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41 **1 Scope**

- This document is part of the FIPA specifications and deals with message transportation between inter-operating agents.
- This document also forms part of the FIPA Agent Management Specification [FIPA00023] and contains specifications
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- Message transport protocols that can be used for the physical transfer of messages between two entities.
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2 Transport Protocols

 Physical transfer of messages as specified in [FIPA00067] is carried out using a Message Transport Protocol (MTP). The FIPA defined MTPs are given in *Table 1*.

MTP Name	Description	Specification
fipa.mts.mtp.iiop.std	An MTP based on the OMG IIOP specifications.	See [FIPA00075]
fipa.mts.mtp.wap.std	An MTP intended for use in wireless environments based on the WAP standard.	See [FIPA00076]

Table 1: Message Transport Protocols

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