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## Foreword

This Technical Specification (TS) has been produced by ETSI Technical Committee Integrated broadband cable telecommunication networks (CABLE).

The present document produced for the transition technologies accommodates an urgent need in the industry to define requirements that enable seamless transition of Cable Networks to IPv6. Considering the depletion of IPv4 addresses, transition to IPv6 is required in order to enable continued growth of the customer base connected to Cable Networks and ensure service continuity for existing and new customers. High-quality connectivity to all kinds of IP-based services and networks is essential in today's business and private life.

A plethora of transition technologies have been proposed in IETF, other standardization organizations and by manufacturers of IP technology to allow coexistence of IPv4 and IPv6 hosts, access and core networks as well as services. Each of these technology options is specified, implemented and deployed in various forms and stages. The present document is based on the requirements of ETSI TS 101 569-1 [1].

The present document is part 2 of a multi-part deliverable covering the conformance tests specification for 6rd technology.

Part 1: "Protocol Implementation Conformance Statement (PICS) proforma";

**Part 2: "Test Suite Structure and Test Purposes (TSS&TP)";**

Part 3: "Abstract Test Suite (ATS) and Protocol Implementation eXtra Information for Testing (PIXIT)".

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# 1 Scope

The present document provides the Test Suite Structure and Test Purposes (TSS&TP) descriptions for the IPv6 transition technology 6rd to validate its implementation within a cable communications networks.

The tests are in reference to [1], the ETSI specifications for IPv6 transition technology.

The ISO standards for the methodology of conformance testing (ISO/IEC 9646-1 [i.4] and ISO/IEC 9646-2 [i.5]) as well as the ETSI rules for conformance testing (ETSI ETS 300 406 [i.6]) are used as a basis for the test methodology.

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# 2 References

References are either specific (identified by date of publication and/or edition number or version number) or non-specific. For specific references, only the cited version applies. For non-specific references, the latest version of the reference document (including any amendments) applies.

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## 2.1 Normative references

The following referenced documents are necessary for the application of the present document.

- [1] ETSI TS 101 569-1: "Integrated Broadband Cable Telecommunication Networks (CABLE); Cable Network Transition to IPv6 Part 1: IPv6 Transition Requirements".

## 2.2 Informative references

The following referenced documents are not necessary for the application of the present document but they assist the user with regard to a particular subject area.

- [i.4] ISO/IEC 9646-1 (1994): "Information technology -- Open Systems Interconnection -- Conformance testing methodology and framework -- Part 1: General concepts".
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- [i.6] ETSI ETS 300 406 (1995): "Methods for testing and Specification (MTS); Protocol and profile conformance testing specifications; Standardization methodology".

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# 3 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

6rd	IPv6 Rapid Deployment
ATS	Abstract Test Suite
B4	(6rd) Basic Bridging BroadBand element
BR	Border Relay
CPE	Customer Premises Equipment
DF	Don't Fragment flag (in IPv4 header)
GRT	Global Routing Table
GW	GateWay
HTML	HyperText Markup Language

IP	Internet Protocol
IPv4	IP version 4
IPv6	IP version 6
IUT	Implementation Under Test
MSS	(TCP) Maximum Segment Size
MTS	Methods for Testing and Specification
MTU	Maximum Transmission Unit
NAT	Network Address Translation / Network Address Translator
PICS	Protocol Implementation Conformance Statement
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
VRF	Virtual Routing and Forwarding

## 4 Test Suite Structure

The identifier of the TP is built according to table 1 as recommended in the MTS methodologies.

**Table 1: TP naming convention for 6rd**

TP/<root>/<gr>/<sgr>/<x>/<nn>		
<root> = root	6RD	IPv6 encapsulated within IPv4 – IPv6 rapid deployment
<gr> = group	BR	Border Router
	CPE	Customer Premise Equipment
<sgr> = sub-group	BF	Basic Function
	AA	Anycast Addressing
	AW	Address Withdrawal
	FRAG	Fragmentation
	MSSC	Maximum Segment Size Clamping
	TI	Tunnel Identifiers
	NT	NAT Timers
	SC	Session Control
	RT	Routing Tables
	GWA	Gateway Assignment
<x> = type of testing	BV	Valid Behaviour tests
<nn> = sequential number		01 to 99
NOTE: A sub-group may not apply for all groups.		

## 5 Test Purposes (TP)

This clause proposes a TP proforma which is used in the present document. The fields of this proforma as used in the present document are explained in table 2.

**Table 2: TP proforma field description**

<b>TP Header</b>	
<b>TP ID</b>	The TP ID is a unique identifier according to the TP naming conventions in table 1
<b>Test objective</b>	Short description of test purpose objective according to the requirements from the base standard.
<b>Reference</b>	The reference indicates the clauses of the reference standard specifications in which the conformance requirement is expressed.
<b>PICS selection</b>	Reference to the PICS statement involved for selection of the TP. Contains a Boolean expression. May contain PICS acronyms specified in table. This section is only used in case an optional or conditional behaviour needs to be selected. Mandatory behaviour is not identified here.
<b>TP Behaviour</b>	
<b>Initial conditions (optional)</b>	The initial conditions define in which initial state the IUT has to be to apply the actual TP. In the corresponding "Test Case" (TC), when the execution of the initial condition does not succeed, it leads to the assignment of an Inconclusive verdict.
<b>Expected behaviour (TP body)</b>	Definition of the events, which are parts of the TP objective, and the IUT are expected to perform in order to conform to the base specification. In the corresponding TC, " Pass" or "Fail" verdicts can be assigned there.

### 5.1 TPs for CPE

#### 5.1.1 Gateway Assignment

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/CPE/GWA/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that IUT sends a DHCPv4 Request to the DHCPv4 Server after initialization
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.9.3 Feature: 6RD Configuration
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<pre>with {   the IUT is properly provisioned   the interfaces are connected &amp; functional }</pre>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<pre>ensure that {   when {     the IUT goes online     the IUT sends a DHCPv4 Request to DHCPv4 Server   }   then {     the IUT receives the external interface address assignment   } }</pre>	

### 5.1.2 Basic Function

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/ CPE/BF/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT supports the functionality of 6RD encapsulation
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.9.12 Feature: NAT
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<b>with {</b> the IUT being properly provisioned and the interfaces are connected & functional <b>}</b>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<b>ensure that {</b> <b>when {</b> the IUT receives multiple HTML IPv6 packets containing source address indicating a public IPv6 address containing destination address indicating a public IPv6 address from multiple hosts <b>}</b> <b>then {</b> the IUT encapsulates each HTML IPv6 packet unchanged into IPv4 packet containing destination address indicating IPv4 BR GW address and the IUT forwards the packet to the BR <b>}</b> <b>}</b>	

### 5.1.3 Fragmentation

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/CPE/FRAG/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT fragments an HTML IPv6 packet upstream
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.21 Feature: Fragmentation & Buffering
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<b>with {</b> the physical MTU (Phy-MTU) size being equal or greater than the 6RD IPv4 packet between all devices and the 6RD Tunnel MTU (6RD-MTU) being lower than the encapsulated softwired packet <b>}</b>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<b>ensure that {</b> <b>when {</b> the IUT receives multiple HTML IPv6 packets containing source address indicating a public IPv6 address containing destination address indicating a public IPv6 address from multiple hosts containing the DF bit indicating the value 0. with a packet size greater than the 6RD tunnel MTU <b>}</b> <b>then {</b> the IUT fragments into IPv4 packets and the IUT forwards correctly formatted IPv4 through the tunnel <b>}</b> <b>}</b>	



<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/CPE/FRAG/BV/02
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT reassembles an IPv6 payload from the IPv4 packet downstream
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.21 Feature: Fragmentation & Buffering
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<p><b>with {</b>  the IUT being properly provisioned  and the interfaces are connected &amp; functional  <b>}</b></p>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<p><b>ensure that {</b>  <b>when {</b>  the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets  containing IPv4 transport header  containing source address  indicating B4 IPv4 address  containing destination address  indicating IUT GW IPv4 address  containing IPv6 payload  containing source address  indicating a public IPv6 address  containing destination address  indicating a public IPv6 address  containing the IPv6 fragments within the IPv4 packets  from multiple source hosts  <b>}</b>  <b>then {</b>  the IUT reorders &amp; reassembles into IPv6 packets  and the IUT forwards correctly formatted IPv6  <b>}</b>  <b>}</b></p>	

#### 5.1.4 MSS Clamping

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/CPE/MSSC/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT functions with MSS clamping upstream
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.20 Feature: MSS Clamping
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<p><b>with {</b>  the physical MTU (Phy-MTU) size being equal or greater than the 6RD IPv6 packet between all devices  and the 6RD Tunnel MTU (6RD-MTU) being lower than the encapsulated softwired packet  and the MSS value is below that of the TCP segment size of the incoming packet  <b>}</b></p>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<p><b>ensure that {</b>  <b>when {</b>  the IUT receives multiple HTML IPv6 packets  containing source address  indicating a public IPv6 address  containing destination address  indicating a public IPv6 address  from multiple hosts  with a segment size greater than the IUT MSS value  <b>}</b>  <b>then {</b>  the IUT receives the packet  and the IUT drops the packet &amp; returns a packet-too-big message to the originator  <b>}</b>  <b>}</b></p>	

## 5.1.5 Tunnel Identifiers

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/CPE/TI/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT functions correctly with tunnel identifiers
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.1 Feature: Tunnel Identifiers/Client-Customer ID
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<b>with {</b> the IUT being properly provisioned and the interfaces are connected & functional, <b>}</b>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<b>ensure that {</b> <b>when {</b> the IUT receives multiple HTML IPv6 packets containing source address indicating a public IPv6 address containing destination address indicating a public IPv6 address from multiple B4 devices <b>then {</b> the tunnel identifier is the unique IPv4 address of the CPE upstream <b>}</b> <b>}</b>	

## 5.2 TPs for BR

### 5.2.1 Basic Function

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/BF/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT supports the functionality of 6RD base NAT
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.5 Feature: Softwire Initialization Dynamic Tunnels
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<b>with {</b> the IUT being properly provisioned and the interfaces are connected & functional <b>}</b>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<b>ensure that {</b> <b>when {</b> the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets containing IPv4 transport header containing source address indicating CPE IPv4 address containing destination address indicating IUT GW IPv4 address containing IPv6 payload containing source address indicating a public IPv6 address containing destination address indicating a public IPv6 address from multiple CPE devices <b>}</b> <b>then {</b> the IUT forwards packets to the destination <b>}</b> <b>}</b>	

## 5.2.2 Session Control

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/SC/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT supports session control within port ranges upstream
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.5 Feature: Softwire Initialization Dynamic Tunnels
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
with { the IUT is properly provisioned the interfaces are connected & functional the IUT is configured for a specific port range }	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
ensure that { <b>when</b> { the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets containing IPv4 transport header containing source address indicating CPE IPv4 address containing destination address indicating IUT GW IPv4 address containing IPv6 payload containing source address indicating a public IPv6 address containing destination address indicating a public IPv6 address from a single CPE device <b>then</b> { the IUT port 6RDs to range configured and the IUT forwards the packet correctly } }	

## 5.2.3 Fragmentation

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/FRAG/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT fragments an HTML IPv6 packet downstream
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.2 Feature: Fragmentation & Buffering
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
with { the physical MTU (Phy-MTU) size being equal or greater than the 6RD IPv6 packet between all devices and the 6RD Tunnel MTU (6RD-MTU) being lower than the encapsulated softwired packet }	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
ensure that { <b>when</b> { the IUT receives multiple HTML IPv6 packets containing source address indicating a public IPv6 address containing destination address indicating a private IPv6 address from a multiple IPv6 hosting devices with a packet size greater than the BR tunnel MTU } <b>then</b> { the IUT fragments that IPv6 packet and the IUT forwards correctly formatted IPv4 packets to the CPE } }	

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/FRAG/BV/02
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT reassembles an HTML IPv6 packet upstream
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.2 Feature: Fragmentation & Buffering
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<p><b>with {</b>  the physical MTU (Phy-MTU) size being equal or greater than the 6RD IPv6 packet between all devices  and the 6RD Tunnel MTU (6RD-MTU) being lower than the encapsulated softwired packet  <b>}</b></p>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<p><b>ensure that {</b>  <b>when {</b>  the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets containing IPv6 fragments  containing IPv4 transport header  containing source address  indicating CPE IPv4 address  containing destination address  indicating IUT GW IPv4 address  containing IPv6 payload  containing source address  indicating a public IPv6 address  containing destination address  indicating a public IPv6 address  from a single B4 device  <b>}</b>  <b>then {</b>  the IUT reassembles that IPv6 packet  and the IUT forwards correctly formatted IPv6 packets to the CPE  <b>}</b>  <b>}</b></p>	

## 5.2.4 MSS Clamping

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/MSSC/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT functions with MSS clamping downstream
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.20 Feature: MSS Clamping
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<p><b>with {</b>  the physical MTU (Phy-MTU) size being equal or greater than the 6RD IPv6 packet between all devices  and the 6RD Tunnel MTU (6RD-MTU) being lower than the encapsulated softwired packet  and the MSS value is below that of the TCP segment size of the incoming packet  <b>}</b></p>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<p><b>ensure that {</b>  <b>when {</b>  the IUT receives multiple HTML IPv6 packets  containing source address  indicating a public IPv6 address  containing destination address  indicating a public IPv6 address  from multiple CPE devices  with a segment size greater than the IUT MSS value  <b>}</b>  <b>then {</b>  and the IUT receives the packet  and the IUT drops the packet &amp; returns a packet-too-big message to the originator  <b>}</b>  <b>}</b></p>	

## 5.2.5 NAT Timers

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/NT/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT TCP_time_wait timer expires when required
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.3 6RD Timers
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<pre>with {   the IUT being properly provisioned   and the interfaces are connected &amp; functional   and the IUT TCP_time_wait timer being set   and the IUT having received an IPv4 packet     containing TCP payload     indicating port numbers }</pre>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<pre>ensure that {   when {     the TCP_time_wait timer expires     and the IUT having received a second IPv4 packet       containing payload source address       indicating a different IPv6 address to the first IPv6 packet       containing TCP payload       indicating the same port numbers as the first originating packet   }   then {     the IUT decapsulates the IPv4 packet     and the IUT forwards on the IPv6 packet   } }</pre>	

## 5.2.6 Anycast Addressing

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/AA/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT supports IPv4 Anycast GW addressing upstream
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.13 Feature: Anycast Gateway Address
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<pre>with {   the IUT is properly provisioned   the interfaces are connected &amp; functional   the IUT is configured with an Anycast address }</pre>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<pre>ensure that {   when {     the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets       containing IPv4 transport header       containing source address         indicating CPE IPv4 address       containing destination address         indicating IUT GW IPv4 anycast address       containing IPv6 payload       containing source address         indicating a public IPv6 address       containing destination address         indicating a public IPv6 address     from a single CPE device   }   then {     the IUT receives the packet correctly     and the IUT forwards packets to the destination   } }</pre>	

## 5.2.7 Address Withdrawal

<b>P Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/AW/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT supports BR GW address withdrawal on cache failure
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.15 BR Address Withdrawal
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<b>with {</b> the IUT was properly provisioned the interfaces are connected & functional <b>}</b>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<b>ensure that {</b> <b>when {</b> the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets containing IPv4 transport header containing source address indicating CPE IPv4 address containing destination address indicating IUT GW IPv4 address containing IPv6 payload containing source address indicating a public IPv6 address containing destination address indicating a public IPv6 address from a single B4 device <b>and</b> the cache is removed <b>}</b> <b>then {</b> the IUT withdraws its IPv4 Gateway address from the routing table <b>}</b> <b>}</b>	

<b>P Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/AW/BV/02
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT supports BR GW address withdrawal on route failure
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.15 BR Address Withdrawal
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<b>with {</b> the IUT was properly provisioned the interfaces are connected & functional <b>}</b>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<b>ensure that {</b> <b>when {</b> the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets containing IPv4 transport header containing source address indicating CPE IPv4 address containing destination address indicating IUT GW IPv4 address containing IPv6 payload containing source address indicating a public IPv6 address containing destination address indicating a public IPv6 address from a single B4 device <b>and</b> the routes are removed for the next hop <b>}</b> <b>then {</b> the IUT withdraws its IPv4 Gateway address from the routing table <b>}</b> <b>}</b>	

<b>P Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/AW/BV/03
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT supports BR GW address withdrawal on hardware failure
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.7.15 BR Address Withdrawal
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<pre>with {   the IUT was properly provisioned   the interfaces are connected &amp; functional }</pre>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<pre>ensure that {   when {     the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets     containing IPv4 transport header     containing source address     indicating CPE IPv4 address     containing destination address     indicating IUT GW IPv4 address     containing IPv6 payload     containing source address     indicating a public IPv6 address     containing destination address     indicating a public IPv6 address     from a single B4 device     and the processing hardware simulates a failure   }   then {     the IUT withdraws its IPv4 Gateway address from the routing table   } }</pre>	

## 5.2.8 Routing Tables

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/RT/BV/01
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT supports forwarding from GRT TO VRF
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.2 BR Feature Summary
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<pre>with {   the IUT being properly provisioned,   and the interfaces are connected &amp; functional,   and the routing tables are configured GRT upstream ingress &amp; VRF upstream egress }</pre>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<pre>ensure that {   when {     the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets     containing IPv4 transport header     containing source address     indicating CPE IPv4 address     containing destination address     indicating IUT GW IPv4 address     containing IPv6 payload     containing source address     indicating a public IPv6 address     containing destination address     indicating a public IPv6 address     from a single B4 device   }   then {     the IUT forwards the IPv4 packets once translated   } }</pre>	

<b>TP Id</b>	TP/6RD/BR/RT/BV/02
<b>Test objective</b>	Check that the IUT supports forwarding from VRF TO GRT
<b>Reference</b>	[1]: clause 6.8.2 BR Feature Summary
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
<b>with {</b> the IUT being properly provisioned, and the interfaces are connected & functional, and the routing tables are configured VRF upstream ingress & GRT upstream egress <b>}</b>	
<b>Expected behaviour</b>	
<b>ensure that {</b> <b>when {</b> the IUT receives multiple IPv4 packets containing IPv4 transport header containing source address indicating CPE IPv4 address containing destination address indicating IUT GW IPv4 address containing IPv6 payload containing source address indicating a public IPv6 address containing destination address indicating a public IPv6 address from a single B4 device <b>}</b> <b>then {</b> the IUT forwards the IPv4 packets once translated <b>}</b> <b>}</b>	



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