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Abstract

This submission addresses the comments with CID: 18, 19, 208, 790, 791

**Comment Resolution**

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| 208 | 9.4.1.84 | 50 | 26 | Unclear why STA needs explicitly define whether AP creates a new group epoch or the STA just joins to an existing epoch. | Please allow an operaiton that may join or create (which ever is more suitable) for the STA to simplify the non-AP STA epoch usage. | REVISED  Editor please implement changes tagged as [208] in doc 25/1275r1. |
| 790 | 9.3.3.6 | 36 | 19 | Phrasing of first sentence in EDP Notes column is confusing. | Revise first sentece of the notes text to "The EDP element carries the Epoch settings information and the Group Epoch ID for the assigned group epoch." | REVISED  Editor please make the changes tagged as [790] in document 25/1275r1 |
| 791 | 9.3.3.10 | 37 | 25 | Phrasing of first sentence in EDP Notes column is confusing. | Revise first sentece of the notes text to "The EDP element carries the Epoch settings information and the Group Epoch ID for the assigned group epoch." | REVISED  Editor please make the changes tagged as [791] in document 25/1275r1 |

Resolution

**9.3.3.5 Association Request frame format**

**Association Request frame body**

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| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
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| 70 | DS MAC Address | The DS MAC Address element is present if the Association Request frame is encrypted, dot11DSMACAddressActivated is true, and the peer indicates support for DS MAC Address in the RSNXE; otherwise, it is not present.(#160) |
| 71 | EDP | The EDP element is optionally present if the Association Request frame is encrypted and dot11EDPGroupEpochActivated is true; otherwise, it is not present. When present, this element includes the desired EDP epoch parameters of the epoch for the associating STA.[18] |
| 72 | Mobility domain | An MDE is present in an Association Request frame if  dot11FastBSSTransitionActivated is true, encryption of the Association Request frame is used, and if the frame is being  sent to an AP that advertised its FT capability in the MDE in its  Beacon or Probe Response frame (i.e., AP also has  dot11FastBSSTransitionActivated equal to true).(#176, #Ed) |
| 73 | Fast BSS Transition | An FTE is present in an Association Request frame if  dot11FastBSSTransitionActivated is true, encryption of the Association Request frame is used, and  dot11RSNAAuthenticationSuiteSelected is equal to an AKM suite  selector value for which the Authentication type column indicates  FT authentication. See Table 9-190 (AKM suite selectors) (i.e.,  part of a fast BSS transition in an RSN).(#176, #Ed) |

**9.3.3.7 Reassociation Request frame format**

**Reassociation Request frame body**

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| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
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| 72 | DS MAC Address | The DS MAC Address element is present if the Reassociation Request frame is encrypted, dot11DSMACAddressActivated is true, and the peer indicates support for DS MAC Address in the RSNXE; otherwise, it is not present.(#160) |
| 73 | EDP | The EDP element is optionally present if the Reassociation Request frame is encrypted and dot11EDPGroupEpochActivated is true; otherwise, it is not present. When present, this element includes the desired EDP epoch parameters of the epoch for the reassociating STA.[19] |

**9.4.1.84 Epoch Request field**

The Epoch Request field carries information on the action to be performed by the AP upon receiving an EDP Epoch Request frame.

The format of the Epoch Request field is shown in Figure 9-207r (Epoch Request field format).

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|  | Epoch Request |
| Bits: | 8 |

**Epoch Request field format**

The possible values of the Epoch Request field and their meaning are shown in Table 9-129t (Values for the Epoch Request field).

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| **Value** | **Meaning** |
| 0 | Reserved |
| 1 | Create/Join [208] |
| 2 | Leave |
| 3-255 | Reserved |

**Values for the Epoch Request field**

**9.3.3.6 Association Response frame format**

**Association Response frame body**

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| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
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| 10 | RSN | The RSNE is present if dot11FILSActivated is true or if performing OWE or if the Association Response frame is encrypted; otherwise, it is not present.(#402) |
| ... |  |  |
| 38 | Key Delivery | The Key Delivery element is present if dot11FILSActivated is true or if the Association Response frame is encrypted; otherwise, it is not present.(#402) |
| ... |  |  |
| 91 | EDP | The EDP element carries the EDP settings information and the EDP Group ID for the assigned group EDP epoch [790]. This element is present if the Association Response frame is encrypted and dot11EDPGroupEpochActivated is true; otherwise, it is not present. |

**9.3.3.8 Reassociation Response frame format**

**Reassociation Response frame body**

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| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
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| 10 | RSN | An RSNE is present in a Reassociation Response frame if dot11FastBSSTransitionActivated is true, dot11RSNAActivated is true, and this frame is a response to a Reassociation Request frame that contained an FTE (i.e., part of a fast BSS transition in an RSN)~~;~~, or if dot11FILSActivated is true~~;~~, or if  performing OWE, or if the Reassociation Response frame is encrypted. Otherwise, it is not present.(#Ed, #400) |
| ... |  |  |
| 41 | Key Delivery | The Key Delivery element is present if dot11FILSActivated is true and FILS authentication is used or if the Reassociation Response frame is encrypted; otherwise, it is not present.(#402) |
| ... |  |  |
| 91 | EDP | The EDP element carries the EDP settings information and the EDP Group ID for the assigned group EDP epoch [791]. This element is present if the Ressociation Response frame is encrypted and dot11EDPGroupEpochActivated is true; otherwise, it is not present. |