

# Vendor Name registry

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# Background

- Created by RFC 2244 (ACAP)
- Used as prefixes for privately controlled names of protocol elements
- Used by
  - RFC 5257: Internet Message Access Protocol - ANNOTATE Extension
  - RFC 5258: Internet Message Access Protocol version 4 - LIST Command Extensions
  - RFC 5464: The IMAP METADATA Extension
- Arguably could have been used by RFC 5228 (Sieve)
- Would be nice to reuse it for vendor specific properties in vCard 4.0 and other places

# Status

- draft-cridland-acap-vendor-registry-00.txt decouples the registry from RFC 2244 (ACAP)
- RFC 2244 allowed for arbitrary UTF-8 sequences except ".", "/", "% and "\*".
- draft-cridland-acap-vendor-registry-00.txt restrict vendor names to US-ASCII, more specifically to ALPHA, DIGIT, SP and “-”.
  - There is a bug in -00, it allows, but doesn't mention “-” in the ABNF

# Open Issues

- Is it Ok to restrict this to subset of US-ASCII?
- Should SP (space) be disallowed as well?
  - Currently there are existing registrations that use SP