

**NAME**

ASN1\_AUX, ASN1\_PRINT\_ARG, ASN1\_STREAM\_ARG, ASN1\_aux\_cb, ASN1\_aux\_const\_cb -  
ASN.1 auxiliary data

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <openssl/asn1t.h>
```

```
struct ASN1_AUX_st {
    void *app_data;
    int flags;
    int ref_offset;      /* Offset of reference value */
    int ref_lock;       /* Offset to an CRYPTO_RWLOCK */
    ASN1_aux_cb *asn1_cb;
    int enc_offset;     /* Offset of ASN1_ENCODING structure */
    ASN1_aux_const_cb *asn1_const_cb; /* for ASN1_OP_I2D_ and ASN1_OP_PRINT_ */
};
```

```
typedef struct ASN1_AUX_st ASN1_AUX;
```

```
struct ASN1_PRINT_ARG_st {
    BIO *out;
    int indent;
    const ASN1_PCTX *pctx;
};
```

```
typedef struct ASN1_PRINT_ARG_st ASN1_PRINT_ARG;
```

```
struct ASN1_STREAM_ARG_st {
    BIO *out;
    BIO *ndef_bio;
    unsigned char **boundary;
};
```

```
typedef struct ASN1_STREAM_ARG_st ASN1_STREAM_ARG;
```

```
typedef int ASN1_aux_cb(int operation, ASN1_VALUE **in, const ASN1_ITEM *it,
    void *exarg);
```

```
typedef int ASN1_aux_const_cb(int operation, const ASN1_VALUE **in,
    const ASN1_ITEM *it, void *exarg);
```

**DESCRIPTION**

ASN.1 data structures can be associated with an **ASN1\_AUX** object to supply additional information about the ASN.1 structure. An **ASN1\_AUX** structure is associated with the structure during the

definition of the ASN.1 template. For example an **ASN1\_AUX** structure will be associated by using one of the various ASN.1 template definition macros that supply auxiliary information such as **ASN1\_SEQUENCE\_enc()**, **ASN1\_SEQUENCE\_ref()**, **ASN1\_SEQUENCE\_cb\_const\_cb()**, **ASN1\_SEQUENCE\_const\_cb()**, **ASN1\_SEQUENCE\_cb()** or **ASN1\_NDEF\_SEQUENCE\_cb()**.

An **ASN1\_AUX** structure contains the following information.

*app\_data*

Arbitrary application data

*flags*

Flags which indicate the auxiliary functionality supported.

The **ASN1\_AFLG\_REFCOUNT** flag indicates that objects support reference counting.

The **ASN1\_AFLG\_ENCODING** flag indicates that the original encoding of the object will be saved.

The **ASN1\_AFLG\_BROKEN** flag is a work around for broken encoders where the sequence length value may not be correct. This should generally not be used.

The **ASN1\_AFLG\_CONST\_CB** flag indicates that the "const" form of the **ASN1\_AUX** callback should be used in preference to the non-const form.

*ref\_offset*

If the **ASN1\_AFLG\_REFCOUNT** flag is set then this value is assumed to be an offset into the **ASN1\_VALUE** structure where a **CRYPTO\_REF\_COUNT** may be found for the purposes of reference counting.

*ref\_lock*

If the **ASN1\_AFLG\_REFCOUNT** flag is set then this value is assumed to be an offset into the **ASN1\_VALUE** structure where a **CRYPTO\_RWLOCK** may be found for the purposes of reference counting.

*asn1\_cb*

A callback that will be invoked at various points during the processing of the the **ASN1\_VALUE**. See below for further details.

*enc\_offset*

Offset into the **ASN1\_VALUE** object where the original encoding of the object will be saved if

the **ASN1\_AFLG\_ENCODING** flag has been set.

#### *asn1\_const\_cb*

A callback that will be invoked at various points during the processing of the the **ASN1\_VALUE**. This is used in preference to the *asn1\_cb* callback if the **ASN1\_AFLG\_CONST\_CB** flag is set. See below for further details.

During the processing of an **ASN1\_VALUE** object the callbacks set via *asn1\_cb* or *asn1\_const\_cb* will be invoked as a result of various events indicated via the *operation* parameter. The value of *\*in* will be the **ASN1\_VALUE** object being processed based on the template in *it*. An additional operation specific parameter may be passed in *exarg*. The currently supported operations are as follows. The callbacks should return a positive value on success or zero on error, unless otherwise noted below.

#### **ASN1\_OP\_NEW\_PRE**

Invoked when processing a **CHOICE**, **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure prior to an **ASN1\_VALUE** object being allocated. The callback may allocate the **ASN1\_VALUE** itself and store it in *\*pval*. If it does so it should return 2 from the callback. On error it should return 0.

#### **ASN1\_OP\_NEW\_POST**

Invoked when processing a **CHOICE**, **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure after an **ASN1\_VALUE** object has been allocated. The allocated object is in *\*pval*.

#### **ASN1\_OP\_FREE\_PRE**

Invoked when processing a **CHOICE**, **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure immediately before an **ASN1\_VALUE** is freed. If the callback originally constructed the **ASN1\_VALUE** via **ASN1\_OP\_NEW\_PRE** then it should free it at this point and return 2 from the callback. Otherwise it should return 1 for success or 0 on error.

#### **ASN1\_OP\_FREE\_POST**

Invoked when processing a **CHOICE**, **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure immediately after **ASN1\_VALUE** sub-structures are freed.

#### **ASN1\_OP\_D2I\_PRE**

Invoked when processing a **CHOICE**, **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure immediately before a "d2i" operation for the **ASN1\_VALUE**.

#### **ASN1\_OP\_D2I\_POST**

Invoked when processing a **CHOICE**, **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure immediately after a "d2i" operation for the **ASN1\_VALUE**.

**ASN1\_OP\_I2D\_PRE**

Invoked when processing a **CHOICE**, **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure immediately before a "i2d" operation for the **ASN1\_VALUE**.

**ASN1\_OP\_I2D\_POST**

Invoked when processing a **CHOICE**, **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure immediately after a "i2d" operation for the **ASN1\_VALUE**.

**ASN1\_OP\_PRINT\_PRE**

Invoked when processing a **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure immediately before printing the **ASN1\_VALUE**. The *exarg* argument will be a pointer to an **ASN1\_PRINT\_ARG** structure (see below).

**ASN1\_OP\_PRINT\_POST**

Invoked when processing a **SEQUENCE** or **NDEF\_SEQUENCE** structure immediately after printing the **ASN1\_VALUE**. The *exarg* argument will be a pointer to an **ASN1\_PRINT\_ARG** structure (see below).

**ASN1\_OP\_STREAM\_PRE**

Invoked immediately prior to streaming the **ASN1\_VALUE** data using indefinite length encoding. The *exarg* argument will be a pointer to a **ASN1\_STREAM\_ARG** structure (see below).

**ASN1\_OP\_STREAM\_POST**

Invoked immediately after streaming the **ASN1\_VALUE** data using indefinite length encoding. The *exarg* argument will be a pointer to a **ASN1\_STREAM\_ARG** structure (see below).

**ASN1\_OP\_DETACHED\_PRE**

Invoked immediately prior to processing the **ASN1\_VALUE** data as a "detached" value (as used in CMS and PKCS7). The *exarg* argument will be a pointer to a **ASN1\_STREAM\_ARG** structure (see below).

**ASN1\_OP\_DETACHED\_POST**

Invoked immediately after processing the **ASN1\_VALUE** data as a "detached" value (as used in CMS and PKCS7). The *exarg* argument will be a pointer to a **ASN1\_STREAM\_ARG** structure (see below).

**ASN1\_OP\_DUP\_PRE**

Invoked immediate prior to an **ASN1\_VALUE** being duplicated via a call to **ASN1\_item\_dup()**.

**ASN1\_OP\_DUP\_POST**

Invoked immediately after to an **ASN1\_VALUE** has been duplicated via a call to **ASN1\_item\_dup()**.

#### **ASN1\_OP\_GET0\_LIBCTX**

Invoked in order to obtain the **OSSL\_LIB\_CTX** associated with an **ASN1\_VALUE** if any. A pointer to an **OSSL\_LIB\_CTX** should be stored in *\*exarg* if such a value exists.

#### **ASN1\_OP\_GET0\_PROPO**

Invoked in order to obtain the property query string associated with an **ASN1\_VALUE** if any. A pointer to the property query string should be stored in *\*exarg* if such a value exists.

An **ASN1\_PRINT\_ARG** object is used during processing of **ASN1\_OP\_PRINT\_PRE** and **ASN1\_OP\_PRINT\_POST** callback operations. It contains the following information.

*out* The **BIO** being used to print the data out.

*ndef\_bio*

The current number of indent spaces that should be used for printing this data.

*pctx* The context for the **ASN1\_PCTX** operation.

An **ASN1\_STREAM\_ARG** object is used during processing of **ASN1\_OP\_STREAM\_PRE**, **ASN1\_OP\_STREAM\_POST**, **ASN1\_OP\_DETACHED\_PRE** and **ASN1\_OP\_DETACHED\_POST** callback operations. It contains the following information.

*out* The **BIO** to stream through

*ndef\_bio*

The **BIO** with filters appended

*boundary*

The streaming I/O boundary.

#### **RETURN VALUES**

The callbacks return 0 on error and a positive value on success. Some operations require specific positive success values as noted above.

#### **SEE ALSO**

**ASN1\_item\_new\_ex(3)**

**HISTORY**

The `ASN1_aux_const_cb()` callback and the `ASN1_OP_GET0_LIBCTX` and `ASN1_OP_GET0_PROPQ` operation types were added in OpenSSL 3.0.

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