

# Drop Precedence in wireless, wired-wireless networks

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## Abstract

**TGaa has “Graceful degradation of audio video streams when there is insufficient channel capacity, by enabling packet discarding without any requirement for deep packet inspection” in its PAR and has received two proposals relating to the addition of packet drop precedence in to 802.11.**

**TGaa would like guidance from 802.1 on the aspects of packet drop precedence that have interactions outside of 802.11**

## Drop Precedence Proposals

- TGaa has received two proposals endorsing the addition of packet drop precedence in to 802.11

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| <b>Proposal</b>               | <b>802.11-09/0022r0</b><br>“Intra-AC Differentiated Service” | <b>802.11-08/0764r1</b><br>“Stream Classification Service” |
| <b>Signalling</b>             | 802.11 header  | 802.1ad C-TAG / DSCP                                       |
| <b>Priority Levels</b>        | 8 (3 bits)   | 16 (4 bits)  |
| <b>Drop Precedence Levels</b> | 3 (2 bits)   | 1 (1 bit)  |

## Precedence Levels

- **TGaa would like guidance on how many precedence and priority levels it should support**
  - How many priority levels does 802.11 provide?
  - How many precedence levels does 802.11 provide?
  - What sort of drop rules does 802.11 define?

Table 7-6a—Drop Precedence subfield

| <b>B11 B12</b> | <b>Description</b>         |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| 00             | No special action          |
| 01             | Drop randomly if necessary |
| 10             | Drop all if necessary      |
| 11             | Reserved                   |

## **References**

- **Implementation for Intra-AC Differentiated Services**
  - IEEE 802.11-09/0022r0
- **Using packet drop precedence for graceful degradation**
  - IEEE 802.11-08/0764r1