

## Mobile Services Standard

### Introduction

In February 2012, Congress enacted The Middle-Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, containing landmark provisions to create a nationwide public safety broadband network that provides law enforcement, firefighters, emergency medical service, emergency managers and 911 with wireless broadband communication services on a nationwide network. The laws governing the framework for the deployment of this network are the new First Responder Network Authority known as FirstNet, an independent authority within the National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

### Purpose

FirstNet holds the spectrum license for the network and is charged with taking all actions necessary to build, deploy and operate the network in consultation with federal, state, tribal and local public safety entities and other key stakeholders.

FirstNet allows more than 60,000 public safety agencies to take advantage of expanded coverage and capacity based on commercial standards. The additional benefits of this program include:

- Make first responders safer.
- Improve communication tool security and effectiveness.
- Enhance data and information sharing during daily, emergency or joint operations.
- Promote and sustain partnerships with responders and responder organizations across the nation at all levels.
- Help investigate cybercrime and cases involving digital evidence.
- Secure 911 emergency call systems from cyberattacks.

Extended primary users such as agencies or organizations that provide public safety services in support of the primary users may also use FirstNet.

### Standard

FirstNet is the service standard for all state agencies eligible to participate. FirstNet is monitored and managed by public safety personnel for the State of Oklahoma.

### Compliance

This standard shall take effect upon publication and is made pursuant to Title 62 O.S. §§ 34.11.1 and 34.12 and Title 62 O.S. § 35.8. OMES IS may amend and publish the amended standards policies and standards at any time. Compliance is expected with all published policies and standards, and any published amendments thereof. Employees found in violation of this standard may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

## Rationale

To coordinate and require central approval of state agency information technology purchases and projects to enable the chief information officer to assess the needs and capabilities of state agencies as well as streamline and consolidate systems to ensure that the state delivers essential public services to its citizens in the most efficient manner at the lowest possible cost to taxpayers.

## References

- [FirstNet website](#).

## Revision history

This standard is subject to periodic review to ensure relevancy.

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