

NAME

`pki --req` - Create a PKCS#10 certificate request

SYNOPSIS

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pki --req[--in file|--keyid hex] [--type type] --dn distinguished-name [--san subjectAltName]  
    [--profile profile] [--flag flag] [--password password] [--digest digest] [--rsa-padding padding]  
    [--outform encoding] [--debug level]
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pki --req[--in file|--keyid hex] [--type type] --oldreq file [--password password] [--digest digest]  
    [--rsa-padding padding] [--outform encoding] [--debug level]
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pki --req--options file
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pki --req-h | --help
```

DESCRIPTION

This sub-command of `pki(1)` is used to create a PKCS#10 certificate request.

OPTIONS

-h, --help

Print usage information with a summary of the available options.

-v, --debug *level*

Set debug level, default: 1.

+-, --options *file*

Read command line options from *file*.

-i, --in *file*

Private key input file. If not given the key is read from *STDIN*.

-x, --keyid *hex*

Smartcard or TPM private key object handle in hex format with an optional 0x prefix.

-t, --type *type*

Type of the input key. Either *priv*, *rsa*, *ecdsa* or *bliss*, defaults to *priv*.

-d, --dn *distinguished-name*

Subject distinguished name (DN). Required if the **--dn** option is not set.

-a, --san *subjectAltName*

subjectAltName extension to include in request. Can be used multiple times.

-P, --profile *profile*

Certificate profile name to be included in the certificate request. Can be any UTF8 string.

Supported e.g. by **openxpki** (with profiles *pc-client*, *tls-server*, etc.) or **pki --issue** (with profiles *server*, *client*, *dual*, or *ocsp*) that are translated into corresponding Extended Key Usage (EKU) flags in the generated X.509 certificate.

-e, --flag *flag*

Add extendedKeyUsage flag. One of *serverAuth*, *clientAuth*, *ocspSigning* or *msSmartcardLogon*.

Can be used multiple times. Adds an X.509v3 EKU extension containing these flags to the certificate request.

-p, --password *password*

The challengePassword to include in the certificate request.

-o, --oldreq *file*

Old certificate request to be used as a template. Required if the **--dn** option is not set. The public key in the old certificate request is replaced and a fresh signature is generated using the new private key. Optionally a new challengePassword may be set using the **--password** option.

-g, --digest *digest*

Digest to use for signature creation. One of *sha1*, *sha224*, *sha256*, *sha384*, *sha512*, *sha3_224*, *sha3_256*, *sha3_384*, or *sha3_512*. The default is determined based on the type and size of the signature key.

-R, --rsa-padding *padding*

Padding to use for RSA signatures. Either *pkcs1* or *pss*, defaults to *pkcs1*.

-f, --outform *encoding*

Encoding of the created certificate file. Either *der* (ASN.1 DER) or *pem* (Base64 PEM), defaults to *der*.

EXAMPLES

Generate a certificate request for an RSA key, with a subjectAltName extension and a TLS-server profile:

```
pki --req --in key.der --dn "C=CH, O=strongSwan, CN=moon" \  
--san moon@strongswan.org --profile server > req.der
```

Generate a certificate request for a renewed key based on an existing template

```
pki --req --in myNewKey.der --oldreq myReq.der > myNewReq.der
```

Generate a certificate request for an ECDSA key and a different digest:

```
pki --req --in key.der --type ecdsa --digest sha256 \  
--dn "C=CH, O=strongSwan, CN=carol" > req.der
```

SEE ALSO

pki(1)