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1 Scope

This specification defines the web service interface for interaction with ONVIF devices which support time management features such as schedules and special days (sometimes referred to as holidays).

Web service usage and common ONVIF functionality are outside the scope of this document. Please refer to the ONVIF core specification for more information.

1.1 Normative references

- **ONVIF Network Interface Specification Set**

ONVIF Network Interface Specification Set version 2.6 or later.
<http://www.onvif.org/Documents/Specifications.aspx>

- **Core Specification**

Part of [ONVIF Network Interface Specification Set]

- **Access Control Service Specification**

ONVIF Access Control Service Specification version 1.0.3
Part of [ONVIF Network Interface Specification Set]

- **Access Rules Service Specification**

ONVIF Access Rules Service Specification version 1.0
Part of [ONVIF Network Interface Specification Set]

- **Credential Service Specification**

ONVIF Credential Service Specification version 1.0
Part of [ONVIF Network Interface Specification Set]

- **RFC 2445, Internet Calendaring and Scheduling Core Object Specification (iCalendar)**

<https://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2445.txt>

- **ISO IEC Directives**

ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2 (6th edition)
Rules for the structure and drafting of international standards.
http://www.iec.ch/members_experts/refdocs/iec/isoiec-dir2%7Bed6.0%7Den.pdf

2 Terms and Definitions

2.1 Conventions

The key words “shall”, “shall not”, “should”, “should not”, “may”, “need not”, “can”, “cannot” in this specification are to be interpreted as described in Annex H of [ISO IEC Directives].

2.2 Definitions

iCalendar	An industry standard format for exchanging scheduling and activity-recording information electronically.
Schedule	A set of time periods, e.g. working hours (weekdays from 8 AM to 6 PM). It may also include one or more Special Days Schedules.
Special Days	A set of dates that require the regular Schedule to be overridden, e.g. holidays, half-days or working Sundays.
Special Days Schedule	A schedule that defines time periods for a Special Day List.
Time Period	A time period has a start time and an end time, e.g. 8 AM to 6 PM.
vEvent	A component in iCalendar, specifying the properties of an event.

2.3 Abbreviations

PACS	Physical Access Control System
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3 Overview

The schedule service provides functions to manage schedules and special days. Schedules and special days are defined by iCalendar vEvents. iCalendar is a very flexible format where daily, weekly, monthly and yearly recurrence can be used.

To briefly explain the iCalendar format, consider the following examples (only parts of the iCalendar structures are shown below):

An iCalendar event starting at 8 PM on November 25, 2014, and ending at 2 AM on November 26, 2014:

```
BEGIN:VCALENDAR
BEGIN:VEVENT
DTSTART:20141125T200000
DTEND:20141126T020000
END:VEVENT
END:VCALENDAR
```

A weekly recurring iCalendar event each Tuesday and Thursday from 2 PM to 4 PM, where the first occurrence is on November 25, 2014, and the last occurrence is on December 9, 2014 (5 occurrences):

```
BEGIN:VCALENDAR
BEGIN:VEVENT
DTSTART:20141125T140000
DTEND:20141125T160000
RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;COUNT=5;BYDAY=TU,TH
END:VEVENT
END:VCALENDAR
```

The following example have exactly the same effect as the previous example, but the end date of the series is specified instead of the number of occurrences:

```
BEGIN:VCALENDAR
BEGIN:VEVENT
DTSTART:20141125T140000
DTEND:20141125T160000
RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;UNTIL:20141209T140000;BYDAY=TU,TH
END:VEVENT
END:VCALENDAR
```

3.1 Schedules

Schedules can, for example, be used to define when access is granted or when a video camera should record.

Single occurrences in a series of recurring events can be deleted to create exceptions from the recurring events.

The following picture illustrates a recurring series of events. Each vertical bar represents the 24-hour day, and the green parts represent events (time periods). Events occur each Monday, but there is an exception on the fourth Monday, when no event occurs.

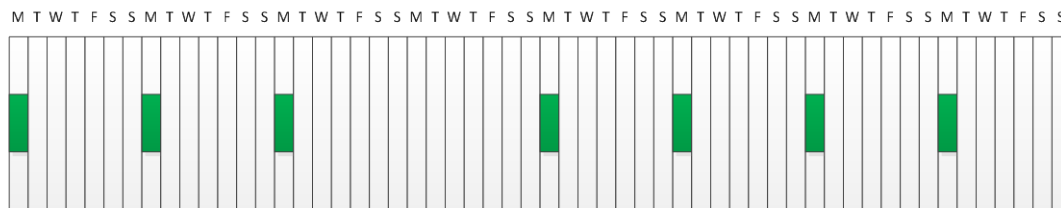


Figure 1: Recurring events with an exception

3.2 Special Days

In contrast to exceptions, the schedule service also support special days. Special days are used to define different behaviour during for instance holidays or half working days. Examples of different behaviour includes video recording with a different frame rate or different access times to a facility. Special days are grouped together and given names such as “US holidays”, “UK holidays”, “Swedish half-days”, etc.

The following picture illustrates the same series of recurring events, but instead of an exception, the fourth Monday is treated as per special day with different behaviour.

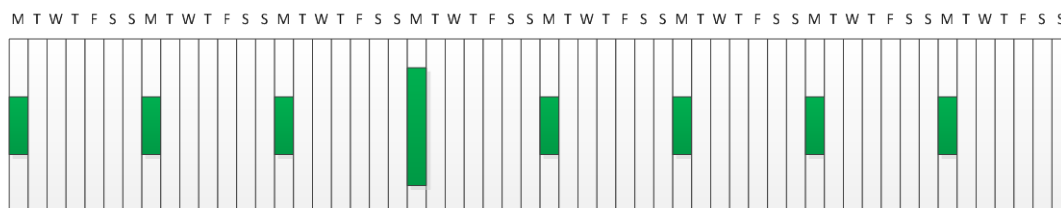


Figure 2: Recurring events with a special day

In the PACS domain, supporting different behaviour during special days is essential. Most traditional access controllers on the market today only handle weekly recurrence. Generally they do not support exceptions, but they usually support special days.

Each device supporting the ONVIF Schedule Service, can implement full iCalendar support, or support weekly recurrence with special days, or any other combination in-between. This information is published using the service capabilities.

When the ExtendedRecurrenceSupported capability is set to true then full iCalendar recurrence format is supported. Special days can still be used but may not be needed.

For devices not supporting full iCalendar recurrence, the ExtendedRecurrenceSupported capability should be set to false. The iCalendar “FREQ” and “BYDAY” keywords are used to define weekly recurring events per day in the week (see iCalendar examples above). When the ExtendedRecurrenceSupported capability is set to false, then the year of the start date of recurring events shall be set to 1970, and the occurrence count (optionally the until date) shall be omitted (i.e. forever recurring events).

The following table shows the effect of the ExtendedRecurrenceSupported capability settings for schedule and special days respectively.

For instance, the last row of the table shows that if ExtendedRecurrenceSupported is set to true then for Special Days both non-recurring events and all types of recurring events are allowed.

But, as shown in the second last row, if ExtendedRecurrenceSupported is set to false then for Special Days only non-recurring events are allowed.

ExtendedRecurrenceSupported	Entity Type	Event				
		Non-recurring events allowed?	Recurring events allowed?			
			Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
FALSE	Schedule	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO
TRUE		YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
FALSE	Special Days	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO
TRUE		YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

Figure 3: Extended Recurrence supported matrix

A group of special days may be used to define what times the facility is accessible during holidays. Another group of special days may be used to define what times the facility is accessible during half-working days.

Special day groups are typically reused by different schedules. Consider the following example:

A PACS system is shared by two sites; one in Sweden, and one in Poland. All Polish holidays are grouped in a special day group called "Polish holidays". All Swedish holidays are grouped in a special day group called "Swedish holidays". In addition Sweden have half-working days before some of the bank holidays, so another group is defined called "Swedish half-days".

A schedule called "Polish employee schedule" is created, defining access to the office for Polish employees during all days of the week, including the weekend (e.g. access on Mondays-Fridays from 7 AM to 8 PM, and access on Saturday-Sunday from 10 AM to 2 PM). The schedule is linked to the "Polish holidays" group defining the access to work during these days (e.g. no access during holidays).

Similarly, a schedule called "Swedish employee schedule" is created, defining access to the office for all Swedish employees during all days of the week, including the weekend. The schedule is linked to both the "Swedish holidays" group (e.g. no access) and the "Swedish half-days" group (e.g. access from 7 AM to 1 PM).

Only a certain subset of the iCalendar specification is required to be supported to get a usable service. Support for additional features within the iCalendar specification is reflected in the ServiceCapabilities.

The schedule service supports schedules in both local time and UTC time. Typically a schedule is in local time.

The following picture shows the main data structures involved in the schedule service:

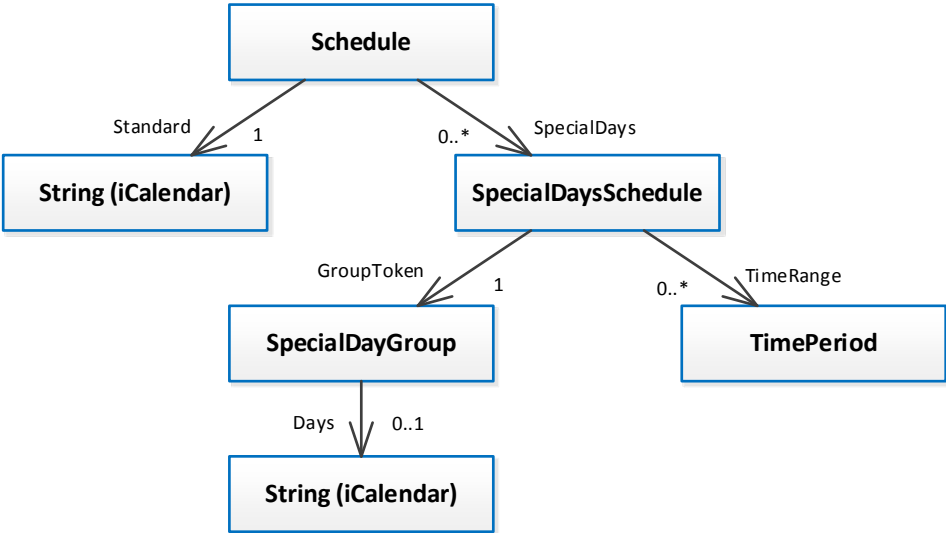


Figure 4: Main data structures in the schedule service

4 Schedules

4.1 Service Capabilities

The device shall provide service capabilities in two ways:

1. With the `GetServices` method of `Device` service when `IncludeCapability` is `true`. Please refer to [Core Specification] for more details.
2. With the `GetServiceCapabilities` method.

4.1.1 Data Structures

4.1.1.1 Service Capabilities

The service capabilities reflect optional functionality of a service. The information is static and does not change during device operation. The following capabilities are available:

- **MaxLimit**

The maximum number of entries returned by a single `Get<Entity>List` or `Get<Entity>` request. The device shall never return more than this number of entities in a single response.

- **MaxSchedules**

Indicates the maximum number of schedules the device supports. The device shall support at least one schedule.

- **MaxTimePeriodsPerDay**

Indicates the maximum number of time periods per day the device supports in a schedule including special days schedule. The device shall support at least one time period per day.

- **MaxSpecialDayGroups**

Indicates the maximum number of special day group entities the device supports. The device shall support at least one 'SpecialDayGroup' entity.

- **MaxDaysInSpecialDayGroup**

Indicates the maximum number of days per 'SpecialDayGroup' entity the device supports. The device shall support at least one day per 'SpecialDayGroup' entity.

- **MaxSpecialDaysSchedules**

Indicates the maximum number of 'SpecialDaysSchedule' entities referred by a schedule that the device supports.

- **SpecialDaysSupported**

If this capability is supported, then the device shall support special days.

- **ExtendedRecurrenceSupported**

For schedules:

If this capability is supported, then all iCalendar recurrence types shall be supported by the device. The device shall also support the start and end dates (or iCalendar occurrence count) in recurring events (see iCalendar examples in section 3).

If this capability is not supported, then only the weekly iCalendar recurrence type shall be supported. Non-recurring events and other recurring types are not supported. The device shall only accept a start date with the year '1970' (the month and day is needed to reflect the week day of the recurrence) and will not accept an occurrence count (or iCalendar until date) in recurring events.

For special days (only applicable if *SpecialDaysSupported* is set to true):

If this capability is supported, then all iCalendar recurrence types shall be supported by the device. The device shall also support the start and end dates (or occurrence count) in recurring events.

If this capability is not supported, then only non-recurring special days are supported.

- **StateReportingSupported**

If this capability is set to true, the device shall implement the `GetScheduleState` command, and shall notify subscribing clients whenever schedules become active or inactive.

4.1.2 GetServiceCapabilities command

This operation returns the capabilities of the schedule service.

Table 1 GetServiceCapabilities command

GetServiceCapabilities		Access Class: PRE_AUTH
Message name	Description	
GetServiceCapabilitiesRequest	<i>This message shall be empty</i>	
GetServiceCapabilitiesResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"Capabilities": The capability response message contains the requested schedule service capabilities using a hierarchical XML capability structure.</i> <p>tsc:ServiceCapabilities Capabilities [1][1]</p>	

4.2 Schedule Information

The schedule is a set of time periods which may also include one or more special day's schedules.

4.2.1 Data Structures

4.2.1.1 ScheduleInfo

The `ScheduleInfo` type represents the schedule as a physical object. The structure contains information of a specific schedule instance.

The device shall provide the following fields for each `ScheduleInfo` instance:

- **token**
A service unique identifier of the schedule.
- **Name**
A user readable name. It shall be up to 64 characters.

To provide more information, the device may include the following optional fields:

- **Description**

User readable description for the schedule. It shall be up to 1024 characters.

4.2.1.2 Schedule

The schedule structure shall include all properties of the ScheduleInfo structure and also the standard events (iCalendar format) and a list of SpecialDaysSchedule instances.

The device shall provide the following fields for each schedule instance:

- **Standard**

An iCalendar structure that defines a number of events. Events can be recurring or non-recurring. The events can, for instance, be used to control when a camera should record or when a facility is accessible.

Some devices might not be able to fully support all the features of iCalendar. Setting the service capability ExtendedRecurrenceSupported to false will enable more devices to be ONVIF compliant. Is of type string (but contains an iCalendar structure).

- **SpecialDays**

For devices that are not able to support all the features of iCalendar, supporting special days is essential. Each SpecialDaysSchedule instance defines an alternate set of time periods that overrides the regular schedule for a specified list of special days. Is of type SpecialDaysSchedule.

4.2.1.3 SpecialDaysSchedule

A override schedule that defines alternate time periods for a group of special days.

The picture below shows the use of SpecialDaysSchedule instances. A Schedule instance called "Employee schedule" holds an iCalendar structure defining the regular access, and also holds a number of SpecialDaysSchedule instances. Each SpecialDaysSchedule holds a token to a SpecialDayGroup and zero or more TimePeriod instances.

In this example, the first SpecialDaysSchedule instance holds the token to the "Holidays" special day group, but holds no time periods. The result is that no access is granted on the special days listed in the "Holidays" special day group.

The second SpecialDaysSchedule instance holds the token to the "Half-days" special day group, and also holds one time period "7 AM to 1 PM", resulting in access granted during those hours for special days listed in the "Half-days" special day group.

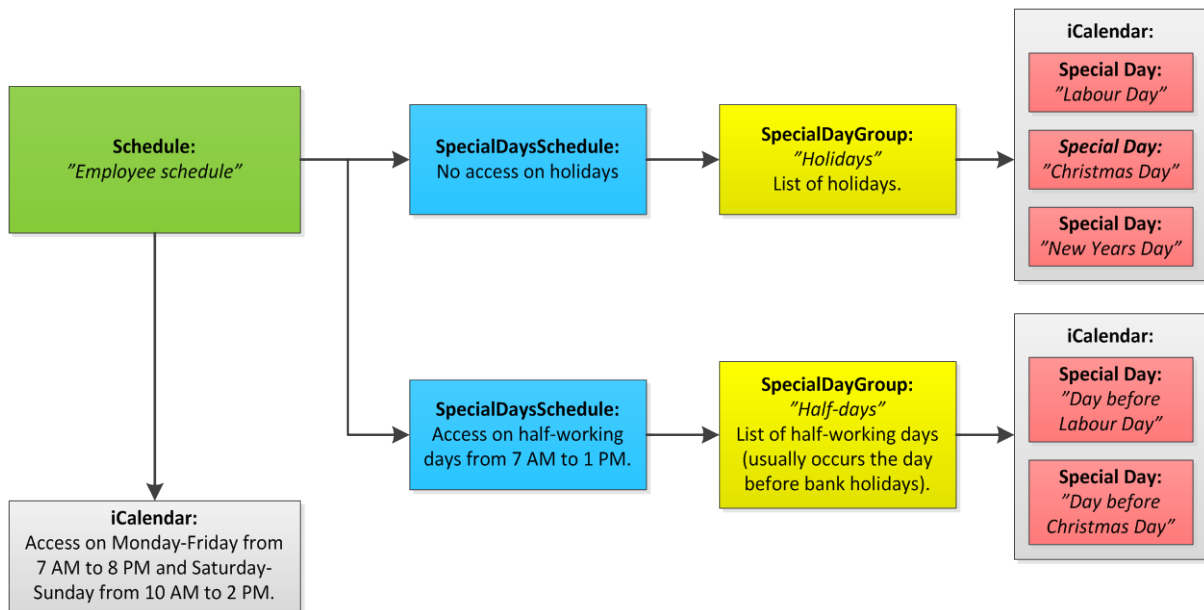


Figure 5: SpecialDaysSchedule

The device shall provide the following fields for each SpecialDaysSchedule instance:

- **GroupToken**

Indicates the list of special days in a schedule.

- **TimeRange**

Indicates the alternate time periods for the list of special days (overrides the regular schedule). For example, the regular schedule indicates that it is active from 8 AM to 5 PM on Mondays. However, this particular Monday is a special day, and the alternate time periods state that the schedule is active from 9 AM to 11 AM and 1 PM to 4 PM.

If no time periods are defined, then no access is allowed. Is of type TimePeriod.

4.2.1.4 TimePeriod

A time period defines a start and end time. For full day access, the start time = "00:00:00" with no defined end time. For a time period with no end time, the schedule runs until midnight. The end time must always be greater than the start time, otherwise an InvalidArgValerror messages is generated by the device.

The device shall provide the following fields for each TimePeriod instance:

- **From**

Indicates the start time.

- **Until**

Indicates the end time. Is optional, if omitted, the period ends at midnight. The end time is exclusive, meaning that that exact moment in time is not part of the period. To determine if a moment in time (t) is part of a time period, the formula $\text{StartTime} \leq t < \text{EndTime}$ is used.

4.2.2 GetScheduleInfo command

This method returns a list of schedule info items, specified in the request. Only found schedules shall be returned, i.e., the returned numbers of elements can differ from the requested element.

The device shall ignore tokens it cannot resolve and shall return an empty list if there are no items matching the specified tokens.

If the number of requested items is greater than MaxLimit, a TooManyItems fault shall be returned.

Table 2 GetScheduleInfo command

GetScheduleInfo		Access Class: READ_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
GetScheduleInfoRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Token": Tokens of ScheduleInfo items to get. <p>pt:ReferenceToken Token [1][unbounded]</p>	
GetScheduleInfoResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "ScheduleInfo": List of ScheduleInfo items. <p>tsc:ScheduleInfo ScheduleInfo [0][unbounded]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgs ter:TooManyItems	<p><i>Too many items were requested, see MaxLimit capability.</i></p>	

4.2.3 GetScheduleInfoList command

This operation requests a list of all of ScheduleInfo items provided by the device.

A call to this method shall return a StartReference when not all data is returned and more data is available. The reference shall be valid for retrieving the next set of data. Please refer section 4.8.3 in [Access Control Service Specification] for more details.

The number of items returned shall not be greater the Limit parameter.

Table 3 GetScheduleInfoList command

GetScheduleInfoList		Access Class: READ_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
GetScheduleInfoListRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"Limit": Maximum number of entries to return. If not specified, less than one or higher than what the device supports, the number of items is determined by the device.</i> • <i>"StartReference": Start returning entries from this start reference. If not specified, entries shall start from the beginning of the dataset.</i> <p>xs:int Limit [0][1] xs:string StartReference [0][1]</p>	
GetScheduleInfoListResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"NextStartReference": StartReference to use in next call to get the following items. If absent, no more items to get.</i> • <i>"ScheduleInfo": List of ScheduleInfo items.</i> <p>xs:string NextStartReference [0][1] tsc:ScheduleInfo ScheduleInfo [0][unbounded]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:InvalidStartReference	<p><i>StartReference is invalid or has timed out. Client needs to start fetching from the beginning.</i></p>	

4.2.4 GetSchedules command

This operation returns the specified schedule item matching the given tokens. The device shall ignore tokens it cannot resolve and shall return an empty list if there are no items matching the specified tokens.

If the number of requested items is greater than MaxLimit, a TooManyItems fault shall be returned

Table 4 GetSchedules command

GetSchedules		Access Class: READ_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
GetScheduleRequest	<i>This message contains:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Token": Tokens of Schedule items to get pt:ReferenceToken Token [1][unbounded]	
GetScheduleResponse	<i>This message contains:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Schedule": List of schedule items. tsc:Schedule Schedule [0][unbounded]	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgs ter:TooManyItems	<i>Too many items were requested, see MaxLimit capability.</i>	

4.2.5 GetScheduleList command

This operation requests a list of all of Schedule items provided by the device.

A call to this method shall return a StartReference when not all data is returned and more data is available. The reference shall be valid for retrieving the next set of data. Please refer section 4.8.3 in [Access Control Service Specification] for more details.

The number of items returned shall not be greater the Limit parameter.

Table 5 GetScheduleList command

GetScheduleList		Access Class: READ_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
GetScheduleListRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"Limit": Maximum number of entries to return. If not specified, less than one or higher than what the device supports, the number of items is determined by the device.</i> • <i>"StartReference": Start returning entries from this start reference. If not specified, entries shall start from the beginning of the dataset.</i> <p>xs:int Limit [0][1] xs:string StartReference [0][1]</p>	
GetScheduleListResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"NextStartReference": StartReference to use in next call to get the following items. If absent, no more items to get.</i> • <i>"Schedule": List of Schedule items.</i> <p>xs:string NextStartReference [0][1] tsc:Schedule Schedule [0][unbounded]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:InvalidStartReference	<p><i>StartReference is invalid or has timed out. Client needs to start fetching from the beginning.</i></p>	

4.2.6 CreateSchedule command

This operation creates the specified schedule. The token field of the schedule structure shall be empty, the device shall allocate a token for the schedule. The allocated token shall be returned in the response. If the client sends any value in the token field, the device shall return InvalidArgVal as generic fault code.

Table 6 CreateSchedule command

CreateSchedule		Access Class: WRITE_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
CreateScheduleRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Schedule": The Schedule to create <p>tsc:Schedule Schedule [1][1]</p>	
CreateScheduleResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Token": The token of created Schedule <p>pt:ReferenceToken Token [1][1]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Receiver ter:CapabilityViolated ter:MaxSchedules	<p><i>There is not enough space to add new schedule, see MaxSchedules capability</i></p>	
env:Sender ter: CapabilityViolated ter:MaxSpecialDaysSchedules	<p><i>There are too many SpecialDaysSchedule entities referred in this schedule, see MaxSpecialDaysSchedules capability.</i></p>	
env:Sender ter: CapabilityViolated ter:MaxTimePeriodsPerDay	<p><i>There are too many time periods in a day schedule, see MaxTimePeriodsPerDay capability.</i></p>	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:ReferenceNotFound	<p><i>A referred entity token is not found (some devices may not validate referred entities).</i></p>	

4.2.7 ModifySchedule command

This operation modifies or updates the specified schedule.

Table 7 ModifySchedule command

ModifySchedule		Access Class: WRITE_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
ModifyScheduleRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"Schedule": The Schedule to modify/update</i> <p>tsc:Schedule Schedule [1][1]</p>	
ModifyScheduleResponse	<i>This message shall be empty</i>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:NotFound	<i>The specified token not found.</i>	
env:Sender ter:CapabilityViolated ter:MaxSpecialDaysSchedules	<i>There are too many SpecialDaysSchedule entities referred in this schedule, see MaxSpecialDaysSchedules capability.</i>	
env:Sender ter: CapabilityViolated ter:MaxTimePeriodsPerDay	<i>There are too many time periods in a day schedule, see MaxTimePeriodsPerDay capability.</i>	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:ReferenceNotFound	<i>A referred entity token is not found (some devices may not validate referred entities).</i>	

4.2.8 DeleteSchedule command

This operation will delete the specified schedule.

If it is associated with one or more entities some devices may not be able to delete the schedule, and consequently a ReferenceInUse fault shall be generated.

Table 8 DeleteSchedule command

DeleteSchedule		Access Class: WRITE_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
DeleteScheduleRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"Token": The token of the schedule to delete.</i> <p>pt:ReferenceToken Token [1][1]</p>	
DeleteScheduleResponse	<i>This message shall be empty</i>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:NotFound	<i>Schedule token is not found.</i>	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:ReferenceInUse	<i>Failed to delete, Schedule token is in use</i>	

4.3 Special Day Group Information

A special day group are days (or parts of days) that require the regular schedule to be overridden with an alternate schedule. For example holidays, half-days, working Sundays, etc.

4.3.1 Data Structures

4.3.1.1 SpecialDayGroupInfo

The SpecialDayGroupInfo structure contains the basic information about the special days list.

The device shall provide the following fields for each SpecialDayGroupInfo instance:

- **token**
A service-unique identifier of the special day group.
- **Name**
User readable name. It shall be up to 64 characters.

To provide more information, the device may include the following optional fields:

- **Description**
User readable description for the special days. It shall be up to 1024 characters.

4.3.1.2 SpecialDayGroup

The special day group structure shall include all properties of the SpecialDayGroupInfo structure and also a set of special days. A special day group are days (or parts of days) that require the regular schedule to be overridden with an alternate schedule. For example holidays, half-days, working Sundays, etc.

The device shall provide the following fields for each SpecialDayGroup instance:

- **Days**

An iCalendar structure that contains a group of special days. Is of type string (containing an iCalendar structure).

4.3.2 GetSpecialDayGroupInfo command

This operation requests a list of SpecialDayGroupInfo items matching the given tokens.

The device shall ignore tokens it cannot resolve and shall return an empty list if there are no items matching specified tokens. The device shall not return a fault in this case.

If the number of requested items is greater than MaxLimit, a TooManyItems fault shall be returned.

Table 9 GetSpecialDayGroupInfo command

GetSpecialDayGroupInfo		Access Class: READ_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
GetSpecialDayGroupInfoRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Token": Tokens of SpecialDayGroupInfo items to get. <p>pt:ReferenceToken Token [1][unbounded]</p>	
GetSpecialDayGroupInfoResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "SpecialDayGroupInfo": List of SpecialDayGroupInfo items. <p>tsc:SpecialDayGroupInfo SpecialDayGroupInfo [0][unbounded]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgs ter:TooManyItems	<p><i>Too many items were requested, see MaxLimit capability.</i></p>	

4.3.3 GetSpecialDayGroupInfoList command

This operation requests a list of all of SpecialDayGroupInfo items provided by the device.

A call to this method shall return a StartReference when not all data is returned and more data is available. The reference shall be valid for retrieving the next set of data.

The number of items returned shall not be greater than Limit parameter.

Table 10 GetSpecialDayGroupInfoList command

GetSpecialDayGroupInfoList		Access Class: READ_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
GetSpecialDayGroupInfoListRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"Limit": Maximum number of entries to return. If not specified, less than one or higher than what the device supports, the number of items is determined by the device.</i> • <i>"StartReference": Start returning entries from this start reference. If not specified, entries shall start from the beginning of the dataset.</i> <p>xs:int Limit [0][1] xs:string StartReference [0][1]</p>	
GetSpecialDayGroupInfoListResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"NextStartReference": StartReference to use in next call to get the following items. If absent, no more items to get.</i> • <i>"SpecialDayGroupInfo": List of SpecialDayGroupInfo items.</i> <p>xs:string NextStartReference [0][1] tsc:SpecialDayGroupInfo SpecialDayGroupInfo [0][unbounded]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:InvalidStartReference	<p><i>StartReference is invalid or has timed out. Client needs to start fetching from the beginning.</i></p>	

4.3.4 GetSpecialDayGroups command

This operation returns the specified special day group item matching the given token.

Table 11 GetSpecialDayGroups command

GetSpecialDayGroups		Access Class: READ_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
GetSpecialDayGroupsRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Token": Tokens of the SpecialDayGroup items to get. <p>pt:ReferenceToken Token [1][unbounded]</p>	
GetSpecialDayGroupsResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "SpecialDayGroup": List of SpecialDayGroup items. <p>tsc:SpecialDayGroup SpecialDayGroup [0][unbounded]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgs ter:TooManyItems	<p><i>Too many items were requested, see MaxLimit capability.</i></p>	

4.3.5 GetSpecialDayGroupList command

This operation requests a list of all of SpecialDayGroupList items provided by the device.

A call to this method shall return a StartReference when not all data is returned and more data is available. The reference shall be valid for retrieving the next set of data. Please refer section 4.8.3 in [Access Control Service Specification] for more details.

The number of items returned shall not be greater the Limit parameter.

Table 12 GetSpecialDayGroupList command

GetSpecialDayGroupList		Access Class: READ_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
GetSpecialDayGroupListRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>"Limit": Maximum number of entries to return. If not specified, less than one or higher than what the device supports, the number of items is determined by the device.</i> <i>"StartReference": Start returning entries from this start reference. If not specified, entries shall start from the beginning of the dataset.</i> <p>xs:int Limit [0][1] xs:string StartReference [0][1]</p>	
GetSpecialDayGroupListResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>"NextStartReference": StartReference to use in next call to get the following items. If absent, no more items to get.</i> <i>"SpecialDayGroup": List of SpecialDayGroup items.</i> <p>xs:string NextStartReference [0][1] tsc:SpecialDayGroup SpecialDayGroup [0][unbounded]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:InvalidStartReference	<p><i>StartReference is invalid or has timed out. Client needs to start fetching from the beginning.</i></p>	

4.3.6 CreateSpecialDayGroup command

This operation creates the specified special day group. The token field of the SpecialDayGroup structure shall be empty, the device shall allocate a token for the special day group. The allocated token shall be returned in the response. If there is any value in the token field, the device shall return InvalidArgVal as generic fault code.

Table 13 CreateSpecialDayGroup command

CreateSpecialDayGroup		Access Class: WRITE_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
CreateSpecialDayGroupRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "SpecialDayGroup": The special day group to create. <p>tsc:SpecialDayGroup SpecialDayGroup [1][1]</p>	
CreateSpecialDayGroupResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Token": The token of created special day group. <p>pt:ReferenceToken Token [1][1]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Receiver ter: CapabilityViolated ter: MaxSpecialDayGroups	<p><i>There is not enough space to add new SpecialDayGroup items, see the MaxSpecialDayGroups capability</i></p>	
env:Sender ter: CapabilityViolated ter: MaxDaysInSpecialDayGroup	<p><i>There are too many special days in a SpecialDayGroup, see MaxDaysInSpecialDayGroup capability.</i></p>	

4.3.7 ModifySpecialDayGroup command

This operation updates the specified special day group.

Table 14 ModifySpecialDayGroup command

ModifySpecialDayGroup		Access Class: WRITE_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
ModifSpecialDayGroupRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "SpecialDayGroup": The special day group to modify/update. <p>tsc:SpecialDayGroup SpecialDayGroup [1][1]</p>	
ModifySpecialDayGroupResponse	<p><i>This message shall be empty</i></p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter: InvalidArgVal ter: NotFound	<p><i>The specified token not found.</i></p>	
env:Sender ter: CapabilityViolated ter: MaxDaysInSpecialDayGroup	<p><i>There are too many special days in a SpecialDayGroup, see MaxDaysInSpecialDayGroup capability.</i></p>	

4.3.8 DeleteSpecialDayGroup command

This method deletes the specified special day group.

If it is associated with one or more schedules some devices may not be able to delete the special day group, and consequently a ReferenceInUse fault must be generated.

Table 15 DeleteSpecialDayGroup command

DeleteSpecialDayGroup		Access Class: WRITE_SYSTEM
Message name	Description	
DeleteSpecialDayGroupRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>"Token": The token of the special day group item to delete.</i> <p>pt:ReferenceToken Token [1][1]</p>	
DeleteSpecialDayGroupResponse	<i>This message shall be empty</i>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:NotFound	<i>Special day group token is not found.</i>	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:ReferenceInUse	<i>Failed to delete, Special day group token is in use</i>	

4.4 Schedule Status

4.4.1 Data Structures

4.4.1.1 ScheduleState

The ScheduleState contains state information for a schedule.

The device shall provide the following fields for each ScheduleState instance:

- **Active**

Indicates that the current time is within the boundaries of the schedule or its special days schedules' time periods. For example, if this schedule is being used for triggering automatic recording on a video source, the Active flag will be true when the schedule-based recording is supposed to record.

To provide more information, the device may include the following optional field:

- **SpecialDay**

Indicates that the current time is within the boundaries of its special days schedules' time periods. For example, if this schedule is being used for recording at a lower frame rate on a video source during special days, the SpecialDay flag will be true. If special days are not supported by the device, this field may be omitted and interpreted as false by the client.

4.4.2 GetScheduleState command

This operation requests the ScheduleState for the schedule instance specified by the given token.

Table 16 GetScheduleState command

GetScheduleState		Access Class: READ_SYSTEM_SENSITIVE
Message name	Description	
GetScheduleStateRequest	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Token": Token of schedule instance to get ScheduleState. <p>pt:ReferenceToken Token [1][1]</p>	
GetScheduleStateResponse	<p><i>This message contains:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "ScheduleState": ScheduleState item. <p>tac:ScheduleState ScheduleState [1][1]</p>	
Fault codes	Description	
env:Sender ter:InvalidArgVal ter:NotFound	<p><i>Schedule token is not found</i></p>	

5 Notification topics

This section defines notification topics specific to the schedule service.

5.1 Event overview (informative)

The schedule service specifies events when schedules or its special days are active and when schedules or special days are changed.

The main topic for status changes are:

- tns1:Schedule/State/Active

The main topics for configuration change notifications are:

- tns1:Configuration/Schedule/Changed
- tns1:Configuration/Schedule/Removed
- tns1:Configuration/SpecialDays/Changed
- tns1:Configuration/SpecialDays/Removed

5.2 Status changes

5.2.1 Schedule

If the StateReportingSupported capability is set to true then the service/device shall be capable of generating the following event whenever a schedule or its special days becomes active or inactive based on the device time. It's a property event that indicates if the schedule is active or not.

Topic: tns1:Schedule/State/Active

```
<tt:MessageDescriptionIsProperty="true">
  <tt:Source>
    <tt:SimpleItemDescription Name="ScheduleToken"
                              Type="tt:ReferenceToken"/>
    <tt:SimpleItemDescription Name="Name"
                              Type="xs:string"/>
  </tt:Source>
  <tt>Data>
    <tt:SimpleItemDescription Name="Active"
                              Type="xs:boolean"/>
    <tt:SimpleItemDescription Name="SpecialDay"
                              Type="xs:boolean"/>
  </tt>Data>
</tt:MessageDescription>
```

5.3 Configuration changes

Whenever configuration data has been changed, added or been removed an ONVIF compliant device shall provide these events to inform subscribed clients.

5.3.1 Schedule

Whenever the configuration data for a schedule is changed (including SpecialDaysSchedule) or if a schedule is added, the device shall provide the following event:

Topic: tns1:Configuration/Schedule/Changed

```
<tt:MessageDescriptionIsProperty="false">
  <tt:Source>
    <tt:SimpleItemDescription Name="ScheduleToken"
                             Type="pt:ReferenceToken" />
  </tt:Source>
</tt:MessageDescription>
```

Whenever a schedule is removed, the device shall provide the following event:

Topic: tns1:Configuration/Schedule/Removed

```
<tt:MessageDescriptionIsProperty="false">
  <tt:Source>
    <tt:SimpleItemDescription Name="ScheduleToken"
                             Type="pt:ReferenceToken" />
  </tt:Source>
</tt:MessageDescription>
```

5.3.2 SpecialDays

Whenever the configuration data for a SpecialDays item is changed or added, the device shall provide the following event:

Topic: tns1:Configuration/SpecialDays/Changed

```
<tt:MessageDescriptionIsProperty="false">
  <tt:Source>
    <tt:SimpleItemDescription Name="SpecialDaysToken"
                             Type="pt:ReferenceToken" />
  </tt:Source>
</tt:MessageDescription>
```

Whenever a SpecialDays item is removed, the device shall provide the following event:

Topic: tns1:Configuration/SpecialDays/Removed

```
<tt:MessageDescriptionIsProperty="false">
  <tt:Source>
    <tt:SimpleItemDescription Name="SpecialDaysToken"
                             Type="pt:ReferenceToken" />
  </tt:Source>
</tt:MessageDescription>
```

Annex A - Examples

Note that all iCalendar structures in the examples below are not complete. Only the parts that are explanatory are included.

A.1 Access 24*7 for admin staff

In the following example, the values of SpecialDaysSupported and ExtendedRecurrenceSupported are irrelevant.

```
<Schedule token="402">
  <Name>Access 24*7</Name>
  <Standard>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access 24*7
    DTSTART:19700101T000000
    DTEND:19700102T000000
    RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;BYDAY=MO,TU,WE,TH,FR,SA,SU
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Standard>
</Schedule>
```

A.2 Access on Monday and Wednesday from 6 AM to 8 PM for cleaning staff

In the following example, the values of SpecialDaysSupported and ExtendedRecurrenceSupported are irrelevant.

```
<Schedule token="402">
  <Name>Access on Monday and Wednesday from 6 AM to 8 PM</Name>
  <Standard>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access on Monday and Wednesday from 6 AM to 8 PM
    DTSTART:19700105T060000
    DTEND:19700105T200000
    RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;BYDAY=MO,WE
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Standard>
</Schedule>
```

A.3 Access from Friday 6 PM to Monday 7 AM for maintenance staff

This example can be realized in two different ways depending on the capabilities of the schedule service exposed by the device.

Case A

The following example is valid for ExtendedRecurrenceSupported=true. The value of SpecialDaysSupported is irrelevant.

Note that if ExtendedRecurrenceSupported=false for the example below, the device will throw a fault because the year in DTSTART is not '1970'.

```
<Schedule token="402">
  <Name>Access from Friday 6 PM to Monday 7 AM for maintenance staff</Name>
  <Standard>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access from Friday 6 PM to Monday 7 AM for maintenance staff
    DTSTART:20140523T180000
    DTEND:20140526T070000
    RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;BYDAY=FR
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Standard>
</Schedule>
```


Case B

The following example is valid for `SpecialDaysSupported=false`. The value of `ExtendedRecurrenceSupported` is irrelevant.

```
<Schedule token="402">
  <Name>Access from Friday 6 PM to Monday 7 AM for maintenance staff</Name>
  <Standard>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access from Friday 6 PM to Friday midnight
    DTSTART:19700102T180000
    DTEND:19700103T000000
    RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;BYDAY=FR
    END:VEVENT
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access for all Saturdays and all Sundays
    DTSTART:19700103T000000
    DTEND:19700104T000000
    RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;BYDAY=SA,SU
    END:VEVENT
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access from Sunday midnight to Monday 7 AM
    DTSTART:19700105T000000
    DTEND:19700105T070000
    RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;BYDAY=MO
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Standard>
</Schedule>
```

A.4 Access on Weekdays from 8 AM to 5 PM for employees

In the following example, the values of `SpecialDaysSupported` and `ExtendedRecurrenceSupported` are irrelevant.

```
<Schedule token="402">
  <Name>Access on weekdays from 8 AM to 5 PM for employees</Name>
  <Standard>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access on weekdays from 8 AM to 5 PM for employees
    DTSTART:19700101T080000
    DTEND:19700102T170000
    RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;BYDAY=MO,TU,WE,TH,FR
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Standard>
</Schedule>
```

A.5 Access from January 15, 2014, to January 14, 2015, from 9 AM to 6 PM

This example can be realized in two different ways depending on the capabilities of the schedule service exposed by the device.

Case A

The following example is valid for `ExtendedRecurrenceSupported=true`. The value of `SpecialDaysSupported` is irrelevant.

```
<Schedule token="402">
  <Name>Access from Jan 15, 2014, to Jan 14, 2015, from 9 AM to 6 PM</Name>
  <Standard>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access from Jan 15, 2014, to Jan 14, 2015, from 9 AM to 6 PM
    DTSTART:20140115T090000
    DTEND:20150114T180000
    RRULE:FREQ=DAILY
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Standard>
</Schedule>
```

Case B

The following example is valid for `SpecialDaysSupported=false` and `ExtendedRecurrenceSupported=false`.

Note: This scenario cannot be directly implemented in the device using only the schedule if `ExtendedRecurrenceSupported` capability is not supported. PACS uses start and end dates in access policies which refer schedules. Alternately, the client or the host would need to break the schedule into weekly schedule (whatever recurrence the device supports) and download those schedules to the device whenever the schedule changes (January 15, 2014 and January 14, 2015).

A.6 Special Days example 1

An employee has access defined as per the schedule, refer example A.4. However the site admin wants to restrict access to employees on Christmas day (Thursday) as it is a national holiday. The site admin has a special days entity called 'National Holidays' with December 25 added to it. The site admin modifies the schedule to add a special days schedule for the special days entity 'National Holidays' to override the access and disable employee from accessing the facility.

The following example is valid for `SpecialDaysSupported=true`. The value of `ExtendedRecurrenceSupported` is irrelevant.

```
<SpecialDayGroup token="8765">
  <Name>National Holidays</Name>
  <Days>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    PRODID:VERSION:2.0
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Christmas day
    DTSTART:20141225T000000
    DTEND:20141226T000000
    UID:Holiday@ONVIF.com
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Days>
</SpecialDayGroup>

<Schedule token="402">
  <Name>Access on Monday and Wednesday from 8 AM to 5 PM. No access on Christmas
  day</Name>
  <Standard>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    PRODID:VERSION:2.0
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access on Monday and Wednesday from 8 AM to 5 PM
    DTSTART:19700105T080000
    DTEND:19700105T170000
    RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;BYDAY=MO,WE
    UID:Event@ONVIF.com
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Standard>
  <SpecialDaysSchedule>
    <SpecialDaysToken>8765</SpecialDaysToken>
    <!-- No time period indicates no access on referred special days -->
  </SpecialDaysSchedule>
</Schedule>
```

A.7 Special Days example 2

A janitor has access defined as per schedule refer example A.4, however the site admin wants to allow access to cleaning staff on Christmas day (Thursday) as it is a national holiday. The site admin has a special days entity called 'National Holidays' with December 25 added to it. The site admin modifies the schedule to add a special day schedule for the special days entity 'National Holidays' to override the access and allow janitor to access the facility.

The following example is valid for `SpecialDaysSupported=true`. The value of `ExtendedRecurrenceSupported` is irrelevant.

```
<SpecialDayGroup token="8765">
  <Name>National Holidays</Name>
  <Days>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    PRODID:VERSION:2.0
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Christmas day
    DTSTART:20141225T000000
    DTEND:20141226T000000
    UID:Holiday@ONVIF.com
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Days>
</SpecialDayGroup>

<Schedule token="402">
  <Name>Access on Monday and Wednesday from 8 AM to 5 PM. No access on Christmas
day</Name>
  <Standard>
    BEGIN:VCALENDAR
    PRODID:VERSION:2.0
    BEGIN:VEVENT
    SUMMARY:Access on Monday and Wednesday from 8 AM to 5 PM
    DTSTART:19700105T080000
    DTEND:19700105T170000
    RRULE:FREQ=WEEKLY;BYDAY=MO,WE
    UID:Event@ONVIF.com
    END:VEVENT
    END:VCALENDAR
  </Standard>
  <SpecialDaysSchedule>
    <SpecialDaysToken>8765</SpecialDaysToken>
    <StartTime>00:00:00</StartTime>
  </SpecialDaysSchedule>
</Schedule>
```

Annex B. Revision History

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1.0	Jun 2015	PACS WG	First release