



## Configuring Layer 2 Mesh Transparency

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## Configuring Layer 2 Mesh Transparency

Layer 2 mesh transparency feature allows you to select the ether type for a specific protocol. To forward the ether-types, use CLI or GUI to enable or disable the network. The following list of reserved ether-types cannot be configured:

**Table 1: List of reserved ether-types**

Ether-type (range)	Forwardable	Additional information
0x0000 – 0x05FF	User-configurable	Ethernet-I frames. STP and CDP are subject to other configuration options
0x0800	Yes	IPv4
0x0806	Yes	ARP (IPv4)
0x0900 – 0x09FF	No	URWB signaling protocols
0x8100	Yes	IEEE 802.1Q VLAN encapsulation
0x8847 – 0x8848	No	MPLS
0xFFFF	No	IANA reserved

The following functionalities are supported using the URWB data plane mesh network when used in MPLS Layer 2 mode.

- The Layer 2 mesh transparency feature forwards non-IPv4 Layer 2 protocols across the URWB network by selectively filtering which ether-types are permitted.
- Ether-types present in URWB network are detected and reported automatically.
- Ability to add and remove ether-types from the allowlist.

- Ability to configure full transparency (enable all Layer 2 protocols) in a convenient manner.
- Both CLI and GUI are supported.

## Configuring and Verifying Layer-2 Protocols Forwarding Using CLI

To configure a Layer 2 protocol forwarding, use the following CLI command:

To add an ethernet type to allowlist, use the following CLI command:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter allow-list add
<0x0-0xffff> ether-type value
    all allow all ether-types
```

Example:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter allow-list add 0x86DD
Device# write
Device# reload

Device# show mpls config
...
Ethernet Filter allow-list: 0x8892 0x8204 0x86dd, ethernet-I block
...
```

To delete an ethernet type from allowlist, use the following CLI command:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter allow-list delete
<0x0-0xffff> ether-type value
```

Example:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter allow-list delete 0x86DD
Device# write
Device# reload

Device# show mpls config
...
Ethernet Filter allow-list: 0x8892 0x8204, ethernet-I block
...
```

To clear all ethernet types from allowlist, use the following CLI command:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter allow-list clear
```

Example:

```
Device# show mpls config
...
Ethernet Filter allow-list: 0x8892 0x8204 0x86dd, ethernet-I block
...
Device# configure mpls ether-filter allow-list clear
Device# write
Device# reload

Device# show mpls config
...
Ethernet Filter allow-list: none, ethernet-I block
...
```

To add all ethernet types to allowlist, use the following CLI command:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter allow-list add all
```

Example:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter allow-list add all
Device# write
Device# reload

Device# show mpls config
...
Ethernet Filter allow-list: all, ethernet-I block
```




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**Note** The **all** keyword is used to set the ether filter in all-pass mode (fill allowlist with single entry 0x0000).

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To clear list of detected ether-types, use the following CLI command:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter table clear
```

Example:

```
Device# show mpls ether-filter
Ether-type Direction Description
0x8899      INGRESS    ---
0x86DD      INGRESS    IPv6
Device# configure mpls ether-filter table clear
Cisco-81.160.136#show mpls ether-filter
Ether-type Direction Description
0x8899      INGRESS    ---
```




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**Note** The detection process works in background after clearing the detected ethernet types.

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To configure Ethernet – I protocol, use the following CLI command:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter ethernet-I forward
```

Example:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter ethernet-I forward
Device# write
Device# reload

Deive# show mpls config
...
Ethernet Filter allow-list: 0x88F8 0x891D, ethernet-I forward
...
```

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter ethernet-I block
```

Example:

```
Device# configure mpls ether-filter ethernet-I block
Device#write
Device# reboot

Device# show mpls config
...
Ethernet Filter allow-list: 0x88F8 0x891D, ethernet-I block
```

To verify list of allowed ether-types, use the following show command:

```
Device# show mpls config
```

Example:

```
Device# show mpls config
...
Ethernet Filter allow-list: 0x8892 0x8204 0x86dd, ethernet-I block
...
```

To verify list of detected ether-types, use the following show command:

```
Device# show mpls ether-filter table
```

Example:

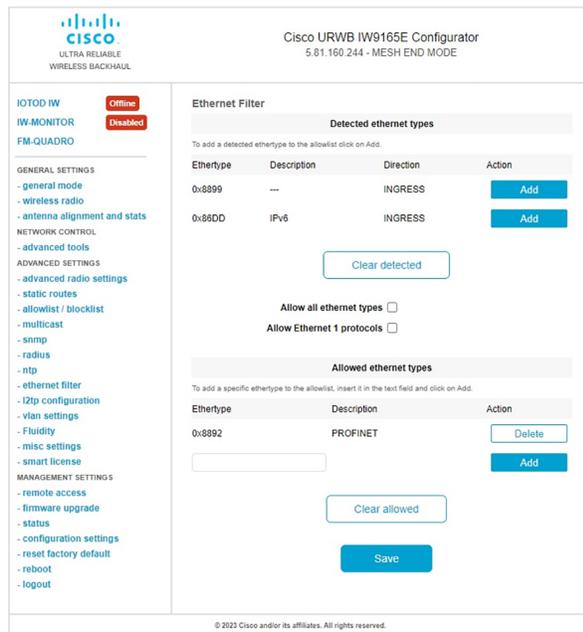
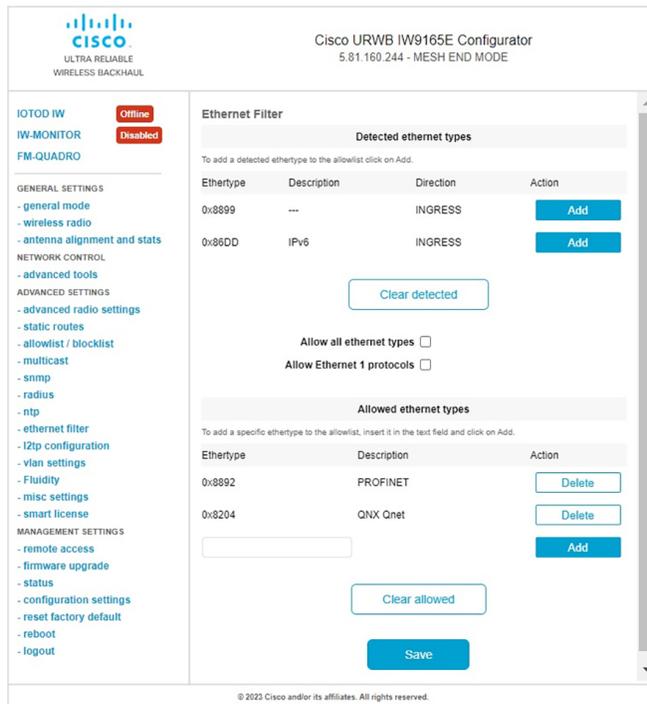
```
Device# show mpls ether-filter table
Ether-type  Direction  Description
0x8899      INGRESS    ---
0x86DD      INGRESS    IPv6
```

## Configuring Layer-2 Protocol Forwarding using GUI

To add specific and detected ether types to the allowlist, follow these steps:

1. In the **ADVANCED SETTINGS**, click **ethernet filter**.  
The **Ethernet Filter** window appears.
2. Click **Add** to add an ether types to the allowlist in the **Detected ethernet types** section.
3. Once it is added, you can see the added ether types reflected in the **Allowed Ethernet type** section.
4. In the **Allowed ethernet types** section, to add a specific ether type to the allowlist, enter the **Ethertype** name in the text box and click **Add**.

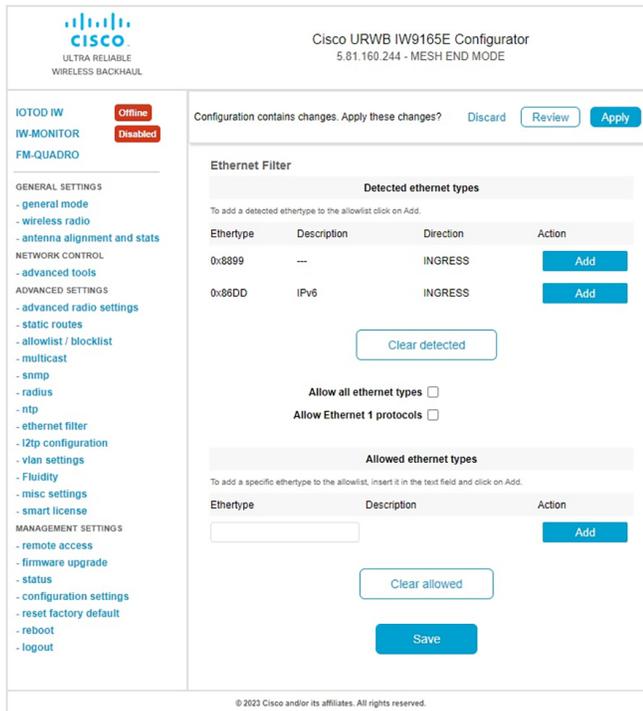
The following images show the specific and detected ether types added to the allowlist:



To clear all allowed ethernet types from the allowlist, follow these steps:

1. In the **ADVANCED SETTINGS**, click **ethernet filter**.  
The **Ethernet Filter** window appears.
2. Click **Clear allowed** in the **Allowed ethernet types** section to clear all the ethernet types from the allowlist.
3. Once you click **Clear allowed**, you can see all ethernet types cleared from allowlist.

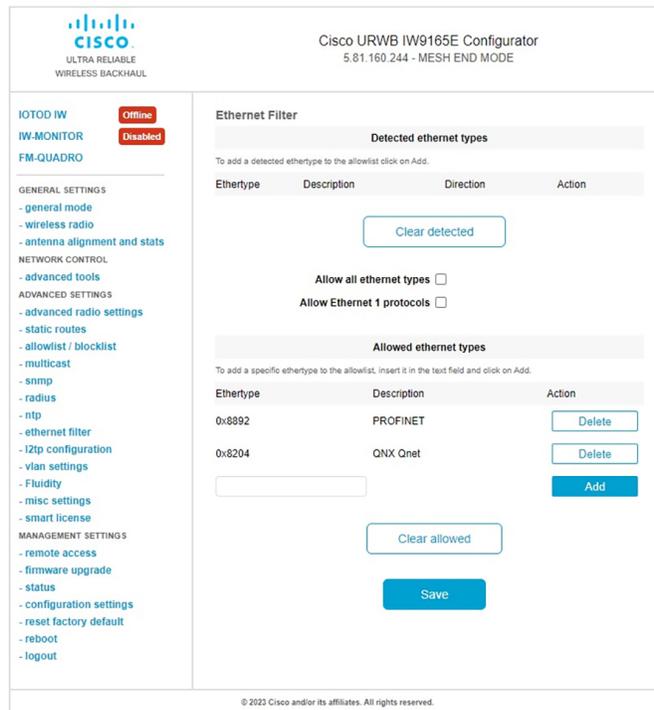
The following image shows all allowed ethernet types cleared from the allowlist:



To clear all detected ethernet types from the allowlist, follow these steps:

1. In the **ADVANCED SETTINGS**, click **ethernet filter**.  
The **Ethernet Filter** window appears.
2. Click **Clear detected** in the **Detected ethernet types** section to clear the detected ethernet types from allowlist.
3. Once you click **Clear detected**, you can see ethernet types cleared in the **Detected ethernet types** section.

The following image shows all detected ethernet types cleared from the allowlist:



To add or allow all ethernet types to the allowlist, follow these steps:

1. In the **ADVANCED SETTINGS**, click **ethernet filter**.

The **Ethernet Filter** window appears.

2. Check the **Allow all ethernet types** check box in the **Ethernet Filter** section to allow all ethernet type to allowlist.
3. Click **Save** and then **Apply** to change the configuration.

The following image shows adding of all ethernet types to the allowlist:

The screenshot shows the Cisco URWB IW9165E Configurator interface. The top header includes the Cisco logo and the text "Cisco URWB IW9165E Configurator 5.81.160.244 - MESH END MODE". On the left, there is a navigation menu with sections like "GENERAL SETTINGS", "NETWORK CONTROL", "ADVANCED SETTINGS", and "MANAGEMENT SETTINGS". The "ADVANCED SETTINGS" section is expanded, showing "ethernet filter" selected. The main content area is titled "Ethernet Filter" and contains a table of detected ethernet types. Below the table, there are checkboxes for "Allow all ethernet types" (checked) and "Allow Ethernet 1 protocols" (unchecked), and a "Save" button.

Ethertype	Description	Direction	Action
0x8899	---	INGRESS	<a href="#">Add</a>
0x86DD	IPv6	INGRESS	<a href="#">Add</a>

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To configure an ethernet 1 protocol, follow these steps:

1. In the **ADVANCED SETTINGS**, click **ethernet filter**.  
The **Ethernet Filter** window appears.
2. Check the **Allow Ethernet 1 protocols** check box in the **Ethernet Filter** section to enable ethernet 1 protocol mode.
3. Click **Save** and then **Apply** to change the configuration.

The following image shows the configuration of allowing an ethernet 1 protocol:



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Cisco URWB IW9165E Configurator  
5.81.160.244 - MESH END MODE

**IOTOD IW** Offline

**IW-MONITOR** Disabled

**FM-QUADRO**

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**GENERAL SETTINGS**

- general mode
- wireless radio
- antenna alignment and stats

**NETWORK CONTROL**

- advanced tools

**ADVANCED SETTINGS**

- advanced radio settings
- static routes
- allowlist / blocklist
- multicast
- snmp
- radius
- ntp
- ethernet filter
- l2tp configuration
- vlan settings
- Fluidity
- misc settings
- smart license

**MANAGEMENT SETTINGS**

- remote access
- firmware upgrade
- status
- configuration settings
- reset factory default
- reboot
- logout

### Ethernet Filter

**Detected ethernet types**

To add a detected ethertype to the allowlist click on Add.

Ethertype	Description	Direction	Action
0x8999	---	INGRESS	<a href="#" style="background-color: #0070c0; color: white; padding: 2px 5px; border-radius: 3px;">Add</a>
0x86DD	IPv6	INGRESS	<a href="#" style="background-color: #0070c0; color: white; padding: 2px 5px; border-radius: 3px;">Add</a>

[Clear detected](#)

Allow all ethernet types

Allow Ethernet 1 protocols

**Allowed ethernet types**

To add a specific ethertype to the allowlist, insert it in the text field and click on Add.

Ethertype	Description	Action
0x8892	PROFINET	<a href="#" style="border: 1px solid #0070c0; border-radius: 3px; padding: 2px 5px; color: #0070c0;">Delete</a>
0x8204	QNX Qnet	<a href="#" style="border: 1px solid #0070c0; border-radius: 3px; padding: 2px 5px; color: #0070c0;">Delete</a>
<input style="width: 80%; border: 1px solid #ccc;" type="text"/>		<a href="#" style="background-color: #0070c0; color: white; padding: 2px 5px; border-radius: 3px;">Add</a>

[Clear allowed](#)

[Save](#)

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