:Filter> ?
4148 (14)    ...
4149 (15)  </wsme:Subscribe>
4150 (16) </s:Body>
4151 (17) </s:Envelope>
  
```

4152 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

4153 /s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

4154 If a SOAP Action URI is used in the binding for SOAP, the value indicated herein shall be used  
 4155 for that URI.

- 4156 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:EndTo
- 4157 Where to send a SubscriptionEnd message if the subscription is terminated unexpectedly. If  
4158 present, this element shall be of type wsa:EndpointReferenceType. The default is not to send  
4159 this message. The endpoint referenced by this EPR shall implement a binding of the  
4160 "EndToEndPoint" portType described in ANNEX I.
- 4161 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Delivery
- 4162 A delivery destination for notification messages, using some delivery mode.
- 4163 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Delivery/@Mode
- 4164 The delivery mode to be used for notification messages sent in relation to this subscription.  
4165 Implied value is "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/DeliveryModes/Push", which  
4166 indicates that Push Mode delivery should be used.
- 4167 If the event source does not support the requested delivery mode, the request shall fail, and the  
4168 event source may generate a wsme:DeliveryModeRequestedUnavailable fault indicating that the  
4169 requested delivery mode is not supported.
- 4170 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Delivery/@Mode="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Deliv  
4171 eryModes/Push"
- 4172 The value of /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Delivery is a single element, NotifyTo, that contains the  
4173 endpoint reference to which notification messages should be sent.
- 4174 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Expires
- 4175 Requested expiration time for the subscription. (No implied value.) The event source defines the  
4176 actual expiration and is not constrained to use a time less or greater than the requested  
4177 expiration. The expiration time may be a specific time or a duration from the subscription's  
4178 creation time. Both specific times and durations are interpreted based on the event source's  
4179 clock.
- 4180 If this element does not appear, then the request is for a subscription that will not expire. That is,  
4181 the subscriber is requesting the event source to create a subscription with an indefinite lifetime. If  
4182 the event source grants such a subscription, it may be terminated by the subscriber using an  
4183 Unsubscribe request, or it may be terminated by the event source at any time for reasons such  
4184 as connection termination, resource constraints, or system shut-down.
- 4185 If the expiration time is either a zero duration or a specific time that occurs in the past according  
4186 to the event source, then the request shall fail, and the event source may generate a  
4187 InvalidExpirationTime fault indicating that an invalid expiration time was requested.
- 4188 Some event sources may not have a "wall time" clock available, and so are only able to accept  
4189 durations as expirations. If such a source receives a Subscribe request containing a specific time  
4190 expiration, then the request may fail; if so, the event source may generate an  
4191 UnsupportedExpirationType fault indicating that an unsupported expiration type was requested.
- 4192 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Filter
- 4193 A Boolean expression in some dialect, either as a string or as an XML fragment. If the  
4194 expression evaluates to false for a notification, the notification shall not be sent to the event sink.  
4195 Implied value is an expression that always returns true. If the event source does not support  
4196 filtering, then a request that specifies a filter shall fail, and the event source may generate a  
4197 wsme:FilteringNotSupported fault indicating that filtering is not supported.

- 4198 If the event source supports filtering but cannot honor the requested filtering, the request shall  
 4199 fail, and the event source may generate a wsme:FilteringRequestedUnavailable fault indicating  
 4200 that the requested filter dialect is not supported.
- 4201 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Filter/@Dialect
- 4202 Implied value is "http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116".
- 4203 While an XPath predicate expression provides great flexibility and power, alternate filter dialects  
 4204 may be defined. For instance, a simpler, less powerful dialect might be defined for resource-  
 4205 constrained implementations, or a new dialect might be defined to support filtering based on data  
 4206 not included in the notification message itself. If desired, a filter dialect could allow the definition  
 4207 of a composite filter that contained multiple filters from other dialects.
- 4208 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Filter/@Dialect=" http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116"
- 4209 Value of /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Filter is an XPath [\[XPath 1.0\]](#) predicate expression  
 4210 (PredicateExpr); the context of the expression is:
- 4211 • **Context Node:** the SOAP Envelope containing the notification
  - 4212 • **Context Position:** 1
  - 4213 • **Context Size:** 1
  - 4214 • **Variable Bindings:** None
  - 4215 • **Function Libraries:** Core Function Library [\[XPath 1.0\]](#)
  - 4216 • **Namespace Declarations:** The [in-scope namespaces] property [\[XML Infoset\]](#) of  
 4217 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Filter
- 4218 Other message information headers defined by Addressing may be included in the request and  
 4219 response messages, according to the usage and semantics defined in Addressing.
- 4220 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.
- 4221 If the event source accepts a request to create a subscription, it shall reply with a response of the  
 4222 following form:

```

4223 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
4224 (2)   <s:Header ...>
4225 (3)     <wsa:Action>
4226 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SubscribeResponse
4227 (5)     </wsa:Action>
4228 (6)   ...
4229 (7) </s:Header>
4230 (8) <s:Body ...>
4231 (9)   <wsme:SubscribeResponse ...>
4232 (10)    <wsme:SubscriptionManager>
4233 (11)      wsme:EndpointReferenceType
4234 (12)    </wsme:SubscriptionManager>
4235 (13)    <wsme:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsme:Expires>
4236 (14)    ...
4237 (15)  </wsme:SubscribeResponse>
4238 (16) </s:Body>
4239 (17) </s:Envelope>
  
```

- 4240 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:
- 4241 /s:Envelope/S:Header/wsa:RelatesTo
- 4242 Shall be the value of the wsa:MessageID of the corresponding request.
- 4243 /s:Envelope/s:Body/\*/wsme:SubscriptionManager
- 4244 The EPR of the subscription manager for this subscription.
- 4245 In some cases, it is convenient for all EPRs issued by a single event source to address a single  
4246 Web service and use a reference parameter to distinguish among the active subscriptions. For  
4247 convenience in this common situation, this specification defines a global element, Identifier of  
4248 type xs:anyURI, that may be used as a distinguishing reference parameter if desired by the  
4249 event source.
- 4250 /s:Envelope/s:Body/\*/wsme:Expires
- 4251 The expiration time assigned by the event source. The expiration time may be either an absolute  
4252 time or a duration but should be of the same type as the requested expiration (if any).
- 4253 If this element does not appear, then the subscription will not expire. That is, the subscription  
4254 has an indefinite lifetime. It may be terminated by the subscriber using an Unsubscribe request,  
4255 or it may be terminated by the event source at any time for reasons such as connection  
4256 termination, resource constraints, or system shut-down.
- 4257 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.
- 4258 If the event source chooses not to accept a subscription, the request shall fail, and the event source  
4259 may generate a wsme:EventSourceUnableToProcess fault indicating that the request was not  
4260 accepted.
- 4261 This specification does not constrain notifications because any message may be a notification.
- 4262 However, if a subscribing event sink wishes to have notifications specifically marked, it may specify  
4263 literal SOAP header blocks in the Subscribe request, in the  
4264 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsme:Subscribe/wsme:NotifyTo/wsa:ReferenceParameters elements; per  
4265 Addressing, the event source shall include each such literal SOAP header block in every notification  
4266 sent to the endpoint addressed by /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsme:Subscribe/wsme:NotifyTo.
- 4267 **10.2.1 General**
- 4268 WS-Management uses Subscribe substantially as documented here, except that the  
4269 WS-Management default addressing model is incorporated as described in 5.1.
- 4270 **R10.2.1-1:** The identity of the event source shall be based on the Addressing EPR.
- 4271 **R10.2.1-2:** If the service cannot support the requested addressing, it should return a  
4272 wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with the following detail code:
- 4273 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/AddressingMode`
- 4274 Verifying that the address is usable allows errors to be detected at the time the subscription is  
4275 created. For example, if the address cannot be reached due to firewall configuration and the service  
4276 can detect this, telling the client allows for it to be corrected immediately.
- 4277 **R10.2.1-3:** Because many delivery modes require a separate connection to deliver the event,  
4278 the service should comply with the security profiles defined in clause 11 of this specification, if  
4279 HTTP or HTTPS is used to deliver events. If no security is specified, the service may attempt to

4280 use default security mechanisms, or return a wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with the following  
4281 detail code:

4282 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InsecureAddress`

4283 Because clients might need to have client-side context sent back with each event delivery, the  
4284 NotifyTo address in the Delivery block can be used for this purpose. This NotifyTo EPR can contain  
4285 any number of client-defined reference parameters.

4286 **R10.2.1-4:** A service may validate the address by attempting a connection while the Subscribe  
4287 request is being processed to ensure delivery can occur successfully. If the service determines  
4288 that the address is not valid or permissions cannot be acquired, it should emit a  
4289 wsman:EventDeliverToUnusable fault.

4290 This situation can occur when the address is incorrect or when the event source cannot acquire  
4291 permissions to deliver events properly.

4292 **R10.2.1-5:** Any reference parameters supplied in the NotifyTo address shall be included with  
4293 each event delivery as top-level headers as specified 5.4. If EndTo is supported, this behavior  
4294 applies as well.

4295 When the default addressing model is used by the service, the ResourceURI is often used to  
4296 reference the logical event source, and selector values can additionally be used to indicate a real or  
4297 virtual log within the scope of that source, or might even be used to limit the types or groups of events  
4298 available. This action can logically overlap with the Filter mechanism in the subscription body itself, so  
4299 due consideration should be given to the interplay among the address of the event source, the types  
4300 of events it can publish, and the subscription-level filtering.

4301 If a client needs to have events delivered to more than one destination, more than one subscription is  
4302 required.

4303 **R10.2.1-6:** If the events contain localized content, the service should accept a subscription with  
4304 a wsman:Locale block acting as a hint (see 6.3) within the Delivery block of the Subscribe  
4305 message. The language is encoded in an xml:lang attribute using [RFC 5646](#) language codes.

4306 The service attempts to localize any descriptive content to the specified language when delivering  
4307 such events, which is outlined as follows:

```
4308 (1) <wsme:Subscribe>
4309 (2)   <wsme:Delivery>
4310 (3)     <wsme:NotifyTo> ... </wsme:NotifyTo>
4311 (4)     <wsman:Locale xml:lang="language-code"/>
4312 (5)   </wsme:Delivery>
4313 (6) </wsme:Subscribe>
```

4314 NOTE: In this context, the wsman:Locale element (defined in 6.3) is not a SOAP header and mustUnderstand  
4315 cannot be used.

4316 **R10.2.1-7:** The service should accept a subscription with a wsman:ContentEncoding block  
4317 within the Delivery block of the Subscribe message. This block acts as a hint to indicate how the  
4318 delivered events are to be encoded. The two standard xs:language tokens defined for this  
4319 purpose are "UTF-8" or "UTF-16", although other encoding formats may be specified if  
4320 necessary. The service should attempt to encode the events using the requested language token,  
4321 as in the following example:

4322 EXAMPLE:

```
4323 (1) <wsme:Subscribe>
4324 (2)   <wsme:Delivery>
4325 (3)     ...
```

```

4326 (4) <wsme:NotifyTo> ... </wsme:NotifyTo>
4327 (5) <wsman:ContentEncoding> UTF-16 </wsman:ContentEncoding>
4328 (6) </wsme:Delivery>
4329 (7) </wsme:Subscribe>

```

### 4330 10.2.2 Filtering

4331 Filter expression is constrained to be a Boolean predicate. To support ad hoc queries including  
 4332 projections, WS-Management defines a wsman:Filter element of exactly the same form as what is  
 4333 used in the Subscribe operation except that the filter expression is not constrained to be a Boolean  
 4334 predicate. This allows the use of subscriptions using existing query languages such as SQL and CQL,  
 4335 which combine predicate and projection information in the same syntax. The use of projections is  
 4336 defined by the filter dialect, not by WS-Management.

4337 If the filter dialect for either Filter or wsman:Filter used for the Subscribe message is  
 4338 <http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116> (the default dialect in both cases), the context node  
 4339 is the SOAP Envelope element.

4340 WS-Management defines the wsman:Filter element as a child of the Subscribe element.

4341 WS-Management defines the wsman:Filter element to allow projections, which is outlined as follows:

```

4342 (1) <wsman:Filter Dialect="xs:anyURI"?> xs:any </wsman:Filter>

```

4343 The Dialect attribute is optional. When not specified, it has the following implied value:

4344 <http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116>

4345 This dialect allows any full XPath expression or subset to be used.

4346 **R10.2.2-1:** If a service supports filtered subscriptions using Filter, it shall also support filtering  
 4347 using wsman:Filter. This rule allows client stacks to always pick the wsman XML namespace for  
 4348 the Filter element. Even though a service supports wsman:Filter, it is not required to support  
 4349 projections.

4350 **R10.2.2-2:** If a service supports filtered subscriptions using wsman:Filter, it should also support  
 4351 filtering using Filter.

4352 **R10.2.2-3:** If a Subscribe request contains both Filter and wsman:Filter, the service shall return  
 4353 a wsa:InvalidMessage fault.

4354 To allow eventing filter expressions to be defined independently of the delivery mode,  
 4355 WS-Management defines a new filter dialect that is the same as previously defined except that the  
 4356 context node is defined as the element that would be returned as the first child of the SOAP Body  
 4357 element if the Push delivery mode were used. The URI for this filter dialect is:

4358 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/filter/eventRootXPath>

4359 The context node for this expression is as follows:

- 4360 • **Context Node:** any XML element that could be returned as a direct child of the s:Body  
 4361 element if the delivery mode was Push
- 4362 • **Context Position:** 1
- 4363 • **Context Size:** 1
- 4364 • **Variable Bindings:** none
- 4365 • **Function Libraries:** Core Function Library [[XPath 1.0](#)]

- 4366       • **Namespace Declarations:** the [in-scope namespaces] property [[XML Infoset](#)] of  
4367       /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsme:Subscribe/wsman:Filter

4368       **R10.2.2-4:** Services should support this filter dialect when they want to use an XPath-based  
4369       filter, rather than the default filter dialect defined in 10.2.1.

4370       The considerations described in 8.3 regarding the [XPath 1.0](#) filter dialect also apply to the preceding  
4371       eventing filter.

4372       Resource-constrained implementations might have difficulty providing full XPath processing and yet  
4373       still want to use a subset of XPath syntax. This does not require the addition of a new dialect if the  
4374       expression specified in the filter is a true XPath expression. The use of the filter dialect URI does not  
4375       imply that the service supports the entire specification for that dialect, only that the expression  
4376       conforms to the rules of that dialect. Most services use XPath only for filtering, but they will not  
4377       support the composition of new XML or removing portions of XML that would result in the XML  
4378       fragment violating the schema of the event.

4379       EXAMPLE 1: A typical example of the use of XPath in a subscription follows. Assume that each event that would  
4380       be delivered has the following XML content:

```
4381       (1) <s:Body>
4382       (2)     <LowDiskSpaceEvent xmlns="...">
4383       (3)       <LogicalDisk>C:</LogicalDisk>
4384       (4)       <CurrentMegabytes>12</CurrentMegabytes>
4385       (5)       <Megabytes24HoursAgo>17</Megabytes24HoursAgo>
4386       (6)     </LowDiskSpaceEvent>
4387       (7) </s:Body>
```

4388       The event is wholly contained within the s:Body of the SOAP message. The anchor point for the  
4389       XPath evaluation is the first element of each event, and it does not reference the <s:Body> element  
4390       as such. The XPath expression is evaluated as if the event content were a separate XML document.

4391       EXAMPLE 2: When used for simple document processing, the following four XPath expressions "select" the  
4392       entire <LowDiskSpaceEvent> node:

```
4393       (8) /
4394       (9) /LowDiskSpaceEvent
4395       (10) ../LowDiskSpaceEvent
4396       (11) .
```

4397       If used as a "filter", this XPath expression does not filter out any instances and is the same as selecting all  
4398       instances of the event, or omitting the filter entirely.

4399       EXAMPLE 3: However, using the following syntax, the XPath expression selects the XML node only if the test  
4400       expression in brackets evaluates to logical "true":

```
4401       (1) ../LowDiskSpaceEvent[LogicalDisk="C:"]
```

4402       In this case, the event is selected if it refers to disk drive "C:"; otherwise the XML node is not selected. This  
4403       XPath expression would filter out all <LowDiskSpaceEvent> events for other drives.

4404       EXAMPLE 4: Full XPath implementations may support more complex test expressions:

```
4405       (1) ../LowDiskSpaceEvent[LogicalDisk="C:" and CurrentMegabytes < "20"]
```

4406       In essence, the XML form of the event is logically passed through the XPath processor to see if it  
4407       would be selected. If so, it is delivered as an event. If not, the event is discarded and not delivered to  
4408       the subscriber.

4409 [XPath 1.0](#) can be used simply for filtering or to send back subsets of the representation (or even the  
4410 values without XML wrappers). In cases where the result is not just filtered but is "altered," the  
4411 technique in 8.6 applies.

4412 If full XPath cannot be supported, a common subset for this purpose is described in ANNEX D of this  
4413 specification.

4414 **R10.2.2-5:** The wsman:Filter element shall contain either simple text or a single XML element  
4415 of a single or complex type. A service should reject any filter with mixed content or multiple peer  
4416 XML elements using a wsme:EventSourceUnableToProcess fault.

4417 **R10.2.2-6:** A conformant service may not support the entire syntax and processing power of  
4418 the specified filter dialect. The only requirement is that the specified filter is syntactically correct  
4419 within the definition of the dialect. Subsets are therefore legal. If the specified filter exceeds the  
4420 capability of the service, the service should return a wsman:CannotProcessFilter fault with text  
4421 explaining why the filter was problematic.

4422 **R10.2.2-7:** If a service requires complex initialization parameters in addition to the filter, these  
4423 should be part of the wsman:Filter block because they logically form part of the filter initialization,  
4424 even if some of the parameters are not strictly used in the filtering process. In this case, a unique  
4425 dialect URI shall be devised for the event source and the schema and usage published.

4426 **R10.2.2-8:** If the service supports composition of new XML or filtering to the point where the  
4427 resultant event would not conform to the original schema for that event, the event delivery should  
4428 be wrapped in the same way as content for the fragment-level access operations (see 7.7).

4429 Events, regardless of how they are filtered or reduced, need to conform to some kind of XML schema  
4430 definition when they are actually delivered. Simply sending out unwrapped XML fragments during  
4431 delivery is not legal.

4432 **R10.2.2-9:** If the service requires specific initialization XML in addition to the filter to formulate  
4433 a subscription, this initialization XML shall form part of the filter body and be documented as part  
4434 of the filter dialect.

4435 This rule promotes a consistent location for initialization content, which may be logically seen as part  
4436 of the filter. The filter XML schema is more understandable if it separates the initialization and filtering  
4437 parts into separate XML elements.

4438 For information about filtering over enumerations, see 8.3.

### 4439 10.2.3 Connection Retries

4440 Due to the nature of event delivery, the subscriber might not be reachable at event-time. Rather than  
4441 terminate all subscriptions immediately, typically the service attempts to connect several times with  
4442 suitable timeouts before giving up.

4443 **R10.2.3-1:** A service may observe any connection retry policy or allow the subscriber to define  
4444 it by including the following wsman:ConnectionRetry element in a subscription. If the service does  
4445 not accept the wsman:ConnectionRetry element, it should return a wsman:UnsupportedFeature  
4446 fault with the following detail code:

4447 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/DeliveryRetries`

4448 This only applies to failures to *connect* and does not include replay of actual SOAP deliveries.

```
4449 (1) <wsme:Subscribe>
4450 (2)   <wsme:Delivery>
4451 (3)     <wsme:NotifyTo> ... </wsme:NotifyTo>
4452 (4)     <wsman:ConnectionRetry Total="count"> xs:duration
```

```

4453     </wsman:ConnectionRetry>
4454 (5)    </wsme:Delivery>
4455 (6)    </wsme:Subscribe>

```

4456 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

4457 wsman:ConnectionRetry

4458 an xs:duration for how long to wait between retries while trying to connect

4459 wsman:ConnectionRetry/@Total

4460 how many retries to attempt, observing the specified interval between the attempts

4461 **R10.2.3-2:** If the retry counts are exhausted, the subscription should be considered abnormally  
4462 terminated.

4463 The retry mechanism applies only to attempts to connect. Failures to deliver on an established  
4464 connection can result in terminating the connection according to the rules of the transport in use, and  
4465 terminating the subscription. Other Web services mechanisms can be used to synthesize reliable  
4466 delivery or safe replay of the actual deliveries.

#### 4467 10.2.4 SubscribeResponse

4468 The service returns any service-specific reference parameters in the SubscriptionManager EPR, and  
4469 these are included by the subscriber (client) later when issuing Unsubscribe and Renew messages.

4470 **R10.2.4-1:** In SubscribeResponse, the service may specify any EPR for the  
4471 SubscriptionManager. However, it is recommended that the address contain the same wsa:To  
4472 address as the original Subscribe request and differ only in other parts of the address, such as  
4473 the reference parameters.

4474 **R10.2.4-2:** A conformant service may not return the Expires field in the response, but, as  
4475 specified in 10.2, this implies that the subscription does not expire until explicitly canceled.

#### 4476 10.2.5 Heartbeats

4477 A typical problem with event subscriptions is a situation in which no event traffic occurs. It is difficult  
4478 for clients to know whether no events matching the subscription have occurred or whether the  
4479 subscription has simply failed and the client was not able to receive any notification.

4480 Because of this, WS-Management defines a "heartbeat" pseudo-event that can be sent periodically  
4481 for any subscription. This event is sent if no regular events occur so that the client knows the  
4482 subscription is still active. If the heartbeat event does not arrive, the client knows that connectivity is  
4483 bad or that the subscription has expired, and it can take corrective action.

4484 The heartbeat event is sent *in place* of the events that would have occurred and is *never* intermixed  
4485 with "real" events. In all modes, including batched, it occurs alone.

4486 To request heartbeat events as part of a subscription, the Subscribe request has an additional field in  
4487 the Delivery section:

```

4488 (1)    <wsme:Delivery>
4489 (2)    ...
4490 (3)    <wsman:Heartbeats> xs:duration </wsman:Heartbeats>
4491 (4)    ...
4492 (5)    </wsme:Delivery>

```

4493 wsman:Heartbeats specifies that heartbeat events are added to the event stream at the specified  
4494 interval.

4495 **R10.2.5-1:** A service should support heartbeat events. If the service does not support them, it  
4496 shall return a wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with the following detail code:

4497 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Heartbeats`

4498 Heartbeats apply to all delivery modes.

4499 Heartbeats apply to "pull" mode deliveries as well, in that they are a hint to the publisher about how  
4500 often to expect a Pull request. The service can refuse to deliver events if the client does not regularly  
4501 call back at the heartbeat interval. If no events are available at the heartbeat interval, the service  
4502 simply includes a heartbeat event as the result of the Pull.

4503 **R10.2.5-2:** While a subscription with heartbeats is active, the service shall ensure that either  
4504 real events or heartbeats are sent out within the specified wsman:Heartbeat interval. The service  
4505 may send out heartbeats at this interval in addition to the events, as long as the heartbeat events  
4506 are sent separately (not batched with other events). The goal is to ensure that some kind of event  
4507 traffic always occurs within the heartbeat interval.

4508 **R10.2.5-3:** A conformant service may send out heartbeats at earlier intervals than specified in  
4509 the subscription. However, the events should not be intermixed with other events when batching  
4510 delivery modes are used. Typically, heartbeats are sent out *only when no real events occur*. A  
4511 service may fail to produce heartbeats at the specified interval if real events have been delivered.

4512 **R10.2.5-4:** A conformant service shall not send out heartbeats asynchronously to any event  
4513 deliveries already in progress. They shall be delivered in sequence like any other events,  
4514 although they are delivered alone as single events or as the only event in a batch.

4515 In practice, heartbeat events are based on a countdown timer. If no events occur, the heartbeat is  
4516 sent out alone. However, every time a real event is delivered, the heartbeat countdown timer is reset.  
4517 If a steady stream of events occurs, heartbeats might never be delivered.

4518 Heartbeats need to be acknowledged like any other event if one of the acknowledged delivery modes  
4519 is in effect.

4520 The client assumes that the subscription is no longer active if no heartbeats are received within the  
4521 specified interval, so the service can proceed to cancel the subscription and send any requested  
4522 SubscriptionEnd messages, because the client will likely resubscribe shortly. Used in combination  
4523 with bookmarks (see 10.2.6), heartbeats can achieve highly reliable delivery with known latency  
4524 behavior.

4525 The heartbeat event itself is simply an event message with no body and is identified by its wsa:Action  
4526 URI as follows:

```
4527 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
4528 (2)   <s:Header>
4529 (3)     <wsa:To> .... </wsa:To>
4530 (4)     <wsa:Action s:mustUnderstand="true">
4531 (5)       http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Heartbeat
4532 (6)     </wsa:Action>
4533 (7)     ...
4534 (8)   </s:Header>
4535 (9)   <s:Body/>
4536 (10) </s:Envelope>
```

4537 **10.2.6 Bookmarks**

4538 Reliable delivery of events is difficult to achieve, so management subscribers need to have a way to  
 4539 be certain of receiving all events from a source. When subscriptions expire or when deliveries fail,  
 4540 windows of time can occur in which the client cannot be certain whether critical events have occurred.  
 4541 Rather than using a highly complex, transacted delivery model, WS-Management defines a simple  
 4542 mechanism for ensuring that all events are delivered or that dropped events can be detected.

4543 This mechanism requires event sources to be backed by logs, whether short-term or long-term. The  
 4544 client subscribes in the same way as a normal Subscribe operation, and specifies that bookmarks are  
 4545 to be used. The service then sends a new bookmark with each event delivery, which the client is  
 4546 responsible for persisting. This bookmark is essentially a context or a pointer to the logical event  
 4547 stream location that matches the subscription filter. As each new delivery occurs, the client updates  
 4548 the bookmark in its own space. If the subscription expires or is terminated unexpectedly, the client  
 4549 can subscribe again, using the last known bookmark. In essence, the subscription filter identifies the  
 4550 desired set of events, and the bookmark tells the service where to start in the log. The client may then  
 4551 pick up where it left off.

4552 This mechanism is immune to transaction problems, because the client can simply start from any of  
 4553 several recent bookmarks. The only requirement for the service is to have some type of persistent log  
 4554 in which to apply the bookmark. If the submitted bookmark is too old (temporally or positionally within  
 4555 the log), the service can fault the request, and at least the client reliably knows that events have been  
 4556 dropped.

4557 **R10.2.6-1:** A conformant service may support the WS-Management bookmark mechanism. If  
 4558 the service does not support bookmarks, it should return a wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with  
 4559 the following detail code:

4560 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Bookmarks`

4561 To request bookmark services, the client includes the wsman:SendBookmarks element in the  
 4562 Subscribe request as follows:

```
4563 (1) <s:Body>
4564 (2)   <wsme:Subscribe>
4565 (3)     <wsme:Delivery>
4566 (4)       ...
4567 (5)     </wsme:Delivery>
4568 (6)   <wsman:SendBookmarks/>
4569 (7) </wsme:Subscribe>
4570 (8) </s:Body>
```

4571 wsman:SendBookmarks instructs the service to send a bookmark with each event delivery.  
 4572 Bookmarks apply to all delivery modes.

4573 The bookmark is a token that represents an abstract pointer in the event stream, but whether it points  
 4574 to the last delivered event or the last event plus one (the upcoming event) makes no difference  
 4575 because the token is supplied to the same implementation during a subsequent Subscribe operation.  
 4576 The service can thus attach any service-specific meaning and structure to the bookmark with no  
 4577 change to the client.

4578 If bookmarks are requested, each event delivery contains a new bookmark value as a SOAP header,  
 4579 as shown in the following outline. The format of the bookmark is entirely determined by the service  
 4580 and is treated as an opaque value by the client.

```
4581 (1) <s:Envelope
4582 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
4583 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
4584 (4)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd">
```

```

4585 (5) <s:Header>
4586 (6) <wsa:To s:mustUnderstand="true">http://2.3.4.5/client</wsa:To>
4587 (7) ...
4588 (8) <wsman:Bookmark> xs:any </wsman:Bookmark>
4589 (9) ...
4590 (10) </s:Header>
4591 (11) <s:Body>
4592 (12) ...event content...
4593 (13) </s:Body>
4594 (14) </s:Envelope>

```

4595 wsman:Bookmark contains XML content supplied by the service that indicates the logical position of  
4596 this event or event batch in the event stream implied by the subscription.

4597 **R10.2.6-2:** If bookmarks are supported, the wsman:Bookmark element content shall be either  
4598 simple text or a single complex XML element. A conformant service shall not accept mixed  
4599 content of both text and elements, or multiple peer XML elements, under the wsman:Bookmark  
4600 element.

4601 **R10.2.6-3:** If bookmarks are supported, the service shall use a wsman:Bookmark element in  
4602 the header to send an updated bookmark with each event delivery. Bookmarks accompany only  
4603 event deliveries and are not part of any SubscriptionEnd message.

4604 After the subscription has terminated, for whatever reason, a subsequent Subscribe message on the  
4605 part of the client can include the bookmark in the subscription request. The service then knows where  
4606 to start.

4607 The last-known bookmark received by the client is added to the Subscribe message as a new block,  
4608 positioned after the child elements of Subscribe, as in the following outline:

```

4609 (1) <s:Body>
4610 (2) <wsme:Subscribe>
4611 (3) <wsme:Delivery> ... </wsme:Delivery>
4612 (4) <wsme:Expires> ... </wsme:Expires>
4613 (5) <wsman:Filter> ... </wsman:Filter>
4614 (6) <wsman:Bookmark>
4615 (7) ...last known bookmark from a previous delivery...
4616 (8) </wsman:Bookmark>
4617 (9) <wsman:SendBookmarks/>
4618 (10) </wsme:Subscribe>
4619 (11) </s:Body>

```

4620 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

4621 wsman:Bookmark

4622 arbitrary XML content previously supplied by the service as a wsman:Bookmark during event  
4623 deliveries from a previous subscription

4624 wsman:SendBookmarks

4625 an instruction to continue delivering updated bookmarks with each event delivery

4626 **R10.2.6-4:** The bookmark is a pointer to the last event delivery or batched delivery. The service  
4627 shall resume delivery at the first event or events after the event represented by the bookmark.  
4628 The service shall not replay events associated with the bookmark or skip any events since the  
4629 bookmark.

4630 **R10.2.6-5:** The service may support a short queue of previous bookmarks, allowing the  
4631 subscriber to start using any of several previous bookmarks. If bookmarks are supported, the

4632 service is required only to support the most recent bookmark for which delivery had apparently  
4633 succeeded.

4634 **R10.2.6-6:** If the bookmark cannot be honored, the service shall fault with a  
4635 wsman:InvalidBookmark fault with one of the following detail codes:

4636 • bookmark has expired (the source is not able to back up and replay from that point):

4637 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Expired>

4638 • format is unknown:

4639 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidFormat>

4640 If multiple new subscriptions are made using a previous bookmark, the service can allow multiple  
4641 reuse or may limit bookmarks to a single subscriber, and can even restrict how long bookmarks can  
4642 be used before becoming invalid.

4643 The following predefined, reserved bookmark value indicates that the subscription starts at the  
4644 earliest possible point in the event stream backed by the publisher:

4645 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/bookmark/earliest>

4646 If a subscription is received with this bookmark, the event source replays all possible events that  
4647 match the filter and any events that subsequently occur for that event source. The absence of any  
4648 bookmark means "begin at the next available event".

4649 **R10.2.6-7:** A conformant service may support the reserved bookmark  
4650 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/bookmark/earliest> and not support any other type  
4651 of bookmark. If the <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/bookmark/earliest> bookmark  
4652 is supported, the event source should send all previous and future events that match the filter  
4653 starting with the earliest such event.

## 4654 10.2.7 Delivery Modes

4655 While the general pattern of asynchronous, event-based messages is extremely common, different  
4656 applications often require different event message delivery mechanisms. For instance, in some cases  
4657 a simple asynchronous message is optimal, while other situations may work better if the event  
4658 consumer can poll for event messages in order to control the flow and timing of message arrival.  
4659 Some consumers require event messages to be wrapped in a standard "event" SOAP envelope,  
4660 while others prefer messages to be delivered unwrapped. Some consumers may require event  
4661 messages to be delivered reliably, while others may be willing to accept best-effort event delivery.

4662 In order to support this broad variety of event delivery requirements, this specification introduces an  
4663 abstraction called a Delivery Mode. This concept is used as an extension point, so that event sources  
4664 and event consumers may freely create new delivery mechanisms that are tailored to their specific  
4665 requirements. This specification provides a minimal amount of support for delivery mode negotiation  
4666 by allowing an event source to provide a list of supported delivery modes in response to a  
4667 subscription request specifying a delivery mode it does not support.

4668 A WS-Management implementation can support a variety of event delivery modes.

4669 In essence, delivery consists of the following items:

- 4670 • a delivery mode (how events are packaged)
- 4671 • an address (the transport and network location)
- 4672 • an authentication profile to use when connecting or delivering the events (security)

4673 The standard security profiles are discussed in clause 12 and may be required for subscriptions if the  
4674 service needs hints or other indications of which security model to use at event-time.

4675 If the delivery mode is supported but not actually usable due to firewall configuration, the service can  
4676 return a wsme:DeliveryModeRequestedUnavailable fault with additional detail to this effect.

4677 **R10.2.7-1:** For any given transport, a conformant service should support at least one of the  
4678 following delivery modes to interoperate with standard clients:

4679 `http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/DeliveryModes/Push`

4680 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/PushWithAck`

4681 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events`

4682 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Pull`

4683 The delivery mode does *not* imply any specific transport.

4684 Modes describe SOAP message behavior and are unrelated to the transport that is in use. A delivery  
4685 mode implies a specific SOAP message format, so a message that deviates from that format requires  
4686 a new delivery mode.

4687 **R10.2.7-2:** The NotifyTo address in the Subscribe message shall support only a single delivery  
4688 mode.

4689 This requirement is for the client because the service cannot verify whether this statement is true. If  
4690 this requirement is not observed by the client, the service might not operate correctly. If the  
4691 subscriber supports multiple delivery modes, the NotifyTo address needs to be differentiated in some  
4692 way, such as by adding an additional reference parameter.

### 4693 **10.2.8 Event Action URI**

4694 Typically, each event type has its own wsa:Action URI to quickly identify and route the event. If an  
4695 event type does not define its own wsa:Action URI, the following URI can be used as a default:

4696 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Event`

4697 This URI can be used in cases where event types are inferred in real-time from other sources and not  
4698 published as Web service events, and thus do not have a designated wsa:Action URI. This  
4699 specification places no restrictions on the wsa:Action URI for events. More specific URIs can act as a  
4700 reliable dispatching point. In many cases, a fixed schema can serve to model many different types of  
4701 events, in which case the event "ID" is simply a field in the XML content of the event. The URI in this  
4702 case might reflect the schema and be undifferentiated for all of the various event IDs that might occur  
4703 or it might reflect the specific event by suffixing the event ID to the wsa:Action URI. This specification  
4704 places no restrictions on the granularity of the URI, but careful consideration of these issues is part of  
4705 designing the URIs for events.

### 4706 **10.2.9 Delivery Sequencing and Acknowledgement**

4707 The delivery mode indicates how the service will exchange events with interested parties. This clause  
4708 describes delivery modes in detail.

4709 **10.2.9.1 General**

4710 For some event types, ordered and acknowledged delivery is important, but for other types of events  
4711 the order of arrival is not significant. WS-Management defines four standard delivery modes:

- 4712 • <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/DeliveryModes/Push>

4713 With this mode, each SOAP message has only one event and no acknowledgement or  
4714 SOAP response. The service can deliver events for the subscription asynchronously without  
4715 regard to any events already in transit. This mode is useful when the order of events does  
4716 not matter, such as with events containing running totals in which each new event can  
4717 replace the previous one completely and the time stamp is sufficient for identifying the most  
4718 recent event.

- 4719 • <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/PushWithAck>

4720 With this mode, each SOAP message has only one event, but each event is acknowledged  
4721 before another is sent. The service queues all undelivered events for the subscription and  
4722 delivers each new event only after the previous one has been acknowledged.

- 4723 • <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events>

4724 With this mode, each SOAP message can have many events, but each batch is  
4725 acknowledged before another is sent. The service queues all events for the subscription  
4726 and delivers them in that order, maintaining the order in the batches.

- 4727 • <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Pull>

4728 With this mode, each SOAP message can have many events, but each batch is  
4729 acknowledged. Because the receiver uses Pull to synchronously retrieve the events,  
4730 acknowledgement is implicit. The order of delivery is maintained.

4731 Ordering of events across subscriptions is not implied.

4732 The acknowledgement model is discussed in 10.8.

4733 **10.2.9.2 Push Mode**

4734 The standard delivery mode is  
4735 <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/DeliveryModes/Push>, in which each delivery  
4736 consists of a single event. No acknowledgement occurs, so the delivery cannot be faulted to cancel  
4737 the subscription.

4738 Therefore, subscriptions made with this delivery mode can have short durations to prevent a situation  
4739 in which deliveries cannot be stopped if the SubscriptionManager content from the  
4740 SubscribeResponse information is corrupted or lost.

4741 To promote fast routing of events, the required wsa:Action URI in each event message can be distinct  
4742 for each event type, regardless of how strongly typed the event body is.

4743 **R10.2.9.2-1:** A service may support the  
4744 <http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/DeliveryModes/Push> delivery mode.

4745 **R10.2.9.2-2:** To precisely control how to deal with events that are too large, the service may  
4746 accept the following additional instruction in a subscription:

```
4747 (1) <wsme:Delivery>
4748 (2)   <wsme:NotifyTo> ... </wsme:NotifyTo>
4749 (3)   ...
4750 (4)   <wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize Policy="enumConstant">
4751 (5)     xs:positiveInteger
```

```

4752 (6) </wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize>
4753 (7) ...
4754 (8) </wsme:Delivery>

```

4755 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

4756 wsme:Delivery/wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize

4757 the maximum number of octets for the entire SOAP envelope in a single event delivery

4758 wsme:Delivery/wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize/@Policy

4759 an optional value with one of the following enumeration values:

- 4760 • **CancelSubscription:** cancel on the first oversized event
- 4761 • **Skip:** silently skip oversized events
- 4762 • **Notify:** notify the subscriber that events were dropped as specified in 10.9

4763 **R10.2.9.2-3:** If wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize is requested, the service shall not send an event  
 4764 body larger than the specified limit. The default behavior is to notify the subscriber as specified in  
 4765 10.9, unless otherwise instructed in the subscription, and to attempt to continue delivery. If the  
 4766 event exceeds any internal default maximums, the service should also attempt to notify as  
 4767 specified in 10.9 rather than terminate the subscription, unless otherwise specified in the  
 4768 subscription. If wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize is too large for the service, the service shall return a  
 4769 wsman:EncodingLimit fault with the following detail code:

4770 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxEnvelopeSize>

4771 In the absence of any other Policy instructions, services are to deliver notifications of dropped events  
 4772 to subscribers, as specified in 10.9.

### 4773 10.2.9.3 PushWithAck Mode

4774 This delivery mode is identical to the standard "Push" mode except that each delivery is  
 4775 acknowledged. Each delivery still has one event, and the wsa:Action element indicates the event  
 4776 type. However, a SOAP-based acknowledgement occurs as described in 10.7.

4777 The delivery mode URI is:

4778 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/PushWithAck>

4779 In every other respect except the delivery mode URI, this mode is identical to Push mode as  
 4780 described in 10.2.9.2.

4781 **R10.2.9.3-1:** A service should support the  
 4782 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/PushWithAck> delivery mode. If the delivery mode  
 4783 is not supported, the service should return a fault of wsme:DeliveryModeRequestedUnavailable.

### 4784 10.2.9.4 Batched Delivery Mode

4785 Batching events is an effective way to minimize event traffic from a high-volume event source without  
 4786 sacrificing event timeliness. WS-Management defines a custom event delivery mode that allows an  
 4787 event source to bundle multiple outgoing event messages into a single SOAP envelope. Delivery is  
 4788 always acknowledged, using the model defined in 10.7.

4789 **R10.2.9.4-1:** A service may support the <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events>  
 4790 delivery mode. If the delivery mode is not supported, the service should return a fault of  
 4791 wsme:DeliveryModeRequestedUnavailable.

4792 For this delivery mode, the Delivery element has the following format:

```

4793 (1) <wsme:Delivery Mode="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events">
4794 (2)   <wsme:NotifyTo>
4795 (3)     wsa:EndpointReferenceType
4796 (4)   </wsme:NotifyTo>
4797 (5)   <wsman:MaxElements> xs:positiveInteger </wsman:MaxElements> ?
4798 (6)   <wsman:MaxTime> xs:duration </wsman:MaxTime> ?
4799 (7)   <wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize Policy="enumConstant">
4800 (8)     xs:positiveInteger
4801 (9)   </wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize> ?
4802 (10) </wsme:Delivery>

```

4803 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

4804 wsme:Delivery/@Mode

4805 required attribute that shall be defined as

4806 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events`

4807 wsme:Delivery/wsme:NotifyTo

4808 required element that shall contain the EPR to which event messages are to be sent for this  
4809 subscription

4810 wsme:Delivery/wsman:MaxElements

4811 optional element that contains a positive integer that indicates the maximum number of event  
4812 bodies to batch into a single SOAP envelope

4813 The resource shall not deliver more than this number of items in a single delivery, although it  
4814 may deliver fewer.

4815 wsme:Delivery/wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize

4816 optional element that contains a positive integer that indicates the maximum number of octets in  
4817 the SOAP envelope used to deliver the events

4818 wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize/@Policy

4819 an optional attribute with one of the following enumeration values:

- 4820 • **CancelSubscription:** cancel on the first oversized event
- 4821 • **Skip:** silently skip oversized events
- 4822 • **Notify:** notify the subscriber that events were dropped as specified in 10.9

4823 wsme:Delivery/wsman:MaxTime

4824 optional element that contains a duration that indicates the maximum amount of time the service  
4825 should allow to elapse while batching Event bodies

4826 This time may not be exceeded between the encoding of the first event in the batch and the  
4827 dispatching of the batch for delivery. Some publisher implementations may choose more  
4828 complex schemes in which different events included in the subscription are delivered at different  
4829 latencies or at different priorities. In such cases, a specific filter dialect can be designed for the  
4830 purpose and used to describe the instructions to the publisher. In such cases, wsman:MaxTime  
4831 can be omitted if it is not applicable; if present, however, it serves as an override of anything  
4832 defined within the filter.

4833 In the absence of any other instructions in any part of the subscription, services are to deliver  
4834 notifications of dropped events to subscribers, as specified in 10.9.

4835 If a client wants to discover the appropriate values for wsman:MaxElements or  
4836 wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize, the client can query for service-specific metadata. The format of such  
4837 metadata is beyond the scope of this particular specification.

4838 **R10.2.9.4-2:** If batched mode is requested in a Subscribe message, and MaxElements,  
4839 MaxEnvelopeSize, and MaxTime elements are not present, the service may pick any applicable  
4840 defaults. The following faults apply:

4841 • If MaxElements is not supported, wsman:UnsupportedFeature is returned with the following  
4842 fault detail code:

4843 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxElements`

4844 • If MaxEnvelopeSize is not supported, wsman:UnsupportedFeature is returned with the  
4845 following fault detail code:

4846 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxEnvelopeSize`

4847 • If MaxTime is not supported, wsman:UnsupportedFeature is returned with the following fault  
4848 detail code:

4849 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxTime`

4850 • If MaxEnvelopeSize/@Policy is not supported, wsman:UnsupportedFeature is returned with  
4851 the following fault detail code:

4852 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxEnvelopePolicy`

4853 **R10.2.9.4-3:** If wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize is requested, the service shall not send an event  
4854 body larger than the specified limit. The default behavior is to notify the subscriber as specified in  
4855 10.9, unless otherwise instructed in the subscription, and to attempt to continue delivery. If the  
4856 event exceeds any internal default maximums, the service should also attempt notification as  
4857 specified in 10.9 rather than terminate the subscription, unless otherwise specified in the  
4858 subscription.

4859 If a subscription has been created using batched mode, all event delivery messages shall have  
4860 the following format:

```

4861 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
4862 (2)   <s:Header>
4863 (3)     ...
4864 (4)     <wsa:Action>
4865 (5)       http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events
4866 (6)     </wsa:Action>
4867 (7)     ...
4868 (8)   </s:Header>
4869 (9)   <s:Body>
4870 (10)    <wsman:Events>
4871 (11)      <wsman:Event Action="event action URI">
4872 (12)        ...event body...
4873 (13)      </wsman:Event> +
4874 (14)    </wsman:Events>
4875 (15)  </s:Body>
4876 (16) </s:Envelope>

```

4877 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

4878 s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

4879 required element that shall be defined as

4880 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events`

4881 s:Envelope/s:Body/wsman:Events/wsman:Event

4882 required elements that shall contain the body of the corresponding event message, as if  
4883 wsman:Event were the s:Body element

4884 s:Envelope/s:Body/wsman:Events/wsman:Event/@Action

4885 required attribute that shall contain the wsa:Action URI that would have been used for the  
4886 contained event message

4887 **R10.2.9.4-4:** If batched mode is requested, deliveries shall be acknowledged as described in  
4888 10.7.

4889 Dropped events (as specified in 10.9) are encoded with any other events.

4890 EXAMPLE: The following example shows batching parameters supplied to a Subscribe operation. The  
4891 service is instructed to send no more than 10 items per batch, to wait no more than 20 seconds from the  
4892 time the first event is encoded until the entire batch is dispatched, and to include no more than 8192 octets  
4893 in the SOAP message.

```
4894 (1) ...
4895 (2) <wsme:Delivery
4896 (3)   Mode="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events">
4897 (4)   <wsme:NotifyTo>
4898 (5)     <wsa:Address>http://2.3.4.5/client</wsa:Address>
4899 (6)   </wsme:NotifyTo>
4900 (7)   <wsman:MaxElements>10</wsman:MaxElements>
4901 (8)   <wsman:MaxTime>PT20S</wsman:MaxTime>
4902 (9)   <wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize>8192</wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize>
4903 (10) </wsme:Delivery>
```

4904 EXAMPLE: Following is an example of batched delivery that conforms to this specification:

```
4905 (1) <s:Envelope
4906 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
4907 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing"
4908 (4)   xmlns:wsman="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd"
4909 (5)   xmlns:wsme="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing">
4910 (6) <s:Header>
4911 (7)   <wsa:To s:mustUnderstand="true">http://2.3.4.5/client</wsa:To>
4912 (8)   <wsa:Action>
4913 (9)     http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events
4914 (10)   </wsa:Action>
4915 (11)   ...
4916 (12) </s:Header>
4917 (13) <s:Body>
4918 (14)   <wsman:Events>
4919 (15)     <wsman:Event
4920 (16)       Action="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/2005/02/diskspacechange">
4921 (17)       <DiskChange
4922 (18)         xmlns="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/2005/02/diskspacechange">
4923 (19)         <Drive> C: </Drive>
4924 (20)         <FreeSpace> 802012911 </FreeSpace>
```

```

4925 (21) </DiskChange>
4926 (22) </wsman:Event>
4927 (23) <wsman:Event
4928 (24)   Action="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/2005/02/diskspacechange">
4929 (25)   <DiskChange
4930 (26)     xmlns="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/2005/02/diskspacechange">
4931 (27)     <Drive> D: </Drive>
4932 (28)     <FreeSpace> 1402012913 </FreeSpace>
4933 (29)   </DiskChange>
4934 (30) </wsman:Event>
4935 (31) </wsman:Events>
4936 (32) </s:Body>
4937 (33) </s:Envelope>

```

4938 The Action URI in line 9 specifies that this is a batch that contains distinct events. The individual  
 4939 event bodies are at lines 15–22 and lines 23–30. The actual Action attribute for the individual events  
 4940 is an attribute of the wsman:Event wrapper.

#### 4941 10.2.9.5 Pull Delivery Mode

4942 In some circumstances, polling for events is an effective way of controlling data flow and balancing  
 4943 timeliness against processing ability. Also, in some cases, network restrictions prevent "push" modes  
 4944 from being used; that is, the service cannot initiate a connection to the subscriber.

4945 WS-Management defines a custom event delivery mode, "pull mode," which allows an event source  
 4946 to maintain a logical queue of event messages received by enumeration. This delivery mode borrows  
 4947 the Pull message to retrieve events from the logical queue. However, all of the other pub/sub  
 4948 operations defined in this clause can continue to be used. (For example, Unsubscribe, rather than  
 4949 Release, is used to cancel a subscription.)

4950 For this delivery mode, the Delivery element has the following format:

```

4951 (1) <wsme:Delivery Mode="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Pull">
4952 (2)   ...
4953 (3) </wsme:Delivery>

```

4954 wsme:Delivery/@Mode shall be

4955 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Pull`

4956 **R10.2.9.5-1:** A service may support the `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Pull`  
 4957 delivery mode. If pull mode is requested but not supported, the service shall return a fault of  
 4958 `wsme:DeliveryModeRequestedUnavailable`.

4959 `wsman:MaxElements`, `wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize`, and `wsman:MaxTime` do not apply in the Subscribe  
 4960 message when using this delivery mode because the Pull message contains all of the necessary  
 4961 functionality for controlling the batching and timing of the responses.

4962 **R10.2.9.5-2:** If a subscription incorrectly specifies parameters that are not compatible with pull  
 4963 mode, the service should issue a `wsman:UnsupportedFeature` fault with the following detail code:

4964 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FormatMismatch`

4965 **R10.2.9.5-3:** If pull mode is requested in a Subscribe message and the event source accepts  
 4966 the subscription request, the `SubscribeResponse` element in the REPLY message shall contain  
 4967 an `EnumerationContext` element suitable for use in a subsequent Pull operation.

4968 EXAMPLE:

```

4969 (1) <s:Body ...>
4970 (2)   <wsme:SubscribeResponse ...>
4971 (3)     <wsme:SubscriptionManager>
4972 (4)       wsa:EndpointReferenceType
4973 (5)     </wsme:SubscriptionManager>
4974 (6)     <wsme:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsme:Expires>
4975 (7)     <wsme:EnumerationContext>...</wsme:EnumerationContext>
4976 (8)     ...
4977 (9)   </wsme:SubscribeResponse>
4978 (10) </s:Body>

```

4979 The subscriber extracts the EnumerationContext and uses it thereafter in Pull requests.

4980 **R10.2.9.5-4:** If pull mode is active, Pull messages shall use the EPR of the subscription  
 4981 manager obtained from the SubscribeResponse message. The EPR reference parameters are of  
 4982 a service-specific addressing model, but may use the WS-Management default addressing model  
 4983 if it is suitable.

4984 **R10.2.9.5-5:** If pull mode is active and a Pull request returns no events (because none have  
 4985 occurred since the last "pull"), the service should return a wsman:TimedOut fault. The  
 4986 EnumerationContext is still considered active, and the subscriber may continue to issue Pull  
 4987 requests with the most recent EnumerationContext for which event deliveries actually occurred.

4988 **R10.2.9.5-6:** If pull mode is active and a Pull request returns events, the service may return an  
 4989 updated EnumerationContext as specified for Pull, and the subscriber is expected to use the  
 4990 update, if any, in the subsequent Pull, as specified for the Enumeration operations. Bookmarks, if  
 4991 active, may also be returned in the header and shall also be updated by the service.

4992 In practice, the service might not actually change the EnumerationContext, but the client cannot  
 4993 depend on it remaining constant. It is updated conceptually, if not actually.

4994 In pull mode, the Pull request controls the batching. If no defaults are specified, the batch size is 1  
 4995 and the maximum envelope size and timeouts are service-defined.

4996 **R10.2.9.5-7:** If pull mode is active, the service shall not return an EndOfSequence element in  
 4997 the event stream because no concept of a "last event" exists in this mode. Rather, the  
 4998 enumeration context should become invalid if the subscription expires or is canceled for any  
 4999 reason.

5000 **R10.2.9.5-8:** If pull mode is used, the service shall accept the wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize used  
 5001 in the Pull as the limitation on the event size that can be delivered.

5002 The batching properties used in batched mode do not apply to pull mode. The client controls the  
 5003 maximum event size using the normal mechanisms in Pull.

### 5004 10.3 GetStatus

5005 To get the status of a subscription, the subscriber sends a request of the following form to the  
 5006 subscription manager:

```

5007 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
5008 (2)   <s:Header ...>
5009 (3)     <wsa:Action>
5010 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/GetStatus
5011 (5)     </wsa:Action>
5012 (6)     ...
5013 (7)   </s:Header>
5014 (8)   <s:Body ...>

```

```

5015 (9) <wsme:GetStatus ...>
5016 (10) ...
5017 (11) </wsme:GetStatus>
5018 (12) </s:Body>
5019 (13) </s:Envelope>

```

5020 Components of the preceding outline are additionally constrained as for a request to renew a  
 5021 subscription. Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this  
 5022 specification.

5023 If the subscription is valid and has not expired, the subscription manager shall reply with a response  
 5024 of the following form:

```

5025 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
5026 (2) <s:Header ...>
5027 (3) <wsa:Action>
5028 (4) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/GetStatusResponse
5029 (5) </wsa:Action>
5030 (6) ...
5031 (7) </s:Header>
5032 (8) <s:Body ...>
5033 (9) <wsme:GetStatusResponse ...>
5034 (10) <wsme:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsme:Expires> ?
5035 (11) ...
5036 (12) </wsme:GetStatusResponse>
5037 (13) </s:Body>
5038 (14) </s:Envelope>

```

5039 Components of the preceding outline are constrained as for a response to a renew request. Other  
 5040 components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

5041 The wsme:GetStatus message is optional for WS-Management.

5042 **R10.3-1:** The wse:GetStatus message in a constrained environment is a candidate for exclusion.  
 5043 If this message is not supported, then a wsa:ActionNotSupported fault shall be returned in  
 5044 response to this request.

5045 Heartbeat support may be implemented rather than the wsme:GetStatus message.

## 5046 10.4 Unsubscribe

5047 Though subscriptions expire eventually, to minimize resources the subscribing event sink should  
 5048 explicitly delete a subscription when it no longer wants notifications associated with the subscription.

5049 To explicitly delete a subscription, a subscribing event sink sends a request of the following form to  
 5050 the subscription manager:

```

5051 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
5052 (2) <s:Header ...>
5053 (3) <wsa:Action>
5054 (4) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Unsubscribe
5055 (5) </wsa:Action>
5056 (6) ...
5057 (7) </s:Header>
5058 (8) <s:Body>
5059 (9) <wsme:Unsubscribe ...>
5060 (10) ...
5061 (11) </wsme:Unsubscribe>
5062 (12) </s:Body>
5063 (13) </s:Envelope>

```

5064 Components of the preceding outline are additionally constrained only as for a request to renew a  
 5065 subscription. For example, the faults listed there are also defined for a request to delete a  
 5066 subscription.

5067 If the subscription manager accepts a request to delete a subscription, it shall reply with a response  
 5068 of the following form:

```
5069 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
5070 (2)   <s:Header ...>
5071 (3)     <wsa:Action>
5072 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/UnsubscribeResponse
5073 (5)     </wsa:Action>
5074 (6)     <wsa:RelatesTo>xs:anyURI</wsa:RelatesTo>
5075 (7)     ...
5076 (8)   </s:Header>
5077 (9)   <s:Body />
5078 (10) </s:Envelope>
```

5079 Components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

5080 **R10.4-1:** If a service supports Subscribe, it shall implement the Unsubscribe message and  
 5081 ensure that event delivery will be terminated if the message is accepted as valid. Delivery of  
 5082 events may occur after responding to the Unsubscribe message as long as the event traffic stops  
 5083 at some point.

5084 **R10.4-2:** A service may unilaterally cancel a subscription for any reason, including internal  
 5085 timeouts, reconfiguration, or unreliable connectivity.

5086 Clients need to be prepared to receive any events already in transit even though they have issued an  
 5087 Unsubscribe message. Clients have the option to either fault any such deliveries or accept them.

5088 The EPR to use for this message is received from the SubscribeResponse element in the  
 5089 SubscriptionManager element.

## 5090 10.5 Renew

5091 To update the expiration for a subscription, subscription managers shall support requests to renew  
 5092 subscriptions.

5093 To renew a subscription, the subscriber sends a request of the following form to the subscription  
 5094 manager:

```
5095 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
5096 (2)   <s:Header ...>
5097 (3)     <wsa:Action>
5098 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/Renew
5099 (5)     </wsa:Action>
5100 (6)     ...
5101 (7)   </s:Header>
5102 (8)   <s:Body ...>
5103 (9)     <wsme:Renew ...>
5104 (10)      <wsme:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsme:Expires> ?
5105 (11)     ...
5106 (12)   </wsme:Renew>
5107 (13) </s:Body>
5108 (14) </s:Envelope>
```

5109 Components of the preceding outline are additionally constrained as for a request to create a  
 5110 subscription. Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this  
 5111 specification.

5112 If the subscription manager accepts a request to renew a subscription, it shall reply with a response  
5113 of the following form:

```

5114 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
5115 (2)   <s:Header ...>
5116 (3)     <wsa:Action>
5117 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/RenewResponse
5118 (5)     </wsa:Action>
5119 (6)     ...
5120 (7)   </s:Header>
5121 (8)   <s:Body ...>
5122 (9)     <wsme:RenewResponse ...>
5123 (10)      <wsme:Expires>[xs:dateTime | xs:duration]</wsme:Expires> ?
5124 (11)     ...
5125 (12)    </wsme:RenewResponse>
5126 (13)   </s:Body>
5127 (14)  </s:Envelope>

```

5128 Components of the preceding outline are constrained as for a response to a subscribe request with  
5129 the following addition(s):

5130 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:Expires

5131 If the requested expiration is a duration, then the implied start of that duration is the time when  
5132 the subscription manager starts processing the Renew request.

5133 If the subscription manager chooses not to renew this subscription, the request shall fail, and the  
5134 subscription manager may generate a wsme:UnableToRenew fault indicating that the renewal was  
5135 not accepted.

5136 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

5137 Processing of the Renew message is required, but it is not required to succeed.

5138 **R10.5-1:** Although a conformant service shall accept the Renew message as a valid action, the  
5139 service may always fault the request with a wsme:UnableToRenew fault, forcing the client to  
5140 subscribe from scratch.

5141 Renew has no effect on deliveries in progress, bookmarks, heartbeats, or other ongoing activity. It  
5142 simply extends the lifetime of the subscription.

5143 The EPR to use for this message is received from the SubscribeResponse element in the  
5144 SubscriptionManager element.

## 5145 10.6 SubscriptionEnd

5146 If the event source terminates a subscription unexpectedly, the event source should send a  
5147 Subscription End SOAP message to the endpoint reference indicated when the subscription was  
5148 created. The message shall be of the following form:

```

5149 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
5150 (2)   <s:Header ...>
5151 (3)     <wsa:Action>
5152 (4)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SubscriptionEnd
5153 (5)     </wsa:Action> ?
5154 (6)     ...
5155 (7)   </s:Header>
5156 (8)   <s:Body ...>
5157 (9)     <wsme:SubscriptionEnd ...>
5158 (10)      <wsme:SubscriptionManager>
5159 (11)       endpoint-reference

```

```

5160 (12) </wsme:SubscriptionManager>
5161 (13) <wsme:Status>
5162 (14) [
5163 (15) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/DeliveryFailure |
5164 (16) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SourceShuttingDown |
5165 (17) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SourceCancelling
5166 (18) ]
5167 (19) </wsme:Status>
5168 (20) <wsme:Reason xml:lang="language identifier" >xs:string</wsme:Reason>
5169 ?
5170 (21) ...
5171 (22) </wsme:SubscriptionEnd>
5172 (23) ...
5173 (24) </s:Body>
5174 (25) </s:Envelope>

```

5175 The following describes additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

5176 /s:Envelope/s:Body\*/wsme:SubscriptionManager

5177 Endpoint reference of the subscription manager. It is recommended that event sinks ignore this  
5178 element as its usage requires the ability to compare EPRs for equality when no such mechanism  
5179 exists. Event sinks are advised to use reference parameters in the  
5180 /wsme:Subscribe/wsme:EndTo EPR if they wish to correlate this message against their  
5181 outstanding subscriptions.

5182 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsme:SubscriptionEnd/wsme:Status =  
5183 "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/DeliveryFailure"

5184 This value shall be used if the event source terminated the subscription because of problems  
5185 delivering notifications.

5186 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsme:SubscriptionEnd/wsme:Status =  
5187 "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SourceShuttingDown"

5188 This value shall be used if the event source terminated the subscription because the source is  
5189 being shut down in a controlled manner (that is, if the event source is being shut down but has  
5190 the opportunity to send a SubscriptionEnd message before it exits).

5191 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsme:SubscriptionEnd/wsme:Status =  
5192 "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/SourceCancelling"

5193 This value shall be used if the event source terminated the subscription for some other reason  
5194 before it expired.

5195 /s:Envelope/s:Body/wsme:SubscriptionEnd/wsme:Reason

5196 This optional element contains text, in the language specified by the @xml:lang attribute,  
5197 describing the reason for the unexpected subscription termination.

5198 Other message information headers defined in 5.4 may be included in the message, according to the  
5199 usage and semantics defined in 5.4.

5200 Other components of the preceding outline are not further constrained by this specification.

5201 This SubscriptionEnd message is optional for WS-Management. In effect, it is the "last event" for a  
5202 subscription. Because its primary purpose is to warn a subscriber that a subscription has ended, it is  
5203 not suitable for use with pull-mode delivery.

5204 **R10.6-1:** A conformant service may implement the SubscriptionEnd message.

5205 **R10.6-2:** A conformant service shall not implement the SubscriptionEnd message when event  
5206 delivery is done using pull mode as defined in 10.2.9.4.

5207 **R10.6-3:** If SubscriptionEnd is supported, the message shall contain any reference parameters  
5208 specified by the subscriber in the EndTo address in the original subscription.

5209 **R10.6-4:** This rule intentionally left blank.

5210 If the service delivers events over the same connection as the Subscribe operation, the client typically  
5211 knows that a subscription has been terminated because the connection itself closes or terminates.

5212 When the delivery connection is distinct from the subscribe connection, a SubscriptionEnd message  
5213 is highly recommended; otherwise, the client has no immediate way of knowing that a subscription is  
5214 no longer active.

## 5215 **10.7 Acknowledgement of Delivery**

5216 To ensure that delivery is acknowledged at the application level, the original subscriber can request  
5217 that the event sink physically acknowledge event deliveries, rather than relying entirely on transport-  
5218 level guarantees.

5219 In other words, the transport might have accepted delivery of the events but not forwarded them to  
5220 the actual event sink process, and the service would move on to the next set of events. System  
5221 failures might result in dropped events. Therefore, a mechanism is needed in which a message-level  
5222 acknowledgement can occur. This allows acknowledgement to be pushed up to the application level,  
5223 increasing the reliability of event deliveries.

5224 The client selects acknowledged delivery by selecting a delivery mode in which each event has a  
5225 response. In this specification, the two acknowledged delivery modes are

- 5226 • <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/PushWithAck>
- 5227 • <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Events>

5228 **R10.7-1:** A conformant service may support the PushWithAck or Events delivery mode.  
5229 However, if either of these delivery modes is requested, to maintain an ordered queue of events,  
5230 the service shall wait for the acknowledgement from the client before delivering the next event or  
5231 events that match the subscription.

5232 **R10.7-2:** If an acknowledged delivery mode is selected for the subscription, the service shall  
5233 include the following SOAP headers in each event delivery:

```
5234 (1) <s:Header>
5235 (2)   <wsa:ReplyTo> where to send the acknowledgement </wsa:ReplyTo>
5236 (3)   <wsman:AckRequested/>
5237 (4)   ...
5238 (5) </s:Header>
```

5239 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

5240 `wsa:ReplyTo`

5241 address that shall always be present in the event delivery as a consequence of the presence of  
5242 `wsman:AckRequested`

5243 The client extracts this address and sends the acknowledgement to the specified EPR as  
5244 required by Addressing.

5245 `wsman:AckRequested`

5246 no content; requires that the subscriber acknowledge all deliveries as described later in this  
5247 clause

5248 The client then replies to the delivery with an acknowledgement or a fault.

5249 **R10.7-3:** A service may request receipt acknowledgement by using the wsman:AckRequested  
 5250 block and subsequently expect an http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Ack message.  
 5251 If this message is not received as a reply, the service may terminate the subscription.

5252 The acknowledgement message format returned by the event sink (receiver) to the event source is  
 5253 identical for all delivery modes. As shown in the following outline, it contains a unique wsa:Action, and  
 5254 the wsa:RelatesTo field is set to the MessageID of the event delivery to which it applies:

```

5255 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
5256 (2)   <s:Header>
5257 (3)     ...
5258 (4)     <wsa:To> endpoint reference from the event ReplyTo field </wsa:To>
5259 (5)     <wsa:Action> http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Ack
5260 (6)     </wsa:Action>
5261 (7)     <wsa:RelatesTo> message ID of original event delivery
5262 (8)     </wsa:RelatesTo>
5263 (9)     ...
5264 (10)  </s:Header>
5265 (11)  <s:Body/>
5266 (12) </s:Envelope>
  
```

5267 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

5268 s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

5269 URI that shall be defined as

5270 http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/Ack

5271 s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:RelatesTo

5272 element that shall contain the wsa:MessageID of the event delivery to which it refers

5273 wsa:RelatesTo is the critical item that ensures that the correct delivery is being acknowledged,  
 5274 and thus it shall not be omitted.

5275 s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:To

5276 EPR address extracted from the ReplyTo field in the event delivery

5277 All reference parameters shall be extracted and added to the SOAP header as well.

5278 In spite of the request to acknowledge, the event sink can refuse delivery with a fault or fail to  
 5279 respond with the acknowledgement. In this case, the event source can terminate the subscription and  
 5280 send any applicable SubscriptionEnd messages.

5281 If the event sink does not support acknowledgement, it can respond with a

5282 wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault with the following detail code:

5283 http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Ack

5284 However, this action is just as difficult as acknowledging the delivery, so most clients can scan for the  
 5285 wsman:AckRequested field and be prepared to acknowledge delivery or fault it.

## 5286 10.8 Refusal of Delivery

5287 With all acknowledged delivery modes as described in 10.7, an event sink can refuse to take delivery  
 5288 of events, either for security reasons or a policy change. It then responds with a fault rather than an  
 5289 acknowledgement.

5290 In this case, the event source needs to be prepared to end the subscription even though an

5291 Unsubscribe message is not issued by the subscriber.

5292 **R10.8-1:** During event delivery, if the receiver faults the delivery with a wsman:DeliveryRefused  
 5293 fault, the service shall immediately cancel the subscription and may also issue a SubscriptionEnd  
 5294 message to the EndTo endpoint in the original subscription, if supported.

5295 Thus, the receiver can issue the fault as a way to cancel the subscription when it does not have the  
 5296 SubscriptionManager information.

## 5297 10.9 Dropped Events

5298 Events that cannot be delivered are not to be silently dropped from the event stream, or the  
 5299 subscriber gets a false picture of the event history. WS-Management defines three behaviors for  
 5300 events that cannot be delivered with push modes or that are too large to fit within the delivery  
 5301 constraints requested by the subscriber:

- 5302 • Terminate the subscription.
- 5303 • Silently skip such events.
- 5304 • Send a special event in place of the dropped events.

5305 These options are discussed in 10.2.9.2 and 10.2.9.3.

5306 During delivery, the service might have to drop events for the following reasons:

- 5307 • The events exceed the maximum size requested by the subscriber.
- 5308 • The client cannot keep up with the event flow, and there is a backlog.
- 5309 • The service might have been reconfigured or restarted and the events permanently lost.

5310 In these cases, a service can inform the client that events have been dropped.

5311 **R10.9-1:** If a service drops events, it should issue an  
 5312 http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/DroppedEvents event, which indicates this drop  
 5313 to the client. Any reference parameters specified in the NotifyTo address in the subscription shall  
 5314 also be copied into this message. This event is normal and implicitly considered part of any  
 5315 subscription.

5316 **R10.9-2:** If an http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/DroppedEvents event is issued, it  
 5317 shall take the ordinal position of the original dropped event in the delivery stream. The  
 5318 DroppedEvents event is considered the same as any other event with regard to its location and  
 5319 other behavior (bookmarks, acknowledged delivery, location in batch, and so on). It simply takes  
 5320 the place of the event that was dropped.

5321 EXAMPLE:

```

5322 (1) <s:Envelope ...>
5323 (2)   <s:Header>
5324 (3)     ...subscriber endpoint-reference...
5325 (4)
5326 (5)     <wsa:Action>
5327 (6)       http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/DroppedEvents
5328 (7)     </wsa:Action>
5329 (8)   </s:Header>
5330 (9)   <s:Body>
5331 (10)    <wsman:DroppedEvents Action="wsa:Action URI of dropped event">
5332 (11)      xs:int
5333 (12)    </wsman:DroppedEvents>
5334 (13)    ...
5335 (14)  </s:Body>
5336 (15) </s:Envelope>

```

5337 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

5338 s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action

5339 URI that shall be defined as

5340 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/DroppedEvents`

5341 s:Body/wsman:DroppedEvents/@Action

5342 the Action URI of the event that was dropped

5343 s:Body/wsman:DroppedEvents

5344 a positive integer that represents the total number of dropped events since the subscription was  
5345 created

5346 Renew has no effect on the running total of dropped events. Dropped events are like any other  
5347 events and can require acknowledgement, affect the bookmark location, and so on.

5348 EXAMPLE: Following is an example of how a dropped event would appear in the middle of a batched  
5349 event delivery:

```
5350 (1) <wsman:Events>
5351 (2)   <wsman:Event Action="https://foo.com/someEvent">
5352 (3)     ...event body
5353 (4)   </wsman:Event>
5354 (5)   <wsman:Event
5355 (6)     Action="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/DroppedEvents">
5356 (7)     <wsman:DroppedEvents Action="https://foo.com/someEvent">
5357 (8)       1
5358 (9)     </wsman:DroppedEvents>
5359 (10)  </wsman:Event>
5360 (11)  <wsman:Event Action="https://foo.com/someEvent">
5361 (12)    ...event body...
5362 (13)  </wsman:Event>
5363 (14) </wsman:Events>
```

5364 **R10.9-3:** If a service cannot deliver an event and does not support the  
5365 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/DroppedEvents` event, it should terminate the  
5366 subscription rather than silently skipping events.

5367 Because this requirement cannot be enforced, and some dropped events are irrelevant when  
5368 replaced by a subsequent event (running totals, for example), it is not a firm requirement that dropped  
5369 events are signaled or that they result in a termination of the subscription.

## 5370 10.10 Access Control

5371 It is important for event sources to properly authorize requests. This is especially true for Subscribe  
5372 requests, because otherwise the ability to subscribe on behalf of a third-party event sink could be  
5373 used to create a distributed denial-of-service attack.

5374 Some possible schemes for validating Subscribe requests include:

- 5375 • Send a message to the event sink that describes the requested subscription, and then wait  
5376 for a confirmation message to be returned by the event sink, before the event source  
5377 accepts the subscription request. While this provides strong assurance that the event sink  
5378 actually desires the requested subscription, it does not work for event sinks that are not  
5379 capable of sending a confirmation, and requires additional logic on the event sink.
- 5380 • Require user authentication on the Subscribe request, and allow only authorized users to  
5381 Subscribe.

5382 Other mechanisms are also possible. Be aware that event sources that are not reachable from the  
5383 Internet have less need to control Subscribe requests.

## 5384 10.11 Implementation Considerations

5385 Implementations should generate expirations in Subscribe and Renew request and response  
5386 messages that are significantly larger than expected network latency.

5387 Event sinks should be prepared to receive notifications after sending a Subscribe request but before  
5388 receiving a Subscribe response message. Event sinks should also be prepared to receive  
5389 notifications after receiving an Unsubscribe response message.

## 5390 10.12 Advertisement of Notifications

5391 An Event Source can choose to advertise the Notification messages that it might send by including a  
5392 well-defined portType, called "EventSink", in its WSDL. Subscribers can examine this portType to  
5393 determine which messages they might need to support. Each Notification appears as an independent  
5394 operation within the portType, as shown in the following example:

5395 EXAMPLE:

```
5396 (1) <wsdl:portType name="EventSink">
5397 (2)   <wsdl:operation name="WeatherReport">
5398 (3)     <wsdl:input message="wr:ThunderStormMessage"
5399 (4)       wsa:Action="urn:weatherReport:ThunderStorm"
5400 (5)       wsam:Action="urn:weatherReport:ThunderStorm" />
5401 (6)   <wsdl:input message="wr:TyphoonMessage"
5402 (7)     wsa:Action="urn:weatherReport:Typhoon"
5403 (8)     wsam:Action="urn:weatherReport:Typhoon" />
5404 (9)   </wsdl:operation>
5405 (10) </wsdl:portType>
```

5406 In the preceding example this Event Source can send two types of Notifications (a ThunderStorm and a Typhoon  
5407 message).

5408 Unless otherwise noted, Event Sinks should assume that the Notifications will be sent using SOAP1.2  
5409 and will use document-literal encoding.

## 5410 11 Metadata and Discovery

5411 The WS-Management protocol is compatible with many techniques for discovery of resources  
5412 available through a service.

5413 In addition, this specification defines a simple request-response operation to facilitate the process of  
5414 establishing communications with a WS-Management service implementation in a variety of network  
5415 environments without prior knowledge of the protocol version or versions supported by the  
5416 implementation. This operation is used to discover the presence of a service that is compatible with  
5417 WS-Management, assuming that a transport address over which the message can be delivered is  
5418 known. Typically, a simple HTTP address would be used.

5419 To ensure forward compatibility, the message content of this operation is defined in an XML  
5420 namespace that is separate from the core protocol namespace and that will not change as the  
5421 protocol evolves. Further, this operation does not depend on any SOAP envelope header or body  
5422 content other than the types explicitly defined for this operation. In this way, WS-Management clients  
5423 are assured of the ability to use this operation against all implementations and versions to confirm the  
5424 presence of WS-Management services without knowing the supported protocol versions or features in  
5425 advance.

5426 The request message is defined as follows:

```

5427 (1) <s:Envelope
5428 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
5429 (3)   xmlns:wsmid="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/identity/1/
5430 (4)     wsmidentity.xsd"
5431 (5)   <s:Header>
5432 (6)     ...
5433 (7)   </s:Header>
5434 (8)   <s:Body>
5435 (9)     <wsmid:Identify>
5436 (10)    ...
5437 (11)   </wsmid:Identify>
5438 (12)  </s:Body>
5439 (13) </s:Envelope>

```

5440 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

5441 **wsmid:Identify**

5442 the body of the Identify request operation, which may contain additional vendor-specific  
5443 extension content, but is otherwise empty

5444 The presence of this body element constitutes the request.

5445 Notice the absence of any Addressing namespace, WS-Management namespace, or other version-  
5446 specific concepts. This message is compatible only with the basic SOAP specification, and the  
5447 presence of the wsmid:Identify block in the s:Body is the embodiment of the request operation.

5448 The response message is defined as follows:

```

5449 (13) <s:Envelope
5450 (14)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
5451 (15)   xmlns:wsmid="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/identity/1/
5452 (16)     wsmidentity.xsd">
5453 (17)   <s:Header>
5454 (18)     ...
5455 (19)   </s:Header>
5456 (20)   <s:Body>
5457 (21)     <wsmid:IdentifyResponse>
5458 (22)       <wsmid:ProtocolVersion> xs:anyURI </wsmid:ProtocolVersion> +
5459 (23)       <wsmid:ProductVendor> xs:string </wsmid:ProductVendor> ?
5460 (24)       <wsmid:ProductVersion> xs:string </wsmid:ProductVersion> ?
5461 (25)       <wsmid:InitiativeSupport>
5462 (26)         <wsmid:InitiativeName> xs:string </wsmid:InitiativeName> ?
5463 (27)         <wsmid:InitiativeVersion> xs:string </wsmid:InitiativeVersion> ?
5464 (28)       </wsmid:InitiativeSupport> ?
5465 (29)       <wsmid:SecurityProfiles>
5466 (30)         <wsmid:SecurityProfileName> xs:anyURI
5467 (31)       </wsmid:SecurityProfileName> *
5468 (32)     </wsmid:SecurityProfiles> ?
5469 (33)     <wsmid:AddressingVersionURI> xs:anyURI
5470 (34)   </wsmid:AddressingVersionURI> *
5471 (35)   ...
5472 (36)   </wsmid:IdentifyResponse>
5473 (37) </s:Body>
5474 (38) </s:Envelope>

```

- 5475 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:
- 5476 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse`
- 5477 the body of the response, which packages metadata about the WS-Management implementation
- 5478 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse/wsmid:ProtocolVersion`
- 5479 a required element or elements, each of which is a URI whose value shall be equal to the core
- 5480 XML namespace that identifies a supported version of the WS-Management specification
- 5481 One element shall be provided for each supported version of the protocol. Services should also
- 5482 include the XML namespace URI for supported dependent specifications such as Addressing.
- 5483 For example, if a future version of WS-Management supports multiple versions of Addressing,
- 5484 the `IdentifyResponse` can indicate which of the versions are supported.
- 5485 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse/wsmid:ProductVendor`
- 5486 an optional element that identifies the vendor of the WS-Management service implementation by
- 5487 using a widely recognized name or token, such as the official corporate name of the vendor or its
- 5488 stock symbol
- 5489 Alternatively, a DNS name, e-mail address, or Web URL may be used.
- 5490 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse/wsmid:ProductVersion`
- 5491 an optional version string for the WS-Management implementation
- 5492 This specification places no constraints on the format or content of this element.
- 5493 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse/wsmid:InitiativeSupport`
- 5494 an optional element that identifies an initiative supported by the WS-Management
- 5495 implementation.
- 5496 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse/wsmid:InitiativeSupport/wsmid:InitiativeName`
- 5497 an element that identifies the name of an initiative supported by the WS-Management
- 5498 implementation.
- 5499 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse/wsmid:InitiativeSupport/wsmid:InitiativeVersion`
- 5500 an element that identifies the version of an initiative supported by the WS-Management
- 5501 implementation.
- 5502 In addition, vendor-specific content can follow the preceding standardized elements. After the vendor-
- 5503 specific content, the following elements can follow:
- 5504 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse/wsmid:SecurityProfiles`
- 5505 an optional element that identifies the set of security profiles supported by the WS-Management
- 5506 implementation.
- 5507 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse/wsmid:SecurityProfiles/wsmid:SecurityProfileName`
- 5508 an optional element which is a URI that identifies a security profile supported by the WS-
- 5509 Management implementation.
- 5510 `wsmid:IdentifyResponse/wsmid:AddressingVersionURI`
- 5511 an optional element which is a URI that identifies a version of Addressing supported by the WS-
- 5512 Management implementation.
- 5513 When a service supports this element, the value shall be the XML Schema namespace URI of
- 5514 the addressing version in use. XML Schema namespaces used in this specification are listed in
- 5515 ANNEX A. A service may support and advertise more than none version of addressing.
- 5516 **R11-1:** A WS-Management service should support the `wsmid:Identify` operation. A service
- 5517 implementation that supports the operation shall do so irrespective of the versions of
- 5518 WS-Management supported by that service. The operation shall be accessible at the same

- 5519 transport-level address at which the resource instances are made accessible.
- 5520 It is recommended that client applications not include any SOAP header content in the wsmid:Identify  
5521 operation delivered to the transport address against which the inquiry is being made. If SOAP header  
5522 elements are present, the s:mustUnderstand attribute on all such elements can be set to "false".  
5523 Doing otherwise reduces the likelihood of a successful, version-independent response from the  
5524 service.
- 5525 **R11-2:** A service that supports the wsmid:Identify operation shall not require the presence of any  
5526 SOAP header elements in order to dispatch execution of the request. If a service receives a  
5527 wsmid:Identify operation that contains unexpected or unsupported header content with the  
5528 s:mustUnderstand attribute set to "false", the service shall not fault the request and shall process  
5529 the body of the request as though the header elements were not present.
- 5530 **R11-3:** A service that is processing the wsmid:Identify request should not request the presence  
5531 of any Addressing header values, including the wsa:Action URI.
- 5532 The entire purpose of this mechanism is to be able to identify the presence of specific versions of  
5533 WS-Management (and the corresponding dependent protocols) in a version-independent manner.
- 5534 Because Addressing is not used, the address to which this message is delivered is defined entirely at  
5535 the transport level and not present in the SOAP content.
- 5536 If a client does not have any prior knowledge about a service including credentials, it is desirable to  
5537 allow a service to process an Identify message without requiring authentication.
- 5538 **R11-4:** A service that supports the wsmid:Identify operation may expose this operation without  
5539 requiring client or server authentication in order to process the message. In the absence of other  
5540 requirements, it is recommended that the network address be suffixed by the token sequence  
5541 */wsman-anon/identify*.
- 5542 Services that support unauthenticated wsmid:Identify requests might choose not to reveal descriptive  
5543 information about protocol, vendor, or other versioning information that could potentially represent or  
5544 contribute to a vulnerability. To accommodate this scenario, this specification defines a URI that  
5545 services can use in place of a valid WS-Management protocol version URI. This value can be  
5546 returned as a value for the wsmid:ProtocolVersion element of the wsmid:IdentifyResponse message.
- 5547 **R11-5:** A service supporting an unauthenticated wsmid:Identify message may respond using the  
5548 following URI for the value of the wsmid:ProtocolVersion element:
- 5549 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/identity/1/wsmanidentity/NoAnonymousDisclosure>
- 5550 **R11-6:** A service that provides unauthenticated access to the wsmid:Identify operation but does  
5551 not respond to such requests with the WS-Management protocol versions that are supported by  
5552 the service shall support authenticated access to the wsmid:Identify operation. Such services  
5553 shall respond to authenticated requests with the WS-Management protocol version identifiers for  
5554 each version of the WS-Management protocol supported by the service.

## 5555 12 Security

### 5556 12.1 General

- 5557 In general, management operations and responses need to be protected against attacks such as  
5558 snooping, interception, replay, and modification during transmission. Authenticating the user who has  
5559 sent a request is also generally necessary so that access control rules can be applied to determine  
5560 whether to process a request.

5561 This specification establishes the minimum interoperation standards and predefined profiles using  
5562 transport-level security.

5563 This approach provides the best balance between simple implementations (HTTP and HTTPS stacks  
5564 are readily available, even for hardware) and the security mechanisms that sit in front of any SOAP  
5565 message processing, limiting the attack surface.

5566 It is expected that more sophisticated transport and SOAP-level profiles, published separately from  
5567 this specification, will be defined and used.

5568 Implementations that expect to interoperate can adopt one or more of the transport and security  
5569 models defined in this clause and are free to define any additional profiles under different URI-based  
5570 designators.

## 5571 12.2 Security Profiles

5572 For this specification, a profile is any arbitrary mix of transport or SOAP behavior that describes a  
5573 common security need. In some cases, the profile is defined for documentation and metadata  
5574 purposes, but might not be part of the actual message exchange. Rather, it *describes* the message  
5575 exchange involved.

5576 Metadata retrieval can be employed to discover which profiles the service supports, and that is  
5577 beyond the scope of this particular specification.

5578 For all predefined profiles, the transport is responsible for all message integrity, protection,  
5579 authentication, and security.

5580 The authentication profiles do not appear in the SOAP traffic, with the exception of the Subscribe  
5581 message when using any delivery mode that causes a new connection to be created from the event  
5582 source to the event sink (push and batched modes, for example). When a subscription is created, the  
5583 authentication technique for event-delivery needs to be specified by the subscriber, because the  
5584 event sink has to authenticate the event source (acting as publisher) at event delivery-time.

5585 In this specification, security profiles are identified by a URI. As profiles are defined, they can be  
5586 assigned a URI and published. WS-Management defines a set of standardized security profiles for  
5587 the common transports HTTP and HTTPS as described in C.3.1.

## 5588 12.3 Security Considerations for Event Subscriptions

5589 When specifying the NotifyTo address in subscriptions, it is often important to hint to the service  
5590 about which authentication model to use when delivering the event.

5591 If no hints are present, the service can simply infer from the wsa:To address what needs to be done.  
5592 However, if the service can support multiple modes and has a certificate or password store, it might  
5593 not know which authentication model to choose or which credentials to use without being told in the  
5594 subscription.

5595 WS-Management provides a default mechanism to communicate the desired authentication mode  
5596 and credentials. However, more sophisticated mechanisms are beyond the scope of this version of  
5597 WS-Management. For example, the event sink service could export metadata that describes the  
5598 available options, allowing the publisher to negotiate an appropriate option. Extension profiles can  
5599 define other mechanisms enabled through a SOAP header with mustUnderstand="true".

5600 WS-Management defines an additional field in the Delivery block that can communicate  
5601 authentication information, as shown in the following outline:

```
5602 (1) <s:Body>
5603 (2)   <wsme:Subscribe>
5604 (3)     <wsme:Delivery>
```

```

5605 (4) <wsme:NotifyTo> Delivery EPR </wsme:NotifyTo>
5606 (5) <wsman:Auth Profile="authentication-profile-URI"/>
5607 (6) </wsme:Delivery>
5608 (7) </wsme:Subscribe>
5609 (8) </s:Body>

```

5610 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:

5611 **wsman:Auth**

5612 block that contains authentication information to be used by the service (acting as publisher)  
 5613 when authenticating to the event sink at event delivery time

5614 **wsman:Auth/@Profile**

5615 a URI that indicates which security profile to use when making the connection to deliver events

5616 If the **wsman:Auth** block is not present, by default the service infers what to do by using the **NotifyTo**  
 5617 address and any preconfigured policy or settings it has available. If the **wsman:Auth** block is present  
 5618 and no security-related tokens are communicated, the service needs to know which credentials to use  
 5619 by its own internal configuration.

5620 If the service is already configured to use a specific certificate when delivering events, the subscriber  
 5621 can request standard mutual authentication, as shown in the following outline:

```

5622 (1) <s:Body>
5623 (2) <wsme:Subscribe>
5624 (3) <wsme:Delivery>
5625 (4) <wsme:NotifyTo> HTTPS address </wsme:NotifyTo>
5626 (5) <wsman:Auth
5627 (6) Profile="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/
5628 mutual"/>
5629 (7) </wsme:Delivery>
5630 (8) </wsme:Subscribe>
5631 (9) </s:Body>

```

5632 If the service knows how to retrieve a proper user name and password for event delivery, simple  
 5633 HTTP Basic or Digest authentication can be used, as shown in the following outline:

```

5634 (1) <s:Body>
5635 (2) <wsme:Subscribe>
5636 (3) <wsme:Delivery>
5637 (4) <wsme:NotifyTo> HTTP address </wsme:NotifyTo>
5638 (5) <wsman:Auth
5639 (6) Profile="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/http/
5640 digest"/>
5641 (7) </wsme:Delivery>
5642 (8) </wsme:Subscribe>
5643 (9) </s:Body>

```

5644 Services are not required to support any specific profile. The rest of this clause defines special-case  
 5645 profiles for event delivery in which the service needs additional information to select the proper  
 5646 credentials to use when delivering events.

## 5647 12.4 Including Credentials with a Subscription

5648 This clause intentionally left blank.

## 5649 12.5 Correlating Events with a Subscription

5650 In many cases, the subscriber will want to ensure that the event delivery corresponds to a valid  
5651 subscription issued by an authorized party. In this case, it is recommended that reference parameters  
5652 be introduced into the NotifyTo definition.

5653 EXAMPLE: At subscription time, a UUID could be supplied as a correlation token:

```
5654 (1) <s:Body>
5655 (2)   <wsme:Subscribe>
5656 (3)     <wsme:Delivery>
5657 (4)       <wsme:NotifyTo>
5658 (5)         <wsa:Address> address <wsa:Address>
5659 (6)         <wsa:ReferenceParameters>
5660 (7)           <MyNamespace:uuid>
5661 (8)             uuid:b0f685ec-e5c9-41b5-b91c-7f580419093e
5662 (9)           </MyNamespace:uuid>
5663 (10)        </wsa:ReferenceParameters>
5664 (11)       </wsme:NotifyTo>
5665 (12)      ...
5666 (13)     </wsme:Delivery>
5667 (14)    ...
5668 (15)   </wsme:Subscribe>
5669 (16) </s:Body>
```

5670 This definition requires that the service include the MyNamespace:uuid value as a SOAP header with  
5671 each event delivery (see 5.1). The service can use this value to correlate the event with any  
5672 subscription that it issued and to validate its origin.

5673 This is not a transport-level or SOAP-level authentication mechanism as such, but it does help to  
5674 maintain and synchronize valid lists of subscriptions and to determine whether the event delivery is  
5675 authorized, even though the connection itself could have been authenticated.

5676 This mechanism still can require the presence of the wsman:Auth block to specify which security  
5677 mechanism to use to actually authenticate the connection at event-time.

5678 Each new subscription can receive at least one unique reference parameter that is never reused,  
5679 such as the illustrated UUID, for this mechanism to be of value.

5680 Other reference parameters can be present to help route and correlate the event delivery as required  
5681 by the subscriber.

## 5682 12.6 Transport-Level Authentication Failure

5683 Because transports typically go through their own authentication mechanisms prior to any SOAP  
5684 traffic occurring, the first attempt to connect might result in a transport-level authentication failure. In  
5685 such cases, SOAP faults will not occur, and the means of communicating the denial to the client is  
5686 implementation- and transport-specific.

## 5687 12.7 Security Implications of Third-Party Subscriptions

5688 Without proper authentication and authorization, WS-Management implementations can be  
5689 vulnerable to distributed denial-of-service attacks through third-party subscriptions to events. This  
5690 vulnerability is discussed in 10.10.

## 5691 13 Transports and Message Encoding

5692 This clause describes encoding rules that apply to all transports.

### 5693 13.1 SOAP

5694 WS-Management qualifies the use of SOAP as indicated in this clause.

5695 **R13.1-1:** A service shall at least receive and send [SOAP 1.2](#) SOAP Envelopes.

5696 **R13.1-2:** A service may reject a SOAP Envelope with more than 32,767 octets.

5697 **R13.1-3:** A service should not send a SOAP Envelope with more than 32,767 octets unless the  
5698 client has specified a wsman:MaxEnvelopeSize header that overrides this limit.

5699 Large SOAP Envelopes are expected to be serialized using attachments.

5700 **R13.1-4:** Any Request Message may be encoded using either Unicode 3.0 (UTF-16) or UTF-8  
5701 encoding. A service shall accept the UTF-8 encoding type for all operations and should accept  
5702 UTF-16 as well.

5703 **R13.1-5:** A service shall emit Responses using the same encoding as the original request. If the  
5704 service does not support the requested encoding or cannot determine the encoding, it should use  
5705 UTF-8 encoding to return a wsman:EncodingLimit fault with the following detail code:

5706 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/CharacterSet`

5707 **R13.1-6:** For UTF-8 encodings, the service may fail to process any message that begins with the  
5708 UTF-8 BOM (0xEF 0xBB 0xBF), and shall send UTF-8 responses without the BOM.

5709 The presence of BOM in 8-bit character encodings reduces interoperability. Where extended  
5710 characters are a requirement, UTF-16 can be used.

5711 **R13.1-7:** If UTF-16 is the encoding, the service shall support either byte-order mark (BOM)  
5712 U+FEFF (big-endian) or U+FFFE (little-endian) as defined in the [Unicode 3.0](#) specification as the  
5713 first character in the message (see the [Unicode BOM FAQ](#)).

5714 **R13.1-8:** If a request includes contradictory encoding information in the BOM and HTTP charset  
5715 header or if the information does not fully specify the encoding, the service shall fault with an  
5716 HTTP status of "bad request message" (400).

5717 Repeated headers with the same QName but different values that imply contradictory behavior are  
5718 considered a defect originating on the client side of the conversation. Returning a fault helps identify  
5719 faulty clients. However, an implementation might be resource-constrained and unable to detect  
5720 duplicate headers, so the repeated headers can be ignored. Repeated headers with the same  
5721 QName that contains informational or non-contradictory instructions are possible, but none are  
5722 defined by this specification or its dependencies.

5723 **R13.1-9:** If a request contains multiple SOAP headers with the same QName from  
5724 WS-Management, Addressing, or clause 10 of this specification, the service should not process  
5725 them and should issue a wsa:InvalidMessageInformationHeaders fault if they are detected. (No  
5726 SOAP headers are defined in clause 7 "Resource Access" or clause 8 "Enumeration of  
5727 Datasets".)

5728 **R13.1-10:** By default, a compliant service should not fault requests with leading and trailing  
5729 whitespace in XML element values and should trim such whitespace by default as if the  
5730 whitespace had not occurred. Services should not emit messages containing leading or trailing  
5731 whitespace within element values unless the whitespace values are properly part of the value. If  
5732 the service cannot accept whitespace usage within a message because the XML schema

5733 establishes other whitespace usage, the service should emit a wsman:EncodingLimit fault with  
5734 the following detail code:

5735 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Whitespace`

5736 Clients can send messages with leading or trailing whitespace in the values, and services are  
5737 permitted to eliminate unneeded "cosmetic" whitespace on both sides of the element value without  
5738 faulting. (See [XML Schema Part 2: Datatypes](#).)

5739 **R13.1-11:** Services should not fault messages that contain XML comments, because this is part  
5740 of the XML standard. Services may emit messages that contain comments that relate to the origin  
5741 and processing of the message or add comments for debugging purposes.

## 5742 **13.2 Lack of Response**

5743 If an operation succeeds but a response cannot be computed or actually delivered because of run-  
5744 time difficulties or transport problems, no response is sent and the connection is terminated.

5745 This behavior is preferable to attempting a complex model for sending responses in a delayed  
5746 fashion. Implementations can generally keep a log of all requests and their results, and allow the  
5747 client to reconnect later to enumerate the operation log (using Enumerate) if it failed to get a  
5748 response. The format and behavior of such a log is beyond the scope of this specification. In any  
5749 case, the client needs to be coded to take into account a lack of response; all abnormal message  
5750 conditions can safely revert to this scenario.

5751 **R13.2-1:** If correct responses or faults cannot be computed or generated due to internal service  
5752 failure, a response should not be sent.

5753 Regardless, the client has to deal with cases of no response, so the service can simply force the  
5754 client into that mode rather than send a response or fault that is not defined in this specification.

## 5755 **13.3 Replay of Messages**

5756 This section intentionally left blank.

5757 **R13.3-1:** This rule intentionally left blank.

## 5758 **13.4 Encoding Limits**

5759 Most of the following limits are in characters. However, the maximum overall SOAP envelope size is  
5760 defined in octets. Implementations are free to exceed these limits. A service is considered conformant  
5761 if it observes these limits. Any limit violation results in a wsman:EncodingLimit fault.

5762 **R13.4-1:** A service may fail to process any URI with more than 2048 characters and should  
5763 return a wsman:EncodingLimit fault with the following detail code:

5764 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/URILimitExceeded`

5765 **R13.4-2:** A service should not generate a URI with more than 2048 characters.

5766 **R13.4-3:** A service may fail to process an Option Name of more than 2048 characters.

5767 **R13.4-4:** A service may fail to process an Option value of more than 4096 characters.

5768 **R13.4-5:** A service may fault any operation that would require a single reply exceeding 32,767  
5769 octets.

5770 **R13.4-6:** A service may always emit faults that are 4096 octets or less in length, regardless of  
 5771 any requests by the client to limit the response size. Clients need to be prepared for this minimum  
 5772 in case of an error.

5773 **R13.4-7:** When the default addressing model is in use, a service may fail to process a Selector  
 5774 Name of more than 2048 characters.

5775 **R13.4-8:** A service may have a maximum number of selectors that it can process. If the request  
 5776 contains more selectors than this limit, the service should return a wsman:EncodingLimit fault  
 5777 with the following detail code:

5778 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/SelectorLimit`

5779 **R13.4-9:** A service may have a maximum number of options that it can process. If the request  
 5780 contains more options than this limit, the service should return a wsman:EncodingLimit fault with  
 5781 the following detail code:

5782 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/OptionLimit`

### 5783 13.5 Binary Attachments

5784 SOAP Message Transmission Optimization Mechanism (MTOM) is used to support binary  
 5785 attachments to WS-Management. If a service supports attachments, the following rules apply:

5786 **R13.5-1:** A conformant service may optionally support binary attachments to any operation using  
 5787 the [SOAP MTOM](#) proposal.

5788 **R13.5-2:** If a service supports attachments, the service shall support the Abstract Transmission  
 5789 Optimization Feature.

5790 **R13.5-3:** If a service supports attachments, the service shall support the Optimized MIME  
 5791 Multipart Serialization Feature.

5792 Other attachment types are not prohibited. Specific transports can impose additional encoding rules.

### 5793 13.6 Case-Sensitivity

5794 While XML and SOAP are intrinsically case-sensitive with regard to schematic elements,  
 5795 WS-Management can be used with many underlying systems that are not intrinsically case-sensitive.  
 5796 This support primarily applies to values, but can also apply to schemas that are automatically and  
 5797 dynamically generated from other sources.

5798 A service can observe any case usage required by the underlying execution environment.

5799 The only requirement is that messages are able to pass validation tests against any schema  
 5800 definitions. At any time, a validation engine could be interposed between the client and server in the  
 5801 form of a proxy, so schematically valid messages are a practical requirement.

5802 Otherwise, this specification makes no requirements as to case usage. A service is free to interpret  
 5803 values in a case-sensitive or case-insensitive manner.

5804 It is recommended that case usage not be altered in transit by any part of the WS-Management  
 5805 processing chain. The case usage established by the sender of the message is to be retained  
 5806 throughout the lifetime of that message.

5807 **14 Faults**

5808 Many of the operations outlined in WS-Management can generate faults. This clause describes how  
5809 these faults should be formatted into SOAP messages.

5810 **14.1 Introduction**

5811 Faults are returned when the SOAP message is successfully delivered by the transport and  
5812 processed by the service, but the message cannot be processed properly. If the transport cannot  
5813 successfully deliver the message to the SOAP processor, a transport error occurs.

5814 **R14.1-1:** A service should support only [SOAP 1.2](#) (or later) faults.

5815 Generally, faults are not to be issued unless they are expected as part of a request-response pattern.  
5816 For example, it would not be valid for a client to issue a Get message, receive the GetResponse  
5817 message, and then *fault* that response.

5818 **14.2 Fault Encoding**

5819 This clause discusses XML fault encoding.

5820 **R14.2-1:** A conformant service shall use the following fault encoding format and normative  
5821 constraints for faults in the WS-Management space or any of its dependent specifications:

```

5822 (1) <s:Envelope>
5823 (2)   xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
5824 (3)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing">
5825 (4)   <s:Header>
5826 (5)     <wsa:Action>
5827 (6)       http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault
5828 (7)   </wsa:Action>
5829 (8)   <wsa:MessageID>
5830 (9)     uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a87
5831 (10)  </wsa:MessageID>
5832 (11)  <wsa:RelatesTo>
5833 (12)    uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a85
5834 (13)  </wsa:RelatesTo>
5835 (14) </s:Header>
5836 (15)
5837 (16) <s:Body>
5838 (17)   <s:Fault>
5839 (18)     <s:Code>
5840 (19)       <s:Value> [Code] </s:Value>
5841 (20)     <s:Subcode>
5842 (21)       <s:Value> [Subcode] </s:Value>
5843 (22)     </s:Subcode>
5844 (23)   </s:Code>
5845 (24)   <s:Reason>
5846 (25)     <s:Text xml:lang="en"> [Reason] </s:Text>
5847 (26)   </s:Reason>
5848 (27)   <s:Detail>
5849 (28)     [Detail]
5850 (29)   </s:Detail>
5851 (30) </s:Fault>
5852 (31) </s:Body>
5853 (32) </s:Envelope>

```

- 5854 The following definitions provide additional, normative constraints on the preceding outline:
- 5855 s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:Action  
5856 a valid fault Action URI from the relevant specification that defined the fault
- 5857 s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:MessageId  
5858 element that shall be present for the fault, like any non-fault message
- 5859 s:Envelope/s:Header/wsa:RelatesTo  
5860 element that shall, like any other reply, contain the MessageID of the original request that  
5861 caused the fault
- 5862 s:Body/s:Fault/s:Value  
5863 element that shall be either s:Sender or s:Receiver, as specified in 14.6 in the "Code" field
- 5864 s:Body/s:Fault/s:Subcode/s:Value  
5865 for WS-Management-related messages, shall be one of the subcode QNames defined in 14.6  
5866 If the service exposes custom methods or other messaging, this value may be another QName  
5867 not in the Master Faults described in 14.6.
- 5868 s:Body/s:Fault/s:Reason  
5869 optional element that should contain localized text that explains the fault in more detail  
5870 Typically, this text is extracted from the "Reason" field in the Master Fault tables (14.6).  
5871 However, the text may be adjusted to reflect a specific circumstance. This element may be  
5872 repeated for multiple languages. The xml:lang attribute shall be present on the s:Text element.
- 5873 s:Body/s:Fault/s:Detail  
5874 optional element that should reflect the recommended content from the Master Fault tables  
5875 (14.6)
- 5876 The preceding fault template is populated by examining entries from the Master Fault tables in 14.6,  
5877 which includes all relevant faults from WS-Management and its underlying specifications.
- 5878 s:Reason and s:Detail are always optional, but they are recommended. In addition, s:Reason/s:Text  
5879 contains an xml:lang attribute to indicate the language used in the descriptive text.
- 5880 **R14.2-2:** Fault wsa:Action URI values vary from fault to fault. The service shall issue a fault  
5881 using the correct URI, based on the specification that defined the fault. Faults defined in this  
5882 specification shall have the following URI value:
- 5883 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault`
- 5884 The Master Fault tables in 14.6 contain the relevant wsa:Action URIs. The URI values are directly  
5885 implied by the QName for the fault.

### 5886 14.3 NotUnderstood Faults

- 5887 There is a special case for faults relating to mustUnderstand attributes on SOAP headers. SOAP  
5888 specifications define the fault differently than the encoding in 14.2 (see 5.4.8 in [SOAP 1.2](#)). In  
5889 practice, the fault varies only in indicating the SOAP header that was not understood, the QName,  
5890 and the namespace (see line 5 in the following outline).

```
5891 (1) <s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope"
5892 (2)   xmlns:wsa="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing">
5893 (3)
5894 (4)   <s:Header>
5895 (5)     <s:NotUnderstood qname="QName of header" xmlns:ns="XML namespace of
5896     header"/>
```

```

5897 (6) <wsa:Action>
5898 (7) http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault
5899 (8) </wsa:Action>
5900 (9) <wsa:MessageID>
5901 (10) urn:uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a87
5902 (11) </wsa:MessageID>
5903 (12) <wsa:RelatesTo>
5904 (13) urn:uuid:d9726315-bc91-430b-9ed8-ce5ffb858a85
5905 (14) </wsa:RelatesTo>
5906 (15) </s:Header>
5907 (16)
5908 (17) <s:Body>
5909 (18) <s:Fault>
5910 (19) <s:Code>
5911 (20) <s:Value>s:MustUnderstand</s:Value>
5912 (21) </s:Code>
5913 (22) <s:Reason>
5914 (23) <s:Text xml:lang="en-US">Header not understood</s:Text>
5915 (24) </s:Reason>
5916 (25) </s:Fault>
5917 (26) </s:Body>
5918 (27)
5919 (28) </s:Envelope>

```

5920 The preceding fault template can be used in all cases of failure to process mustUnderstand attributes.  
 5921 Lines 5–8 show the important content, indicating which header was not understood and including a  
 5922 generic wsa:Action that specifies that the current message is a fault.

5923 The wsa:RelatesTo element is included so that the client can correlate the fault with the original  
 5924 request. Over transports other than HTTP in which requests might be interlaced, this might be the  
 5925 only way to respond to the correct sender.

5926 If the original wsa:MessageID itself is faulty and the connection is request-response oriented, the  
 5927 service can attempt to send back a fault without the wsa:RelatesTo field, or can simply fail to  
 5928 respond, as discussed in 14.4.

#### 5929 **14.4 Degenerate Faults**

5930 In rare cases, the SOAP message might not contain enough information to properly generate a fault.  
 5931 For example, if the wsa:MessageID is garbled, the service will have difficulty returning a fault that  
 5932 references the original message. Some transports might not be able to reference the sender to return  
 5933 the fault.

5934 If the transport guarantees a simple request-response pattern, the service can send back a fault with  
 5935 no wsa:RelatesTo field. However, in some cases, there is no guarantee that the sender can be  
 5936 reached (for example, if the wsa:FaultTo contains an invalid address, so there is no way to deliver the  
 5937 fault).

5938 In all cases, the service can revert to the rules of 13.3, in which no response is sent. The service can  
 5939 attempt to log the requests in some way to help identify the defective client.

#### 5940 **14.5 Fault Extensibility**

5941 A service can include additional fault information beyond what is defined in this specification. The  
 5942 appropriate extension element is the s:Detail element, and the service-specific XML can appear at  
 5943 any location within this element, provided that it is properly mapped to an XML namespace that  
 5944 defines the schema for that content. WS-Management makes use of this extension technique for the  
 5945 wsman:FaultDetail URI values, as shown in the following outline:

```

5946 (1) <s:Detail>
5947 (2)   <wsman:FaultDetail>... </wsman:FaultDetail>
5948 (3)   <ExtensionData xmlns="vendor-specific-namespace">...</ExtensionData>
5949 (4)   ...
5950 (5) </s:Detail>

```

5951 The extension data elements can appear before or after any WS-Management-specific extensions  
 5952 mandated by this specification. More than one extension element is permitted.

## 5953 14.6 Master Faults

5954 This clause includes all faults from this specification and all underlying specifications. This list is the  
 5955 normative fault list for WS-Management.

5956 **R14.6-1:** A service shall return faults from the following list when the operation that caused them  
 5957 was a message in this specification for which faults are specified. A conformant service may  
 5958 return other faults for messages that are not part of WS-Management.

5959 It is critical to client interoperability that the same fault be used in identical error cases. If each service  
 5960 returns a distinct fault for "Not Found", for example, constructing interoperable clients would be  
 5961 impossible. In Table 5 through Table 43, the source specification of a fault is based on its QName.

5962 **Table 5 – wsman:AccessDenied**

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:AccessDenied  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | The sender was not authorized to access the resource.   |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | This fault is returned generically for all access denials that relate to authentication or authorization failures. This fault does not indicate locking or concurrency conflicts or other types of denials unrelated to security by itself. |
| Applicability | Any message   |
| Remedy        | The client acquires the correct credentials and retries the operation.  |

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**Table 6 – wsa:ActionNotSupported**

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsa:ActionNotSupported   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The action is not supported by the service.  |
| Detail        | <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   &lt;wsa:Action&gt; <i>Incorrect Action URI</i> &lt;/wsa:Action&gt; &lt;/s:Detail&gt; &lt;!-- The unsupported Action URI is returned, if possible --&gt;</pre>  |
| Comments      | <p>This fault means that the requested action is not supported by the implementation. As an example, read-only implementations (supporting only Get and Enumerate) return this fault for any operations other than these two.</p> <p>If the implementation never supports the action, the fault can be generated as shown in the "Detail" row of this table. However, if the implementation supports the action in a general sense, but it is not an appropriate match for the resource, an additional detail code can be added to the fault, as follows:</p> <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   &lt;wsa:Action&gt; <i>The offending Action URI</i> &lt;/wsa:Action&gt;   &lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt;     http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/ActionMismatch   &lt;/wsman:FaultDetail&gt; &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</pre> <p>This situation can occur when the implementation supports Put, for example, but the client attempts to update a read-only resource.</p> |
| Applicability | All messages   |
| Remedy        | The client consults metadata provided by the service to determine which operations are supported.  |

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**Table 7 – wsman:AlreadyExists**

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:AlreadyExists  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The sender attempted to create a resource that already exists.                                     |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | This fault is returned in cases where the user attempted to create a resource that already exists. |
| Applicability | Create   |
| Remedy        | The client uses Put or creates a resource with a different identity.                               |

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Table 8 – wsmen:CannotProcessFilter

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsmen:CannotProcessFilter   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | The requested filter could not be processed.  |
| Detail        | <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   &lt;wsman:SupportedSelectorName&gt; Valid selector name for use in filter expression &lt;/wsman:SupportedSelectorName&gt; * &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</pre>   |
| Comments      | <p>This fault is returned for syntax errors or other semantic problems with the filter.</p> <p>For use with the SelectorFilter dialect (see ANNEX E), the service can include one or more SupportedSelectorName elements to provide a list of supported selector names in the event that the client has requested filtering on one or more unsupported selector names.</p> <p>If the filter is valid, but the service cannot execute the filter due to misconfiguration, lack of resources, or other service-related problems, more specific faults can be returned, such as wsman:QuotaLimit or wsman:InternalError.</p> |
| Applicability | Enumerate   |
| Remedy        | The client fixes the filter problem and tries again.  |

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Table 9 – wsman:CannotProcessFilter

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:CannotProcessFilter   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | The requested filter could not be processed.  |
| Detail        | <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   &lt;wsman:SupportedSelectorName&gt; Valid selector name for use in filter expression &lt;/wsman:SupportedSelectorName&gt; * &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</pre>   |
| Comments      | <p>This fault is returned for syntax errors or other semantic problems with the filter such as exceeding the subset supported by the service.</p> <p>For use with the SelectorFilter dialect (see ANNEX E), the service can include one or more SupportedSelectorName elements to provide a list of supported selector names in the event that the client has requested filtering on one or more unsupported selector names.</p> <p>If the filter is valid, but the service cannot execute the filter due to misconfiguration, lack of resources, or other service-related problems, more specific faults can be returned, such as wsman:QuotaLimit, wsman:InternalError, or wsme:EventSourceUnableToProcess.</p> |
| Applicability | Subscribe, fragment-level resource access operations  |
| Remedy        | The client fixes the filter problem and tries again.  |

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Table 10 – wsman:Concurrency

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:Concurrency  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The action could not be completed due to concurrency or locking problems.  |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | This fault means that the requested action could not be carried out either due to internal concurrency or locking problems or because another user is accessing the resource.<br>This fault can occur if a resource is being enumerated using Enumerate and another client attempts operations such as Delete, which would affect the result of the enumeration in progress. |
| Applicability | All messages   |
| Remedy        | The client waits and tries again.  |

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Table 11 – wsme:DeliveryModeRequestedUnavailable

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:DeliveryModeRequestedUnavailable   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | The requested delivery mode is not supported.   |
| Detail        | <s:Detail><br><wsme:SupportedDeliveryMode>... </wsme:SupportedDeliveryMode><br><wsme:SupportedDeliveryMode>... </wsme:SupportedDeliveryMode><br>...<br></s:Detail><br><!-- This is a simple, optional list of one or more supported delivery mode URIs. It may be left empty. -->   |
| Comments      | This fault is returned for unsupported delivery modes for the specified resource.<br>If the stack supports the delivery mode in general, but not for the specific resource, this fault is still returned.<br>Other resources might support the delivery mode. The fault does not imply that the delivery mode is not supported by the implementation. |
| Applicability | Subscribe   |
| Remedy        | The client selects one of the supported delivery modes.   |

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Table 12 – wsman:DeliveryRefused

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:DeliveryRefused  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Receiver   |
| Reason        | The receiver refuses to accept delivery of events and requests that the subscription be canceled.  |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | This fault is returned by event receivers to force a cancellation of a subscription.<br>This fault can happen when the client tried to Unsubscribe, but failed, or when the client lost knowledge of active subscriptions and does not want to keep receiving events that it no longer owns. This fault can help clean up spurious or leftover subscriptions when clients are reconfigured or reinstalled and their previous subscriptions are still active. |
| Applicability | Any event delivery message in any mode   |
| Remedy        | The service stops delivering events for the subscription and cancels the subscription, sending any applicable SubscriptionEnd messages.  |

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Table 13 – wsa:DestinationUnreachable

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsa:DestinationUnreachable   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | No route can be determined to reach the destination role defined by the Addressing To header.  |
| Detail        | <s:Detail><br><wsman:FaultDetail><br>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidResourceURI<br></wsman:FaultDetail> ?<br></s:Detail><br>When the default addressing model is in use, the wsman:FaultDetail field may contain http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidResourceURI. |
| Comments      | This fault is returned as the general "Not Found" case for a resource, in which the resource EPR cannot be mapped to the real-world resource.<br>This fault is not used merely to indicate that the resource is temporarily offline, which is indicated by wsa:EndpointUnavailable.  |
| Applicability | All request messages   |
| Remedy        | The client attempts to diagnose the version of the service, query any metadata, and perform other diagnostic operations to determine why the request cannot be routed.   |

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Table 14 – wsman:EncodingLimit

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:EncodingLimit   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | An internal encoding limit was exceeded in a request or would be violated if the message were processed.  |
| Detail        | <p>&lt;s:Detail&gt;</p> <p>&lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt;</p> <p>Optional; one of the following enumeration values</p> <p>&lt;/wsman:FaultDetail&gt;</p> <p>...any service-specific additional XML content...</p> <p>&lt;/s:Detail&gt;</p> <p>Possible enumeration values in the &lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt; element are as follows:</p> <p>Unsupported character set:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/CharacterSet">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/CharacterSet</a></p> <p>Unsupported MTOM or other encoding types:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/EncodingType">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/EncodingType</a></p> <p>Requested maximum was too large:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxEnvelopeSize">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxEnvelopeSize</a></p> <p>Requested maximum envelope size was too small:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MinimumEnvelopeLimit">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MinimumEnvelopeLimit</a></p> <p>Too many options:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/OptionLimit">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/OptionLimit</a></p> <p>Used when the default addressing model is in use and indicates that too many selectors were used for the corresponding ResourceURI:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/SelectorLimit">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/SelectorLimit</a></p> <p>Service reached its own internal limit when computing response:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/ServiceEnvelopeLimit">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/ServiceEnvelopeLimit</a></p> <p>Operation succeeded and cannot be reversed, but result is too large to send:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/UnreportableSuccess">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/UnreportableSuccess</a></p> <p>Request contained a character outside of the range that is supported by the service:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/UnsupportedCharacter">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/UnsupportedCharacter</a></p> <p>URI was too long:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/URILimitExceeded">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/URILimitExceeded</a></p> <p>Client-side whitespace usage is not supported:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Whitespace">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Whitespace</a></p> |
| Comments      | This fault is returned when a system limit is exceeded, whether a published limit or a service-specific limit.  |
| Applicability | All request messages  |
| Remedy        | The client sends messages that fit the encoding limits of the service.  |

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Table 15 – wsa:EndpointUnavailable

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsa:EndpointUnavailable   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault  |
| Code          | s:Receiver  |
| Reason        | The specified endpoint is currently unavailable.  |
| Detail        | <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   &lt;wsa:RetryAfter&gt; xs:duration &lt;/wsa:RetryAfter&gt;    &lt;!-- optional --&gt;   ...optional service-specific XML content   &lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt; A detail URI value &lt;/wsman:FaultDetail&gt; &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</pre> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/ResourceOffline<br/>Used when the resource is known, but temporarily unavailable</p> |
| Comments      | <p>This fault is returned if the message was correct and the EPR was valid, but the specified resource is offline.</p> <p>In practice, it is difficult for a service to distinguish between "Not Found" cases and "Offline" cases. In general, wsa:DestinationUnreachable is preferable.</p>  |
| Applicability | All request messages  |
| Remedy        | The client can retry later, after the resource is again online.   |

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Table 16 – wsman:EventDeliverToUnusable

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:EventDeliverToUnusable   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The event source cannot process the subscription because it cannot connect to the event delivery endpoint as requested in the Delivery element.  |
| Detail        | <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   ...any service-specific content to identify the error... &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</pre>   |
| Comments      | <p>This fault is limited to cases of connectivity issues in contacting the "deliver to" address. These issues include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The NotifyTo address is not usable because it is incorrect (system or device not reachable, badly formed address, and so on).</li> <li>• Permissions cannot be acquired for event delivery (for example, the wsman:Auth element does not refer to a supported security profile, and so on).</li> <li>• The credentials associated with the NotifyTo are not valid (for example, the account does not exist, the certificate thumbprint is not a hex string, and so on).</li> </ul> <p>The service can include extra information that describes the connectivity error to help in troubleshooting the connectivity problem.</p> |
| Applicability | Subscribe  |
| Remedy        | The client ensures connectivity from the service computer back to the event sink including firewalls and authentication/authorization configuration.   |

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Table 17 – wsme:EventSourceUnableToProcess

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:EventSourceUnableToProcess   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/fault  |
| Code          | s:Receiver  |
| Reason        | The event source cannot process the subscription.   |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | This event source is not capable of fulfilling a Subscribe request for local reasons unrelated to the specific request. |
| Applicability | Subscribe   |
| Remedy        | The client retries the subscription later.  |

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Table 18 – wsmen:FilterDialectRequestedUnavailable

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsmen:FilterDialectRequestedUnavailable  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The requested filtering dialect is not supported.  |
| Detail        | <s:Detail><br><wsmen:SupportedDialect> .... </wsmen:SupportedDialect> +<br></s:Detail>   |
| Comments      | This fault is returned when the client requests a filter type or query language not supported by the service.<br>The filter dialect can vary from resource to resource or can apply to the entire service. |
| Applicability | Enumerate  |
| Remedy        | The client switches to a supported dialect or performs a simple enumeration with no filter.  |

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Table 19 – wsme:FilteringNotSupported

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:FilteringNotSupported  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | Filtering over the event source is not supported.   |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | This fault is returned when the service does not support filtered subscriptions for the specified event source, but supports only simple delivery of all events for the resource.<br>NOTE: The service might support filtering over a different event resource or might not support filtering for any resource. The same fault applies. |
| Applicability | Subscribe   |
| Remedy        | The client subscribes using unfiltered delivery.  |

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Table 20 – wsmen:FilteringNotSupported

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsmen:FilteringNotSupported   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | Filtered enumeration is not supported.  |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | This fault is returned when the service does not support filtering of enumerations at all, but supports only simple enumeration. If enumeration as a whole is not supported, the correct fault is wsa:ActionNotSupported.<br><br>NOTE: The service might support filtering over a different enumerable resource or might not support filtering for <i>any</i> resource. The same fault applies. |
| Applicability | Enumerate   |
| Remedy        | The client switches to a simple enumeration.  |

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Table 21 – wsme:FilteringRequestedUnavailable

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:FilteringRequestedUnavailable   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The requested filter dialect is not supported.   |
| Detail        | <s:Detail><br><wsme:SupportedDialect>..</wsme:SupportedDialect> +<br><wsman:FaultDetail> ..the following URI, if applicable </wsman:FaultDetail><br></s:Detail><br>Possible URI value:<br><a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FilteringRequired">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FilteringRequired</a>  |
| Comments      | This fault is returned when the client requests a filter dialect not supported by the service. In some cases, a subscription <i>requires</i> a filter because the result of an unfiltered subscription may be infinite or extremely large. In these cases, the URI <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FilteringRequired">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FilteringRequired</a> needs to be included in the s:Detail element. |
| Applicability | Subscribe  |
| Remedy        | The client switches to a supported filter dialect or uses no filtering.  |

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Table 22 – wsman:FragmentDialectNotSupported

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:FragmentDialectNotSupported  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The requested fragment filtering dialect or language is not supported.   |
| Detail        | <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   &lt;wsman:FragmentDialect&gt; xs:anyURI &lt;/wsman:FragmentDialect&gt;   &lt;wsman:FragmentDialect&gt; xs:anyURI &lt;/wsman:FragmentDialect&gt;   .... &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</pre> <p>The preceding optional URI values indicate supported dialects.</p>   |
| Comments      | <p>This fault is returned when the service does not support the requested fragment-level filtering dialect.</p> <p>If the implementation supports the fragment dialect in general, but not for the specific resource, this fault is still returned.</p> <p>Other resources might support the fragment dialect. This fault does not imply that the fragment dialect is not supported by the implementation.</p> |
| Applicability | Enumerate, Get, Create, Put, Delete  |
| Remedy        | The client uses a supported filtering dialect or no filtering.   |

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Table 23 – wsman:InternalError

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:InternalError   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault  |
| Code          | s:Receiver  |
| Reason        | The service cannot comply with the request due to internal processing errors.   |
| Detail        | <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   ...service-specific extension XML elements.... &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</pre>  |
| Comments      | <p>This fault is a generic error for capturing internal processing errors within the service. For example, this is the correct fault if the service cannot load necessary executable images, its configuration is corrupted, hardware is not operating properly, or any unknown or unexpected internal errors occur.</p> <p>It is expected that the service needs to be reconfigured, restarted, or reinstalled, so merely asking the client to retry will not succeed.</p> |
| Applicability | All messages  |
| Remedy        | The client repairs the service out-of-band to WS-Management.  |

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Table 24 – wsman:InvalidBookmark

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:InvalidBookmark  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The bookmark supplied with the subscription is not valid.  |
| Detail        | <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   &lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt;     If possible, one of the following URI values   &lt;/wsman:FaultDetail&gt; &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</pre> <p>Possible URI values:</p> <p>The service is not able to back up and replay from that point:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Expired">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Expired</a></p> <p>The service is not able to decode the bookmark:<br/> <a href="http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidFormat">http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidFormat</a></p> |
| Comments      | This fault is returned if a bookmark has expired, is corrupt, or is otherwise unknown.   |
| Applicability | Subscribe  |
| Remedy        | The client issues a new subscription without any bookmarks or locates the correct bookmark.  |

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Table 25 – wsmen:InvalidEnumerationContext

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsmen:InvalidEnumerationContext   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/fault   |
| Code          | s:Receiver  |
| Reason        | The supplied enumeration context is invalid.  |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | <p>An invalid enumeration context was supplied with the message. Typically, this fault will happen with Pull.</p> <p>The enumeration context may be invalid due to expiration, an invalid format, or reuse of an old context no longer being tracked by the service.</p> <p>The service also can return this fault for any case where the enumerator has been terminated unilaterally on the service side, although one of the more descriptive faults is preferable, because this usually happens on out-of-memory errors (wsman:QuotaLimit), authorization failures (wsman:AccessDenied), or internal errors (wsman:InternalError).</p> |
| Applicability | Pull, Release (whether a pull-mode subscription, or a normal enumeration)   |
| Remedy        | The client abandons the enumeration and lets the service time it out, because Release will fail as well.  |

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Table 26 – wsme:InvalidExpirationTime

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:InvalidExpirationTime  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | The expiration time is not valid.   |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | <p>The expiration time is not valid at all or within the limits of the service.</p> <p>This fault is used for outright errors (expirations in the past, for example) or expirations too far into the future.</p> <p>If the service does not support expiration times at all, a wsman:UnsupportedFeature fault can be returned with the correct detail code.</p> |
| Applicability | Subscribe   |
| Remedy        | The client issues a new subscription with a supported expiration time.  |

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Table 27 – wsmen:InvalidExpirationTime

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsmen:InvalidExpirationTime  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The expiration time is not valid.  |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | <p>Because WS-Management recommends against implementing the Expiration feature, this fault might not occur with most implementations.</p> <p>See clause 8 for more information.</p> |
| Applicability | Enumerate  |
| Remedy        | Not applicable   |

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Table 28 – wsme:InvalidMessage

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:InvalidMessage  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The request message has unknown or invalid content and cannot be processed.  |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | <p>This fault is generally not used in WS-Management, although it can be used for cases not covered by other faults.</p> <p>If the content violates the schema, a wsman:SchemaValidationError fault can be sent. If specific errors occur in the subscription body, one of the more descriptive faults can be used.</p> <p>This fault is not to be used to indicate unsupported features, only unexpected or unknown content in violation of this specification.</p> |
| Applicability | Pub/sub request messages   |
| Remedy        | The client issues valid messages that comply with this specification.  |

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Table 29 – wsa:InvalidMessageInformationHeader

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsa:InvalidMessageInformationHeader   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | A message information header is not valid, and the message cannot be processed.   |
| Detail        | <pre>&lt;s:Detail&gt;   ...the invalid header... &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</pre>  |
| Comments      | <p>This fault can occur with any type of SOAP header error. The header might be invalid in terms of schema or value, or it might constitute a semantic error.</p> <p>This fault is not to be used to indicate an invalid resource address (a "not found" condition for the resource), but to indicate actual structural violations of the SOAP header rules in this specification.</p> <p>Examples are repeated MessageIDs, missing RelatesTo on a response, badly formed addresses, or any other missing header content.</p> |
| Applicability | All messages  |
| Remedy        | The client reformats message using the correct format, values, and number of message information headers.   |

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Table 30 – wsman:InvalidOptions

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:InvalidOptions  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | One or more options are not valid.  |
| Detail        | <p>&lt;s:Detail&gt;<br/>         &lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt;<br/>             If possible, one of the following URI values<br/>         &lt;/wsman:FaultDetail&gt;<br/>         &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</p> <p>Possible URI values:<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/NotSupported<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidName<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidValue</p> |
| Comments      | This fault generically covers all cases where the option names or values are not valid, or they are used in incorrect combinations.   |
| Applicability | All request messages  |
| Remedy        | The client discovers supported option names and valid values by consulting metadata or other mechanisms. Such metadata is beyond the scope of this specification.   |

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Table 31 – wsman:InvalidParameter

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:InvalidParameter   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | An operation parameter is not valid.   |
| Detail        | <p>&lt;s:Detail&gt;<br/>         &lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt;<br/>             If possible, one of the following URI values<br/>         &lt;/wsman:FaultDetail&gt;<br/>         &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</p> <p>Possible URI values:<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/TypeMismatch<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidName</p> |
| Comments      | <p>This fault is returned when a parameter to a custom action is not valid.</p> <p>This fault is a default for new implementations that need to have a generic fault for this case. The method can also return any specific fault of its own.</p>  |
| Applicability | All messages with custom actions   |
| Remedy        | The client consults the WSDL for the operation and determines how to supply the correct parameter.   |

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Table 32 – wsmt:InvalidRepresentation

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsmt:InvalidRepresentation   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The XML content is not valid.  |
| Detail        | <p>&lt;s:Detail&gt;<br/>         &lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt;<br/>             If possible, one of the following URI values<br/>         &lt;/wsman:FaultDetail&gt;<br/>         &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</p> <p>Possible URI values:<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidValues<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MissingValues<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidNamespace<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidFragment</p> |
| Comments      | <p>This fault may be returned when the input XML is not valid semantically or uses the wrong schema for the resource.</p> <p>However, a wsman:SchemaValidationError fault can be returned if the error is related to XML schema violations as such, as opposed to invalid semantic values.</p> <p>Note the anomalous case in which a schema violation does not occur, but the namespace is simply the wrong one; in this case, http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidNamespace is returned.</p>  |
| Applicability | Put, Create  |
| Remedy        | The client corrects the request XML.   |

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Table 33 – wsman:InvalidSelectors

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:InvalidSelectors   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The selectors for the resource are not valid.  |
| Detail        | <p>&lt;s:Detail&gt;<br/>         &lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt;<br/>             If possible, one of the following URI values<br/>         &lt;/wsman:FaultDetail&gt;<br/>         &lt;/s:Detail&gt;</p> <p>Possible URI values:<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InsufficientSelectors<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/UnexpectedSelectors<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/TypeMismatch<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InvalidValue<br/>         http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/DuplicateSelectors</p> |
| Comments      | This fault covers all cases where the specified selectors were incorrect or unknown for the specified resource.  |
| Applicability | All request messages   |
| Remedy        | The client retrieves documentation or metadata and corrects the selectors.   |

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**Table 34 – wsa:MessageInformationHeaderRequired**

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsa:MessageInformationHeaderRequired   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault                           |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | A required header is missing.  |
| Detail        | <s:Detail><br>The XML QName of the missing header<br></s:Detail>                 |
| Comments      | A required message information header (To, MessageID, or Action) is not present. |
| Applicability | All messages   |
| Remedy        | The client adds the missing message information header.                          |

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**Table 35 – wsman:NoAck**

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:NoAck  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The receiver did not acknowledge the event delivery.   |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | This fault is returned when the client (subscriber) receives an event with a wsman:AckRequested header and does not (or cannot) acknowledge the receipt. The service stops sending events and terminates the subscription. |
| Applicability | Any event delivery action (including heartbeats, dropped events, and so on) in any delivery mode   |
| Remedy        | For subscribers, the subscription is resubmitted without the acknowledgement option.<br>For services delivering events, the service cancels the subscription immediately.  |

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**Table 36 – wsman:QuotaLimit**

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:QuotaLimit  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | The service is busy servicing other requests.   |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | This fault is returned when the SOAP message is otherwise correct, but the service has reached a resource or quota limit. |
| Applicability | All messages  |
| Remedy        | The client can retry later.   |

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Table 37 – wsman:SchemaValidationError

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:SchemaValidationError  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The supplied SOAP violates the corresponding XML schema definition.  |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | This fault is used for any XML parsing failure or schema violations.<br>Full validation of the SOAP against schemas is not expected in real-time, but processors might in fact notice schema violations, such as type mismatches. In all of these cases, this fault applies.<br>In debugging modes where validation is occurring, this fault can be returned for <i>all</i> errors noted by the validating parser. |
| Applicability | All messages   |
| Remedy        | The client corrects the message.   |

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Table 38 – wsmen:TimedOut

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsmen:TimedOut   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/fault  |
| Code          | s:Receiver   |
| Reason        | The enumerator has timed out and is no longer valid.   |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | This fault is not to be used in WS-Management due to overlap with wsman:TimedOut, which covers all the other messages. |
| Applicability | Pull   |
| Remedy        | The client can retry the Pull request.   |

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Table 39 – wsman:TimedOut

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:TimedOut   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault   |
| Code          | s:Receiver   |
| Reason        | The operation has timed out.   |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | The operation could not be completed within the wsman:OperationTimeout value, or an internal override timeout was reached by the service while trying to process the request.<br>This fault is also returned in all enumerations when no content is available for the current Pull request. Clients can simply retry the Pull request again until a different fault is returned. |
| Applicability | All requests   |
| Remedy        | The client can retry the operation.<br>If the operation is a write (delete, create, or custom operation), the client can consult the system operation log before blindly attempting a retry or attempt a Get or other read operation to try to discover the result of the previous operation.  |

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Table 40 – wsme:UnableToRenew

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:UnableToRenew   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | The subscription could not be renewed.   |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | This fault is returned in all cases where the subscription cannot be renewed but is otherwise valid. |
| Applicability | wsme:Renew   |
| Remedy        | The client issues a new subscription.  |

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Table 41 – wsme:UnsupportedExpirationType

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:UnsupportedExpirationType  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | The specified expiration type is not supported.   |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | A specific time for expiration (as opposed to duration) is not supported. This fault is not to be used if the value itself is incorrect; it is only to be used if the <i>type</i> is not supported. |
| Applicability | Subscribe   |
| Remedy        | The client corrects the expiration to use a duration time.  |

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Table 42 – wsmen:UnsupportedExpirationType

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsmen:UnsupportedExpirationType   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | The specified expiration type is not supported.   |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | The specified expiration type is not supported. For example, a specific time-based expiration type might not be supported (as opposed to a duration-based expiration type). This fault is not to be used if the value itself is incorrect; it is only to be used if the <i>type</i> is not supported. |
| Applicability | Enumerate   |
| Remedy        | The client corrects the expiration time or omits it and retries.  |

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Table 43 – wsman:UnsupportedFeature

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsman:UnsupportedFeature  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | The specified feature is not supported.   |
| Detail        | <p>&lt;s:Detail&gt;</p> <p>&lt;wsman:FaultDetail&gt;</p> <p>If possible, one of the following URI values</p> <p>&lt;/wsman:FaultDetail&gt;</p> <p>&lt;/s:Detail&gt;</p> <p>Possible URI values:</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Ack</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/AddressingMode</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/AsynchronousRequest</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Bookmarks</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/DeliveryRetries</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/EnumerationMode</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/ExpirationTime</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FilteringRequired</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FormatMismatch</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/FragmentLevelAccess</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Heartbeats</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/InsecureAddress</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/Locale</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxElements</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxEnvelopePolicy</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxEnvelopeSize</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/MaxTime</p> <p>http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/OperationTimeout</p> |
| Comments      | This fault indicates that an unsupported feature was attempted.   |
| Applicability | Any message   |
| Remedy        | The client corrects or removes the unsupported feature request and retries.   |

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Table 44 – wsme:UnsupportedExpirationType

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:UnsupportedExpirationType  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault  |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | Only expiration durations are supported.  |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | This fault is sent when a Subscribe request specifies an expiration time and the event source is only capable of accepting expiration durations; for instance, if the event source does not have access to absolute time. |
| Applicability | Subscribe, wsme:Renew   |
| Remedy        |   |

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Table 45 – wsmen:UnableToRenew

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsmen:UnableToRenew  |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | <i>Text explaining the failure; e.g., "The event source has too many subscribers".</i>   |
| Detail        | None   |
| Comments      | This fault is sent when the event source is not capable of fulfilling a Renew request for local reasons unrelated to the specific request. |
| Applicability | wsmen:Renew  |
| Remedy        |  |

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Table 46 – wsa:InvalidMessage

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|---------------|--|
| Fault Subcode | wsa:InvalidMessage   |
| Action URI    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault   |
| Code          | s:Sender   |
| Reason        | <i>The message is not valid and cannot be processed.</i>   |
| Detail        | <i>The invalid message</i>   |
| Comments      | If a request message does not comply with the corresponding outline in the previous row, the request shall fail and the event source or subscription manager may generate this fault indicating that the request is invalid. |
| Applicability | Subscribe, Renew, wsme:GetStatus, Unsubscribe  |
| Remedy        |  |

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Table 47 – wsme:CannotProcessFilter

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Fault Subcode | wsme:CannotProcessFilter  |
| Action URI    | <a href="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault">http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing/fault</a> |
| Code          | s:Sender  |
| Reason        | <i>Cannot filter as requested</i>   |
| Detail        | None  |
| Comments      | A filter was specified can not be processed.  |
| Applicability | Subscribe   |
| Remedy        |   |

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## ANNEX A (informative)

### Notational Conventions

6010 This annex specifies the notations and namespaces used in this specification.

6011 This specification uses the following syntax to define normative outlines for messages:

- 6012 • The syntax appears as an XML instance, but values in italics indicate data types instead of  
6013 values.
- 6014 • Characters are appended to elements and attributes to indicate cardinality:
  - 6015 – "?" (0 or 1)
  - 6016 – "\*" (0 or more)
  - 6017 – "+" (1 or more)
- 6018 • The character "|" indicates a choice between alternatives.
- 6019 • The characters "[" and "]" indicate that enclosed items are to be treated as a group with  
6020 respect to cardinality or choice.
- 6021 • An ellipsis ("...") indicates a point of extensibility that allows other child or attribute content.  
6022 Additional children and attributes may be added at the indicated extension points but must  
6023 not contradict the semantics of the parent or owner, respectively. If a receiver does not  
6024 recognize an extension, the receiver should not process the message and may fault.
- 6025 • XML namespace prefixes (see Table A-1) indicate the namespace of the element being  
6026 defined.

6027 Throughout the document, whitespace within XML element values is used for readability. In practice,  
6028 a service can accept and strip leading and trailing whitespace within element values as if whitespace  
6029 had not been used.

#### 6030 A.1 XML Namespaces

6031 Table A-1 lists XML namespaces used in this specification. The choice of any namespace prefix is  
6032 arbitrary and not semantically significant. Unless otherwise noted, the XML Schema for each  
6033 specification can be retrieved by resolving the XML namespace URI for each specification listed in  
6034 Table A-1.

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Table A-1 – Prefixes and XML Namespaces Used in This Specification

| Prefix | XML Namespace   | Specification   |
|--------|---|---|
| wsman  | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd                  | This specification  |
| wsmid  | http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/identity/1/wsmanidentity.xsd | This specification – discovery of supported protocol versions |
| s      | http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap-envelope                         | <u>SOAP 1.2</u>   |
| xs     | http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema                                | <u>XML Schema 1, XML Schema 2</u>                             |
| wSDL   | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/wSDL                                 | WSDL/1.1  |
| wsa    | Either wsa04 or wsa10   | Either wsa04 or wsa10   |
| wsa04  | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/addressing                | Clause 5 of this specification                                |
| wsa10  | http://www.w3.org/2005/08/addressing                            | <u>WS-Addressing W3C Recommendation</u>                       |
| wsam   | http://www.w3.org/2007/05/addressing/metadata                   | <u>WS-Addressing Metadata W3C Recommendation</u>              |
| wsme   | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/08/eventing                  | Clause 10 of this specification                               |
| wsmen  | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/enumeration               | Clause 8 of this specification                                |
| wsmt   | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/transfer                  | Clause 7 of this specification                                |
| wsp    | http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2004/09/policy                    | <u>WS-Policy</u>  |

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## ANNEX B (normative)

### Conformance

- 6041 This annex specifies the conformance rules used in this specification.
- 6042 An implementation is not conformant with this specification if it fails to satisfy one or more of the  
6043 "shall" or "required" level requirements defined in the conformance rules for each section, as indicated  
6044 by the following format:
- 6045 **Rnnnn**: Rule text
- 6046 General conformance rules are defined as follows:
- 6047 **RB-1:** To be conformant, the service shall comply with all the rules defined in this  
6048 specification. Items marked with shall are required, and items marked with should are highly  
6049 advised to maximize interoperation. Items marked with may indicate the preferred implementation  
6050 for expected features, but interoperation is not affected if they are ignored.
- 6051 **RB-2:** Conformant services of this specification shall use this XML namespace Universal  
6052 Resource Identifier:  
6053 (1) `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman.xsd`
- 6054 **RB-3:** A SOAP node shall not use the XML namespace identifier for this specification unless it  
6055 complies with the conformance rules in this specification.
- 6056 This specification does not mandate that all messages and operations need to be supported. It only  
6057 requires that any supported message or operation obey the conformance rules for that message or  
6058 operation. It is important that services not use the XML namespace identifier for WS-Management in  
6059 SOAP operations in a manner that is inconsistent with the rules defined in this specification.

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## ANNEX C (normative)

### HTTP(S) Transport and Security Profile

#### 6064 C.1 General

6065 Although WS-Management is a SOAP protocol and not tied to a specific network transport,  
6066 interoperation requires some common standards to be established. This clause centers on  
6067 establishing common usage over HTTP 1.1 and HTTPS. In addition to HTTP and HTTPS, this  
6068 specification allows any SOAP-enabled transport to be used as a carrier for WS-Management  
6069 messages.

6070 For identification and referencing, each transport is identified by a URI, and each authentication  
6071 mechanism defined in this specification is also identified by a URI.

6072 As new transports are standardized, they can also acquire a URI for referencing purposes, and any  
6073 new authentication mechanisms that they expose can also be assigned URIs for publication and  
6074 identification purposes in XML documents. As new transports are standardized for WS-Management,  
6075 the associated transport-specific requirements can be defined and published to ensure  
6076 interoperability.

6077 For interoperability, the standard transports are HTTP 1.1 ([RFC 2616](#)) and HTTPS (using TLS 1.0)  
6078 ([RFC 2818](#)).

6079 The SOAP HTTP binding described in section 7 of [SOAP Version 1.2 Part 2: Adjuncts](#) is used for  
6080 WS-Management encoding over HTTP and HTTPS.

#### 6081 C.2 HTTP(S) Binding

6082 This clause clarifies how SOAP messages are bound to HTTP(S).

6083 **RC.2-1:** A service that supports the SOAP HTTP(S) binding shall at least support it using  
6084 HTTP 1.1.

6085 **RC.2-2:** A service shall at least implement the Responding SOAP Node of the SOAP  
6086 Request-Response Message Exchange Pattern:

6087 <http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap/mep/request-response/>

6088 **RC.2-3:** A service may choose not to implement the Responding SOAP Node of the SOAP  
6089 Response Message Exchange Pattern:

6090 <http://www.w3.org/2003/05/soap/mep/soap-response/>

6091 **RC.2-4:** A service may choose not to support the SOAP Web Method Feature.

6092 **RC.2-5:** A service shall at least implement the Responding SOAP Node of an HTTP one-way  
6093 Message Exchange Pattern where the SOAP Envelope is carried in the HTTP Request and the  
6094 HTTP Response has a Status Code of 202 Accepted and an empty Entity Body (no SOAP  
6095 Envelope).

6096 The message exchange pattern described in RB.2-5 is used to carry SOAP messages that  
6097 require no response.

- 6098 **RC.2-6:** A service shall at least support Request Message SOAP Envelopes and one-way  
6099 SOAP Envelopes delivered using HTTP Post.
- 6100 **RC.2-7:** In cases where the service cannot respond with a SOAP message, the HTTP error  
6101 code 500 (Internal Server Error) should be returned and the client side should close the  
6102 connection.
- 6103 **RC.2-8:** For services that support HTTPS (TLS 1.0), the service shall at least implement  
6104 TLS\_RSA\_WITH\_RC4\_128\_SHA. It is recommended that the service also support  
6105 TLS\_RSA\_WITH\_AES\_128\_CBC\_SHA.
- 6106 **RC.2-9:** When delivering faults, an HTTP status code of 500 should be used in the response  
6107 for s:Receiver faults, and a code of 400 should be used for s:Sender faults.
- 6108 **RC.2-10:** The URL used with the HTTP-Post operation to deliver the SOAP message is not  
6109 required to have the same content as the wsa:To URI used in the SOAP address. Often, the  
6110 HTTP URL has the same content as the wsa:To URI in the message, but may additionally contain  
6111 other message routing fields suffixed to the network address using a service-defined separator  
6112 token sequence. It is recommended that services require only the wsa:To network address URL  
6113 to promote uniform client-side processing and behavior, and to include service-level routing in  
6114 other parts of the address.
- 6115 **RC.2-11:** In the absence of other requirements, it is recommended that the path portion of the  
6116 URL used with the HTTP-POST operation be /wsman for resources that require authentication  
6117 and /wsman-anon for resources that do not require authentication. If these paths are used,  
6118 unauthenticated requests should not be supported for /wsman and authentication must not be  
6119 required for /wsman-anon.
- 6120 **RC.2-12:** If the SOAPAction header is present in an HTTP/HTTPS-based request that carries a  
6121 SOAP message, it must match the wsa:Action URI present in the SOAP message. The  
6122 SOAPAction header is optional, and a service must not fault a request if this header is missing.
- 6123 Because WS-Management is based on SOAP 1.2, the optional SOAPAction header is merely  
6124 used as an optimization. If present, it shall match the wsa:Action URI used in the SOAP  
6125 message. The service is permitted to fault the request by simply examining the SOAPAction  
6126 header, if the action is not valid, without examining the SOAP content. However, the service may  
6127 not fault the request if the SOAPAction header is omitted.
- 6128 **RC.2-13:** If a service supports attachments, the service shall support the HTTP Transmission  
6129 Optimization Feature.
- 6130 **RC.2-14:** If a service cannot process a message with an attachment or unsupported encoding  
6131 type, and the transport is HTTP or HTTPS, it shall return HTTP error 415 as its response  
6132 (unsupported media).
- 6133 **RC.2-15:** If a service cannot process a message with an attachment or unsupported encoding  
6134 type using transports other than HTTP/HTTPS, it should return a wsman:EncodingLimit fault with  
6135 the following detail code:
- 6136 `http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/faultDetail/EncodingType`

6137 **C.3 HTTP(S) Security Profiles**

6138 This specification defines a set of security profiles for use with HTTP and HTTPS. Conformant  
6139 services need not support HTTP or HTTPS, but if supported these predefined profiles provide the  
6140 client with at least one way to access the service. Other specifications can define additional profiles  
6141 for use with HTTP or HTTPS.

6142 **RC.3-1:** A conformant service that supports HTTP shall support one of the predefined HTTP-  
6143 based profiles.

6144 **RC.3-2:** A conformant service that supports HTTPS shall support one of the predefined  
6145 HTTPS-based profiles.

6146 **RC.3-3:** A conformant service should not expose WS-Management over a completely  
6147 unauthenticated HTTP channel except for situations such as Identify (see clause 11), debugging,  
6148 or as determined by the service.

6149 The service is not required to export only a single HTTP or HTTPS address. The service can export  
6150 multiple addresses, each of which supports a specific security profile or multiple profiles.

6151 If clients support all predefined profiles, they are assured of some form of secure access to a  
6152 WS-Management implementation that supports HTTP, HTTPS, or both.

6153 **C.3.1 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/http/basic>**

6154 This profile is essentially the "standard" profile, but it is limited to Basic authentication.

6155 The typical sequence is shown in Table C-1.

6156 **Table C-1 – Basic Authentication Sequence**

|   | Client  |   | Service   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Client connects with no authorization header. | → | Service sees no header.   |
| 2 |   | ← | Service sends 401 return code, listing Basic as the authorization mode. |
| 3 | Client provides Basic authorization header.   | → | Service authenticates the client.                                       |

6157 This behavior is normal for HTTP. If the client connects with a Basic authorization header initially and  
6158 if it is valid, the request immediately succeeds.

6159 Basic authentication is not recommended for unsecured transports. If used with HTTP alone, for  
6160 example, the transmission of the password constitutes a security risk. However, if the HTTP transport  
6161 is secured with IPSec, for example, the risk is substantially reduced.

6162 Similarly, Basic authentication is suitable when performing testing, prototyping, or diagnosis.

6163 **C.3.2 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/http/digest>**

6164 This profile is essentially the same as the "standard" profile, but it is limited to the use of Digest authentication.  
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6166 The typical sequence is shown in Table C-2.

6167 **Table C-2 – Digest Authentication Sequence**

|   | Client  |   | Service  |
|---|---|---|--|
| 1 | Client connects with no authorization header. | → | Service sees no header.  |
| 2 |   | ← | Service sends 401 return code, listing Digest as the authorization mode. |
| 3 | Client provides Digest authorization header.  | → |  |
| 4 |   | ← | Service begins authorization sequence of secure token exchange.          |
| 5 | Client continues authorization sequence.      | → | Service authenticates client.  |

6168 This behavior is normal for HTTP. If the client connects with a Digest authorization header initially and  
6169 if it is valid, the token exchange sequence begins.

6170 **C.3.3 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/basic>**

6171 This profile establishes the use of Basic authentication over HTTPS. This profile is used when only a  
6172 server-side certificate encrypts the connection, but the service still needs to authenticate the client.

6173 The typical sequence is shown in Table C-3.

6174 **Table C-3 – Basic Authentication over HTTPS Sequence**

|   | Client  |   | Service   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Client connects with no authorization header using HTTPS. | → | Service sees no header, but establishes an encrypted connection.        |
| 2 |   | ← | Service sends 401 return code, listing Basic as the authorization mode. |
| 3 | Client provides Basic authorization header.               | → | Service authenticates the client.                                       |

6175 If the client connects with a Basic authorization header initially and if it is valid, the request  
6176 immediately succeeds.

6177 **C.3.4 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/digest>**

6178 This profile establishes the use of Digest authentication over HTTPS. This profile is used when only a  
6179 server-side certificate encrypts the connection, but the service still needs to authenticate the client.

6180 The typical sequence is shown in Table C-4.

6181 **Table C-4 – Digest Authentication over HTTPS Sequence**

|   | Client  |   | Service  |
|---|---|---|--|
| 1 | Client connects with no authorization header using HTTPS. | → | Service sees no header, but establishes an encrypted connection. |
| 2 |   | ← | Service sends 401 return code, listing Digest as the auth mode.  |
| 3 | Client provides Digest authorization header.              | → |  |
| 4 |   | ← | Service begins authorization sequence of secure token exchange.  |
| 5 | Client continues authorization sequence.                  | → | Service authenticates client.                                    |

6182 This behavior is normal for HTTPS. If the client connects with a Digest authorization header initially  
6183 and if it is valid, the token exchange sequence begins.

6184 **C.3.5 [http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/](http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/mutual)  
6185 **mutual****

6186 In this security mode, the client supplies an X.509 certificate that is used to authenticate the client. No  
6187 HTTP or HTTPS authorization header is required in the HTTP-Post request.

6188 However, as a hint to the service, the following HTTP/HTTPS authorization header may be present.

6189 Authorization: <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/mutual>

6190 Because the service can be configured to always look for the certificate, this authorization header is  
6191 not required.

6192 This simple sequence is shown in Table C-5.

6193 **Table C-5 – HTTPS with Client Certificate Sequence**

|   | Client  |   | Service   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Client connects with no authorization header but supplies an X.509 certificate. | → | Service ignores the authorization header and retrieves the client-side certificate used in the TLS 1.0 handshake. |
| 2 |   | ← | Service accepts or denies access with 403.7 or 403.16 return codes.   |

6194 **C.3.6 [http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/](http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/mutual/basic)  
6195 **mutual/basic****

6196 In this profile, the <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/mutual> profile is  
6197 used first to authenticate both sides using X.509 certificates. Individual operations are subsequently  
6198 authenticated using HTTP Basic authorization headers.

6199 This profile authenticates both the client and service initially and provides one level of security,  
 6200 typically at the machine or device level. The second level of authentication typically performs  
 6201 authorization for specific operations, although it can act as a simple, secondary authentication  
 6202 mechanism with no authorization semantics.

6203 The typical sequence is shown in Table C-6.

6204 **Table C-6 – Basic Authentication over HTTPS with Client Certificate Sequence**

|   | Client  |   | Service  |
|---|---|---|--|
| 1 | Client connects with certificate and special authorization header.  | → | Service queries for client certificate and authenticates. If certificate is missing or invalid, the sequence stops here with 403.7 or 403.16 return codes. |
| 2 |   | ← | After authenticating the certificate, the service sends 401 return code, listing available Basic authorization mode as a requirement.                      |
| 3 | Client selects Basic as the authorization mode to use and includes it in the Authorization header, as defined for HTTP 1.1. | → | Service authenticates the client again before performing the operation.  |

6205 In the initial request, the HTTPS authorization header must be as follows:

6206 Authorization: http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/mutual/basic

6207 This indicates to the service that this special mode is in use, and that it can query for the client  
 6208 certificate to ensure that subsequent requests are properly challenged for Basic authorization if the  
 6209 HTTP Authorization header is missing from a request.

6210 The Authorization header is treated as normal HTTP basic:

6211 Authorization: Basic ...user/password encoding

6212 This use of Basic authentication is secure (unlike its normal use in HTTP) because the transmission  
 6213 of the user name and password is performed over a TLS 1.0 encrypted connection.

### 6214 **C.3.7 http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/ 6215 mutual/digest**

6216 This profile is the same as  
 6217 http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/mutual/basic, except that the HTTP  
 6218 Digest authentication model is used after the initial X.509 certificate-based mutual authentication is  
 6219 completed.

6220 In the initial request, the HTTPS authorization header must be as follows:

6221 Authorization:  
 6222 http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/mutual/digest

### 6223 **C.3.8 http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/ 6224 spnego-kerberos**

6225 In this profile, the client connects to the server using HTTPS with only server-side certificates to  
 6226 encrypt the connection.

6227 Authentication is carried out based on [RFC 4559](#), which describes the use of GSSAPI SPNEGO over  
 6228 HTTP (Table C-7). This mechanism allows HTTP to carry out the negotiation protocol of [RFC 4178](#) to  
 6229 authenticate the user based on Kerberos Version 5.

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**Table C-7 – SPNEGO Authentication over HTTPS Sequence**

|   | Client   |   | Service  |
|---|--|---|--|
| 1 | Client connects with no authorization header using HTTPS.  | → | Service sees no header, but establishes an encrypted connection.                                       |
| 2 |  | ← | Service sends 401 return code, listing <b>Negotiate</b> as an available HTTP authentication mechanism. |
| 3 | Client uses the referenced Internet draft to start a SPNEGO sequence to negotiate for Kerberos V5. | → | ...  |
| 4 | ...  | ← | Service engages in SPNEGO sequence to authenticate client using Kerberos V5.                           |
| 5 | Client is authenticated.   | → | Service authenticates client.  |

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### C.3.9 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/mutual/spnego-kerberos>

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This mode is the same as <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/spnego-kerberos> except that the server and client mutually authenticate one another at the TLS layer prior to beginning the Kerberos authentication sequence (Table C-8). See [RFC 4178](#) for details.

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**Table C-8 – SPNEGO Authentication over HTTPS with Client Certificate Sequence**

|   | Client   |   | Service  |
|---|--|---|--|
| 1 | Client connects with no authorization header using HTTPS.  | → | Service queries for client certificate and authenticates. If certificate is missing or invalid, the sequence stops here with 403.7 or 403.16 return codes.   |
| 2 |  | ← | After the mutual certificate authentication sequence, service sends 401 return code, listing <b>Negotiate</b> as an available HTTP authentication mechanism. |
| 3 | Client uses the referenced Internet draft to start a SPNEGO sequence to negotiate for Kerberos V5. | → | ...  |
| 4 | ...  | ← | Service engages in SPNEGO sequence to authenticate client using Kerberos V5.   |
| 5 | Client is authenticated.   | → | Service authenticates client.  |

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Typically, this is used to mutually authenticate devices or machines, and then subsequently perform user- or role-based authentication.

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6239 **C.3.10 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/http/spnego>**  
6240 **-kerberos**

6241 This profile is the same as <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/spnego>-  
6242 kerberos except that it is performed over an HTTP connection. See [RFC 4178](#) for details.

6243 Although this profile supports secure authentication, because it is not encrypted, it represents security  
6244 risks such as information disclosure because the SOAP traffic is in plain text. It is not to be used in  
6245 environments that require a high level of security.

6246 **C.4 IPsec and HTTP**

6247 HTTP with Basic authentication is weak on an unsecured network. If IPsec is in use, however, this  
6248 weakness is no longer an issue. IPsec provides high-quality cryptographic security, data origin  
6249 authentication, and anti-replay services.

6250 Because IPsec is intended for machine-level authentication and network traffic protection, it is  
6251 insufficient for real-world management in many cases, which can require additional authentication of  
6252 specific users to authorize access to resource classes and instances. IPsec needs to be used in  
6253 conjunction with one of the profiles in this clause for user-level authentication. However, it obviates  
6254 the need for HTTPS-based traffic and allows safe use of HTTP-based profiles.

6255 From the network perspective, the use of HTTP Basic authentication when the traffic is carried over a  
6256 network secured by IPsec is intrinsically safe and equivalent to using HTTPS with server-side  
6257 certificates. For example, the wsman security profile

6258 <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/https/mutual/basic> (using HTTPS) is  
6259 equivalent to simple <http://schemas.dmtf.org/wbem/wsman/1/wsman/secprofile/http/basic> (using  
6260 HTTP) if the traffic is actually secured by IPsec.

6261 Other specifications can define IPsec security profiles that combine IPsec with appropriate  
6262 authentication mechanisms.

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## ANNEX D (informative)

### XPath Support

#### 6267 D.1 General

6268 Implementations typically need to support XPath for several purposes, such as fragment-level access  
6269 (7.7), datasets (8), and filtering (10.2.2). Because the full [XPath 1.0](#) specification is large, subsets are  
6270 typically required in resource-constrained implementations.

6271 The purpose of this clause is to identify the minimum set of syntactic elements that implementations  
6272 can provide to promote maximum interoperability. In most cases, implementations provide large  
6273 subsets of full XPath, but they need additional definitions to ensure that the subsets meet minimum  
6274 requirements. The Level 1 and Level 2 BNF definitions in this annex establish such minimums for use  
6275 in the WS-Management space.

6276 This specification defines two subset profiles for XPath: Level 1 with basic node selector support and  
6277 no filtering (for supporting Fragment-level access as described in 7.7), and Level 2 with basic filtering  
6278 support (for enumerating and receiving notifications). Level 2 is a formal superset of Level 1.

6279 The following BNFs both are formal LL(1) grammars. A parser can be constructed automatically from  
6280 the BNF using an appropriate tool, or a recursive-descent parser can be implemented manually by  
6281 inspection of the grammar.

6282 Within the grammars, non-terminal tokens are surrounded by angled brackets, and terminal tokens  
6283 are in uppercase and not surrounded by angled brackets.

6284 XML namespace support is explicitly absent from these definitions. Processors that meet the syntax  
6285 requirements can provide a mode in which the elements are processed without regard to XML  
6286 namespaces, but can also provide more powerful, namespace-aware processing.

6287 The default execution context of the XPath is specified explicitly in 8.4 and 10.2.2.

6288 For the following dialects, XML namespaces and QNames are not expected to be supported by  
6289 default and can be silently ignored by the implementation.

6290 These dialects are for informational purposes only and are not intended as Filter Dialects in actual  
6291 SOAP messages. Because they are XPath compliant (albeit subsets), the Filter Dialect in the SOAP  
6292 messages is still that of full XPath:

6293 <http://www.w3.org/TR/1999/REC-xpath-19991116>

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6294 **D.2 Level 1**

6295 Level 1 contains just the necessary XPath to identify nodes within an XML document or fragment and  
6296 is targeted for use with Fragment-level access (7.7) of this specification.

6297 EXAMPLE:

```

6298 (1) <path> ::= <root_selector> TOKEN_END_OF_INPUT;
6299 (2) <root_selector> ::= TOKEN_SLASH <element_sequence>;
6300 (3) <root_selector> ::= <attribute>;
6301 (4) <root_selector> ::= <relpath> <element_sequence>;
6302 (5) <root_selector> ::= TOKEN_DOT
6303 (6) <relpath> ::= <>;
6304 (7) <relpath> ::= TOKEN_DOT TOKEN_SLASH;
6305 (8) <relpath> ::= TOKEN_DOT_DOT TOKEN_SLASH;
6306 (9) <element_sequence> ::= <element> <optional_filter_expression> <more>;
6307 (10) <more> ::= TOKEN_SLASH <follower>;
6308 (11) <more> ::= <>;
6309 (12) <follower> ::= <attribute>;
6310 (13) <follower> ::= <text_function>;
6311 (14) <follower> ::= <element_sequence>;
6312 (15) <optional_filter_expression> ::=
6313 (16)   TOKEN_OPEN_BRACKET <filter_expression> TOKEN_CLOSE_BRACKET;
6314 (17) <optional_filter_expression> ::= <>;
6315 (18) <attribute> ::= TOKEN_AT_SYMBOL <name>;
6316 (19) <element> ::= <name>;
6317 (20) <text_function> ::=
6318 (21)   TOKEN_TEXT TOKEN_OPEN_PAREN TOKEN_CLOSE_PAREN;
6319 (22) <name> ::= TOKEN_XML_NAME;
6320 (23) <filter_expression> ::= <array_location>;
6321 (24) <array_location> ::= TOKEN_UNSIGNED_POSITIVE_INTEGER;

```

6322 This dialect allows selecting any XML node based on its name or array position, or any attribute by its  
6323 name. Optionally, the text() NodeTest can trail the entire expression to select only the raw value of  
6324 the name, excluding the XML element name wrapper.

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6325 Terminals in the grammar are defined as shown in Table D-1.

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**Table D-1 – XPath Level 1 Terminals**

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| TOKEN_SLASH                     | The character '/'                      |
| TOKEN_DOT                       | The character '.'                      |
| TOKEN_DOT_DOT                   | The characters '..'                    |
| TOKEN_END_OF_INPUT              | End of input                           |
| TOKEN_OPEN_BRACKET              | The character '['                      |
| TOKEN_CLOSE_BRACKET             | The character ']'                      |
| TOKEN_AT_SYMBOL                 | The character '@'                      |
| TOKEN_XML_NAME                  | Equivalent to XML Schema type xs:token |
| TOKEN_UNSIGNED_POSITIVE_INTEGER | Values in the subrange 1..4294967295   |
| TOKEN_TEXT                      | The characters 'text'                  |
| TOKEN_OPEN_PAREN                | The character '('                      |
| TOKEN_CLOSE_PAREN               | The character ')'                      |

6327 Using the following XML fragment, some examples are shown assuming that the element "a" is the  
6328 context node (that is, represents the resource or event document).

6329 EXAMPLE 1:

```
6330 (1) <Envelope>
6331 (2)   <Body>
6332 (3)     <a>
6333 (4)       <b x="y"> 100 </b>
6334 (5)       <c>
6335 (6)         <d> 200 </d>
6336 (7)       </c>
6337 (8)       <c>
6338 (9)         <d> 300 </d>
6339 (10)        <d> 400 </d>
6340 (11)      </c>
6341 (12)    </a>
6342 (13)  </Body>
6343 (14) </Envelope>
```

6344 EXAMPLE 2:

```
6345 (1) // Selects <a> and all its content
6346 (2) /a // Selects <a> and all its content
6347 (3) . // Selects <a> and all its content
6348 (4) ..a // Selects <a> and all its content
6349 (5) b // Selects <b x="y"> 100 </b>
6350 (6) c // Selects both <c> nodes, one after the other
6351 (7) c[1] // Selects <c><d>200</d></c>
6352 (8) c[2]/d[2] // Selects <d> 400 </d>
6353 (9) c[2]/d[2]/text() // Selects 400
6354 (10) b/text() // Selects 100
6355 (11) b/@x // Selects x="y"
```