

Documentation Roadmap and Forum Information

The Windows protocols documentation set includes well over 400 documents. To help you find the Windows protocol specifications you need for your implementation, Microsoft provides two high-level documents:

[MS-DOCO]: Windows Protocols Documentation Roadmap

[MS-WPO]: Windows Protocols Overview

We recommend that you review these documents in this order:

1. [MS-DOCO]: The Windows Protocols Documentation Roadmap, which describes the protocol documentation set and provides a roadmap for navigating it.
2. [MS-WPO]: The Windows Protocols Overview, which provides an introduction to Windows interoperability technologies and the protocols required for implementation. [MS-WPO] also provides pointers to the appropriate protocol overview documents for specific technology areas. Overview documents illustrate how Windows protocols that are functionally related work together, with practical examples that demonstrate common usage scenarios. They offer a good starting point to understand which technical specifications you will need to refer to for your implementation.

Forums that you may find helpful are available at the following locations:

- All Interoperability forums: <http://social.msdn.microsoft.com/Forums/en-US/category/openspecifications/>
- Windows Protocol forum: http://social.msdn.microsoft.com/Forums/en-US/os_windowsprotocols/threads
- File Services forum: http://social.msdn.microsoft.com/Forums/en-US/os_fileservices/threads

Find more information at Open Specifications: [http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/dd208104\(PROT.10\).aspx](http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/dd208104(PROT.10).aspx)