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### ***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'tpm2\_policyauthorize.1'***

***\$ man tpm2\_policyauthorize.1***

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#### NAME

tpm2\_policyauthorize(1) - Allows for mutable policies by tethering to a signing authority.

#### SYNOPSIS

tpm2\_policyauthorize [OPTIONS]

#### DESCRIPTION

tpm2\_policyauthorize(1) - This command allows for policies to change by associating the policy to a signing authority and allowing the policy contents to change.

1. If the input session is a trial session this tool generates a policy digest that associates a signing authority's public key name with the policy being authorized.
2. If the input session is real policy session tpm2\_policyauthorize(1) looks for a verification ticket from the TPM to attest that the TPM has verified the signature on the policy digest before authorizing the policy in the policy digest.

#### OPTIONS

? -L, --policy=FILE:

File to save the policy digest.

? -S, --session=FILE:

The policy session file generated via the -S option to tpm2\_star?  
tauthsession(1).

? -i, --input=FILE:

The policy digest that has to be authorized.

? -q, --qualification=FILE\_OR\_HEX:

The policy qualifier data signed in conjunction with the input policy  
digest. This is unique data that the signer can choose to include in  
the signature and can either be a path or hex string.

? -n, --name=FILE:

File containing the name of the verifying public key. This ties the  
final policy digest with a signer. This can be retrieved with  
tpm2\_readpublic(1)

? -t, --ticket=FILE:

The ticket file to record the validation structure. This is generat?  
ed with tpm2\_verifysignature(1).

## References

### COMMON OPTIONS

This collection of options are common to many programs and provide in?  
formation that many users may expect.

? -h, --help=[man|no-man]: Display the tools manpage. By default, it  
attempts to invoke the manpager for the tool, however, on failure  
will output a short tool summary. This is the same behavior if the  
?man? option argument is specified, however if explicit ?man? is re?  
quested, the tool will provide errors from man on stderr. If the  
?no-man? option if specified, or the manpager fails, the short op?  
tions will be output to stdout.

To successfully use the manpages feature requires the manpages to be  
installed or on MANPATH, See man(1) for more details.

? -v, --version: Display version information for this tool, supported  
tctis and exit.

? -V, --verbose: Increase the information that the tool prints to the console during its execution. When using this option the file and line number are printed.

? -Q, --quiet: Silence normal tool output to stdout.

? -Z, --enable-errata: Enable the application of errata fixups. Useful if an errata fixup needs to be applied to commands sent to the TPM.

Defining the environment TPM2TOOLS\_ENABLE\_ERRATA is equivalent. Information many users may expect.

## TCTI Configuration

The TCTI or ?Transmission Interface? is the communication mechanism with the TPM. TCTIs can be changed for communication with TPMs across different mediums.

To control the TCTI, the tools respect:

1. The command line option -T or --tcti
2. The environment variable: TPM2TOOLS\_TCTI.

Note: The command line option always overrides the environment variable.

The current known TCTIs are:

? tabrmd - The resource manager, called tabrmd (<https://github.com/tpm2-software/tpm2-abrmd>). Note that tabrmd and abrmd as a tcti name are synonymous.

? mssim - Typically used for communicating to the TPM software simulator.

? device - Used when talking directly to a TPM device file.

? none - Do not initialize a connection with the TPM. Some tools allow for off-tpm options and thus support not using a TCTI. Tools that do not support it will error when attempted to be used without a TCTI connection. Does not support ANY options and MUST BE presented as the exact text of ?none?.

The arguments to either the command line option or the environment variable are in the form:

<tcti-name>:<tcti-option-config>

Specifying an empty string for either the <tcti-name> or <tcti-op?

tion-config> results in the default being used for that portion respectively.

## TCTI Defaults

When a TCTI is not specified, the default TCTI is searched for using `dlopen(3)` semantics. The tools will search for `tabrmd`, `device` and `mssim` TCTIs IN THAT ORDER and USE THE FIRST ONE FOUND. You can query what TCTI will be chosen as the default by using the `-v` option to print the version information. The `?default-tcti?` key-value pair will indicate which of the aforementioned TCTIs is the default.

## Custom TCTIs

Any TCTI that implements the dynamic TCTI interface can be loaded. The tools internally use `dlopen(3)`, and the raw `tcti-name` value is used for the lookup. Thus, this could be a path to the shared library, or a library name as understood by `dlopen(3)` semantics.

## TCTI OPTIONS

This collection of options are used to configure the various known TCTI modules available:

`? device:` For the `device` TCTI, the TPM character device file for use by the `device` TCTI can be specified. The default is `/dev/tpm0`.

Example: `-T device:/dev/tpm0` or `export TPM2TOOLS_TCTI=?device:/dev/tpm0?`

`? mssim:` For the `mssim` TCTI, the domain name or IP address and port number used by the simulator can be specified. The default are `127.0.0.1` and `2321`.

Example: `-T mssim:host=localhost,port=2321` or `export TPM2TOOLS_TCTI=?mssim:host=localhost,port=2321?`

`? abrmd:` For the `abrmd` TCTI, the configuration string format is a series of simple key value pairs separated by a ``,'` character. Each key and value string are separated by a ``='` character.

`? TCTI abrmd` supports two keys:

1. ``bus_name'`: The name of the `tabrmd` service on the bus (a string).
2. ``bus_type'`: The type of the `dbus` instance (a string) limited to

`session' and `system'.

Specify the tabrmd tcti name and a config string of bus\_name=com.ex?

ample.FooBar:

```
\--tcti=tabrmd:bus_name=com.example.FooBar
```

Specify the default (abrmd) tcti and a config string of bus\_type=ses?

sion:

```
\--tcti:bus_type=session
```

NOTE: abrmd and tabrmd are synonymous. the various known TCTI mod?

ules.

## EXAMPLES

Starts a trial session, builds a PCR policy. This PCR policy digest is then an input to the tpm2\_policyauthorize(1) along with policy qualifier data and a signer public. The resultant policy digest is then used in creation of objects.

Subsequently when the PCR change and so does the PCR policy digest, the actual policy digest from the tpm2\_policyauthorize(1) used in creation of the object will not change. At runtime the new PCR policy needs to be satisfied along with verification of the signature on the PCR policy digest using tpm2\_policyauthorize(1)

Create a signing authority

```
openssl genrsa -out signing_key_private.pem 2048
```

```
openssl rsa -in signing_key_private.pem -out signing_key_public.pem -pubout
```

```
tpm2_loadexternal -G rsa -C o -u signing_key_public.pem -c signing_key.ctx -n signing_key.name
```

Create the authorize policy digest

```
tpm2_startauthsession -S session.ctx
```

```
tpm2_policyauthorize -S session.ctx -L authorized.policy -n signing_key.name
```

```
tpm2_flushcontext session.ctx
```

Create a policy to be authorized like a PCR policy

```
tpm2_pcrread -opcr0.sha256 sha256:0
```

```
tpm2_startauthsession -S session.ctx
```

```
tpm2_policypcr -S session.ctx -l sha256:0 -f pcr0.sha256 -L pcr.policy_desired
```

```
tpm2_flushcontext session.ctx
```

Sign the policy

```
openssl dgst -sha256 -sign signing_key_private.pem -out pcr.signature pcr.policy_desired
```

Create a TPM object like a sealing object with the authorized policy based authentication

```
tpm2_createprimary -C o -g sha256 -G rsa -c prim.ctx
```

```
tpm2_create -g sha256 -u sealing_pubkey.pub -r sealing_prikey.pub -i -C prim.ctx -L authorized.policy <<< "secret to seal"
```

Verify the desired policy digest comes from the signing authority, read the actual value of PCR and check that read policy and desired policy are equal.

```
tpm2_verifysignature -c signing_key.ctx -g sha256 -m pcr.policy_desired -s pcr.signature -t verification.tkt -f rsassa
```

```
tpm2_startauthsession --policy-session -S session.ctx
```

```
tpm2_policypcr -S session.ctx -l sha256:0 -L pcr.policy_read
```

```
tpm2_policyauthorize -S session.ctx -L authorized.policy -i pcr.policy_desired -n signing_key.name -t verification.tkt
```

```
tpm2_load -C prim.ctx -u sealing_pubkey.pub -r sealing_prikey.pub -c sealing_key.ctx
```

```
unsealed=$(tpm2_unseal -p"session:session.ctx" -c sealing_key.ctx)
```

```
echo $unsealed
```

```
tpm2_flushcontext session.ctx
```

## Returns

Tools can return any of the following codes:

- ? 0 - Success.
- ? 1 - General non-specific error.
- ? 2 - Options handling error.
- ? 3 - Authentication error.
- ? 4 - TCTI related error.
- ? 5 - Non supported scheme. Applicable to tpm2\_testparams.

## Limitations

It expects a session to be already established via tpm2\_startauthses?

session(1) and requires one of the following:

- ? direct device access
- ? extended session support with tpm2-abrmd.

Without it, most resource managers will not save session state between command invocations.

Github Issues (<https://github.com/tpm2-software/tpm2-tools/issues>)

HELP

See the Mailing List (<https://lists.01.org/mailman/listinfo/tpm2>)

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