**Introducing the REFEDS MFA Profile**

Learn the basics of the REFEDS MFA Profile, what it is, and how to use it.

**Guidance for Identity Provider /OpenID Provider Operators**

Explores tips for IdP Operator when supporting the REFEDS MFA Profile.

**Guidance for Service Provider /Relying Party Operators**

Discover how to use the REFEDS MFA Profile to request MFA, and how to handle responses from an Identity Provider.

**Dealing with Institution MFA Policies**

Does your institution's policies for handling MFA behavior conflict with external federated access requirements? Find out how to work through them.

**Product specific questions**

Get help with implementing REFEDS MFA Profile with popular IAM products.

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**How to use this FAQ**

The REFEDS Multi-factor Authentication (MFA) Profile offers a succinct way for a service provider (SP/RP) to request MFA and for an Identity Provider (IdP/OP) to respond in an authentication transaction.

As more questions arise, we will add to this guide. Come back and visit regularly to get the latest information.

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**Terms/Abbreviations used in this FAQ**

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**Additional Links**

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