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## **Banking — Personal Identification Number (PIN) management and security —**

### **Part 4: Guidelines for PIN handling in open networks**

*Banque — Gestion et sécurité du numéro personnel d'identification  
(PIN) —*

*Partie 4: Directives sur la manipulation du PIN dans les dispositifs à  
réseau ouvert*



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- *Part 1: Basic principles and requirements for online PIN handling in ATM and POS systems*
- *Part 2: Approved algorithms for PIN encipherment*
- *Part 3: Requirements for offline PIN handling in ATM and POS systems*
- *Part 4: Guidelines for PIN handling in open networks [Technical Report]*

## Introduction

The open network environment is a high-risk environment. This is especially true for PIN-based transactions, since the management of the PIN entry device is beyond the control of either the issuer or acquirer. In many circumstances, it is the cardholder who decides on the network access device (NAD).

This part of ISO 9564 provides guidelines to assist the payment system participants in reducing the exposure of PIN compromise in open networks and the likelihood of subsequent fraud in those payment systems covered by ISO 9564-1 and ISO 9564-3. Its purpose is to define minimal PIN security practices in the open network environment. If PIN security in this environment is deficient, there is a high probability, if card data are also disclosed, that both (card data and PIN) may be fraudulently used in the ATM, POS or open network environments.

The integrity of the authentication mechanism is contingent on the confidentiality of the PIN and the cardholder data. In this environment, the lack of control makes protection of the PIN difficult; therefore, protection of the cardholder data is necessary to minimise the risk of fraud resulting from card data capture and PIN compromise in the open network environment.

Noting the fluidity of the technology and the market, it was decided that the development of an International Standard was not advised at the time of publication. This part of ISO 9564 will be reviewed on a regular basis to ensure consistency with current market requirements and technological developments.

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### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 9564 provides guidelines for personal identification number (PIN) handling in open networks, presenting finance industry best practice security measures for PIN management and the handling of financial card originated transactions in environments where issuers and acquirers have no direct control over management, or where no relationship exists between the PIN entry device and the acquirer prior to the transaction.

It is applicable to financial card-originated transactions requiring verification of the PIN and to those organizations responsible for implementing techniques for the management of the PIN in terminals and PIN entry devices when used in open networks.

It is not applicable to

- PIN management and security in the online and offline ATM and POS PIN environments, which are covered in ISO 9564-1 and ISO 9564-3,
- approved algorithms for PIN encipherment, which are covered in ISO 9564-2,
- the protection of the PIN against loss or intentional misuse by the customer or authorised employees of the issuer or their agents,
- privacy of non-PIN transaction data,
- protection of transaction messages against alteration or substitution, e.g. an online authorisation response,
- protection against replay of the PIN or transaction,
- specific key management techniques,
- access to, and storage of, card data by server-based applications such as wallets, or
- financial institution sponsored, cardholder activated, secure PIN entry devices.