FAQ SFA/MFA

MFA FAQ

- *Q: Is compliance to SFA required in order to qualify for MFA?*
  - *A: No, both profiles may be used completely independent of each other.*

For a more comprehensive REFEDS MFA FAQ please see MFA Profile FAQ.

SFA FAQ

- *Q: Does SFA impose requirements on password lifetime?*
  - *A: No, SFA does not require password rotation.*
- *Q: Are the passwords whose secret basis is 72 characters actually required to have special characters?*
  - *A: No, SFA does not impose requirements on password complexity. The CSP qualifies to the 72 characters if it allows the user to choose their password from that character basis.*
- *Q: Does compliance to one profile of SFA/MFA ensure compliance to the other one?*
  - *A: No. Although MFA is considered the more secure profile, the requirements are significantly different from SFA and vice versa.*
- *Q: Does SFA require a strict rate limit?*
  - *A: No, SFA just requires any protection against online guessing. It is not required to implement specific controls or define a strict rate limit. The organisation itself might decide which measures are appropriate.*