

OMNL Identity Standards Hierarchy

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Section 1 — Purpose

1.1 This Instrument defines the standards hierarchy administered by **OMNL** in its digital-identity and standards delegate lane.

Section 2 — Hierarchy classes

2.1 Identity-related standards shall be classified as:

- binding technical standard in the adopted lane
- interoperability target
- specimen and public-reference source
- contextual or diplomatic reference only
- prohibited overclaim source

Section 3 — Core identity standards

3.1 The hierarchy may include, where expressly adopted:

- ICAO Doc 9303
- PRADO

- eIDAS and SAML federation profiles
- X-Road exchange architecture
- PKIX certificate-path validation
- W3C verifiable-credential or DID profiles where separately approved

3.2 No framework in this hierarchy automatically grants public-law recognition, statutory accreditation, or regulator equivalence.

Section 4 — OMNL delegate role

4.1 OMNL may:

- administer standards intake and adoption
- publish standards classifications and approved profiles
- route identity, registry, and verifier standards to the appropriate ecosystem operator

4.2 OMNL may not use this standards role to claim independent licensing power beyond GUOSMM-B-2026-016 and the governing SHOSJJ licensing acts.

Section 5 — Publication rule

5.1 Any external-body reference used as a standards basis in an official lane shall be traceable to:

- this hierarchy publication
- GUOSMM-D-2026-011
- the programme-specific standards act that adopts it

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