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## Document Objectives

The purpose of this guide is to help you configure the firewall features for Cisco ASA series using the command-line interface. This guide does not cover every feature, but describes only the most common configuration scenarios.

You can also configure and monitor the ASA by using the Adaptive Security Device Manager (ASDM), a web-based GUI application. ASDM includes configuration wizards to guide you through some common configuration scenarios, and online help for less common scenarios.

Throughout this guide, the term “ASA” applies generically to supported models, unless specified otherwise.

## Related Documentation

For more information, see *Navigating the Cisco ASA Series Documentation* at <http://www.cisco.com/go/asadoocs>.

## Conventions

This document uses the following conventions:

Convention	Indication
<b>bold font</b>	Commands and keywords and user-entered text appear in <b>bold font</b> .
<i>italic font</i>	Document titles, new or emphasized terms, and arguments for which you supply values are in <i>italic font</i> .
[ ]	Elements in square brackets are optional.

{ x   y   z }	Required alternative keywords are grouped in braces and separated by vertical bars.
[ x   y   z ]	Optional alternative keywords are grouped in brackets and separated by vertical bars.
string	A nonquoted set of characters. Do not use quotation marks around the string or the string will include the quotation marks.
<code>courier font</code>	Terminal sessions and information the system displays appear in <code>courier font</code> .
<b><code>courier bold font</code></b>	Commands and keywords and user-entered text appear in <b><code>courier bold font</code></b> .
<i><code>courier italic font</code></i>	Arguments for which you supply values are in <i><code>courier italic font</code></i> .
< >	Nonprinting characters such as passwords are in angle brackets.
[ ]	Default responses to system prompts are in square brackets.
!, #	An exclamation point (!) or a pound sign (#) at the beginning of a line of code indicates a comment line.



**Note**

Means *reader take note*.



**Tip**

Means *the following information will help you solve a problem*.



**Caution**

Means *reader be careful*. In this situation, you might perform an action that could result in equipment damage or loss of data.

## Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request

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## **PART 1**

# **Service Policies and Access Control**







# Service Policy Using the Modular Policy Framework

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Service policies using Modular Policy Framework provide a consistent and flexible way to configure ASA features. For example, you can use a service policy to create a timeout configuration that is specific to a particular TCP application, as opposed to one that applies to all TCP applications. A service policy consists of multiple actions applied to an interface or applied globally.

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## Information About Service Policies

This section describes how service policies work and includes the following topics:

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- [Feature Matching Within a Service Policy, page 1-3](#)
- [Order in Which Multiple Feature Actions are Applied, page 1-4](#)
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## Supported Features

Table 1-1 lists the features supported by Modular Policy Framework.

**Table 1-1** Modular Policy Framework

Feature	For Through Traffic?	For Management Traffic?	See:
Application inspection (multiple types)	All except RADIUS accounting	RADIUS accounting only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Chapter 7, “Getting Started with Application Layer Protocol Inspection.”</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Chapter 8, “Inspection of Basic Internet Protocols.”</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Chapter 9, “Inspection for Voice and Video Protocols.”</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Chapter 10, “Inspection of Database and Directory Protocols.”</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Chapter 11, “Inspection for Management Application Protocols.”</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Chapter 21, “ASA and Cisco Cloud Web Security.”</a></li> </ul>
ASA IPS	Yes	No	<a href="#">Chapter 26, “ASA IPS Module.”</a>
ASA CX	Yes	No	<a href="#">Chapter 25, “ASA CX Module.”</a>
ASA FirePOWER (ASA SFR)	Yes	No	<a href="#">Chapter 24, “ASA FirePOWER (SFR) Module.”</a>
NetFlow Secure Event Logging filtering	Yes	Yes	See the general operations configuration guide.
QoS input and output policing	Yes	No	<a href="#">Chapter 19, “Quality of Service.”</a>
QoS standard priority queue	Yes	No	<a href="#">Chapter 19, “Quality of Service.”</a>
QoS traffic shaping, hierarchical priority queue	Yes	Yes	<a href="#">Chapter 19, “Quality of Service.”</a>
TCP and UDP connection limits and timeouts, and TCP sequence number randomization	Yes	Yes	<a href="#">Chapter 18, “Connection Settings.”</a>
TCP normalization	Yes	No	<a href="#">Chapter 18, “Connection Settings.”</a>
TCP state bypass	Yes	No	<a href="#">Chapter 18, “Connection Settings.”</a>
User statistics for Identity Firewall	Yes	Yes	See the <b>user-statistics</b> command in the command reference.

## Feature Directionality

Actions are applied to traffic bidirectionally or unidirectionally depending on the feature. For features that are applied bidirectionally, all traffic that enters or exits the interface to which you apply the policy map is affected if the traffic matches the class map for both directions.

**Note**

When you use a global policy, all features are unidirectional; features that are normally bidirectional when applied to a single interface only apply to the ingress of each interface when applied globally. Because the policy is applied to all interfaces, the policy will be applied in both directions so bidirectionality in this case is redundant.

For features that are applied unidirectionally, for example QoS priority queue, only traffic that enters (or exits, depending on the feature) the interface to which you apply the policy map is affected. See [Table 1-2](#) for the directionality of each feature.

**Table 1-2 Feature Directionality**

Feature	Single Interface Direction	Global Direction
Application inspection (multiple types)	Bidirectional	Ingress
ASA CSC	Bidirectional	Ingress
ASA CX	Bidirectional	Ingress
ASA CX authentication proxy	Ingress	Ingress
ASA FirePOWER (ASA SFR)	Bidirectional	Ingress
ASA IPS	Bidirectional	Ingress
NetFlow Secure Event Logging filtering	N/A	Ingress
QoS input policing	Ingress	Ingress
QoS output policing	Egress	Egress
QoS standard priority queue	Egress	Egress
QoS traffic shaping, hierarchical priority queue	Egress	Egress
TCP and UDP connection limits and timeouts, and TCP sequence number randomization	Bidirectional	Ingress
TCP normalization	Bidirectional	Ingress
TCP state bypass	Bidirectional	Ingress
User statistics for Identity Firewall	Bidirectional	Ingress

## Feature Matching Within a Service Policy

See the following information for how a packet matches class maps in a policy map for a given interface:

1. A packet can match only one class map in the policy map for each feature type.
2. When the packet matches a class map for a feature type, the ASA does not attempt to match it to any subsequent class maps for that feature type.
3. If the packet matches a subsequent class map for a different feature type, however, then the ASA also applies the actions for the subsequent class map, if supported. See [Incompatibility of Certain Feature Actions, page 1-5](#) for more information about unsupported combinations.

**Note**

Application inspection includes multiple inspection types, and most are mutually exclusive. For inspections that can be combined, each inspection is considered to be a separate feature.

For example, if a packet matches a class map for connection limits, and also matches a class map for an application inspection, then both actions are applied.

If a packet matches a class map for HTTP inspection, but also matches another class map that includes HTTP inspection, then the second class map actions are not applied.

If a packet matches a class map for HTTP inspection, but also matches another class map that includes FTP inspection, then the second class map actions are not applied because HTTP and FTP inspections cannot be combined.

If a packet matches a class map for HTTP inspection, but also matches another class map that includes IPv6 inspection, then both actions are applied because the IPv6 inspection can be combined with any other type of inspection.

## Order in Which Multiple Feature Actions are Applied

The order in which different types of actions in a policy map are performed is independent of the order in which the actions appear in the policy map.



### Note

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NetFlow Secure Event Logging filtering and User statistics for Identity Firewall are order-independent.

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Actions are performed in the following order:

1. QoS input policing
2. TCP normalization, TCP and UDP connection limits and timeouts, TCP sequence number randomization, and TCP state bypass.



### Note

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When a the ASA performs a proxy service (such as AAA or CSC) or it modifies the TCP payload (such as FTP inspection), the TCP normalizer acts in dual mode, where it is applied before and after the proxy or payload modifying service.

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3. ASA CSC
4. Application inspections that can be combined with other inspections:
  - a. IPv6
  - b. IP options
  - c. WAAS
5. Application inspections that cannot be combined with other inspections. See [Incompatibility of Certain Feature Actions, page 1-5](#) for more information.
6. ASA IPS
7. ASA CX
8. ASA FirePOWER (ASA SFR)
9. QoS output policing
10. QoS standard priority queue
11. QoS traffic shaping, hierarchical priority queue

## Incompatibility of Certain Feature Actions

Some features are not compatible with each other for the same traffic. The following list may not include all incompatibilities; for information about compatibility of each feature, see the chapter or section for your feature:

- You cannot configure QoS priority queueing and QoS policing for the same set of traffic.
- Most inspections should not be combined with another inspection, so the ASA only applies one inspection if you configure multiple inspections for the same traffic. HTTP inspection can be combined with the Cloud Web Security inspection. Other exceptions are listed in the [Order in Which Multiple Feature Actions are Applied, page 1-4](#).
- You cannot configure traffic to be sent to multiple modules, such as the ASA CX and ASA IPS.
- HTTP inspection is not compatible with the ASA CX or the ASA FirePOWER.
- The ASA CX and ASA FirePOWER modules are not compatible with Cloud Web Security.



### Note

The **match default-inspection-traffic** command, which is used in the default global policy, is a special CLI shortcut to match the default ports for all inspections. When used in a policy map, this class map ensures that the correct inspection is applied to each packet, based on the destination port of the traffic. For example, when UDP traffic for port 69 reaches the ASA, then the ASA applies the TFTP inspection; when TCP traffic for port 21 arrives, then the ASA applies the FTP inspection. So in this case only, you can configure multiple inspections for the same class map. Normally, the ASA does not use the port number to determine which inspection to apply, thus giving you the flexibility to apply inspections to non-standard ports, for example.

This traffic class does not include the default ports for Cloud Web Security inspection (80 and 443).

An example of a misconfiguration is if you configure multiple inspections in the same policy map and do not use the default-inspection-traffic shortcut. In [Example 1-1](#), traffic destined to port 21 is mistakenly configured for both FTP and HTTP inspection. In [Example 1-2](#), traffic destined to port 80 is mistakenly configured for both FTP and HTTP inspection. In both cases of misconfiguration examples, only the FTP inspection is applied, because FTP comes before HTTP in the order of inspections applied.

### Example 1-1 Misconfiguration for FTP packets: HTTP Inspection Also Configured

```
class-map ftp
  match port tcp eq 21
class-map http
  match port tcp eq 21 [it should be 80]
policy-map test
  class ftp
    inspect ftp
  class http
    inspect http
```

### Example 1-2 Misconfiguration for HTTP packets: FTP Inspection Also Configured

```
class-map ftp
  match port tcp eq 80 [it should be 21]
class-map http
  match port tcp eq 80
policy-map test
  class http
    inspect http
```

```
class ftp
  inspect ftp
```

## Feature Matching for Multiple Service Policies

For TCP and UDP traffic (and ICMP when you enable stateful ICMP inspection), service policies operate on traffic flows, and not just individual packets. If traffic is part of an existing connection that matches a feature in a policy on one interface, that traffic flow cannot also match the same feature in a policy on another interface; only the first policy is used.

For example, if HTTP traffic matches a policy on the inside interface to inspect HTTP traffic, and you have a separate policy on the outside interface for HTTP inspection, then that traffic is not also inspected on the egress of the outside interface. Similarly, the return traffic for that connection will not be inspected by the ingress policy of the outside interface, nor by the egress policy of the inside interface.

For traffic that is not treated as a flow, for example ICMP when you do not enable stateful ICMP inspection, returning traffic can match a different policy map on the returning interface. For example, if you configure IPS on the inside and outside interfaces, but the inside policy uses virtual sensor 1 while the outside policy uses virtual sensor 2, then a non-stateful Ping will match virtual sensor 1 outbound, but will match virtual sensor 2 inbound.

## Licensing Requirements for Service Policies

Model	License Requirement
ASAv	Standard or Premium License.
All other models	Base License.

## Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature.

### Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single and multiple context mode.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.

### IPv6 Guidelines

Supports IPv6 for the following features:

- Application inspection for DNS, FTP, HTTP, ICMP, ScanSafe, SIP, SMTP, IPsec-pass-thru, and IPv6.
- ASA IPS
- ASA CX
- ASA FirePOWER

- NetFlow Secure Event Logging filtering
- TCP and UDP connection limits and timeouts, TCP sequence number randomization
- TCP normalization
- TCP state bypass
- User statistics for Identity Firewall

### Class Map Guidelines

The maximum number of class maps of all types is 255 in single mode or per context in multiple mode. Class maps include the following types:

- Layer 3/4 class maps (for through traffic and management traffic).
- Inspection class maps
- Regular expression class maps
- **match** commands used directly underneath an inspection policy map

This limit also includes default class maps of all types, limiting user-configured class maps to approximately 235. See [Default Class Maps, page 1-9](#).

### Policy Map Guidelines

See the following guidelines for using policy maps:

- You can only assign one policy map per interface. (However you can create up to 64 policy maps in the configuration.)
- You can apply the same policy map to multiple interfaces.
- You can identify up to 63 Layer 3/4 class maps in a Layer 3/4 policy map.
- For each class map, you can assign multiple actions from one or more feature types, if supported. See [Incompatibility of Certain Feature Actions, page 1-5](#).

### Service Policy Guidelines

- Interface service policies take precedence over the global service policy for a given feature. For example, if you have a global policy with FTP inspection, and an interface policy with TCP normalization, then both FTP inspection and TCP normalization are applied to the interface. However, if you have a global policy with FTP inspection, and an interface policy with FTP inspection, then only the interface policy FTP inspection is applied to that interface.
- You can only apply one global policy. For example, you cannot create a global policy that includes feature set 1, and a separate global policy that includes feature set 2. All features must be included in a single policy.
- When you make service policy changes to the configuration, all *new* connections use the new service policy. Existing connections continue to use the policy that was configured at the time of the connection establishment. **show** command output will not include data about the old connections. For example, if you remove a QoS service policy from an interface, then re-add a modified version, then the **show service-policy** command only displays QoS counters associated with new connections that match the new service policy; existing connections on the old policy no longer show in the command output.

To ensure that all connections use the new policy, you need to disconnect the current connections so they can reconnect using the new policy. See the **clear conn** or **clear local-host** commands.

# Default Settings

The following topics describe the default settings for Modular Policy Framework:

- [Default Configuration, page 1-8](#)
- [Default Class Maps, page 1-9](#)

## Default Configuration

By default, the configuration includes a policy that matches all default application inspection traffic and applies certain inspections to the traffic on all interfaces (a global policy). Not all inspections are enabled by default. You can only apply one global policy, so if you want to alter the global policy, you need to either edit the default policy or disable it and apply a new one. (An interface policy overrides the global policy for a particular feature.)

The default policy includes the following application inspections:

- DNS
- FTP
- H323 (H225)
- H323 (RAS)
- RSH
- RTSP
- ESMTP
- SQLnet
- Skinny (SCCP)
- SunRPC
- XDMCP
- SIP
- NetBios
- TFTP
- IP Options

The default policy configuration includes the following commands:

```
class-map inspection_default
  match default-inspection-traffic
policy-map type inspect dns preset_dns_map
  parameters
    message-length maximum client auto
    message-length maximum 512
    dns-guard
    protocol-enforcement
    nat-rewrite
policy-map global_policy
  class inspection_default
    inspect dns preset_dns_map
    inspect ftp
    inspect h323 h225 _default_h323_map
    inspect h323 ras _default_h323_map
```



```
inspect ip-options _default_ip_options_map
inspect netbios
inspect rsh
inspect rtsp
inspect skinny
inspect esmtp _default_esmtp_map
inspect sqlnet
inspect sunrpc
inspect tftp
inspect sip
inspect xdmcp
service-policy global_policy global
```

**Note**

See [Incompatibility of Certain Feature Actions, page 1-5](#) for more information about the special **match default-inspection-traffic** command used in the default class map.

## Default Class Maps

The configuration includes a default Layer 3/4 class map that the ASA uses in the default global policy called default-inspection-traffic; it matches the default inspection traffic. This class, which is used in the default global policy, is a special shortcut to match the default ports for all inspections. When used in a policy, this class ensures that the correct inspection is applied to each packet, based on the destination port of the traffic. For example, when UDP traffic for port 69 reaches the ASA, then the ASA applies the TFTP inspection; when TCP traffic for port 21 arrives, then the ASA applies the FTP inspection. So in this case only, you can configure multiple inspections for the same class map. Normally, the ASA does not use the port number to determine which inspection to apply, thus giving you the flexibility to apply inspections to non-standard ports, for example.

```
class-map inspection_default
match default-inspection-traffic
```

Another class map that exists in the default configuration is called class-default, and it matches all traffic. This class map appears at the end of all Layer 3/4 policy maps and essentially tells the ASA to not perform any actions on all other traffic. You can use the class-default class if desired, rather than making your own **match any** class map. In fact, some features are only available for class-default, such as QoS traffic shaping.

```
class-map class-default
match any
```

## Task Flows for Configuring Service Policies

This section includes the following topics:

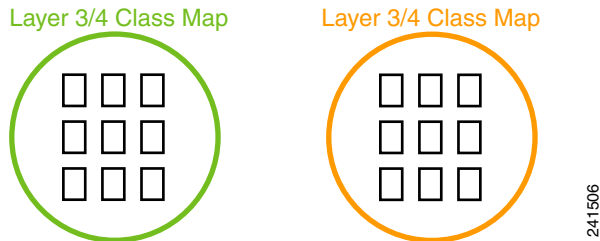
- [Task Flow for Using the Modular Policy Framework, page 1-9](#)
- [Task Flow for Configuring Hierarchical Policy Maps for QoS Traffic Shaping, page 1-11](#)

## Task Flow for Using the Modular Policy Framework

To configure Modular Policy Framework, perform the following steps:

- Step 1** Identify the traffic—Identify the traffic on which you want to perform Modular Policy Framework actions by creating Layer 3/4 class maps.

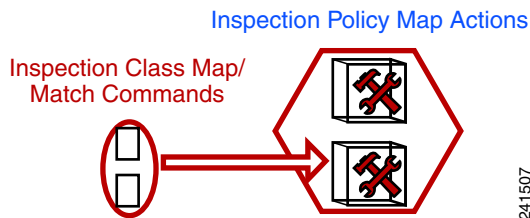
For example, you might want to perform actions on all traffic that passes through the ASA; or you might only want to perform certain actions on traffic from 10.1.1.0/24 to any destination address.



See [Identifying Traffic \(Layer 3/4 Class Maps\)](#), page 1-12.

- Step 2** Perform additional actions on some inspection traffic—If one of the actions you want to perform is application inspection, and you want to perform additional actions on some inspection traffic, then create an inspection policy map. The inspection policy map identifies the traffic and specifies what to do with it.

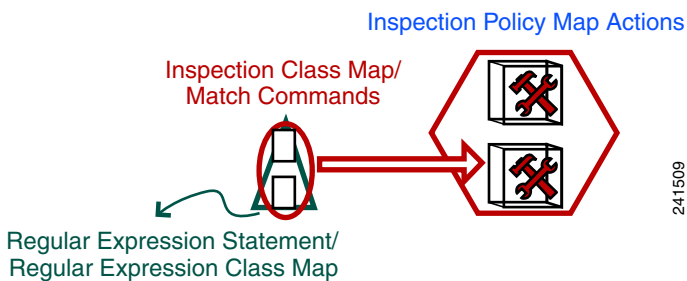
For example, you might want to drop all HTTP requests with a body length greater than 1000 bytes.



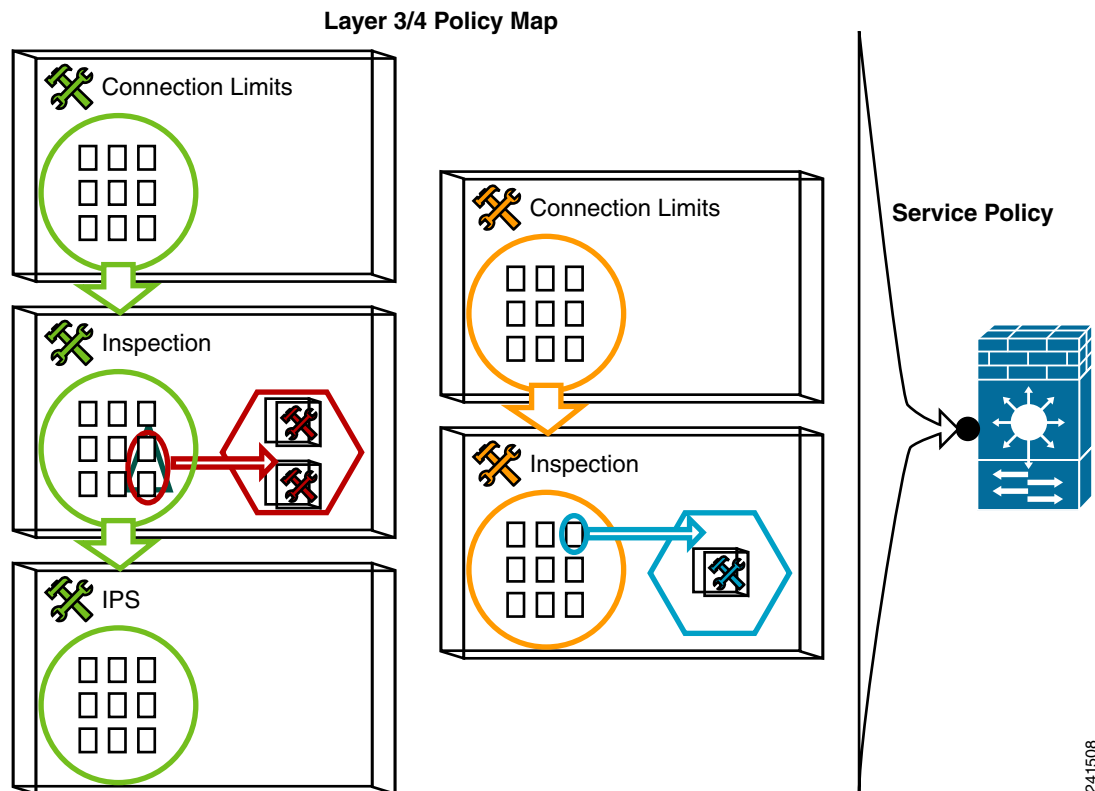
You can create a self-contained inspection policy map that identifies the traffic directly with **match** commands, or you can create an inspection class map for reuse or for more complicated matching. See [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map](#), page 2-4 and the [Identifying Traffic in an Inspection Class Map](#), page 2-5.

- Step 3** Create a regular expression—If you want to match text with a regular expression within inspected packets, you can create a regular expression or a group of regular expressions (a regular expression class map). Then, when you define the traffic to match for the inspection policy map, you can call on an existing regular expression.

For example, you might want to drop all HTTP requests with a URL including the text “example.com.”



- Step 4** Define the actions you want to perform and determine on which interfaces you want to apply the policy map—Define the actions you want to perform on each Layer 3/4 class map by creating a Layer 3/4 policy map. Then, determine on which interfaces you want to apply the policy map using a service policy.



See [Defining Actions \(Layer 3/4 Policy Map\)](#), page 1-15 and the [Applying Actions to an Interface \(Service Policy\)](#), page 1-17.

## Task Flow for Configuring Hierarchical Policy Maps for QoS Traffic Shaping

If you enable QoS traffic shaping for a class map, then you can optionally enable priority queuing for a subset of shaped traffic. To do so, you need to create a policy map for the priority queuing, and then within the traffic shaping policy map, you can call the priority class map. Only the traffic shaping class map is applied to an interface.

See [Chapter 19, “Information About QoS,”](#) for more information about this feature.

Hierarchical policy maps are only supported for traffic shaping and priority queuing.

To implement a hierarchical policy map, perform the following steps:

- Step 1** Identify the prioritized traffic according to the [Identifying Traffic \(Layer 3/4 Class Maps\)](#), page 1-12. You can create multiple class maps to be used in the hierarchical policy map.
- Step 2** Create a policy map according to the [Defining Actions \(Layer 3/4 Policy Map\)](#), page 1-15, and identify the sole action for each class map as **priority**.
- Step 3** Create a separate policy map according to the [Defining Actions \(Layer 3/4 Policy Map\)](#), page 1-15, and identify the **shape** action for the **class-default** class map. Traffic shaping can only be applied to the **class-default** class map.

- Step 4** For the same class map, identify the priority policy map that you created in Step 2 using the **service-policy priority\_policy\_map** command.
- Step 5** Apply the shaping policy map to the interface according to [Applying Actions to an Interface \(Service Policy\)](#), page 1-17.

## Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)

A Layer 3/4 class map identifies Layer 3 and 4 traffic to which you want to apply actions. You can create multiple Layer 3/4 class maps for each Layer 3/4 policy map.

This section includes the following topics:

- [Creating a Layer 3/4 Class Map for Through Traffic](#), page 1-12
- [Creating a Layer 3/4 Class Map for Management Traffic](#), page 1-14

## Creating a Layer 3/4 Class Map for Through Traffic

A Layer 3/4 class map matches traffic based on protocols, ports, IP addresses and other Layer 3 or 4 attributes.

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>class-map</b> <i>class_map_name</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# class-map all_udp	Creates a Layer 3/4 class map, where <i>class_map_name</i> is a string up to 40 characters in length. The name “class-default” is reserved. All types of class maps use the same name space, so you cannot reuse a name already used by another type of class map. The CLI enters class-map configuration mode.
<b>Step 2</b>	(Optional)  <b>description</b> <i>string</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# description All UDP traffic	Adds a description to the class map.
<b>Step 3</b>	Match traffic using one of the following:  <b>match any</b>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match any	Unless otherwise specified, you can include only one <b>match</b> command in the class map.  Matches all traffic.

Command	Purpose
<pre>match access-list access_list_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list udp</p>	<p>Matches traffic specified by an extended ACL. If the ASA is operating in transparent firewall mode, you can use an EtherType ACL.</p>
<pre>match port {tcp   udp} {eq port_num   range port_num port_num}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match tcp eq 80</p>	<p>Matches TCP or UDP destination ports, either a single port or a contiguous range of ports.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> For applications that use multiple, non-contiguous ports, use the <b>match access-list</b> command and define an ACE to match each port.</p>
<pre>match default-inspection-traffic</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match default-inspection-traffic</p>	<p>Matches default traffic for inspection: the default TCP and UDP ports used by all applications that the ASA can inspect.</p> <p>This command, which is used in the default global policy, is a special CLI shortcut that when used in a policy map, ensures that the correct inspection is applied to each packet, based on the destination port of the traffic. For example, when UDP traffic for port 69 reaches the ASA, then the ASA applies the TFTP inspection; when TCP traffic for port 21 arrives, then the ASA applies the FTP inspection. So in this case only, you can configure multiple inspections for the same class map (with the exception of WAAS inspection, which can be configured with other inspections. See <a href="#">Incompatibility of Certain Feature Actions, page 1-5</a> for more information about combining actions). Normally, the ASA does not use the port number to determine the inspection applied, thus giving you the flexibility to apply inspections to non-standard ports, for example.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4</a> for a list of default ports. Not all applications whose ports are included in the <b>match default-inspection-traffic</b> command are enabled by default in the policy map.</p> <p>You can specify a <b>match access-list</b> command along with the <b>match default-inspection-traffic</b> command to narrow the matched traffic. Because the <b>match default-inspection-traffic</b> command specifies the ports and protocols to match, any ports and protocols in the ACL are ignored.</p> <p><b>Tip</b> We suggest that you only inspect traffic on ports on which you expect application traffic; if you inspect all traffic, for example using <b>match any</b>, the ASA performance can be impacted.</p>
<pre>match dscp value1 [value2] [...] [value8]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match dscp af43 cs1 ef</p>	<p>Matches DSCP value in an IP header, up to eight DSCP values.</p>

Command	Purpose
<b>match precedence</b> <i>value1</i> [ <i>value2</i> ] [ <i>value3</i> ] [ <i>value4</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match precedence 1 4	Matches up to four precedence values, represented by the TOS byte in the IP header, where <i>value1</i> through <i>value4</i> can be 0 to 7, corresponding to the possible precedences.
<b>match rtp</b> <i>starting_port range</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match rtp 4004 100	Matches RTP traffic, where the <i>starting_port</i> specifies an even-numbered UDP destination port between 2000 and 65534. The <i>range</i> specifies the number of additional UDP ports to match above the <i>starting_port</i> , between 0 and 16383.
<b>match tunnel-group</b> <i>name</i>  (Optional)  <b>match flow ip destination-address</b>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match tunnel-group group1 hostname(config-cmap)# match flow ip destination-address	Matches VPN tunnel group traffic to which you want to apply QoS.  You can also specify one other <b>match</b> command to refine the traffic match. You can specify any of the preceding commands, except for the <b>match any</b> , <b>match access-list</b> , or <b>match default-inspection-traffic</b> commands. Or you can also enter the <b>match flow ip destination-address</b> command to match flows in the tunnel group going to each IP address.

## Examples

The following is an example for the **class-map** command:

```
hostname(config)# access-list udp permit udp any any
hostname(config)# access-list tcp permit tcp any any
hostname(config)# access-list host_foo permit ip any 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.255

hostname(config)# class-map all_udp
hostname(config-cmap)# description "This class-map matches all UDP traffic"
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list udp

hostname(config-cmap)# class-map all_tcp
hostname(config-cmap)# description "This class-map matches all TCP traffic"
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list tcp

hostname(config-cmap)# class-map all_http
hostname(config-cmap)# description "This class-map matches all HTTP traffic"
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp eq http

hostname(config-cmap)# class-map to_server
hostname(config-cmap)# description "This class-map matches all traffic to server 10.1.1.1"
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list host_foo
```

## Creating a Layer 3/4 Class Map for Management Traffic

For management traffic to the ASA, you might want to perform actions specific to this kind of traffic. You can specify a management class map that can match an ACL or TCP or UDP ports. The types of actions available for a management class map in the policy map are specialized for management traffic. See [Supported Features, page 1-2](#).

## Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<p><b>class-map type management</b> <i>class_map_name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  <pre>hostname(config)# class-map type management all_mgmt</pre></p>	Creates a management class map, where <i>class_map_name</i> is a string up to 40 characters in length. The name “class-default” is reserved. All types of class maps use the same name space, so you cannot reuse a name already used by another type of class map. The CLI enters class-map configuration mode.
Step 2	<p>(Optional)</p> <p><b>description</b> <i>string</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  <pre>hostname(config-cmap)# description All management traffic</pre></p>	Adds a description to the class map.
Step 3	Match traffic using one of the following:	Unless otherwise specified, you can include only one <b>match</b> command in the class map.
	<p><b>match access-list</b> <i>access_list_name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  <pre>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list udp</pre></p>	Matches traffic specified by an extended ACL. If the ASA is operating in transparent firewall mode, you can use an EtherType ACL.
	<p><b>match port</b> {<b>tcp</b>   <b>udp</b>} {<b>eq</b> <i>port_num</i>   <b>range</b> <i>port_num port_num</i>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b>  <pre>hostname(config-cmap)# match tcp eq 80</pre></p>	Matches TCP or UDP destination ports, either a single port or a contiguous range of ports.  <b>Tip</b> For applications that use multiple, non-contiguous ports, use the <b>match access-list</b> command and define an ACE to match each port.

## Defining Actions (Layer 3/4 Policy Map)

This section describes how to associate actions with Layer 3/4 class maps by creating a Layer 3/4 policy map.

### Restrictions

The maximum number of policy maps is 64, but you can only apply one policy map per interface.

## Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<code>policy-map <i>policy_map_name</i></code>  <b>Example:</b> <code>hostname(config)# policy-map global_policy</code>	Adds the policy map. The <i>policy_map_name</i> argument is the name of the policy map up to 40 characters in length. All types of policy maps use the same name space, so you cannot reuse a name already used by another type of policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.
Step 2	(Optional)  <code>class <i>class_map_name</i></code>  <b>Example:</b> <code>hostname(config-pmap)# description global policy map</code>	Specifies a previously configured Layer 3/4 class map, where the <i>class_map_name</i> is the name of the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a> , page 1-12 to add a class map.  <b>Note</b> If there is no <b>match default-inspection-traffic</b> command in a class map, then at most one <b>inspect</b> command is allowed to be configured under the class.  For QoS, you can configure a hierarchical policy map for the traffic shaping and priority queue features. See <a href="#">Task Flow for Configuring Hierarchical Policy Maps for QoS Traffic Shaping</a> , page 1-11 for more information.
Step 3	Specify one or more actions for this class map.	See <a href="#">Supported Features</a> , page 1-2.
Step 4	Repeat <a href="#">Step 2</a> and <a href="#">Step 3</a> for each class map you want to include in this policy map.	

## Examples

The following is an example of a **policy-map** command for connection policy. It limits the number of connections allowed to the web server 10.1.1.1:

```
hostname(config)# access-list http-server permit tcp any host 10.1.1.1
hostname(config)# class-map http-server
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list http-server

hostname(config)# policy-map global-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# description This policy map defines a policy concerning connection
to http server.
hostname(config-pmap)# class http-server
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection conn-max 256
```

The following example shows how multi-match works in a policy map:

```
hostname(config)# class-map inspection_default
hostname(config-cmap)# match default-inspection-traffic
hostname(config)# class-map http_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp eq 80

hostname(config)# policy-map outside_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class inspection_default
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect http http_map
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect sip
hostname(config-pmap)# class http_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection timeout idle 0:10:0
```

The following example shows how traffic matches the first available class map, and will not match any subsequent class maps that specify actions in the same feature domain:



```

hostname(config)# class-map telnet_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp eq 23
hostname(config)# class-map ftp_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp eq 21
hostname(config)# class-map tcp_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp range 1 65535
hostname(config)# class-map udp_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match port udp range 0 65535
hostname(config)# policy-map global_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class telnet_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection timeout idle 0:0:0
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection conn-max 100
hostname(config-pmap)# class ftp_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection timeout idle 0:5:0
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection conn-max 50
hostname(config-pmap)# class tcp_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection timeout idle 2:0:0
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection conn-max 2000

```

When a Telnet connection is initiated, it matches **class telnet\_traffic**. Similarly, if an FTP connection is initiated, it matches **class ftp\_traffic**. For any TCP connection other than Telnet and FTP, it will match **class tcp\_traffic**. Even though a Telnet or FTP connection can match **class tcp\_traffic**, the ASA does not make this match because they previously matched other classes.

## Applying Actions to an Interface (Service Policy)

To activate the Layer 3/4 policy map, create a service policy that applies it to one or more interfaces or that applies it globally to all interfaces.

### Restrictions

You can only apply one global policy, so if you want to alter the global policy, you need to either edit the default policy or disable it and apply a new one. By default, the configuration includes a global policy that matches all default application inspection traffic and applies inspection to the traffic globally. The default service policy includes the following command:

```
service-policy global_policy global
```

### Detailed Steps

Command	Purpose
<pre>service-policy policy_map_name interface interface_name [fail-close]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# service-policy inbound_policy interface outside</pre>	<p>Creates a service policy by associating a policy map with an interface. Specify the <b>fail-close</b> option to generate a syslog (767001) for IPv6 traffic that is dropped by application inspections that do not support IPv6 traffic. By default, syslogs are not generated. For a list of inspections that support IPv6, see <a href="#">IPv6 Guidelines, page 1-6</a>.</p>
<pre>service-policy policy_map_name global [fail-close]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# service-policy inbound_policy global</pre>	<p>Creates a service policy that applies to all interfaces that do not have a specific policy. Specify the <b>fail-close</b> option to generate a syslog (767001) for IPv6 traffic that is dropped by application inspections that do not support IPv6 traffic. By default, syslogs are not generated. For a list of inspections that support IPv6, see <a href="#">IPv6 Guidelines, page 1-6</a>.</p>

## Examples

For example, the following command enables the `inbound_policy` policy map on the outside interface:

```
hostname(config)# service-policy inbound_policy interface outside
```

The following commands disable the default global policy, and enables a new one called `new_global_policy` on all other ASA interfaces:

```
hostname(config)# no service-policy global_policy global
hostname(config)# service-policy new_global_policy global
```

# Monitoring Modular Policy Framework

To monitor Modular Policy Framework, enter the following command:

Command	Purpose
<code>show service-policy</code>	Displays the service policy statistics.

# Configuration Examples for Modular Policy Framework

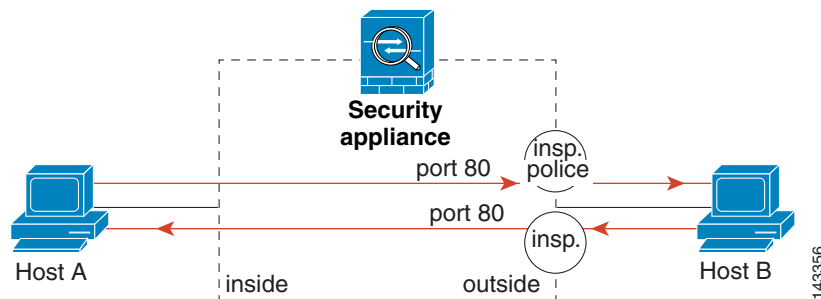
This section includes several Modular Policy Framework examples and includes the following topics:

- [Applying Inspection and QoS Policing to HTTP Traffic, page 1-18](#)
- [Applying Inspection to HTTP Traffic Globally, page 1-19](#)
- [Applying Inspection and Connection Limits to HTTP Traffic to Specific Servers, page 1-20](#)
- [Applying Inspection to HTTP Traffic with NAT, page 1-21](#)

## Applying Inspection and QoS Policing to HTTP Traffic

In this example (see [Figure 1-1](#)), any HTTP connection (TCP traffic on port 80) that enters or exits the ASA through the outside interface is classified for HTTP inspection. Any HTTP traffic that exits the outside interface is classified for policing.

**Figure 1-1** HTTP Inspection and QoS Policing



See the following commands for this example:

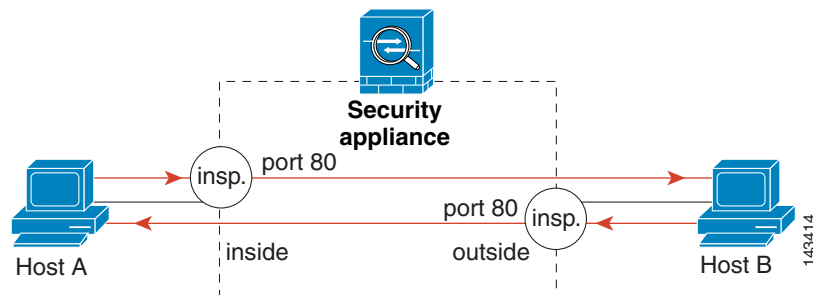
```
hostname(config)# class-map http_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp eq 80

hostname(config)# policy-map http_traffic_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class http_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect http
hostname(config-pmap-c)# police output 250000
hostname(config)# service-policy http_traffic_policy interface outside
```

## Applying Inspection to HTTP Traffic Globally

In this example (see [Figure 1-2](#)), any HTTP connection (TCP traffic on port 80) that enters the ASA through any interface is classified for HTTP inspection. Because the policy is a global policy, inspection occurs only as the traffic enters each interface.

**Figure 1-2 Global HTTP Inspection**



See the following commands for this example:

```
hostname(config)# class-map http_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp eq 80

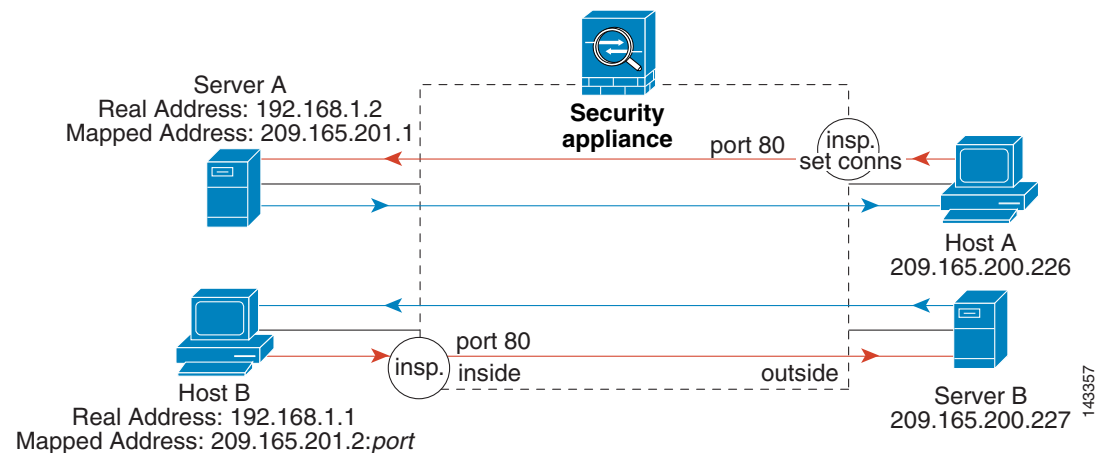
hostname(config)# policy-map http_traffic_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class http_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect http
hostname(config)# service-policy http_traffic_policy global
```

## Applying Inspection and Connection Limits to HTTP Traffic to Specific Servers

In this example (see Figure 1-3), any HTTP connection destined for Server A (TCP traffic on port 80) that enters the ASA through the outside interface is classified for HTTP inspection and maximum connection limits. Connections initiated from Server A to Host A does not match the ACL in the class map, so it is not affected.

Any HTTP connection destined for Server B that enters the ASA through the inside interface is classified for HTTP inspection. Connections initiated from Server B to Host B does not match the ACL in the class map, so it is not affected.

**Figure 1-3 HTTP Inspection and Connection Limits to Specific Servers**



See the following commands for this example:

```
hostname(config)# object network obj-192.168.1.2
hostname(config-network-object)# host 192.168.1.2
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 209.165.201.1
hostname(config)# object network obj-192.168.1.0
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 192.168.1.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic 209.165.201.2
hostname(config)# access-list serverA extended permit tcp any host 209.165.201.1 eq 80
hostname(config)# access-list ServerB extended permit tcp any host 209.165.200.227 eq 80

hostname(config)# class-map http_serverA
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list serverA
hostname(config)# class-map http_serverB
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list serverB

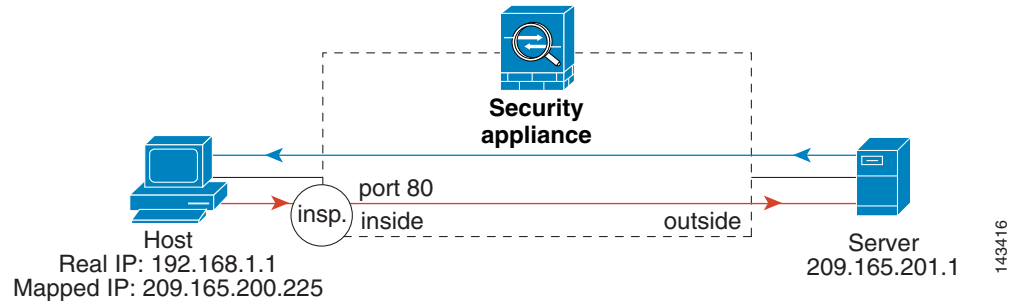
hostname(config)# policy-map policy_serverA
hostname(config-pmap)# class http_serverA
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect http
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection conn-max 100
hostname(config)# policy-map policy_serverB
hostname(config-pmap)# class http_serverB
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect http

hostname(config)# service-policy policy_serverB interface inside
hostname(config)# service-policy policy_serverA interface outside
```

## Applying Inspection to HTTP Traffic with NAT

In this example, the Host on the inside network has two addresses: one is the real IP address 192.168.1.1, and the other is a mapped IP address used on the outside network, 209.165.200.225. You must use the real IP address in the ACL in the class map. If you applied it to the outside interface, you would also use the real address.

**Figure 1-4 HTTP Inspection with NAT**



See the following commands for this example:

```
hostname(config)# object network obj-192.168.1.1
hostname(config-network-object)# host 192.168.1.1
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (VM1,outside) static 209.165.200.225

hostname(config)# access-list http_client extended permit tcp host 192.168.1.1 any eq 80

hostname(config)# class-map http_client
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list http_client

hostname(config)# policy-map http_client
hostname(config-pmap)# class http_client
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect http

hostname(config)# service-policy http_client interface inside
```

## Feature History for Service Policies

Table 1-3 lists the release history for this feature.

**Table 1-3 Feature History for Service Policies**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Modular Policy Framework	7.0(1)	Modular Policy Framework was introduced.
Management class map for use with RADIUS accounting traffic	7.2(1)	The management class map was introduced for use with RADIUS accounting traffic. The following commands were introduced: <b>class-map type management</b> , and <b>inspect radius-accounting</b> .
Inspection policy maps	7.2(1)	The inspection policy map was introduced. The following command was introduced: <b>class-map type inspect</b> .

**Table 1-3** *Feature History for Service Policies (continued)*

<b>Feature Name</b>	<b>Releases</b>	<b>Feature Information</b>
Regular expressions and policy maps	7.2(1)	Regular expressions and policy maps were introduced to be used under inspection policy maps. The following commands were introduced: <b>class-map type regex</b> , <b>regex</b> , <b>match regex</b> .
Match any for inspection policy maps	8.0(2)	The <b>match any</b> keyword was introduced for use with inspection policy maps: traffic can match one or more criteria to match the class map. Formerly, only <b>match all</b> was available.



## Special Actions for Application Inspections (Inspection Policy Map)

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Modular Policy Framework lets you configure special actions for many application inspections. When you enable an inspection engine in the Layer 3/4 policy map, you can also optionally enable actions as defined in an *inspection policy map*. When the inspection policy map matches traffic within the Layer 3/4 class map for which you have defined an inspection action, then that subset of traffic will be acted upon as specified (for example, dropped or rate-limited).

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Information About Inspection Policy Maps, page 2-1](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 2-2](#)
- [Default Inspection Policy Maps, page 2-3](#)
- [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#)
- [Identifying Traffic in an Inspection Class Map, page 2-5](#)
- [Where to Go Next, page 2-7](#)
- [Feature History for Inspection Policy Maps, page 2-7](#)

### Information About Inspection Policy Maps

See [Configuring Application Layer Protocol Inspection, page 7-7](#) for a list of applications that support inspection policy maps.

An inspection policy map consists of one or more of the following elements. The exact options available for an inspection policy map depends on the application.

- Traffic matching command—You can define a traffic matching command directly in the inspection policy map to match application traffic to criteria specific to the application, such as a URL string, for which you then enable actions.
  - Some traffic matching commands can specify regular expressions to match text inside a packet. Be sure to create and test the regular expressions before you configure the policy map, either singly or grouped together in a regular expression class map.
- Inspection class map—An inspection class map includes multiple traffic matching commands. You then identify the class map in the policy map and enable actions for the class map as a whole. The difference between creating a class map and defining the traffic match directly in the inspection

policy map is that you can create more complex match criteria and you can reuse class maps. However, you cannot set different actions for different matches. **Note:** Not all inspections support inspection class maps.

- Parameters—Parameters affect the behavior of the inspection engine.

## Guidelines and Limitations

- HTTP inspection policy maps—If you modify an in-use HTTP inspection policy map (**policy-map type inspect http**), you must remove and reapply the **inspect http map** action for the changes to take effect. For example, if you modify the “http-map” inspection policy map, you must remove and readd the **inspect http http-map** command from the layer 3/4 policy:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map test
hostname(config-pmap)# class http
hostname(config-pmap-c)# no inspect http http-map
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect http http-map
```

- All inspection policy maps—If you want to exchange an in-use inspection policy map for a different map name, you must remove the **inspect protocol map** command, and readd it with the new map. For example:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map test
hostname(config-pmap)# class sip
hostname(config-pmap-c)# no inspect sip sip-map1
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect sip sip-map2
```

- You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the inspection policy map.

If a packet matches multiple different **match** or **class** commands, then the order in which the ASA applies the actions is determined by internal ASA rules, and not by the order they are added to the inspection policy map. The internal rules are determined by the application type and the logical progression of parsing a packet, and are not user-configurable. For example for HTTP traffic, parsing a Request Method field precedes parsing the Header Host Length field; an action for the Request Method field occurs before the action for the Header Host Length field. For example, the following match commands can be entered in any order, but the **match request method get** command is matched first.

```
match request header host length gt 100
  reset
match request method get
  log
```

If an action drops a packet, then no further actions are performed in the inspection policy map. For example, if the first action is to reset the connection, then it will never match any further **match** or **class** commands. If the first action is to log the packet, then a second action, such as resetting the connection, can occur.

If a packet matches multiple **match** or **class** commands that are the same, then they are matched in the order they appear in the policy map. For example, for a packet with the header length of 1001, it will match the first command below, and be logged, and then will match the second command and be reset. If you reverse the order of the two **match** commands, then the packet will be dropped and the connection reset before it can match the second **match** command; it will never be logged.

```
match request header length gt 100
  log
match request header length gt 1000
  reset
```



A class map is determined to be the same type as another class map or **match** command based on the lowest priority **match** command in the class map (the priority is based on the internal rules). If a class map has the same type of lowest priority **match** command as another class map, then the class maps are matched according to the order they are added to the policy map. If the lowest priority match for each class map is different, then the class map with the higher priority **match** command is matched first. For example, the following three class maps contain two types of **match** commands: **match request-cmd** (higher priority) and **match filename** (lower priority). The ftp3 class map includes both commands, but it is ranked according to the lowest priority command, **match filename**. The ftp1 class map includes the highest priority command, so it is matched first, regardless of the order in the policy map. The ftp3 class map is ranked as being of the same priority as the ftp2 class map, which also contains the **match filename** command. They are matched according to the order in the policy map: ftp3 and then ftp2.

```
class-map type inspect ftp match-all ftp1
  match request-cmd get
class-map type inspect ftp match-all ftp2
  match filename regex abc
class-map type inspect ftp match-all ftp3
  match request-cmd get
  match filename regex abc

policy-map type inspect ftp ftp
  class ftp3
    log
  class ftp2
    log
  class ftp1
    log
```

## Default Inspection Policy Maps

DNS inspection is enabled by default, using the `preset_dns_map` inspection class map:

- The maximum DNS message length is 512 bytes.
- The maximum client DNS message length is automatically set to match the Resource Record.
- DNS Guard is enabled, so the ASA tears down the DNS session associated with a DNS query as soon as the DNS reply is forwarded by the ASA. The ASA also monitors the message exchange to ensure that the ID of the DNS reply matches the ID of the DNS query.
- Translation of the DNS record based on the NAT configuration is enabled.
- Protocol enforcement is enabled, which enables DNS message format check, including domain name length of no more than 255 characters, label length of 63 characters, compression, and looped pointer check.

See the following default commands:

```
policy-map type inspect dns preset_dns_map
  parameters
    message-length maximum client auto
    message-length maximum 512
    dns-guard
    protocol-enforcement
    nat-rewrite
```

**Note**

There are other default inspection policy maps such as `_default_esmtp_map`. For example, `inspect esmtp` implicitly uses the policy map “`_default_esmtp_map`.” All the default policy maps can be shown by using the `show running-config all policy-map` command.

## Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map

When you enable an inspection engine in the Layer 3/4 policy map, you can also optionally enable actions as defined in an inspection policy map.

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	(Optional) Create an inspection class map.	See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic in an Inspection Class Map, page 2-5</a> . Alternatively, you can identify the traffic directly within the policy map.
Step 2	(Optional) Create a regular expression.	For policy map types that support regular expressions, see the general operations configuration guide.
Step 3	<code>policy-map type inspect application</code> <code>policy_map_name</code>  <b>Example:</b> <code>hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect</code> <code>http http_policy</code>	Creates the inspection policy map. See <a href="#">Configuring Application Layer Protocol Inspection, page 7-7</a> for a list of applications that support inspection policy maps.  The <code>policy_map_name</code> argument is the name of the policy map up to 40 characters in length. All types of policy maps use the same name space, so you cannot reuse a name already used by another type of policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.
Step 4	Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:  <code>class class_map_name</code>  <b>Example:</b> <code>hostname(config-pmap)# class http_traffic</code> <code>hostname(config-pmap-c)#</code>  Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the <b>match</b> commands described for each application in the inspection chapter.  <b>Example:</b> <code>hostname(config-pmap)# match req-resp</code> <code>content-type mismatch</code> <code>hostname(config-pmap-c)#</code>	Specifies the inspection class map that you created in the <a href="#">Identifying Traffic in an Inspection Class Map, page 2-5</a> .  Not all applications support inspection class maps.  If you use a <b>match not</b> command, then any traffic that matches the criterion in the <b>match not</b> command does not have the action applied.  For policy map types that support regular expressions, see the general operations configuration guide.

	Command	Purpose
Step 5	<p><i>action</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  hostname(config-pmap-c) # drop-connection  log</p>	<p>Specifies the action you want to perform on the matching traffic. Actions vary depending on the inspection and match type. Common actions include: <b>drop</b>, <b>log</b>, and <b>drop-connection</b>. For the actions available for each match, see the appropriate inspection chapter.</p>
Step 6	<p><i>parameters</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  hostname(config-pmap) # parameters  hostname(config-pmap-p) #</p>	<p>Configures parameters that affect the inspection engine. The CLI enters parameters configuration mode. For the parameters available for each application, see the appropriate inspection chapter.</p>

## Examples

The following is an example of an HTTP inspection policy map and the related class maps. This policy map is activated by the Layer 3/4 policy map, which is enabled by the service policy.

```
hostname(config)# regex url_example example\.com
hostname(config)# regex url_example2 example2\.com
hostname(config)# class-map type regex match-any URLs
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex url_example
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex url_example2

hostname(config-cmap)# class-map type inspect http match-all http-traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match req-resp content-type mismatch
hostname(config-cmap)# match request body length gt 1000
hostname(config-cmap)# match not request uri regex class URLs

hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map type inspect http http-map1
hostname(config-pmap)# class http-traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop-connection log
hostname(config-pmap-c)# match req-resp content-type mismatch
hostname(config-pmap-c)# reset log
hostname(config-pmap-c)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# protocol-violation action log

hostname(config-pmap-p)# policy-map test
hostname(config-pmap)# class test (a Layer 3/4 class map not shown)
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect http http-map1

hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy test interface outside
```

## Identifying Traffic in an Inspection Class Map

This type of class map allows you to match criteria that is specific to an application. For example, for DNS traffic, you can match the domain name in a DNS query.

A class map groups multiple traffic matches (in a match-all class map), or lets you match any of a list of matches (in a match-any class map). The difference between creating a class map and defining the traffic match directly in the inspection policy map is that the class map lets you group multiple match commands, and you can reuse class maps. For the traffic that you identify in this class map, you can specify actions such as dropping, resetting, and/or logging the connection in the inspection policy map. If you want to perform different actions on different types of traffic, you should identify the traffic directly in the policy map.

## Restrictions

Not all applications support inspection class maps. See the CLI help for **class-map type inspect** for a list of supported applications.

## Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	(Optional) Create a regular expression.	See the general operations configuration guide.
Step 2	<b>class-map type inspect</b> <i>application</i> [ <b>match-all</b>   <b>match-any</b> ] <i>class_map_name</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# class-map type inspect http http_traffic hostname(config-cmap)#	Creates an inspection class map, where the <i>application</i> is the application you want to inspect. For supported applications, see the CLI help for a list of supported applications or see <a href="#">Chapter 7, “Getting Started with Application Layer Protocol Inspection.”</a>  The <i>class_map_name</i> argument is the name of the class map up to 40 characters in length.  The <b>match-all</b> keyword is the default, and specifies that traffic must match all criteria to match the class map.  The <b>match-any</b> keyword specifies that the traffic matches the class map if it matches at least one of the criteria.  The CLI enters class-map configuration mode, where you can enter one or more <b>match</b> commands.
Step 3	(Optional) <b>description</b> <i>string</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# description All UDP traffic	Adds a description to the class map.
Step 4	Define the traffic to include in the class by entering one or more <b>match</b> commands available for your application.	To specify traffic that should not match the class map, use the <b>match not</b> command. For example, if the <b>match not</b> command specifies the string “example.com,” then any traffic that includes “example.com” does not match the class map.  To see the <b>match</b> commands available for each application, see the appropriate inspection chapter.

## Examples

The following example creates an HTTP class map that must match all criteria:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# class-map type inspect http match-all http-traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match req-resp content-type mismatch
hostname(config-cmap)# match request body length gt 1000
hostname(config-cmap)# match not request uri regex class URLs
```

The following example creates an HTTP class map that can match any of the criteria:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# class-map type inspect http match-any monitor-http
hostname(config-cmap)# match request method get
hostname(config-cmap)# match request method put
hostname(config-cmap)# match request method post
```

## Where to Go Next

To use an inspection policy, see [Chapter 1, “Service Policy Using the Modular Policy Framework.”](#)

## Feature History for Inspection Policy Maps

[Table 2-1](#) lists the release history for this feature.

**Table 2-1** Feature History for Service Policies

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Inspection policy maps	7.2(1)	The inspection policy map was introduced. The following command was introduced: <b>class-map type inspect</b> .
Regular expressions and policy maps	7.2(1)	Regular expressions and policy maps were introduced to be used under inspection policy maps. The following commands were introduced: <b>class-map type regex</b> , <b>regex</b> , <b>match regex</b> .
Match any for inspection policy maps	8.0(2)	The <b>match any</b> keyword was introduced for use with inspection policy maps: traffic can match one or more criteria to match the class map. Formerly, only <b>match all</b> was available.





## Access Rules

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This chapter describes how to control network access through the ASA using access rules and includes the following sections:

- [Information About Access Rules, page 3-1](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for Access Rules, page 3-6](#)
- [Prerequisites, page 3-6](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 3-7](#)
- [Default Settings, page 3-7](#)
- [Configuring Access Rules, page 3-7](#)
- [Monitoring Access Rules, page 3-9](#)
- [Configuration Examples for Permitting or Denying Network Access, page 3-9](#)
- [Feature History for Access Rules, page 3-10](#)



### Note

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You use access rules to control network access in both routed and transparent firewall modes. In transparent mode, you can use both access rules (for Layer 3 traffic) and EtherType rules (for Layer 2 traffic).

To access the ASA interface for management access, you do not also need an access rule allowing the host IP address. You only need to configure management access according to the general operations configuration guide.

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## Information About Access Rules

You create an access rule by applying an extended or EtherType ACL to an interface or globally for all interfaces. You can use access rules in routed and transparent firewall mode to control IP traffic. An access rule permits or denies traffic based on the protocol, a source and destination IP address or network, and optionally the source and destination ports.

For transparent mode only, an EtherType rule controls network access for non-IP traffic. An EtherType rule permits or denies traffic based on the EtherType.

This section includes the following topics:

- [General Information About Rules, page 3-2](#)
- [Information About Extended Access Rules, page 3-4](#)

- [Information About EtherType Rules, page 3-5](#)

## General Information About Rules

This section describes information for both access rules and EtherType rules, and it includes the following topics:

- [Implicit Permits, page 3-2](#)
- [Information About Interface Access Rules and Global Access Rules, page 3-2](#)
- [Using Access Rules and EtherType Rules on the Same Interface, page 3-2](#)
- [Implicit Deny, page 3-3](#)
- [Inbound and Outbound Rules, page 3-3](#)
- [Information About Extended Access Rules, page 3-4](#)

### Implicit Permits

For routed mode, the following types of traffic are allowed through by default:

- Unicast IPv4 traffic from a higher security interface to a lower security interface.
- Unicast IPv6 traffic from a higher security interface to a lower security interface.

For transparent mode, the following types of traffic are allowed through by default:

- Unicast IPv4 traffic from a higher security interface to a lower security interface.
- Unicast IPv6 traffic from a higher security interface to a lower security interface.
- ARPs in both directions.



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**Note** ARP traffic can be controlled by ARP inspection, but cannot be controlled by an access rule.

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- BPDUs in both directions.

For other traffic, you need to use either an extended access rule (IPv4 and IPv6) or an EtherType rule (non-IPv4/IPv6).

### Information About Interface Access Rules and Global Access Rules

You can apply an access rule to a specific interface, or you can apply an access rule globally to all interfaces. You can configure global access rules in conjunction with interface access rules, in which case, the specific interface access rules are always processed before the general global access rules.



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**Note** Global access rules apply only to inbound traffic. See [Inbound and Outbound Rules, page 3-3](#).

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### Using Access Rules and EtherType Rules on the Same Interface

You can apply one access rule and one EtherType rule to each direction of an interface.



## Implicit Deny

ACLs have an implicit deny at the end of the list, so unless you explicitly permit it, traffic cannot pass. For example, if you want to allow all users to access a network through the ASA except for particular addresses, then you need to deny the particular addresses and then permit all others.

For EtherType ACLs, the implicit deny at the end of the ACL does not affect IP traffic or ARPs; for example, if you allow EtherType 8037, the implicit deny at the end of the ACL does not now block any IP traffic that you previously allowed with an extended ACL (or implicitly allowed from a high security interface to a low security interface). However, if you explicitly deny all traffic with an EtherType ACE, then IP and ARP traffic is denied.

If you configure a global access rule, then the implicit deny comes *after* the global rule is processed. See the following order of operations:

1. Interface access rule.
2. Global access rule.
3. Implicit deny.

## Inbound and Outbound Rules

The ASA supports two types of ACLs:

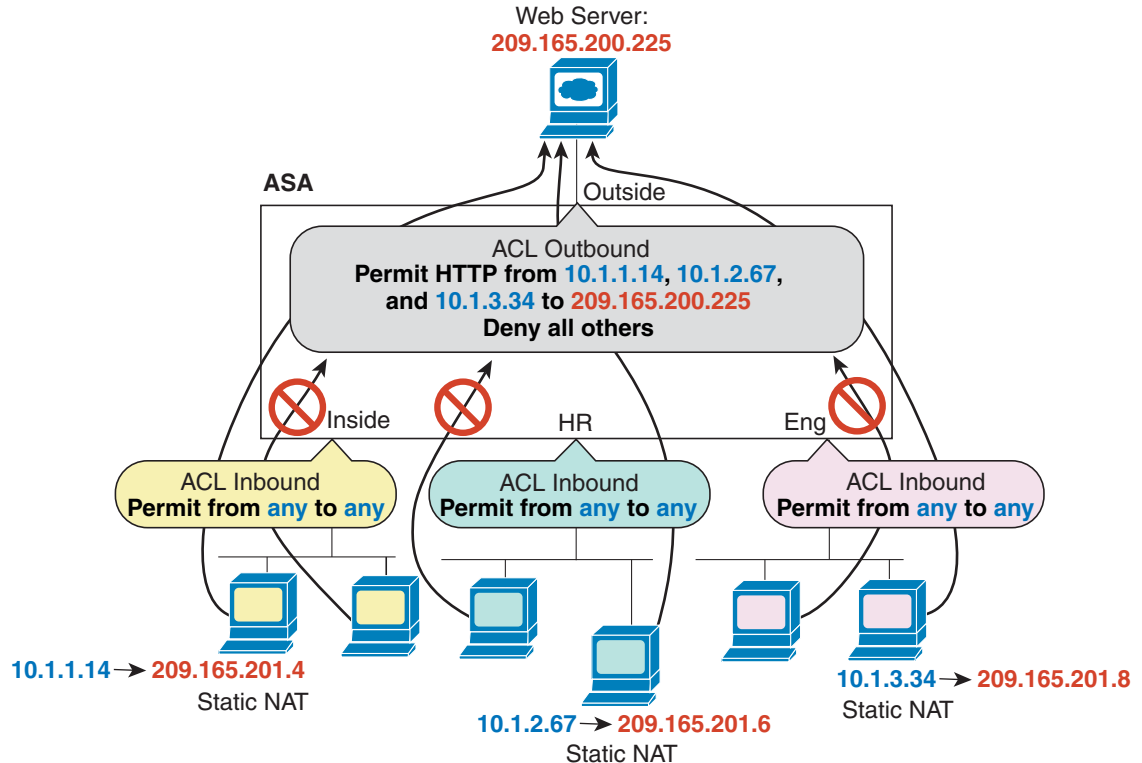
- Inbound—Inbound access rules apply to traffic as it enters an interface. Global access rules are always inbound.
- Outbound—Outbound ACLs apply to traffic as it exits an interface.

**Note**

“Inbound” and “outbound” refer to the application of an ACL on an interface, either to traffic entering the ASA on an interface or traffic exiting the ASA on an interface. These terms do not refer to the movement of traffic from a lower security interface to a higher security interface, commonly known as inbound, or from a higher to lower interface, commonly known as outbound.

An outbound ACL is useful, for example, if you want to allow only certain hosts on the inside networks to access a web server on the outside network. Rather than creating multiple inbound ACLs to restrict access, you can create a single outbound ACL that allows only the specified hosts. (See [Figure 3-1](#).) The outbound ACL prevents any other hosts from reaching the outside network.

Figure 3-1 Outbound ACL



See the following commands for this example:

```
hostname(config)# access-list OUTSIDE extended permit tcp host 10.1.1.14
host 209.165.200.225 eq www
hostname(config)# access-list OUTSIDE extended permit tcp host 10.1.2.67
host 209.165.200.225 eq www
hostname(config)# access-list OUTSIDE extended permit tcp host 10.1.3.34
host 209.165.200.225 eq www
hostname(config)# access-group OUTSIDE out interface outside
```

## Information About Extended Access Rules

This section describes information about extended access rules and includes the following topics:

- [Access Rules for Returning Traffic, page 3-4](#)
- [Allowing Broadcast and Multicast Traffic through the Transparent Firewall Using Access Rules, page 3-5](#)
- [Management Access Rules, page 3-5](#)

### Access Rules for Returning Traffic

For TCP and UDP connections for both routed and transparent mode, you do not need an access rule to allow returning traffic because the ASA allows all returning traffic for established, bidirectional connections.

For connectionless protocols such as ICMP, however, the ASA establishes unidirectional sessions, so you either need access rules to allow ICMP in both directions (by applying ACLs to the source and destination interfaces), or you need to enable the ICMP inspection engine. The ICMP inspection engine treats ICMP sessions as bidirectional connections. To control ping, specify **echo-reply (0)** (ASA to host) or **echo (8)** (host to ASA).

## Allowing Broadcast and Multicast Traffic through the Transparent Firewall Using Access Rules

In routed firewall mode, broadcast and multicast traffic is blocked even if you allow it in an access rule, including unsupported dynamic routing protocols and DHCP (unless you configure DHCP relay). Transparent firewall mode can allow any IP traffic through.



### Note

Because these special types of traffic are connectionless, you need to apply an access rule to both interfaces, so returning traffic is allowed through.

Table 3-1 lists common traffic types that you can allow through the transparent firewall.

**Table 3-1** Transparent Firewall Special Traffic

Traffic Type	Protocol or Port	Notes
DHCP	UDP ports 67 and 68	If you enable the DHCP server, then the ASA does not pass DHCP packets.
EIGRP	Protocol 88	—
OSPF	Protocol 89	—
Multicast streams	The UDP ports vary depending on the application.	Multicast streams are always destined to a Class D address (224.0.0.0 to 239.x.x.x).
RIP (v1 or v2)	UDP port 520	—

## Management Access Rules

You can configure access rules that control management traffic destined to the ASA. Access control rules for to-the-box management traffic (defined by such commands as **http**, **ssh**, or **telnet**) have higher precedence than an management access rule applied with the **control-plane** option. Therefore, such permitted management traffic will be allowed to come in even if explicitly denied by the to-the-box ACL.

## Information About EtherType Rules

This section describes EtherType rules and includes the following topics:

- [Supported EtherTypes and Other Traffic, page 3-5](#)
- [Access Rules for Returning Traffic, page 3-6](#)
- [Allowing MPLS, page 3-6](#)

## Supported EtherTypes and Other Traffic

An EtherType rule controls the following:

- EtherType identified by a 16-bit hexadecimal number, including common types IPX and MPLS unicast or multicast.
- Ethernet V2 frames.
- BPDUs, which are permitted by default. BPDUs are SNAP-encapsulated, and the ASA is designed to specifically handle BPDUs.
- Trunk port (Cisco proprietary) BPDUs. Trunk BPDUs have VLAN information inside the payload, so the ASA modifies the payload with the outgoing VLAN if you allow BPDUs.
- IS-IS.

The following types of traffic are not supported:

- 802.3-formatted frames—These frames are not handled by the rule because they use a length field as opposed to a type field.

## Access Rules for Returning Traffic

Because EtherTypes are connectionless, you need to apply the rule to both interfaces if you want traffic to pass in both directions.

## Allowing MPLS

If you allow MPLS, ensure that Label Distribution Protocol and Tag Distribution Protocol TCP connections are established through the ASA by configuring both MPLS routers connected to the ASA to use the IP address on the ASA interface as the router-id for LDP or TDP sessions. (LDP and TDP allow MPLS routers to negotiate the labels (addresses) used to forward packets.)

On Cisco IOS routers, enter the appropriate command for your protocol, LDP or TDP. The *interface* is the interface connected to the ASA.

```
hostname(config)# mpls ldp router-id interface force
```

Or

```
hostname(config)# tag-switching tdp router-id interface force
```

# Licensing Requirements for Access Rules

Model	License Requirement
ASAv	Standard or Premium License.
All other models	Base License.

## Prerequisites

Before you can create an access rule, create the ACL. See the general operations configuration guide for more information.

# Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature.

## Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single and multiple context mode.

## Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent firewall modes.

## IPv6 Guidelines

Supports IPv6. The source and destination addresses can include any mix of IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

## Per-User ACL Guidelines

- The per-user ACL uses the value in the **timeout uauth** command, but it can be overridden by the AAA per-user session timeout value.
- If traffic is denied because of a per-user ACL, syslog message 109025 is logged. If traffic is permitted, no syslog message is generated. The **log** option in the per-user ACL has no effect.

## Additional Guidelines and Limitations

- You can reduce the memory required to search access rules by enabling object group search, but this is at the expense rule lookup performance. When enabled, object group search does not expand network objects, but instead searches access rules for matches based on those group definitions. You can set this option using the **object-group-search access-control** command.
- You can improve system performance and reliability by using the transactional commit model for access groups. See the basic settings chapter in the general operations configuration guide for more information. Use the **asp rule-engine transactional-commit access-group** command.

## Default Settings

See [Implicit Permits, page 3-2](#).

## Configuring Access Rules

To apply an access rule, perform the following steps.

## Detailed Steps

Command	Purpose
<pre>access-group access_list {{in   out} interface interface_name [per-user-override   control-plane]   global}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# access-group outside_access in interface outside</pre>	<p>Binds an ACL to an interface or applies it globally.</p> <p>Specify the extended or EtherType ACL name. You can configure one <b>access-group</b> command per ACL type per interface. You cannot reference empty ACLs or ACLs that contain only a remark.</p> <p>For an interface-specific rule:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>in</b> keyword applies the ACL to inbound traffic. The <b>out</b> keyword applies the ACL to the outbound traffic.</li> <li>• Specify the <b>interface</b> name.</li> <li>• The <b>per-user-override</b> keyword (for inbound ACLs only) allows dynamic user ACLs that are downloaded for user authorization to override the ACL assigned to the interface. For example, if the interface ACL denies all traffic from 10.0.0.0, but the dynamic ACL permits all traffic from 10.0.0.0, then the dynamic ACL overrides the interface ACL for that user.</li> </ul> <p>By default, VPN remote access traffic is not matched against interface ACLs. However, if you use the <b>no sysopt connection permit-vpn</b> command to turn off this bypass, the behavior depends on whether there is a <b>vpn-filter</b> applied in the group policy and whether you set the <b>per-user-override</b> option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– No <b>per-user-override</b>, no <b>vpn-filter</b>—Traffic is matched against the interface ACL.</li> <li>– No <b>per-user-override</b>, <b>vpn-filter</b>—Traffic is matched first against the interface ACL, then against the VPN filter.</li> <li>– <b>per-user-override</b>, <b>vpn-filter</b>—Traffic is matched against the VPN filter only.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">Per-User ACL Guidelines, page 3-7</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>control-plane</b> keyword specifies if the rule is for to-the-box traffic.</li> <li>• For a global rule, specify the <b>global</b> keyword to apply the ACL to the inbound direction of all interfaces.</li> </ul>

## Examples

The following example shows how to use the **access-group** command:

```
hostname(config)# access-list outside_access permit tcp any host 209.165.201.3 eq 80
hostname(config)# access-group outside_access interface outside
```

The **access-list** command lets any host access the global address using port 80. The **access-group** command specifies that the **access-list** command applies to traffic entering the outside interface.

## Monitoring Access Rules

To monitor network access, enter the following command:

Command	Purpose
<code>show running-config access-group</code>	Displays the current ACL bound to the interfaces.

## Configuration Examples for Permitting or Denying Network Access

This section includes typical configuration examples for permitting or denying network access.

The following example adds a network object for inside server 1, performs static NAT for the server, and enables access to from the outside for inside server 1.

```
hostname(config)# object network inside-server1
hostname(config)# host 10.1.1.1
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) static 209.165.201.12

hostname(config)# access-list outside_access extended permit tcp any object inside-server1
eq www
hostname(config)# access-group outside_access in interface outside
```

The following example allows all hosts to communicate between the **inside** and **hr** networks but only specific hosts to access the outside network:

```
hostname(config)# access-list ANY extended permit ip any any
hostname(config)# access-list OUT extended permit ip host 209.168.200.3 any
hostname(config)# access-list OUT extended permit ip host 209.168.200.4 any

hostname(config)# access-group ANY in interface inside
hostname(config)# access-group ANY in interface hr
hostname(config)# access-group OUT out interface outside
```

For example, the following sample ACL allows common EtherTypes originating on the inside interface:

```
hostname(config)# access-list ETHER ethertype permit ipx
hostname(config)# access-list ETHER ethertype permit mpls-unicast
hostname(config)# access-group ETHER in interface inside
```

The following example allows some EtherTypes through the ASA, but it denies all others:

```
hostname(config)# access-list ETHER ethertype permit 0x1234
hostname(config)# access-list ETHER ethertype permit mpls-unicast
hostname(config)# access-group ETHER in interface inside
hostname(config)# access-group ETHER in interface outside
```

The following example denies traffic with EtherType 0x1256 but allows all others on both interfaces:

```
hostname(config)# access-list nonIP ethertype deny 1256
hostname(config)# access-list nonIP ethertype permit any
hostname(config)# access-group ETHER in interface inside
hostname(config)# access-group ETHER in interface outside
```

The following example uses object groups to permit specific traffic on the inside interface:

```
!
hostname (config)# object-group service myaclog
```

```

hostname (config-service)# service-object tcp source range 2000 3000
hostname (config-service)# service-object tcp source range 3000 3010 destination$
hostname (config-service)# service-object ipsec
hostname (config-service)# service-object udp destination range 1002 1006
hostname (config-service)# service-object icmp echo

hostname(config)# access-list outsideacl extended permit object-group myaclog interface
inside any

```

## Feature History for Access Rules

Table 3-2 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 3-2** Feature History for Access Rules

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
Interface access rules	7.0(1)	Controlling network access through the ASA using ACLs. We introduced the following command: <b>access-group</b> .
Global access rules	8.3(1)	Global access rules were introduced. We modified the following command: <b>access-group</b> .
Support for Identity Firewall	8.4(2)	You can now use identity firewall users and groups for the source and destination. You can use an identity firewall ACL with access rules, AAA rules, and for VPN authentication. We modified the following commands: <b>access-list extended</b> .
EtherType ACL support for IS-IS traffic	8.4(5), 9.1(2)	In transparent firewall mode, the ASA can now pass IS-IS traffic using an EtherType ACL. We modified the following command: <b>access-list ethertype {permit   deny} is-is</b> .
Support for TrustSec	9.0(1)	You can now use TrustSec security groups for the source and destination. You can use an identity firewall ACL with access rules. We modified the following commands: <b>access-list extended</b> .



Table 3-2 Feature History for Access Rules (continued)

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
Unified ACL for IPv4 and IPv6	9.0(1)	<p>ACLs now support IPv4 and IPv6 addresses. You can even specify a mix of IPv4 and IPv6 addresses for the source and destination. The <b>any</b> keyword was changed to represent IPv4 and IPv6 traffic. The <b>any4</b> and <b>any6</b> keywords were added to represent IPv4-only and IPv6-only traffic, respectively. The IPv6-specific ACLs are deprecated. Existing IPv6 ACLs are migrated to extended ACLs. See the release notes for more information about migration.</p> <p>We modified the following commands: <b>access-list extended</b>, <b>access-list webtype</b>.</p> <p>We removed the following commands: <b>ipv6 access-list</b>, <b>ipv6 access-list webtype</b>, <b>ipv6-vpn-filter</b></p>
Extended ACL and object enhancement to filter ICMP traffic by ICMP code	9.0(1)	<p>ICMP traffic can now be permitted/denied based on ICMP code.</p> <p>We introduced or modified the following commands: <b>access-list extended</b>, <b>service-object</b>, <b>service</b>.</p>





## **PART 2**

# **Network Address Translation**





## Information About NAT

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This chapter provides an overview of how Network Address Translation (NAT) works on the ASA. This chapter includes the following sections:

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**Note**

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To start configuring NAT, see [Chapter 5, “Network Object NAT,”](#) or [Chapter 6, “Twice NAT.”](#)

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## Why Use NAT?

Each computer and device within an IP network is assigned a unique IP address that identifies the host. Because of a shortage of public IPv4 addresses, most of these IP addresses are private, not routable anywhere outside of the private company network. RFC 1918 defines the private IP addresses you can use internally that should not be advertised:

- 10.0.0.0 through 10.255.255.255
- 172.16.0.0 through 172.31.255.255
- 192.168.0.0 through 192.168.255.255

One of the main functions of NAT is to enable private IP networks to connect to the Internet. NAT replaces a private IP address with a public IP address, translating the private addresses in the internal private network into legal, routable addresses that can be used on the public Internet. In this way, NAT conserves public addresses because it can be configured to advertise at a minimum only one public address for the entire network to the outside world.

Other functions of NAT include:

- Security—Keeping internal IP addresses hidden discourages direct attacks.
- IP routing solutions—Overlapping IP addresses are not a problem when you use NAT.
- Flexibility—You can change internal IP addressing schemes without affecting the public addresses available externally; for example, for a server accessible to the Internet, you can maintain a fixed IP address for Internet use, but internally, you can change the server address.
- Translating between IPv4 and IPv6 (Routed mode only) —If you want to connect an IPv6 network to an IPv4 network, NAT lets you translate between the two types of addresses.


**Note**


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NAT is not required. If you do not configure NAT for a given set of traffic, that traffic will not be translated, but will have all of the security policies applied as normal.

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## NAT Terminology

This document uses the following terminology:

- Real address/host/network/interface—The real address is the address that is defined on the host, before it is translated. In a typical NAT scenario where you want to translate the inside network when it accesses the outside, the inside network would be the “real” network. Note that you can translate any network connected to the ASA, not just an inside network, Therefore if you configure NAT to translate outside addresses, “real” can refer to the outside network when it accesses the inside network.
- Mapped address/host/network/interface—The mapped address is the address that the real address is translated to. In a typical NAT scenario where you want to translate the inside network when it accesses the outside, the outside network would be the “mapped” network.


**Note**


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During address translation, IP addresses residing on the ASA’s interfaces are not translated.

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- Bidirectional initiation—Static NAT allows connections to be initiated *bidirectionally*, meaning both to the host and from the host.
- Source and destination NAT—For any given packet, both the source and destination IP addresses are compared to the NAT rules, and one or both can be translated/untranslated. For static NAT, the rule is bidirectional, so be aware that “source” and “destination” are used in commands and descriptions throughout this guide even though a given connection might originate at the “destination” address.

# NAT Types

- [NAT Types Overview, page 4-3](#)
- [Static NAT, page 4-3](#)
- [Dynamic NAT, page 4-7](#)
- [Dynamic PAT, page 4-8](#)
- [Identity NAT, page 4-10](#)

## NAT Types Overview

You can implement NAT using the following methods:

- **Static NAT**—A consistent mapping between a real and mapped IP address. Allows bidirectional traffic initiation. See [Static NAT, page 4-3](#).
- **Dynamic NAT**—A group of real IP addresses are mapped to a (usually smaller) group of mapped IP addresses, on a first come, first served basis. Only the real host can initiate traffic. See [Dynamic NAT, page 4-7](#).
- **Dynamic Port Address Translation (PAT)**—A group of real IP addresses are mapped to a single IP address using a unique source port of that IP address. See [Dynamic PAT, page 4-8](#).
- **Identity NAT**—A real address is statically translated to itself, essentially bypassing NAT. You might want to configure NAT this way when you want to translate a large group of addresses, but then want to exempt a smaller subset of addresses. See [Identity NAT, page 4-10](#).

## Static NAT

This section describes static NAT and includes the following topics:

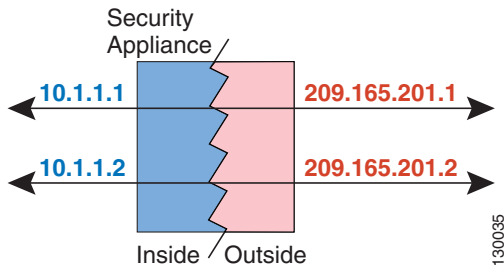
- [Information About Static NAT, page 4-3](#)
- [Information About Static NAT with Port Translation, page 4-4](#)
- [Information About One-to-Many Static NAT, page 4-5](#)
- [Information About Other Mapping Scenarios \(Not Recommended\), page 4-6](#)

### Information About Static NAT

Static NAT creates a fixed translation of a real address to a mapped address. Because the mapped address is the same for each consecutive connection, static NAT allows bidirectional connection initiation, both to and from the host (if an access rule exists that allows it). With dynamic NAT and PAT, on the other hand, each host uses a different address or port for each subsequent translation, so bidirectional initiation is not supported.

Figure 4-1 shows a typical static NAT scenario. The translation is always active so both real and remote hosts can initiate connections.

**Figure 4-1** Static NAT



**Note**

You can disable bidirectionality if desired.

### Information About Static NAT with Port Translation

Static NAT with port translation lets you specify a real and mapped protocol (TCP or UDP) and port. This section includes the following topics:

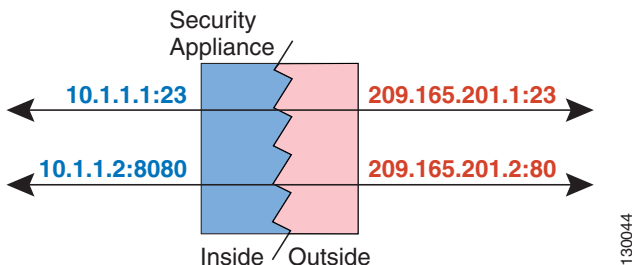
- [Information About Static NAT with Port Address Translation, page 4-4](#)
- [Static NAT with Identity Port Translation, page 4-5](#)
- [Static NAT with Port Translation for Non-Standard Ports, page 4-5](#)
- [Static Interface NAT with Port Translation, page 4-5](#)

### Information About Static NAT with Port Address Translation

When you specify the port with static NAT, you can choose to map the port and/or the IP address to the same value or to a different value.

Figure 4-2 shows a typical static NAT with port translation scenario showing both a port that is mapped to itself and a port that is mapped to a different value; the IP address is mapped to a different value in both cases. The translation is always active so both translated and remote hosts can initiate connections.

**Figure 4-2** Typical Static NAT with Port Translation Scenario





**Note**

For applications that require application inspection for secondary channels (for example, FTP and VoIP), the ASA automatically translates the secondary ports.

### Static NAT with Identity Port Translation

The following static NAT with port translation example provides a single address for remote users to access FTP, HTTP, and SMTP. These servers are actually different devices on the real network, but for each server, you can specify static NAT with port translation rules that use the same mapped IP address, but different ports.

### Static NAT with Port Translation for Non-Standard Ports

You can also use static NAT with port translation to translate a well-known port to a non-standard port or vice versa. For example, if inside web servers use port 8080, you can allow outside users to connect to port 80, and then undo translation to the original port 8080. Similarly, to provide extra security, you can tell web users to connect to non-standard port 6785, and then undo translation to port 80.

### Static Interface NAT with Port Translation

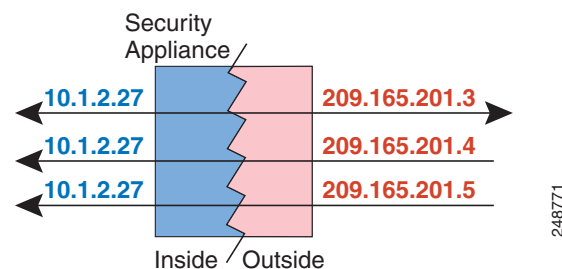
You can configure static NAT to map a real address to an interface address/port combination. For example, if you want to redirect Telnet access for the ASA outside interface to an inside host, then you can map the inside host IP address/port 23 to the ASA interface address/port 23. (Note that although Telnet to the ASA is not allowed to the lowest security interface, static NAT with interface port translation redirects the Telnet session instead of denying it).

## Information About One-to-Many Static NAT

Typically, you configure static NAT with a one-to-one mapping. However, in some cases, you might want to configure a single real address to several mapped addresses (one-to-many). When you configure one-to-many static NAT, when the real host initiates traffic, it always uses the first mapped address. However, for traffic initiated to the host, you can initiate traffic to any of the mapped addresses, and they will be untranslated to the single real address.

Figure 4-3 shows a typical one-to-many static NAT scenario. Because initiation by the real host always uses the first mapped address, the translation of real host IP/1st mapped IP is technically the only bidirectional translation.

**Figure 4-3** One-to-Many Static NAT



For example, you have a load balancer at 10.1.2.27. Depending on the URL requested, it redirects traffic to the correct web server.

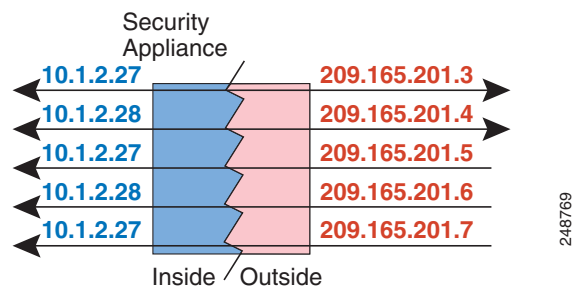
## Information About Other Mapping Scenarios (Not Recommended)

The ASA has the flexibility to allow any kind of static mapping scenario: one-to-one, one-to-many, but also few-to-many, many-to-few, and many-to-one mappings. We recommend using only one-to-one or one-to-many mappings. These other mapping options might result in unintended consequences.

Functionally, few-to-many is the same as one-to-many; but because the configuration is more complicated and the actual mappings may not be obvious at a glance, we recommend creating a one-to-many configuration for each real address that requires it. For example, for a few-to-many scenario, the few real addresses are mapped to the many mapped addresses in order (A to 1, B to 2, C to 3). When all real addresses are mapped, the next mapped address is mapped to the first real address, and so on until all mapped addresses are mapped (A to 4, B to 5, C to 6). This results in multiple mapped addresses for each real address. Just like a one-to-many configuration, only the first mappings are bidirectional; subsequent mappings allow traffic to be initiated *to* the real host, but all traffic *from* the real host uses only the first mapped address for the source.

Figure 4-4 shows a typical few-to-many static NAT scenario.

**Figure 4-4** Few-to-Many Static NAT



For a many-to-few or many-to-one configuration, where you have more real addresses than mapped addresses, you run out of mapped addresses before you run out of real addresses. Only the mappings between the lowest real IP addresses and the mapped pool result in bidirectional initiation. The remaining higher real addresses can initiate traffic, but traffic cannot be initiated to them (returning traffic for a connection is directed to the correct real address because of the unique 5-tuple (source IP, destination IP, source port, destination port, protocol) for the connection).

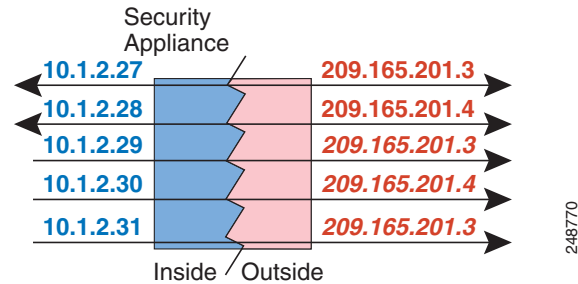


### Note

Many-to-few or many-to-one NAT is not PAT. If two real hosts use the same source port number and go to the same outside server and the same TCP destination port, and both hosts are translated to the same IP address, then both connections will be reset because of an address conflict (the 5-tuple is not unique).

Figure 4-5 shows a typical many-to-few static NAT scenario.

**Figure 4-5 Many-to-Few Static NAT**



Instead of using a static rule this way, we suggest that you create a one-to-one rule for the traffic that needs bidirectional initiation, and then create a dynamic rule for the rest of your addresses.

## Dynamic NAT

This section describes dynamic NAT and includes the following topics:

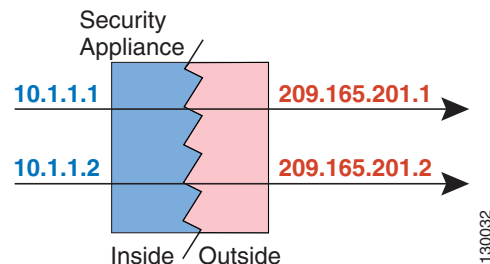
- [Information About Dynamic NAT, page 4-7](#)
- [Dynamic NAT Disadvantages and Advantages, page 4-8](#)

### Information About Dynamic NAT

Dynamic NAT translates a group of real addresses to a pool of mapped addresses that are routable on the destination network. The mapped pool typically includes fewer addresses than the real group. When a host you want to translate accesses the destination network, the ASA assigns the host an IP address from the mapped pool. The translation is created only when the real host initiates the connection. The translation is in place only for the duration of the connection, and a given user does not keep the same IP address after the translation times out. Users on the destination network, therefore, cannot initiate a reliable connection to a host that uses dynamic NAT, even if the connection is allowed by an access rule.

Figure 4-6 shows a typical dynamic NAT scenario. Only real hosts can create a NAT session, and responding traffic is allowed back.

**Figure 4-6 Dynamic NAT**



**Note**

For the duration of the translation, a remote host can initiate a connection to the translated host if an access rule allows it. Because the address is unpredictable, a connection to the host is unlikely. Nevertheless, in this case you can rely on the security of the access rule.

## Dynamic NAT Disadvantages and Advantages

Dynamic NAT has these disadvantages:

- If the mapped pool has fewer addresses than the real group, you could run out of addresses if the amount of traffic is more than expected.

Use PAT or a PAT fallback method if this event occurs often because PAT provides over 64,000 translations using ports of a single address.

- You have to use a large number of routable addresses in the mapped pool, and routable addresses may not be available in large quantities.

The advantage of dynamic NAT is that some protocols cannot use PAT. PAT does not work with the following:

- IP protocols that do not have a port to overload, such as GRE version 0.
- Some multimedia applications that have a data stream on one port, the control path on another port, and are not open standard.

See [Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4](#) for more information about NAT and PAT support.

## Dynamic PAT

This section describes dynamic PAT and includes the following topics:

- [Information About Dynamic PAT, page 4-8](#)
- [Per-Session PAT vs. Multi-Session PAT, page 4-9](#)
- [Dynamic PAT Disadvantages and Advantages, page 4-9](#)

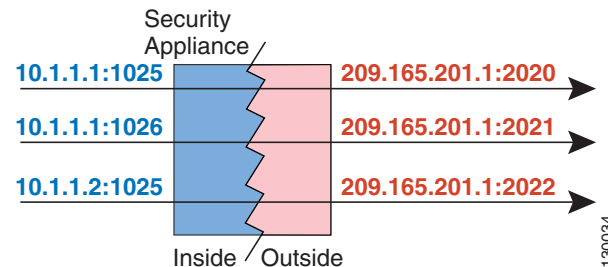
## Information About Dynamic PAT

Dynamic PAT translates multiple real addresses to a single mapped IP address by translating the real address and source port to the mapped address and a unique port. If available, the real source port number is used for the mapped port. However, if the real port is *not* available, by default the mapped ports are chosen from the same range of ports as the real port number: 0 to 511, 512 to 1023, and 1024 to 65535. Therefore, ports below 1024 have only a small PAT pool that can be used. If you have a lot of traffic that uses the lower port ranges, you can specify a flat range of ports to be used instead of the three unequal-sized tiers.

Each connection requires a separate translation session because the source port differs for each connection. For example, 10.1.1.1:1025 requires a separate translation from 10.1.1.1:1026.

Figure 4-7 shows a typical dynamic PAT scenario. Only real hosts can create a NAT session, and responding traffic is allowed back. The mapped address is the same for each translation, but the port is dynamically assigned.

**Figure 4-7** Dynamic PAT



After the connection expires, the port translation also expires. For multi-session PAT, the PAT timeout is used, 30 seconds by default. For per-session PAT, the xlate is immediately removed. Users on the destination network cannot reliably initiate a connection to a host that uses PAT (even if the connection is allowed by an access rule).



**Note**

For the duration of the translation, a remote host can initiate a connection to the translated host if an access rule allows it. Because the port address (both real and mapped) is unpredictable, a connection to the host is unlikely. Nevertheless, in this case you can rely on the security of the access rule.

## Per-Session PAT vs. Multi-Session PAT

The per-session PAT feature improves the scalability of PAT and, for clustering, allows each member unit to own PAT connections; multi-session PAT connections have to be forwarded to and owned by the master unit. At the end of a per-session PAT session, the ASA sends a reset and immediately removes the xlate. This reset causes the end node to immediately release the connection, avoiding the TIME\_WAIT state. Multi-session PAT, on the other hand, uses the PAT timeout, by default 30 seconds. For “hit-and-run” traffic, such as HTTP or HTTPS, the per-session feature can dramatically increase the connection rate supported by one address. Without the per-session feature, the maximum connection rate for one address for an IP protocol is approximately 2000 per second. With the per-session feature, the connection rate for one address for an IP protocol is  $65535/average-lifetime$ .

By default, all TCP traffic and UDP DNS traffic use a per-session PAT xlate. For traffic that can benefit from multi-session PAT, such as H.323, SIP, or Skinny, you can disable per-session PAT by creating a per-session deny rule. See [Configuring Per-Session PAT Rules, page 5-16](#).

## Dynamic PAT Disadvantages and Advantages

Dynamic PAT lets you use a single mapped address, thus conserving routable addresses. You can even use the ASA interface IP address as the PAT address.

Dynamic PAT does not work with some multimedia applications that have a data stream that is different from the control path. See [Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4](#) for more information about NAT and PAT support.

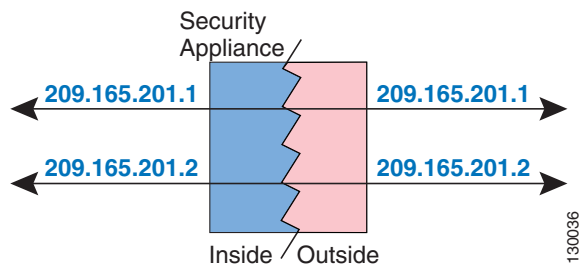
Dynamic PAT may also create a large number of connections appearing to come from a single IP address, and servers might interpret the traffic as a DoS attack. You can configure a PAT pool of addresses and use a round-robin assignment of PAT addresses to mitigate this situation.

## Identity NAT

You might have a NAT configuration in which you need to translate an IP address to itself. For example, if you create a broad rule that applies NAT to every network, but want to exclude one network from NAT, you can create a static NAT rule to translate an address to itself. Identity NAT is necessary for remote access VPN, where you need to exempt the client traffic from NAT.

Figure 4-8 shows a typical identity NAT scenario.

**Figure 4-8** Identity NAT



## NAT in Routed and Transparent Mode

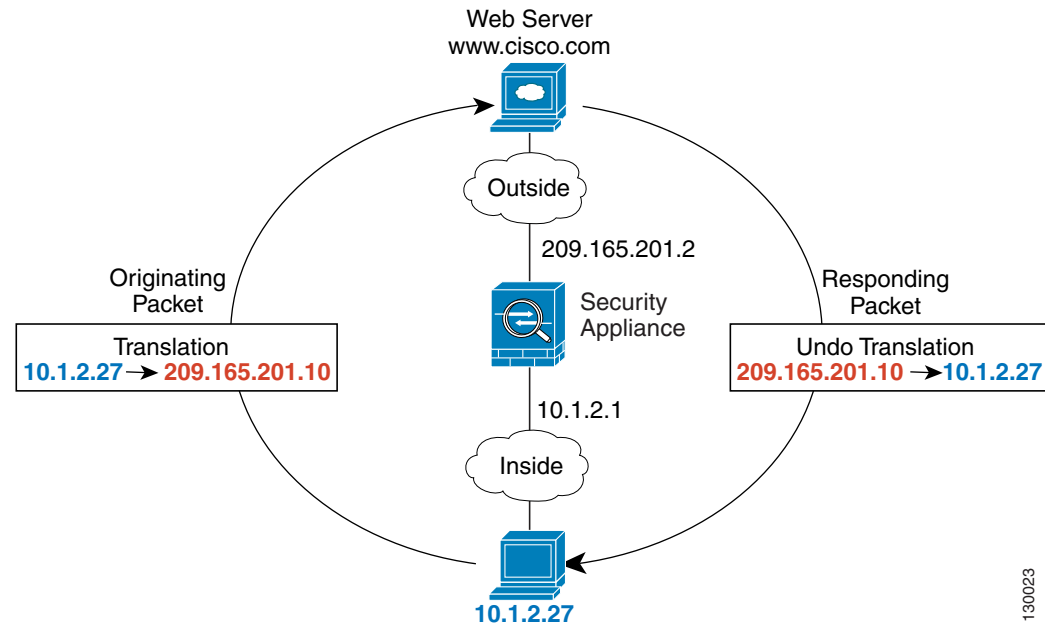
You can configure NAT in both routed and transparent firewall mode. This section describes typical usage for each firewall mode and includes the following topics:

- [NAT in Routed Mode, page 4-11](#)
- [NAT in Transparent Mode, page 4-11](#)

## NAT in Routed Mode

Figure 4-9 shows a typical NAT example in routed mode, with a private network on the inside.

**Figure 4-9 NAT Example: Routed Mode**



1. When the inside host at 10.1.2.27 sends a packet to a web server, the real source address of the packet, 10.1.2.27, is changed to a mapped address, 209.165.201.10.
2. When the server responds, it sends the response to the mapped address, 209.165.201.10, and the ASA receives the packet because the ASA performs proxy ARP to claim the packet.
3. The ASA then changes the translation of the mapped address, 209.165.201.10, back to the real address, 10.1.2.27, before sending it to the host.

## NAT in Transparent Mode

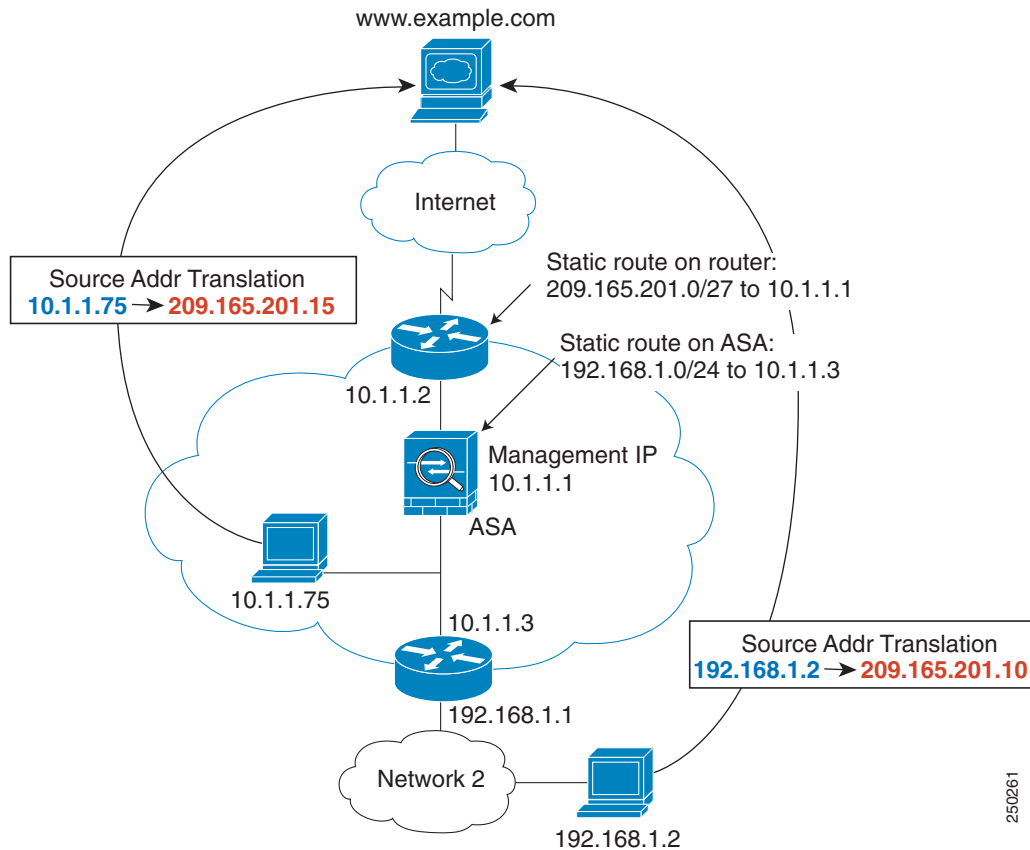
Using NAT in transparent mode eliminates the need for the upstream or downstream routers to perform NAT for their networks.

NAT in transparent mode has the following requirements and limitations:

- Because the transparent firewall does not have any interface IP addresses, you cannot use interface PAT.
- ARP inspection is not supported. Moreover, if for some reason a host on one side of the ASA sends an ARP request to a host on the other side of the ASA, and the initiating host real address is mapped to a different address on the same subnet, then the real address remains visible in the ARP request.
- Translating between IPv4 and IPv6 networks is not supported. Translating between two IPv6 networks, or between two IPv4 networks is supported.

Figure 4-10 shows a typical NAT scenario in transparent mode, with the same network on the inside and outside interfaces. The transparent firewall in this scenario is performing the NAT service so that the upstream router does not have to perform NAT.

Figure 4-10 NAT Example: Transparent Mode



1. When the inside host at 10.1.1.75 sends a packet to a web server, the real source address of the packet, 10.1.1.75, is changed to a mapped address, 209.165.201.15.
2. When the server responds, it sends the response to the mapped address, 209.165.201.15, and the ASA receives the packet because the upstream router includes this mapped network in a static route directed to the ASA management IP address. See [Mapped Addresses and Routing, page 4-20](#) for more information about required routes.
3. The ASA then undoes the translation of the mapped address, 209.165.201.15, back to the real address, 10.1.1.75. Because the real address is directly-connected, the ASA sends it directly to the host.
4. For host 192.168.1.2, the same process occurs, except for returning traffic, the ASA looks up the route in its routing table and sends the packet to the downstream router at 10.1.1.3 based on the ASA static route for 192.168.1.0/24. See [Transparent Mode Routing Requirements for Remote Networks, page 4-21](#) for more information about required routes.



## NAT and IPv6

You can use NAT to translate between IPv6 networks, and also to translate between IPv4 and IPv6 networks (routed mode only). We recommend the following best practices:

- **NAT66 (IPv6-to-IPv6)**—We recommend using static NAT. Although you can use dynamic NAT or PAT, IPv6 addresses are in such large supply, you do not have to use dynamic NAT. If you do not want to allow returning traffic, you can make the static NAT rule unidirectional (twice NAT only).
- **NAT46 (IPv4-to-IPv6)**—We recommend using static NAT. Because the IPv6 address space is so much larger than the IPv4 address space, you can easily accommodate a static translation. If you do not want to allow returning traffic, you can make the static NAT rule unidirectional (twice NAT only). When translating to an IPv6 subnet (/96 or lower), the resulting mapped address is by default an IPv4-embedded IPv6 address, where the 32-bits of the IPv4 address is embedded after the IPv6 prefix. For example, if the IPv6 prefix is a /96 prefix, then the IPv4 address is appended in the last 32-bits of the address. For example, if you map 192.168.1.0/24 to 201b::0/96, then 192.168.1.4 will be mapped to 201b::0.192.168.1.4 (shown with mixed notation). If the prefix is smaller, such as /64, then the IPv4 address is appended after the prefix, and a suffix of 0s is appended after the IPv4 address. You can also optionally translate the addresses net-tonet, where the first IPv4 address maps to the first IPv6 address, the second to the second, and so on.
- **NAT64 (IPv6-to-IPv4)**—You may not have enough IPv4 addresses to accommodate the number of IPv6 addresses. We recommend using a dynamic PAT pool to provide a large number of IPv4 translations.

For specific implementation guidelines and limitations, see the configuration chapters.

## How NAT is Implemented

The ASA can implement address translation in two ways: *network object NAT* and *twice NAT*. This section includes the following topics:

- [Main Differences Between Network Object NAT and Twice NAT, page 4-13](#)
- [Information About Network Object NAT, page 4-14](#)
- [Information About Twice NAT, page 4-14](#)

## Main Differences Between Network Object NAT and Twice NAT

The main differences between these two NAT types are:

- How you define the real address.
  - **Network object NAT**—You define NAT as a parameter for a network object. A network object names an IP host, range, or subnet so you can then use the object in configuration instead of the actual IP addresses. The network object IP address serves as the real address. This method lets you easily add NAT to network objects that might already be used in other parts of your configuration.
  - **Twice NAT**—You identify a network object or network object group for both the real and mapped addresses. In this case, NAT is not a parameter of the network object; the network object or group is a parameter of the NAT configuration. The ability to use a network object *group* for the real address means that twice NAT is more scalable.

- How source and destination NAT is implemented.
    - Network object NAT— Each rule can apply to either the source or destination of a packet. So two rules might be used, one for the source IP address, and one for the destination IP address. These two rules cannot be tied together to enforce a specific translation for a source/destination combination.
    - Twice NAT—A single rule translates both the source and destination. A matching packet only matches the one rule, and further rules are not checked. Even if you do not configure the optional destination address for twice NAT, a matching packet still only matches one twice NAT rule. The source and destination are tied together, so you can enforce different translations depending on the source/destination combination. For example, sourceA/destinationA can have a different translation than sourceA/destinationB.
  - Order of NAT Rules.
    - Network object NAT—Automatically ordered in the NAT table.
    - Twice NAT—Manually ordered in the NAT table (before or after network object NAT rules).
- See [NAT Rule Order, page 4-18](#) for more information.

We recommend using network object NAT unless you need the extra features that twice NAT provides. Network object NAT is easier to configure, and might be more reliable for applications such as Voice over IP (VoIP). (For VoIP, because twice NAT is applicable only between two objects, you might see a failure in the translation of indirect addresses that do not belong to either of the objects.)

## Information About Network Object NAT

All NAT rules that are configured as a parameter of a network object are considered to be *network object NAT* rules. Network object NAT is a quick and easy way to configure NAT for a network object, which can be a single IP address, a range of addresses, or a subnet.

After you configure the network object, you can then identify the mapped address for that object, either as an inline address or as another network object or network object group.

When a packet enters the ASA, both the source and destination IP addresses are checked against the network object NAT rules. The source and destination address in the packet can be translated by separate rules if separate matches are made. These rules are not tied to each other; different combinations of rules can be used depending on the traffic.

Because the rules are never paired, you cannot specify that sourceA/destinationA should have a different translation than sourceA/destinationB. Use twice NAT for that kind of functionality (twice NAT lets you identify the source and destination address in a single rule).

To start configuring network object NAT, see [Chapter 5, “Network Object NAT.”](#)

## Information About Twice NAT

Twice NAT lets you identify both the source and destination address in a single rule. Specifying both the source and destination addresses lets you specify that sourceA/destinationA can have a different translation than sourceA/destinationB.

The destination address is optional. If you specify the destination address, you can either map it to itself (identity NAT), or you can map it to a different address. The destination mapping is always a static mapping.

Twice NAT also lets you use service objects for static NAT with port translation; network object NAT only accepts inline definition.

To start configuring twice NAT, see [Chapter 6, “Twice NAT.”](#)

[Figure 4-11](#) shows a host on the 10.1.2.0/24 network accessing two different servers. When the host accesses the server at 209.165.201.11, the real address is translated to 209.165.202.129. When the host accesses the server at 209.165.200.225, the real address is translated to 209.165.202.130.

**Figure 4-11** Twice NAT with Different Destination Addresses

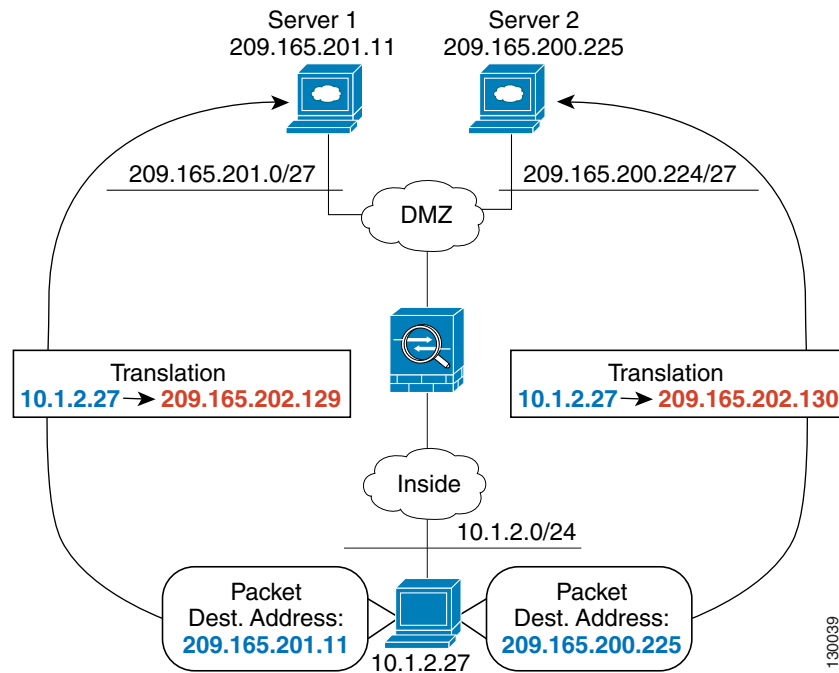


Figure 4-12 shows the use of source and destination ports. The host on the 10.1.2.0/24 network accesses a single host for both web services and Telnet services. When the host accesses the server for web services, the real address is translated to 209.165.202.129. When the host accesses the same server for Telnet services, the real address is translated to 209.165.202.130.

**Figure 4-12** Twice NAT with Different Destination Ports

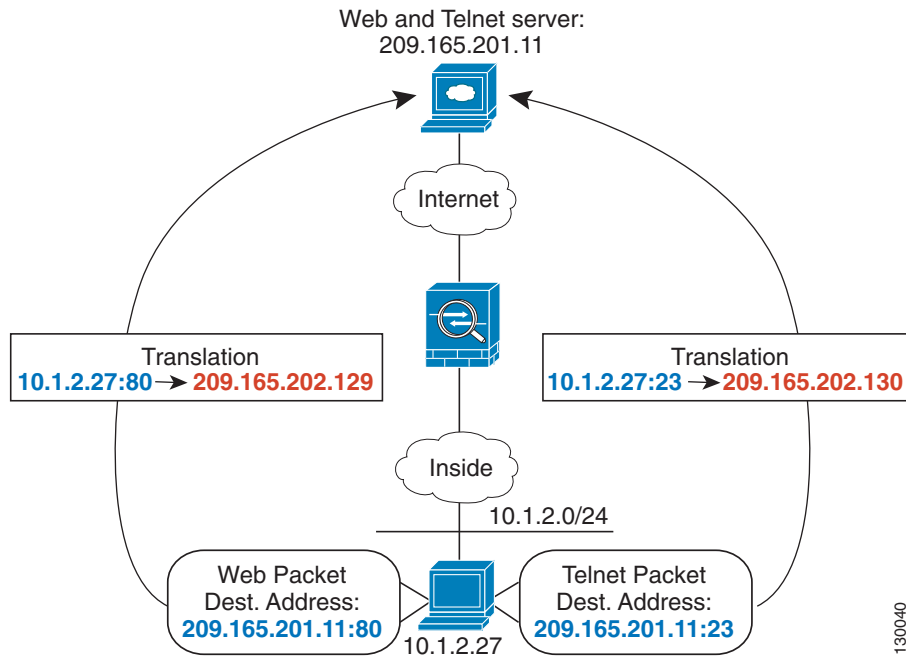
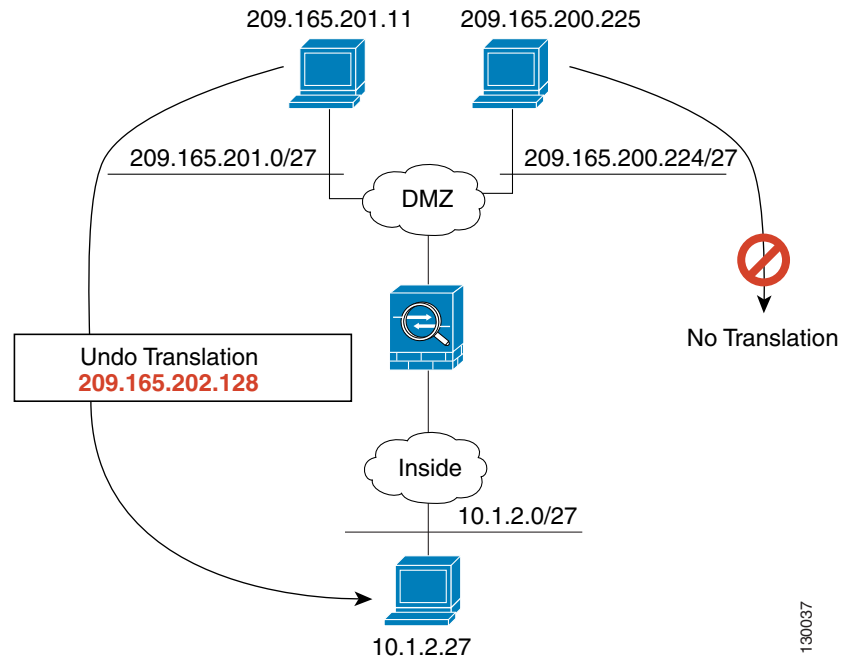


Figure 4-13 shows a remote host connecting to a mapped host. The mapped host has a twice static NAT translation that translates the real address only for traffic to and from the 209.165.201.0/27 network. A translation does not exist for the 209.165.200.224/27 network, so the translated host cannot connect to that network, nor can a host on that network connect to the translated host.

**Figure 4-13** Twice Static NAT with Destination Address Translation



# NAT Rule Order

Network object NAT rules and twice NAT rules are stored in a single table that is divided into three sections. Section 1 rules are applied first, then section 2, and finally section 3, until a match is found. For example, if a match is found in section 1, sections 2 and 3 are not evaluated. [Table 4-1](#) shows the order of rules within each section.

**Table 4-1 NAT Rule Table**

Table Section	Rule Type	Order of Rules within the Section
Section 1	Twice NAT	<p>Applied on a first match basis, in the order they appear in the configuration. Because the first match is applied, you must ensure that specific rules come before more general rules, or the specific rules might not be applied as desired. By default, twice NAT rules are added to section 1.</p> <p><b>Note</b> If you configure EasyVPN remote, the ASA dynamically adds invisible NAT rules to the end of this section. Be sure that you do not configure a twice NAT rule in this section that might match your VPN traffic, instead of matching the invisible rule. If VPN does not work due to NAT failure, consider adding twice NAT rules to section 3 instead.</p>
Section 2	Network object NAT	<p>If a match in section 1 is not found, section 2 rules are applied in the following order, as automatically determined by the ASA:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Static rules.</li> <li>2. Dynamic rules.</li> </ol> <p>Within each rule type, the following ordering guidelines are used:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Quantity of real IP addresses—From smallest to largest. For example, an object with one address will be assessed before an object with 10 addresses.</li> <li>b. For quantities that are the same, then the IP address number is used, from lowest to highest. For example, 10.1.1.0 is assessed before 11.1.1.0.</li> <li>c. If the same IP address is used, then the name of the network object is used, in alphabetical order. For example, abracadabra is assessed before catwoman.</li> </ol>
Section 3	Twice NAT	<p>If a match is still not found, section 3 rules are applied on a first match basis, in the order they appear in the configuration. This section should contain your most general rules. You must also ensure that any specific rules in this section come before general rules that would otherwise apply. You can specify whether to add a twice NAT rule to section 3 when you add the rule.</p>

For section 2 rules, for example, you have the following IP addresses defined within network objects:

192.168.1.0/24 (static)  
192.168.1.0/24 (dynamic)  
10.1.1.0/24 (static)  
192.168.1.1/32 (static)  
172.16.1.0/24 (dynamic) (object def)  
172.16.1.0/24 (dynamic) (object abc)

The resultant ordering would be:

192.168.1.1/32 (static)  
10.1.1.0/24 (static)  
192.168.1.0/24 (static)  
172.16.1.0/24 (dynamic) (object abc)  
172.16.1.0/24 (dynamic) (object def)  
192.168.1.0/24 (dynamic)

## NAT Interfaces

You can configure a NAT rule to apply to any interface (in other words, all interfaces), or you can identify specific real and mapped interfaces. You can also specify any interface for the real address, and a specific interface for the mapped address, or vice versa.

For example, you might want to specify any interface for the real address and specify the outside interface for the mapped address if you use the same private addresses on multiple interfaces, and you want to translate them all to the same global pool when accessing the outside.

**Note**

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For transparent mode, you must choose specific source and destination interfaces.

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## Routing NAT Packets

The ASA needs to be the destination for any packets sent to the mapped address. The ASA also needs to determine the egress interface for any packets it receives destined for mapped addresses. This section describes how the ASA handles accepting and delivering packets with NAT, and includes the following topics:

- [Mapped Addresses and Routing, page 4-20](#)
- [Transparent Mode Routing Requirements for Remote Networks, page 4-21](#)
- [Determining the Egress Interface, page 4-22](#)

## Mapped Addresses and Routing

When you translate the real address to a mapped address, the mapped address you choose determines how to configure routing, if necessary, for the mapped address.

See additional guidelines about mapped IP addresses in [Chapter 5, “Network Object NAT,”](#) and [Chapter 6, “Twice NAT.”](#)

See the following mapped address types:

- Addresses on the same network as the mapped interface.

If you use addresses on the same network as the mapped interface, the ASA uses proxy ARP to answer any ARP requests for the mapped addresses, thus intercepting traffic destined for a mapped address. This solution simplifies routing because the ASA does not have to be the gateway for any additional networks. This solution is ideal if the outside network contains an adequate number of free addresses, a consideration if you are using a 1:1 translation like dynamic NAT or static NAT. Dynamic PAT greatly extends the number of translations you can use with a small number of addresses, so even if the available addresses on the outside network is small, this method can be used. For PAT, you can even use the IP address of the mapped interface.



**Note** If you configure the mapped interface to be any interface, and you specify a mapped address on the same network as one of the mapped interfaces, then if an ARP request for that mapped address comes in on a *different* interface, then you need to manually configure an ARP entry for that network on the ingress interface, specifying its MAC address (see the **arp** command). Typically, if you specify any interface for the mapped interface, then you use a unique network for the mapped addresses, so this situation would not occur.

- Addresses on a unique network.

If you need more addresses than are available on the mapped interface network, you can identify addresses on a different subnet. The upstream router needs a static route for the mapped addresses that points to the ASA. Alternatively for routed mode, you can configure a static route on the ASA for the mapped addresses, and then redistribute the route using your routing protocol. For transparent mode, if the real host is directly-connected, configure the static route on the upstream router to point to the ASA: specify the bridge group IP address. For remote hosts in transparent mode, in the static route on the upstream router, you can alternatively specify the downstream router IP address.

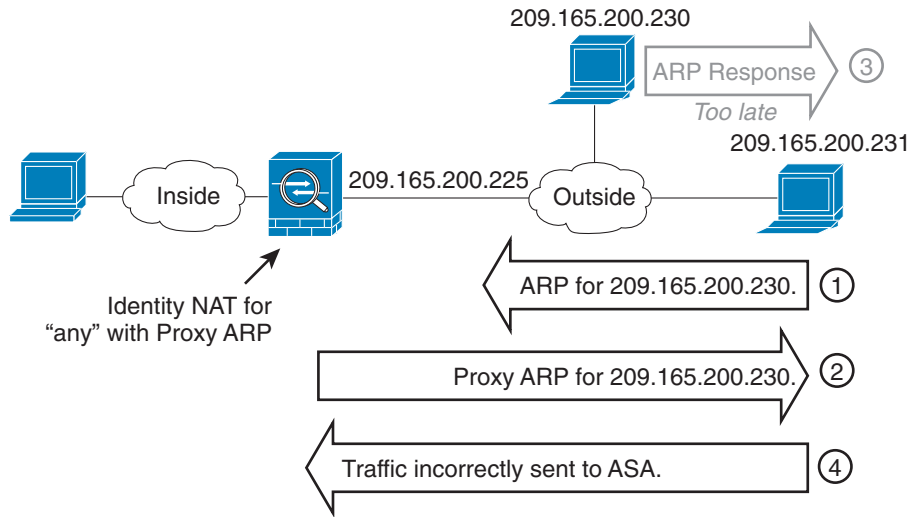
- The same address as the real address (identity NAT).

The default behavior for identity NAT has proxy ARP enabled, matching other static NAT rules. You can disable proxy ARP if desired. **Note:** You can also disable proxy ARP for regular static NAT if desired, in which case you need to be sure to have proper routes on the upstream router.

Normally for identity NAT, proxy ARP is not required, and in some cases can cause connectivity issues. For example, if you configure a broad identity NAT rule for “any” IP address, then leaving proxy ARP enabled can cause problems for hosts on the network directly-connected to the mapped interface. In this case, when a host on the mapped network wants to communicate with another host on the same network, then the address in the ARP request matches the NAT rule (which matches “any” address). The ASA will then proxy ARP for the address, even though the packet is not actually destined for the ASA. (Note that this problem occurs even if you have a twice NAT rule; although the NAT rule must match both the source and destination addresses, the proxy ARP decision is made only on the “source” address). If the ASA ARP response is received before the actual host ARP response, then traffic will be mistakenly sent to the ASA (see [Figure 4-14](#)).

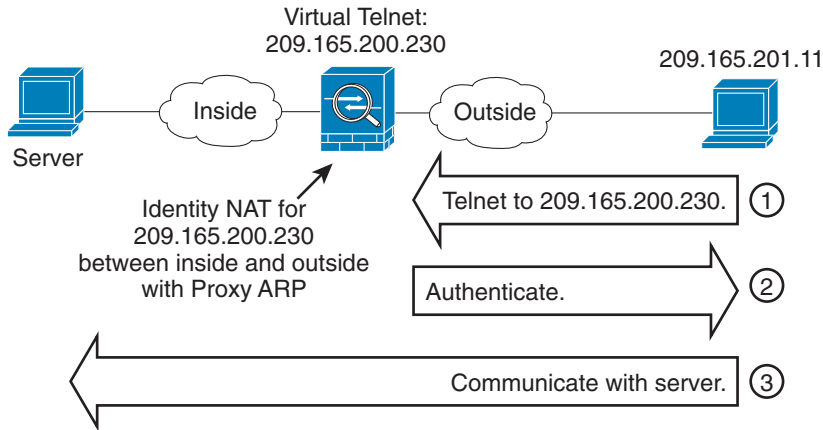


**Figure 4-14 Proxy ARP Problems with Identity NAT**



In rare cases, you need proxy ARP for identity NAT; for example for virtual Telnet. When using AAA for network access, a host needs to authenticate with the ASA using a service like Telnet before any other traffic can pass. You can configure a virtual Telnet server on the ASA to provide the necessary login. When accessing the virtual Telnet address from the outside, you must configure an identity NAT rule for the address specifically for the proxy ARP functionality. Due to internal processes for virtual Telnet, proxy ARP lets the ASA keep traffic destined for the virtual Telnet address rather than send the traffic out the source interface according to the NAT rule. (See Figure 4-15).

**Figure 4-15 Proxy ARP and Virtual Telnet**



## Transparent Mode Routing Requirements for Remote Networks

When you use NAT in transparent mode, some types of traffic require static routes. See the general operations configuration guide for more information.

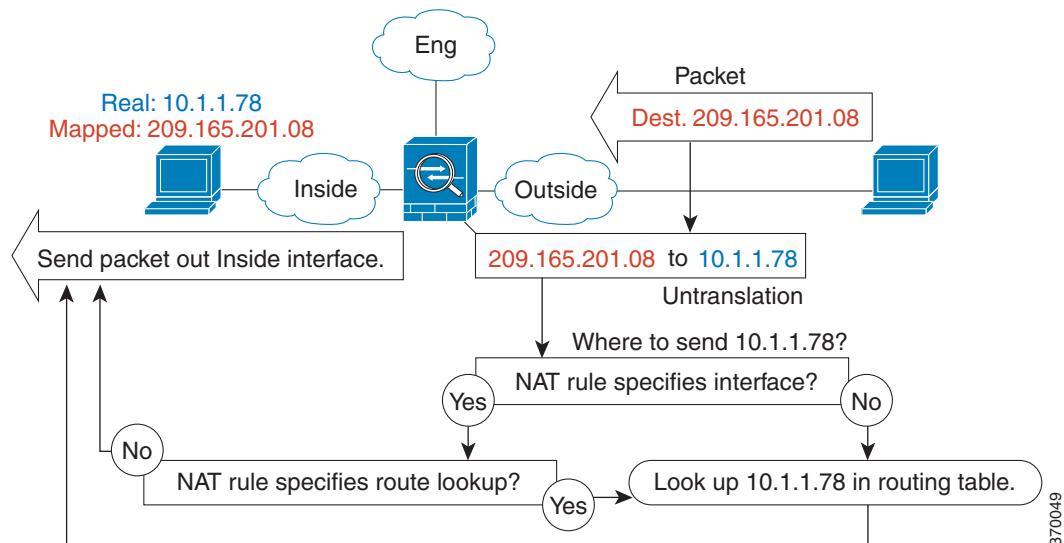
## Determining the Egress Interface

When the ASA receives traffic for a mapped address, the ASA untranslates the destination address according to the NAT rule, and then it sends the packet on to the real address. The ASA determines the egress interface for the packet in the following ways:

- Transparent mode—The ASA determines the egress interface for the real address by using the NAT rule; you must specify the source and destination interfaces as part of the NAT rule.
- Routed mode—The ASA determines the egress interface in one of the following ways:
  - You configure the interface in the NAT rule—The ASA uses the NAT rule to determine the egress interface. However, you have the option to always use a route lookup instead. In certain scenarios, a route lookup override is required; for example, see [NAT and VPN Management Access, page 4-26](#).
  - You do not configure the interface in the NAT rule—The ASA uses a route lookup to determine the egress interface.

Figure 4-16 shows the egress interface selection method in routed mode. In almost all cases, a route lookup is equivalent to the NAT rule interface, but in some configurations, the two methods might differ.

**Figure 4-16 Routed Mode Egress Interface Selection**



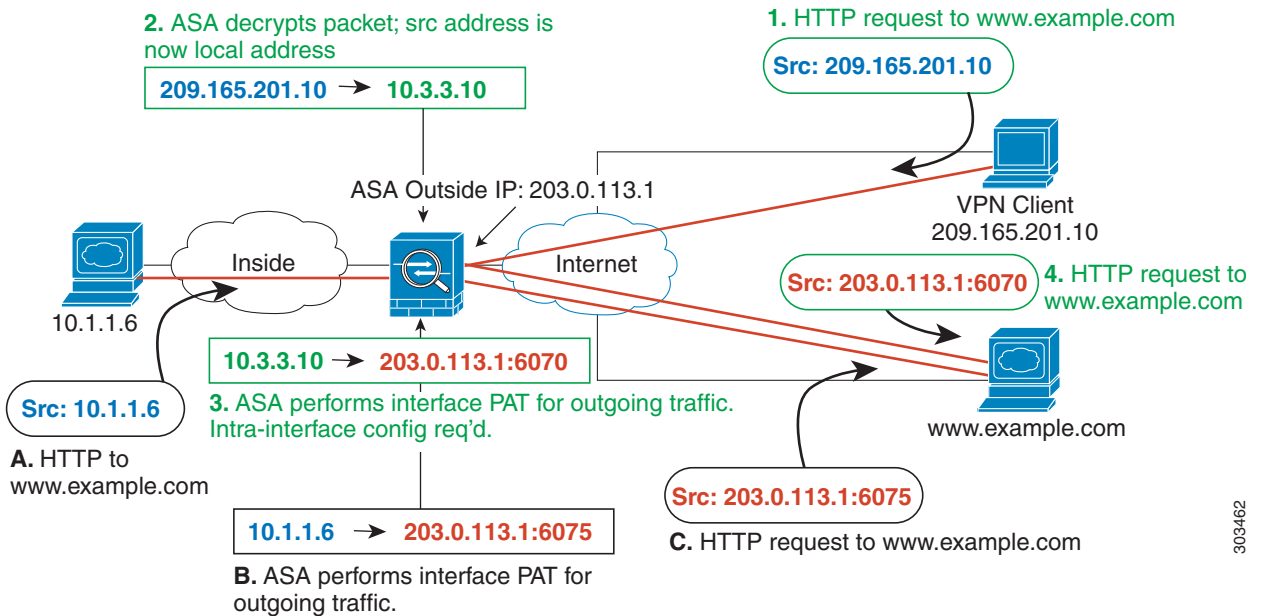
## NAT for VPN

- [NAT and Remote Access VPN, page 4-23](#)
- [NAT and Site-to-Site VPN, page 4-24](#)
- [NAT and VPN Management Access, page 4-26](#)
- [Troubleshooting NAT and VPN, page 4-28](#)

## NAT and Remote Access VPN

Figure 4-17 shows both an inside server (10.1.1.6) and a VPN client (209.165.201.10) accessing the Internet. Unless you configure split tunnelling for the VPN client (where only specified traffic goes through the VPN tunnel), then Internet-bound VPN traffic must also go through the ASA. When the VPN traffic enters the ASA, the ASA decrypts the packet; the resulting packet includes the VPN client local address (10.3.3.10) as the source. For both inside and VPN client local networks, you need a public IP address provided by NAT to access the Internet. The below example uses interface PAT rules. To allow the VPN traffic to exit the same interface it entered, you also need to enable intra-interface communication (AKA “hairpin” networking).

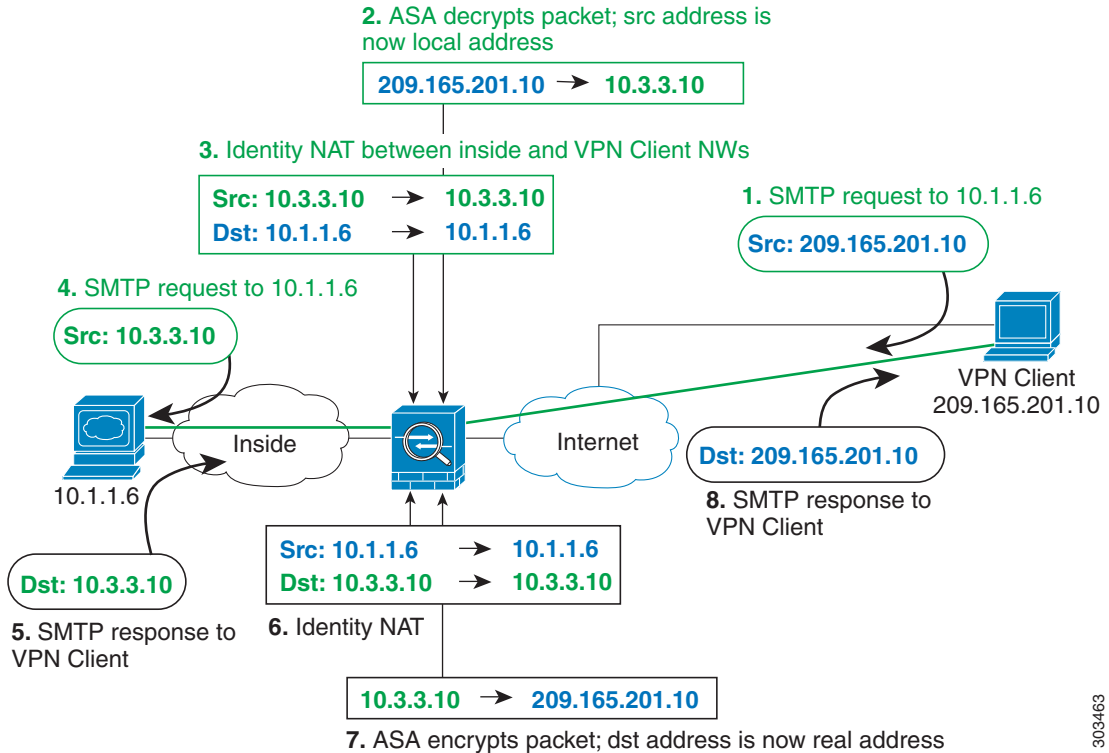
**Figure 4-17** Interface PAT for Internet-Bound VPN Traffic (Intra-Interface)



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Figure 4-18 shows a VPN client that wants to access an inside mail server. Because the ASA expects traffic between the inside network and any outside network to match the interface PAT rule you set up for Internet access, traffic from the VPN client (10.3.3.10) to the SMTP server (10.1.1.6) will be dropped due to a reverse path failure: traffic from 10.3.3.10 to 10.1.1.6 does not match a NAT rule, but returning traffic from 10.1.1.6 to 10.3.3.10 *should* match the interface PAT rule for outgoing traffic. Because forward and reverse flows do not match, the ASA drops the packet when it is received. To avoid this failure, you need to exempt the inside-to-VPN client traffic from the interface PAT rule by using an identity NAT rule between those networks. Identity NAT simply translates an address to the same address.

Figure 4-18 Identity NAT for VPN Clients



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See the following sample NAT configuration for the above network:

```
! Enable hairpin for non-split-tunneled VPN client traffic:
same-security-traffic permit intra-interface

! Identify local VPN network, & perform object interface PAT when going to Internet:
object network vpn_local
  subnet 10.3.3.0 255.255.255.0
  nat (outside,outside) dynamic interface

! Identify inside network, & perform object interface PAT when going to Internet:
object network inside_nw
  subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
  nat (inside,outside) dynamic interface

! Use twice NAT to pass traffic between the inside network and the VPN client without
! address translation (identity NAT):
nat (inside,outside) source static inside_nw inside_nw destination static vpn_local
vpn_local
```

## NAT and Site-to-Site VPN

Figure 4-19 shows a site-to-site tunnel connecting the Boulder and San Jose offices. For traffic that you want to go to the Internet (for example from 10.1.1.6 in Boulder to [www.example.com](http://www.example.com)), you need a public IP address provided by NAT to access the Internet. The below example uses interface PAT rules. However, for traffic that you want to go over the VPN tunnel (for example from 10.1.1.6 in Boulder to 10.2.2.78 in San Jose), you do not want to perform NAT; you need to exempt that traffic by creating an identity NAT rule. Identity NAT simply translates an address to the same address.

Figure 4-19 Interface PAT and Identity NAT for Site-to-Site VPN

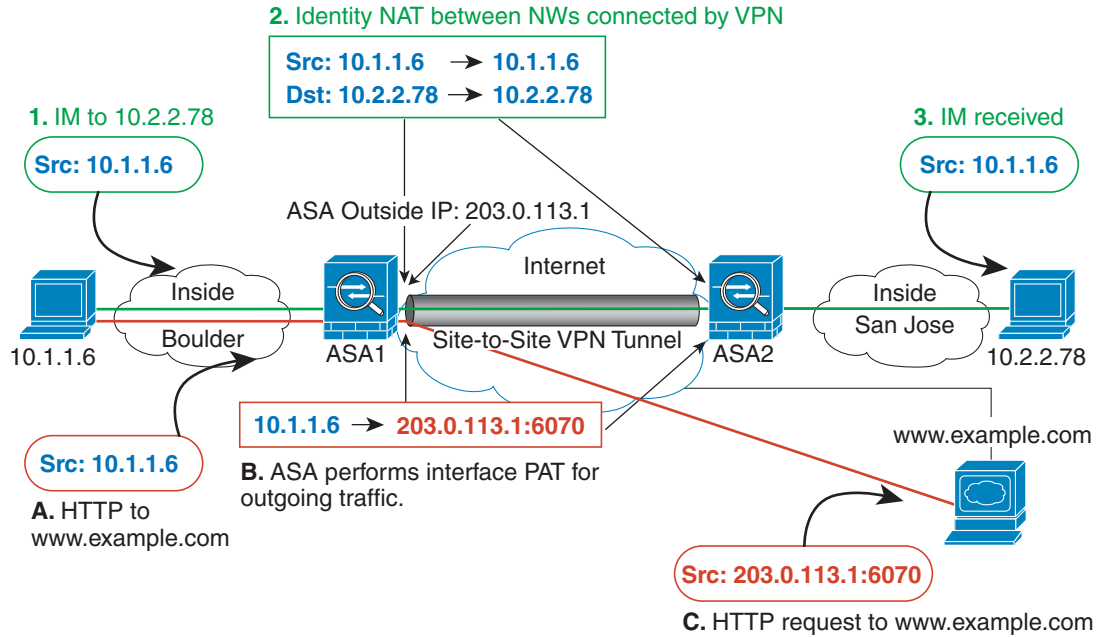
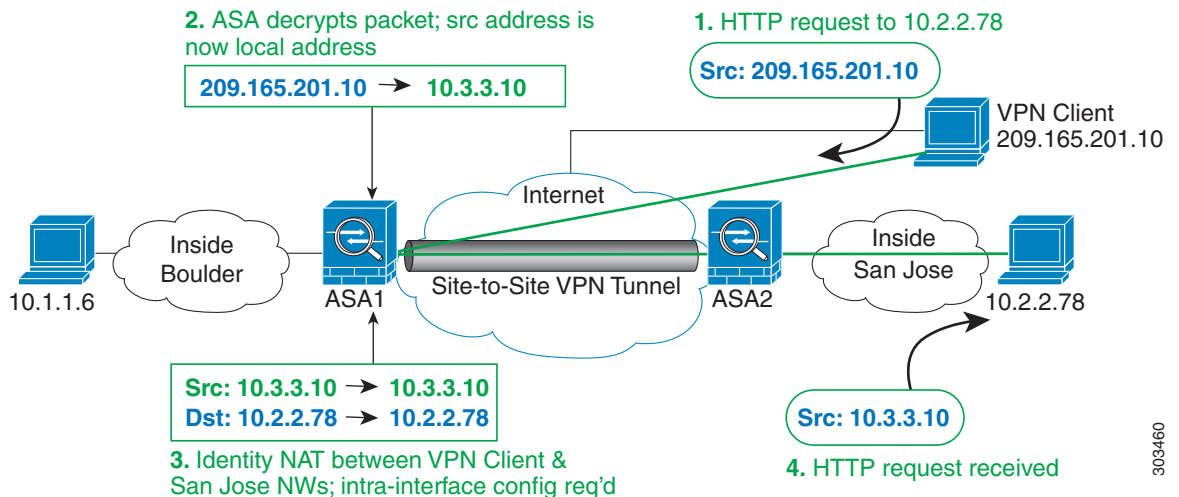


Figure 4-20 shows a VPN client connected to ASA1 (Boulder), with a Telnet request for a server (10.2.2.78) accessible over a site-to-site tunnel between ASA1 and ASA2 (San Jose). Because this is a hairpin connection, you need to enable intra-interface communication, which is also required for non-split-tunneled Internet-bound traffic from the VPN client. You also need to configure identity NAT between the VPN client and the Boulder & San Jose networks, just as you would between any networks connected by VPN to exempt this traffic from outbound NAT rules.

Figure 4-20 VPN Client Access to Site-to-Site VPN



See the following sample NAT configuration for ASA1 (Boulder):

```
! Enable hairpin for VPN client traffic:
same-security-traffic permit intra-interface
```

```
! Identify local VPN network, & perform object interface PAT when going to Internet:
```

```

object network vpn_local
  subnet 10.3.3.0 255.255.255.0
  nat (outside,outside) dynamic interface

! Identify inside Boulder network, & perform object interface PAT when going to Internet:
object network boulder_inside
  subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
  nat (inside,outside) dynamic interface

! Identify inside San Jose network for use in twice NAT rule:
object network sanjose_inside
  subnet 10.2.2.0 255.255.255.0

! Use twice NAT to pass traffic between the Boulder network and the VPN client without
! address translation (identity NAT):
nat (inside,outside) source static boulder_inside boulder_inside destination static
vpn_local vpn_local

! Use twice NAT to pass traffic between the Boulder network and San Jose without
! address translation (identity NAT):
nat (inside,outside) source static boulder_inside boulder_inside destination static
sanjose_inside sanjose_inside

! Use twice NAT to pass traffic between the VPN client and San Jose without
! address translation (identity NAT):
nat (outside,outside) source static vpn_local vpn_local destination static sanjose_inside
sanjose_inside

```

See the following sample NAT configuration for ASA2 (San Jose):

```

! Identify inside San Jose network, & perform object interface PAT when going to Internet:
object network sanjose_inside
  subnet 10.2.2.0 255.255.255.0
  nat (inside,outside) dynamic interface

! Identify inside Boulder network for use in twice NAT rule:
object network boulder_inside
  subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0

! Identify local VPN network for use in twice NAT rule:
object network vpn_local
  subnet 10.3.3.0 255.255.255.0

! Use twice NAT to pass traffic between the San Jose network and Boulder without
! address translation (identity NAT):
nat (inside,outside) source static sanjose_inside sanjose_inside destination static
boulder_inside boulder_inside

! Use twice NAT to pass traffic between the San Jose network and the VPN client without
! address translation (identity NAT):
nat (inside,outside) source static sanjose_inside sanjose_inside destination static
vpn_local vpn_local

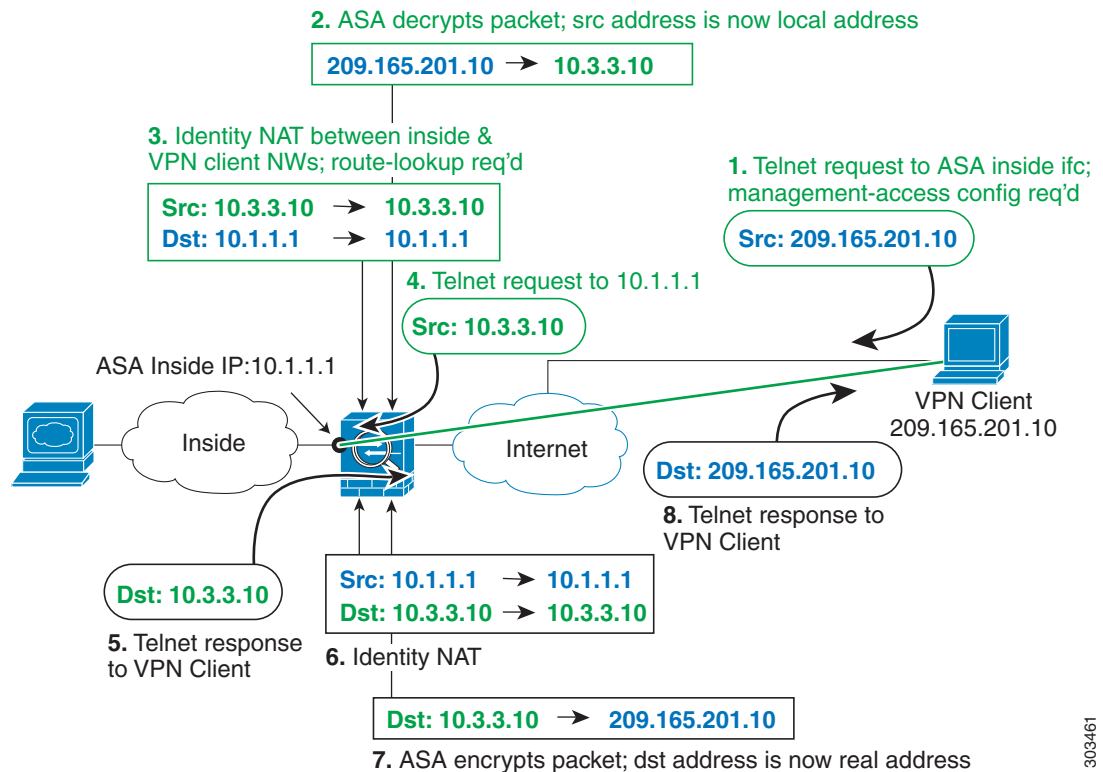
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## NAT and VPN Management Access

When using VPN, you can allow management access to an interface other than the one from which you entered the ASA (see the **management-access** command). For example, if you enter the ASA from the outside interface, the management-access feature lets you connect to the inside interface using ASDM, SSH, Telnet, or SNMP; or you can ping the inside interface.

Figure 4-21 shows a VPN client Telnetting to the ASA inside interface. When you use a management-access interface, and you configure identity NAT according to the [NAT and Remote Access VPN, page 4-23](#) or [NAT and Site-to-Site VPN, page 4-24](#) section, you must configure NAT with the route lookup option. Without route lookup, the ASA sends traffic out the interface specified in the NAT command, regardless of what the routing table says; in the below example, the egress interface is the inside interface. You do not want the ASA to send the management traffic out to the inside network; it will never return to the inside interface IP address. The route lookup option lets the ASA send the traffic directly to the inside interface IP address instead of to the inside network. For traffic from the VPN client to a host on the inside network, the route lookup option will still result in the correct egress interface (inside), so normal traffic flow is not affected. See the [Determining the Egress Interface, page 4-22](#) for more information about the route lookup option.

Figure 4-21 VPN Management Access



See the following sample NAT configuration for the above network:

```
! Enable hairpin for non-split-tunneled VPN client traffic:
same-security-traffic permit intra-interface

! Enable management access on inside ifc:
management-access inside

! Identify local VPN network, & perform object interface PAT when going to Internet:
object network vpn_local
  subnet 10.3.3.0 255.255.255.0
  nat (outside,outside) dynamic interface

! Identify inside network, & perform object interface PAT when going to Internet:
object network inside_nw
  subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
  nat (inside,outside) dynamic interface
```

```
! Use twice NAT to pass traffic between the inside network and the VPN client without
! address translation (identity NAT), w/route-lookup:
nat (outside,inside) source static vpn_local vpn_local destination static inside_nw
inside_nw route-lookup
```

## Troubleshooting NAT and VPN

See the following monitoring tools for troubleshooting NAT issues with VPN:

- Packet tracer—When used correctly, a packet tracer shows which NAT rules a packet is hitting.
- **show nat detail**—Shows hit counts and untranslated traffic for a given NAT rule.
- **show conn all**—Lets you see active connections including to and from the box traffic.

To familiarize yourself with a non-working configuration vs. a working configuration, you can perform the following steps:

1. Configure VPN without identity NAT.
2. Enter **show nat detail** and **show conn all**.
3. Add the identity NAT configuration.
  - Repeat **show nat detail** and **show conn all**.

## DNS and NAT

You might need to configure the ASA to modify DNS replies by replacing the address in the reply with an address that matches the NAT configuration. You can configure DNS modification when you configure each translation rule.

This feature rewrites the address in DNS queries and replies that match a NAT rule (for example, the A record for IPv4, the AAAA record for IPv6, or the PTR record for reverse DNS queries). For DNS replies traversing from a mapped interface to any other interface, the record is rewritten from the mapped value to the real value. Inversely, for DNS replies traversing from any interface to a mapped interface, the record is rewritten from the real value to the mapped value.



### Note

DNS rewrite is not applicable for PAT because multiple PAT rules are applicable for each A-record, and the PAT rule to use is ambiguous.



### Note

If you configure a twice NAT rule, you cannot configure DNS modification if you specify the source address as well as the destination address. These kinds of rules can potentially have a different translation for a single address when going to A vs. B. Therefore, the ASA cannot accurately match the IP address inside the DNS reply to the correct twice NAT rule; the DNS reply does not contain information about which source/destination address combination was in the packet that prompted the DNS request.



### Note

This feature requires DNS application inspection to be enabled, which it is by default. See [DNS Inspection, page 8-1](#) for more information.



Figure 4-22 shows a DNS server that is accessible from the outside interface. A server, ftp.cisco.com, is on the inside interface. You configure the ASA to statically translate the ftp.cisco.com real address (10.1.3.14) to a mapped address (209.165.201.10) that is visible on the outside network. In this case, you want to enable DNS reply modification on this static rule so that inside users who have access to ftp.cisco.com using the real address receive the real address from the DNS server, and not the mapped address. When an inside host sends a DNS request for the address of ftp.cisco.com, the DNS server replies with the mapped address (209.165.201.10). The ASA refers to the static rule for the inside server and translates the address inside the DNS reply to 10.1.3.14. If you do not enable DNS reply modification, then the inside host attempts to send traffic to 209.165.201.10 instead of accessing ftp.cisco.com directly.

Figure 4-22 DNS Reply Modification, DNS Server on Outside

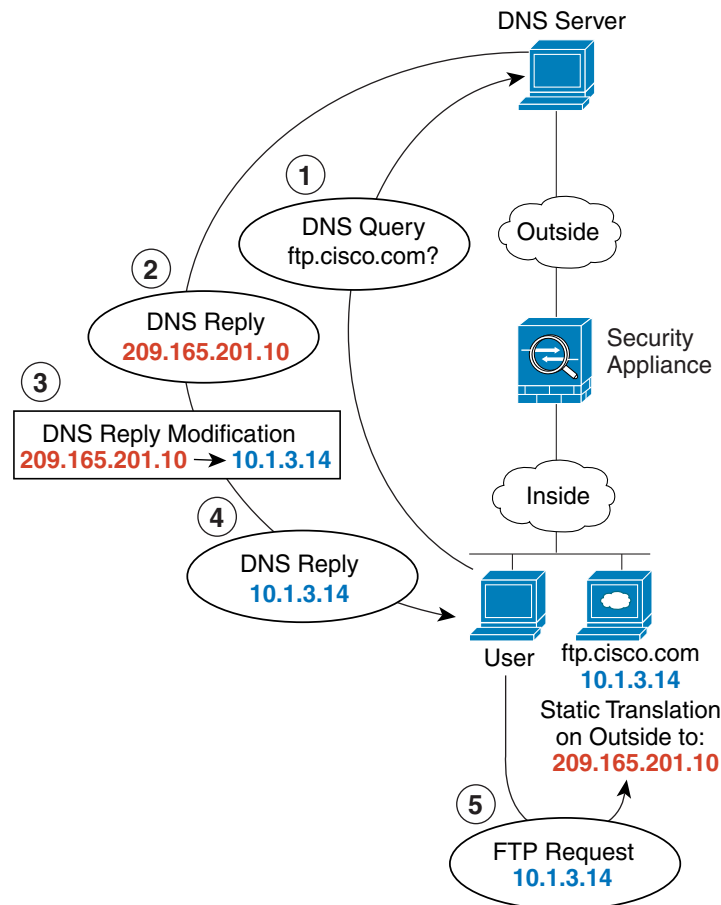


Figure 4-23 shows a user on the inside network requesting the IP address for ftp.cisco.com, which is on the DMZ network, from an outside DNS server. The DNS server replies with the mapped address (209.165.201.10) according to the static rule between outside and DMZ even though the user is not on the DMZ network. The ASA translates the address inside the DNS reply to 10.1.3.14. If the user needs to access ftp.cisco.com using the real address, then no further configuration is required. If there is also

a static rule between the inside and DMZ, then you also need to enable DNS reply modification on this rule. The DNS reply will then be modified two times. In this case, the ASA again translates the address inside the DNS reply to 192.168.1.10 according to the static rule between inside and DMZ.

**Figure 4-23** DNS Reply Modification, DNS Server, Host, and Server on Separate Networks

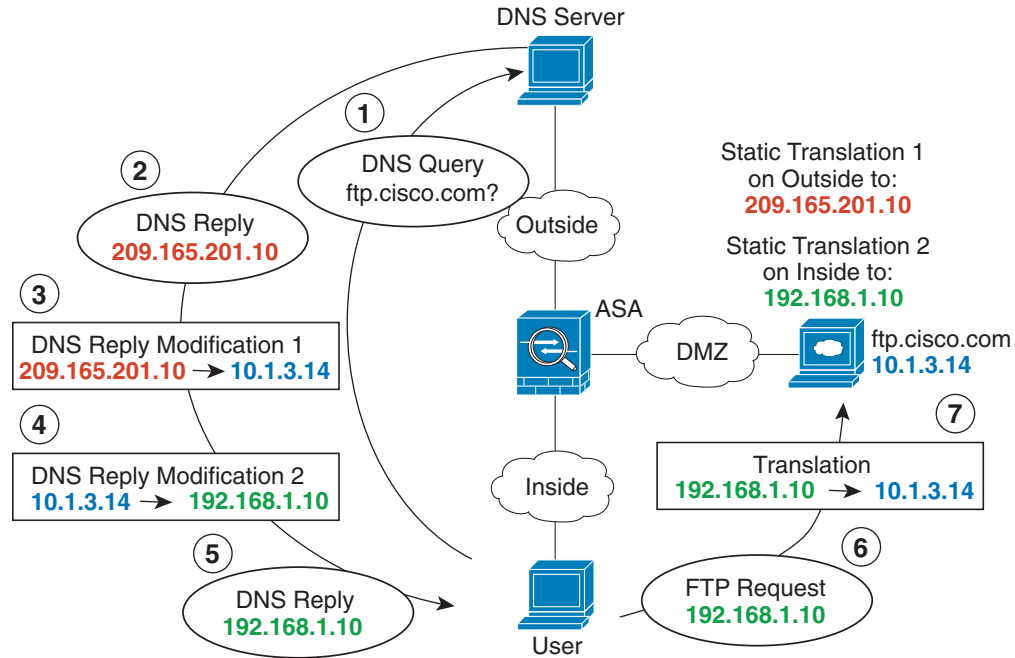


Figure 4-24 shows an FTP server and DNS server on the outside. The ASA has a static translation for the outside server. In this case, when an inside user requests the address for ftp.cisco.com from the DNS server, the DNS server responds with the real address, 209.165.20.10. Because you want inside users to use the mapped address for ftp.cisco.com (10.1.2.56) you need to configure DNS reply modification for the static translation.

Figure 4-24 DNS Reply Modification, DNS Server on Host Network

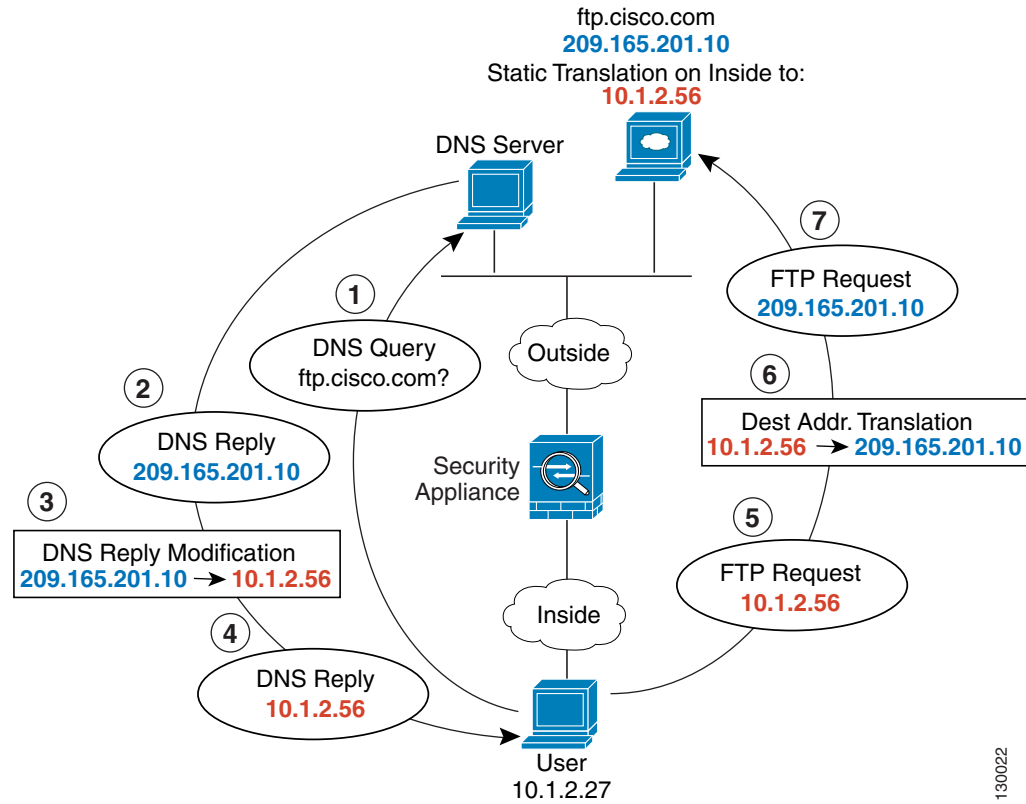
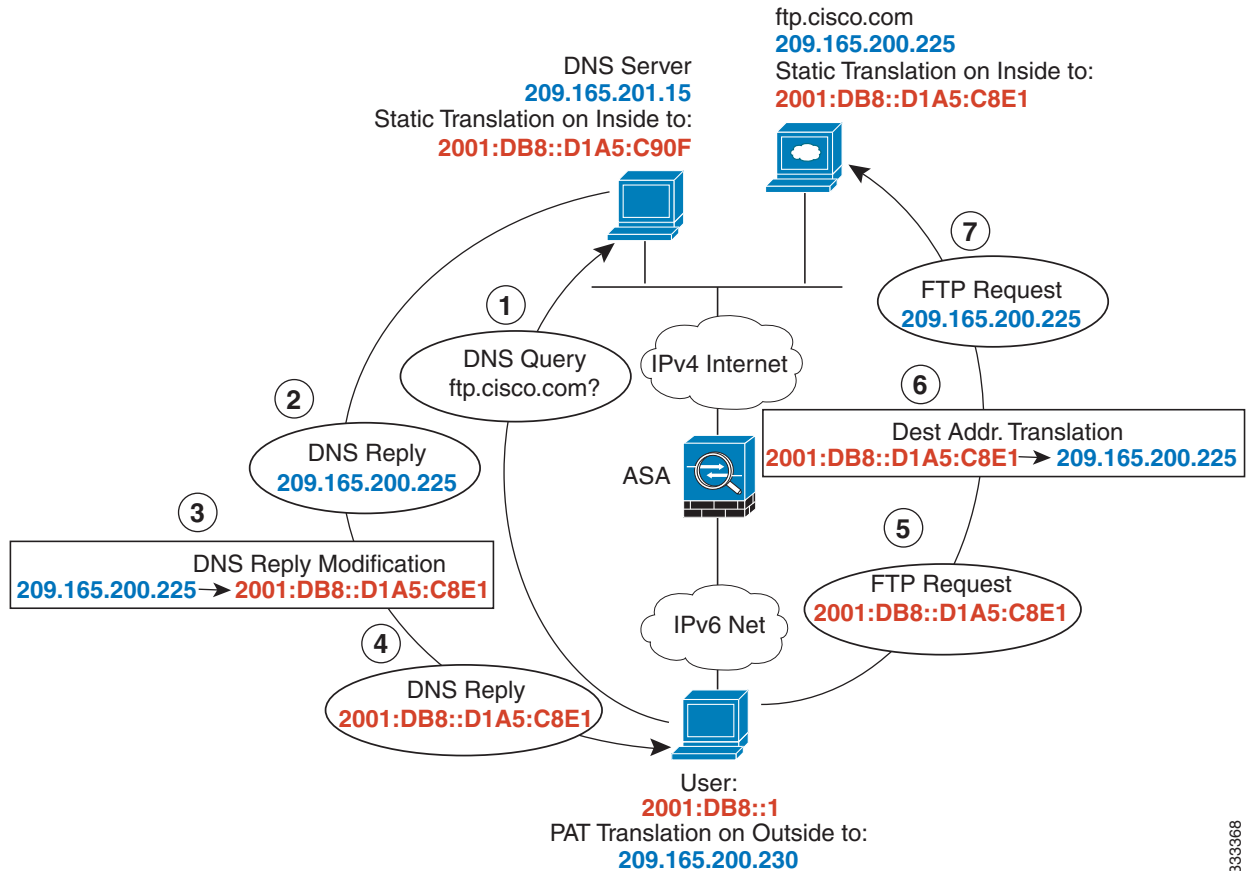


Figure 4-24 shows an FTP server and DNS server on the outside IPv4 network. The ASA has a static translation for the outside server. In this case, when an inside IPv6 user requests the address for ftp.cisco.com from the DNS server, the DNS server responds with the real address, 209.165.200.225.

Because you want inside users to use the mapped address for ftp.cisco.com (2001:DB8::D1A5:C8E1) you need to configure DNS reply modification for the static translation. This example also includes a static NAT translation for the DNS server, and a PAT rule for the inside IPv6 hosts.

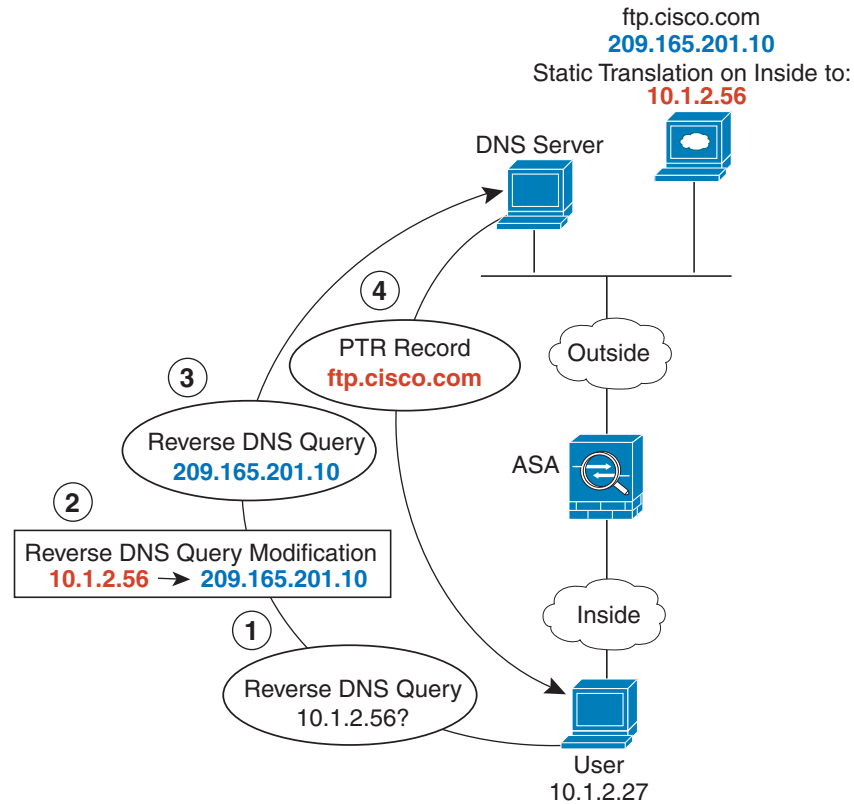
**Figure 4-25** DNS64 Reply Modification Using Outside NAT



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Figure 4-26 shows an FTP server and DNS server on the outside. The ASA has a static translation for the outside server. In this case, when an inside user performs a reverse DNS lookup for 10.1.2.56, the ASA modifies the reverse DNS query with the real address, and the DNS server responds with the server name, ftp.cisco.com.

Figure 4-26 PTR Modification, DNS Server on Host Network



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## Where to Go Next

To configure network object NAT, see [Chapter 5, “Network Object NAT.”](#)

To configure twice NAT, see [Chapter 6, “Twice NAT.”](#)





## Network Object NAT

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All NAT rules that are configured as a parameter of a network object are considered to be *network object NAT* rules. Network object NAT is a quick and easy way to configure NAT for a single IP address, a range of addresses, or a subnet. After you configure the network object, you can then identify the mapped address for that object.

This chapter describes how to configure network object NAT, and it includes the following sections:

- [Information About Network Object NAT, page 5-1](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for Network Object NAT, page 5-2](#)
- [Prerequisites for Network Object NAT, page 5-2](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 5-2](#)
- [Default Settings, page 5-3](#)
- [Configuring Network Object NAT, page 5-3](#)
- [Monitoring Network Object NAT, page 5-17](#)
- [Configuration Examples for Network Object NAT, page 5-18](#)
- [Feature History for Network Object NAT, page 5-28](#)



**Note**

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For detailed information about how NAT works, see [Chapter 4, “Information About NAT.”](#)

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## Information About Network Object NAT

When a packet enters the ASA, both the source and destination IP addresses are checked against the network object NAT rules. The source and destination address in the packet can be translated by separate rules if separate matches are made. These rules are not tied to each other; different combinations of rules can be used depending on the traffic.

Because the rules are never paired, you cannot specify that a source address should be translated to A when going to destination X, but be translated to B when going to destination Y. Use twice NAT for that kind of functionality (twice NAT lets you identify the source and destination address in a single rule).

For detailed information about the differences between twice NAT and network object NAT, see [How NAT is Implemented, page 4-13](#).

Network object NAT rules are added to section 2 of the NAT rules table. For more information about NAT ordering, see [NAT Rule Order, page 4-18](#).

# Licensing Requirements for Network Object NAT

The following table shows the licensing requirements for this feature:

Model	License Requirement
ASAv	Standard or Premium License.
All other models	Base License.

## Prerequisites for Network Object NAT

Depending on the configuration, you can configure the mapped address inline if desired or you can create a separate network object or network object group for the mapped address (the **object network** or **object-group network** command). Network object groups are particularly useful for creating a mapped address pool with discontinuous IP address ranges or multiple hosts or subnets. To create a network object or group, see the general operations configuration guide.

For specific guidelines for objects and groups, see the configuration section for the NAT type you want to configure. See also the [Guidelines and Limitations, page 5-2](#) section.

## Guidelines and Limitations

### Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single and multiple context mode.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

- Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.
- In transparent mode, you must specify the real and mapped interfaces; you cannot use **any**.
- In transparent mode, you cannot configure interface PAT, because the transparent mode interfaces do not have IP addresses. You also cannot use the management IP address as a mapped address.
- In transparent mode, translating between IPv4 and IPv6 networks is not supported. Translating between two IPv6 networks, or between two IPv4 networks is supported.

### IPv6 Guidelines

- Supports IPv6. See also the [NAT and IPv6, page 4-13](#).
- For routed mode, you can also translate between IPv4 and IPv6.
- For transparent mode, translating between IPv4 and IPv6 networks is not supported. Translating between two IPv6 networks, or between two IPv4 networks is supported.
- For transparent mode, a PAT pool is not supported for IPv6.
- For static NAT, you can specify an IPv6 subnet up to /64. Larger subnets are not supported.
- When using FTP with NAT46, when an IPv4 FTP client connects to an IPv6 FTP server, the client must use either the extended passive mode (EPSV) or extended port mode (EPRT); PASV and PORT commands are not supported with IPv6.



### Additional Guidelines

- You can only define a single NAT rule for a given object; if you want to configure multiple NAT rules for an object, you need to create multiple objects with different names that specify the same IP address, for example, **object network obj-10.10.10.1-01**, **object network obj-10.10.10.1-02**, and so on.
- If you change the NAT configuration, and you do not want to wait for existing translations to time out before the new NAT configuration is used, you can clear the translation table using the **clear xlate** command. However, clearing the translation table disconnects all current connections that use translations.



**Note** If you remove a dynamic NAT or PAT rule, and then add a new rule with mapped addresses that overlap the addresses in the removed rule, then the new rule will not be used until all connections associated with the removed rule time out or are cleared using the **clear xlate** command. This safeguard ensures that the same address is not assigned to multiple hosts.

- Objects and object groups used in NAT cannot be undefined; they must include IP addresses.
- You cannot use an object group with both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses; the object group must include only one type of address.
- You can use the same mapped object or group in multiple NAT rules.
- The mapped IP address pool cannot include:
  - The mapped interface IP address. If you specify **any** interface for the rule, then all interface IP addresses are disallowed. For interface PAT (routed mode only), use the **interface** keyword instead of the IP address.
  - (Transparent mode) The management IP address.
  - (Dynamic NAT) The standby interface IP address when VPN is enabled.
  - Existing VPN pool addresses.
- For application inspection limitations with NAT or PAT, see [Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4 in Chapter 7, “Getting Started with Application Layer Protocol Inspection.”](#)

## Default Settings

- (Routed mode) The default real and mapped interface is Any, which applies the rule to all interfaces.
- The default behavior for identity NAT has proxy ARP enabled, matching other static NAT rules. You can disable proxy ARP if desired. See [Routing NAT Packets, page 4-19](#) for more information.
- If you specify an optional interface, then the ASA uses the NAT configuration to determine the egress interface, but you have the option to always use a route lookup instead. See [Routing NAT Packets, page 4-19](#) for more information.

## Configuring Network Object NAT

This section describes how to configure network object NAT and includes the following topics:

- [Adding Network Objects for Mapped Addresses, page 5-4](#)
- [Configuring Dynamic NAT, page 5-5](#)

- [Configuring Dynamic PAT \(Hide\)](#), page 5-7
- [Configuring Static NAT or Static NAT-with-Port-Translation](#), page 5-11
- [Configuring Identity NAT](#), page 5-14
- [Configuring Per-Session PAT Rules](#), page 5-16

## Adding Network Objects for Mapped Addresses

For dynamic NAT, you must use an object or group for the mapped addresses. Other NAT types have the option of using inline addresses, or you can create an object or group according to this section. For more information about configuring a network object or group, see the general operations configuration guide.

### Guidelines

- A network object group can contain objects and/or inline addresses of either IPv4 or IPv6 addresses. The group cannot contain both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses; it must contain one type only.
- See [Guidelines and Limitations](#), page 5-2 for information about disallowed mapped IP addresses.
- Dynamic NAT:
  - You cannot use an inline address; you must configure a network object or group.
  - The object or group cannot contain a subnet; the object must define a range; the group can include hosts and ranges.
  - If a mapped network object contains both ranges and host IP addresses, then the ranges are used for dynamic NAT, and then the host IP addresses are used as a PAT fallback.
- Dynamic PAT (Hide):
  - Instead of using an object, you can optionally configure an inline host address or specify the interface address.
  - If you use an object, the object or group cannot contain a subnet; the object must define a host, or for a PAT pool, a range; the group (for a PAT pool) can include hosts and ranges.
- Static NAT or Static NAT with port translation:
  - Instead of using an object, you can configure an inline address or specify the interface address (for static NAT-with-port-translation).
  - If you use an object, the object or group can contain a host, range, or subnet.
- Identity NAT
  - Instead of using an object, you can configure an inline address.
  - If you use an object, the object must match the real addresses you want to translate.

## Detailed Steps

Command	Purpose
<pre>object network obj_name   {host ip_address   range ip_address_1   ip_address_2   subnet subnet_address   netmask}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network TEST hostname(config-network-object)# range 10.1.1.1 10.1.1.70</pre>	Adds a network object, either IPv4 or IPv6.
<pre>object-group network grp_name   {network-object {object net_obj_name     subnet_address netmask     host ip_address}     group-object grp_obj_name}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network TEST hostname(config-network-object)# range 10.1.1.1 10.1.1.70  hostname(config)# object network TEST2 hostname(config-network-object)# range 10.1.2.1 10.1.2.70  hostname(config-network-object)# object-group network MAPPED_IPS hostname(config-network)# network-object object TEST hostname(config-network)# network-object object TEST2 hostname(config-network)# network-object host 10.1.2.79</pre>	Adds a network object group, either IPv4 or IPv6.

## Configuring Dynamic NAT

This section describes how to configure network object NAT for dynamic NAT. For more information, see [Dynamic NAT, page 4-7](#).

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	Create a network object or group for the mapped addresses.	See <a href="#">Adding Network Objects for Mapped Addresses, page 5-4</a> .
<b>Step 2</b>	<pre>object network obj_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network my-host-obj1</pre>	Configures a network object for which you want to configure NAT, or enters object network configuration mode for an existing network object.

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 3</b></p> <pre>{host ip_address   subnet subnet_address netmask   range ip_address_1 ip_address_2}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0</pre>	<p>If you are creating a new network object, defines the <b>real IP</b> address(es) (either IPv4 or IPv6) that you want to translate.</p>
<p><b>Step 4</b></p> <pre>nat [(real_ifc,mapped_ifc)] dynamic mapped_obj [interface [ipv6]] [dns]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic MAPPED_IPS interface</pre>	<p>Configures <b>dynamic NAT</b> for the object IP addresses.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You can only define a single NAT rule for a given object. See <a href="#">Additional Guidelines, page 5-3</a>.</p> <p>See the following guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interfaces—(Required for transparent mode) Specify the real and mapped interfaces. Be sure to include the parentheses in your command. In routed mode, if you do not specify the real and mapped interfaces, all interfaces are used; you can also specify the keyword <b>any</b> for one or both of the interfaces.</li> <li>• Mapped IP address—Specify the mapped IP address as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– An existing network object (see <a href="#">Step 1</a>).</li> <li>– An existing network object group (see <a href="#">Step 1</a>).</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Interface PAT fallback—(Optional) The <b>interface</b> keyword enables interface PAT fallback. After the mapped IP addresses are used up, then the IP address of the mapped interface is used. If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>mapped_ifc</i>. (You cannot specify <b>interface</b> in transparent mode).</li> <li>• DNS—(Optional) The <b>dns</b> keyword translates DNS replies. Be sure DNS inspection is enabled (it is enabled by default). See <a href="#">DNS and NAT, page 4-28</a> for more information.</li> </ul>

## Examples

The following example configures dynamic NAT that hides 192.168.2.0 network behind a range of outside addresses 10.2.2.1 through 10.2.2.10:

```
hostname(config)# object network my-range-obj
hostname(config-network-object)# range 10.2.2.1 10.2.2.10
hostname(config)# object network my-inside-net
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 192.168.2.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic my-range-obj
```

The following example configures dynamic NAT with dynamic PAT backup. Hosts on inside network 10.76.11.0 are mapped first to the nat-range1 pool (10.10.10.10-10.10.10.20). After all addresses in the nat-range1 pool are allocated, dynamic PAT is performed using the pat-ip1 address (10.10.10.21). In the unlikely event that the PAT translations are also used up, dynamic PAT is performed using the outside interface address.

```
hostname(config)# object network nat-range1
hostname(config-network-object)# range 10.10.10.10 10.10.10.20

hostname(config-network-object)# object network pat-ip1
```

```

hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.10.10.21

hostname(config-network-object)# object-group network nat-pat-grp
hostname(config-network-object)# network-object object nat-range1
hostname(config-network-object)# network-object object pat-ip1

hostname(config-network-object)# object network my_net_obj5
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.76.11.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic nat-pat-grp interface

```

The following example configures dynamic NAT with dynamic PAT backup to translate IPv6 hosts to IPv4. Hosts on inside network 2001:DB8::/96 are mapped first to the IPv4\_NAT\_RANGE pool (209.165.201.1 to 209.165.201.30). After all addresses in the IPv4\_NAT\_RANGE pool are allocated, dynamic PAT is performed using the IPv4\_PAT address (209.165.201.31). In the event that the PAT translations are also used up, dynamic PAT is performed using the outside interface address.

```

hostname(config)# object network IPv4_NAT_RANGE
hostname(config-network-object)# range 209.165.201.1 209.165.201.30

hostname(config-network-object)# object network IPv4_PAT
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.201.31

hostname(config-network-object)# object-group network IPv4_GROUP
hostname(config-network-object)# network-object object IPv4_NAT_RANGE
hostname(config-network-object)# network-object object IPv4_PAT

hostname(config-network-object)# object network my_net_obj5
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 2001:DB8::/96
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic IPv4_GROUP interface

```

## Configuring Dynamic PAT (Hide)

This section describes how to configure network object NAT for dynamic PAT (hide). For more information, see [Dynamic PAT, page 4-8](#).

### Guidelines

For a PAT pool:

- If available, the real source port number is used for the mapped port. However, if the real port is *not* available, by default the mapped ports are chosen from the same range of ports as the real port number: 0 to 511, 512 to 1023, and 1024 to 65535. Therefore, ports below 1024 have only a small PAT pool that can be used. (8.4(3) and later, not including 8.5(1) or 8.6(1)) If you have a lot of traffic that uses the lower port ranges, you can now specify a flat range of ports to be used instead of the three unequal-sized tiers: either 1024 to 65535, or 1 to 65535.
- If you use the same PAT pool object in two separate rules, then be sure to specify the same options for each rule. For example, if one rule specifies extended PAT and a flat range, then the other rule must also specify extended PAT and a flat range.

For extended PAT for a PAT pool:

- Many application inspections do not support extended PAT. See [Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4 in Chapter 7, “Getting Started with Application Layer Protocol Inspection,”](#) for a complete list of unsupported inspections.

- If you enable extended PAT for a dynamic PAT rule, then you cannot also use an address in the PAT pool as the PAT address in a separate static NAT-with-port-translation rule. For example, if the PAT pool includes 10.1.1.1, then you cannot create a static NAT-with-port-translation rule using 10.1.1.1 as the PAT address.
- If you use a PAT pool and specify an interface for fallback, you cannot specify extended PAT.
- For VoIP deployments that use ICE or TURN, do not use extended PAT. ICE and TURN rely on the PAT binding to be the same for all destinations.

For round robin for a PAT pool:

- If a host has an existing connection, then subsequent connections from that host will use the same PAT IP address if ports are available. **Note:** This “stickiness” does not survive a failover. If the ASA fails over, then subsequent connections from a host may not use the initial IP address.
- Round robin, especially when combined with extended PAT, can consume a large amount of memory. Because NAT pools are created for every mapped protocol/IP address/port range, round robin results in a large number of concurrent NAT pools, which use memory. Extended PAT results in an even larger number of concurrent NAT pools.

## Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	(Optional) Create a network object or group for the mapped addresses.	See <a href="#">Adding Network Objects for Mapped Addresses, page 5-4</a> .
Step 2	<code>object network obj_name</code>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# object network my-host-obj1	Configures a network object for which you want to configure NAT, or enters object network configuration mode for an existing network object.
Step 3	<code>{host ip_address   subnet subnet_address netmask   range ip_address_1 ip_address_2}</code>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-network-object)# range 10.1.1.1 10.1.1.90	If you are creating a new network object, defines the <b>real</b> IP address(es) (either IPv4 or IPv6) that you want to translate.

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 4</b></p> <pre> <b>nat</b> [(<i>real_ifc</i>,<i>mapped_ifc</i>)] <b>dynamic</b> {<i>mapped_inline_host_ip</i>   <i>mapped_obj</i>   <b>pat-pool</b> <i>mapped_obj</i> [<b>round-robin</b>] [<b>extended</b>] [<b>flat</b>] [<b>include-reserve</b>]}   <b>interface</b> [<b>ipv6</b>]} [<b>interface</b> [<b>ipv6</b>]] [<b>dns</b>] </pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre> hostname(config-network-object)# <b>nat</b> (any,outside) <b>dynamic interface</b> </pre>	<p>Configures <b>dynamic PAT</b> for the object IP addresses. You can only define a single NAT rule for a given object. See <a href="#">Additional Guidelines, page 5-3</a>.</p> <p>See the following guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interfaces</b>—(Required for transparent mode) Specify the real and mapped interfaces. Be sure to include the parentheses in your command. In routed mode, if you do not specify the real and mapped interfaces, all interfaces are used; you can also specify the keyword <b>any</b> for one or both of the interfaces.</li> <li>• <b>Mapped IP address</b>—You can specify the mapped IP address as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– An inline host address.</li> <li>– An existing network object that is defined as a host address (see <a href="#">Step 1</a>).</li> <li>– <b>pat-pool</b>—An existing network object or group that contains multiple addresses.</li> <li>– <b>interface</b>—(Routed mode only) The IP address of the mapped interface is used as the mapped address. If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>mapped_ifc</i>. You must use this keyword when you want to use the interface IP address; you cannot enter it inline or as an object.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• For a PAT pool, you can specify one or more of the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Round robin</b>—The <b>round-robin</b> keyword enables round-robin address allocation for a PAT pool. Without round robin, by default all ports for a PAT address will be allocated before the next PAT address is used. The round-robin method assigns an address/port from each PAT address in the pool before returning to use the first address again, and then the second address, and so on.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>(continued)</p>

Command	Purpose
	<p>(continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Extended PAT—The <b>extended</b> keyword enables extended PAT. Extended PAT uses 65535 ports per <i>service</i>, as opposed to per IP address, by including the destination address and port in the translation information. Normally, the destination port and address are not considered when creating PAT translations, so you are limited to 65535 ports per PAT address. For example, with extended PAT, you can create a translation of 10.1.1.1:1027 when going to 192.168.1.7:23 as well as a translation of 10.1.1.1:1027 when going to 192.168.1.7:80.</li> <li>- Flat range—The <b>flat</b> keyword enables use of the entire 1024 to 65535 port range when allocating ports. When choosing the mapped port number for a translation, the ASA uses the real source port number if it is available. However, without this option, if the real port is <i>not</i> available, by default the mapped ports are chosen from the same range of ports as the real port number: 1 to 511, 512 to 1023, and 1024 to 65535. To avoid running out of ports at the low ranges, configure this setting. To use the entire range of 1 to 65535, also specify the <b>include-reserve</b> keyword.</li> <li>• Interface PAT fallback—(Optional) The <b>interface</b> keyword enables interface PAT fallback when entered after a primary PAT address. After the primary PAT address(es) are used up, then the IP address of the mapped interface is used. If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>mapped_ifc</i>. (You cannot specify <b>interface</b> in transparent mode).</li> <li>• DNS—(Optional) The <b>dns</b> keyword translates DNS replies. Be sure DNS inspection is enabled (it is enabled by default). See <a href="#">DNS and NAT, page 4-28</a> for more information.</li> </ul>

**Examples**

The following example configures dynamic PAT that hides the 192.168.2.0 network behind address 10.2.2.2:

```
hostname(config)# object network my-inside-net
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 192.168.2.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic 10.2.2.2
```

The following example configures dynamic PAT that hides the 192.168.2.0 network behind the outside interface address:

```
hostname(config)# object network my-inside-net
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 192.168.2.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic interface
```



The following example configures dynamic PAT with a PAT pool to translate the inside IPv6 network to an outside IPv4 network:

```
hostname(config)# object network IPv4_POOL
hostname(config-network-object)# range 203.0.113.1 203.0.113.254
hostname(config)# object network IPv6_INSIDE
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 2001:DB8::/96
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic pat-pool IPv4_POOL
```

## Configuring Static NAT or Static NAT-with-Port-Translation

This section describes how to configure a static NAT rule using network object NAT. For more information, see [Static NAT, page 4-3](#).

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	(Optional) Create a network object or group for the mapped addresses.	See <a href="#">Adding Network Objects for Mapped Addresses, page 5-4</a> .
Step 2	<b>object network</b> <i>obj_name</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# object network my-host-obj1	Configures a network object for which you want to configure NAT, or enters object network configuration mode for an existing network object.

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 3</b></p> <pre>{host ip_address   subnet subnet_address netmask   range ip_address_1 ip_address_2}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.2.1.0 255.255.255.0</pre>	<p>If you are creating a new network object, defines the <b>real</b> IP address(es) (IPv4 or IPv6) that you want to translate.</p>

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 4</b></p> <pre> <b>nat</b> [(<i>real_ifc</i>,<i>mapped_ifc</i>)] <b>static</b> {<i>mapped_inline_ip</i>   <i>mapped_obj</i>   <b>interface</b> [<b>ipv6</b>]} [<b>net-to-net</b>] [<b>dns</b>   <b>service</b> {<b>tcp</b>   <b>udp</b>} <i>real_port</i> <i>mapped_port</i>] [<b>no-proxy-arp</b>] </pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre> hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static MAPPED_IPS service tcp 80 8080 </pre>	<p>Configures <b>static NAT</b> for the object IP addresses. You can only define a single NAT rule for a given object.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interfaces</b>—(Required for transparent mode) Specify the real and mapped interfaces. Be sure to include the parentheses in your command. In routed mode, if you do not specify the real and mapped interfaces, all interfaces are used; you can also specify the keyword <b>any</b> for one or both of the interfaces.</li> <li>• <b>Mapped IP Addresses</b>—You can specify the mapped IP address as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– An inline IP address. The netmask or range for the mapped network is the same as that of the real network. For example, if the real network is a host, then this address will be a host address. In the case of a range, then the mapped addresses include the same number of addresses as the real range. For example, if the real address is defined as a range from 10.1.1.1 through 10.1.1.6, and you specify 172.20.1.1 as the mapped address, then the mapped range will include 172.20.1.1 through 172.20.1.6.</li> <li>– An existing network object or group (see <a href="#">Step 1</a>).</li> <li>– <b>interface</b>—(Static NAT-with-port-translation only; routed mode) For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>mapped_ifc</i>. If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. Be sure to also configure the <b>service</b> keyword.</li> </ul> <p>Typically, you configure the same number of mapped addresses as real addresses for a one-to-one mapping. You can, however, have a mismatched number of addresses. See <a href="#">Static NAT, page 4-3</a>.</p> </li> <li>• <b>Net-to-net</b>—(Optional) For NAT 46, specify <b>net-to-net</b> to translate the first IPv4 address to the first IPv6 address, the second to the second, and so on. Without this option, the IPv4-embedded method is used. For a one-to-one translation, you must use this keyword.</li> <li>• <b>DNS</b>—(Optional) The <b>dns</b> keyword translates DNS replies. Be sure DNS inspection is enabled (it is enabled by default). See <a href="#">DNS and NAT, page 4-28</a>. This option is not available if you specify the <b>service</b> keyword.</li> <li>• <b>Port translation</b>—(Static NAT-with-port-translation only) Specify <b>tcp</b> or <b>udp</b> and the real and mapped ports. You can enter either a port number or a well-known port name (such as <b>ftp</b>).</li> <li>• <b>No Proxy ARP</b>—(Optional) Specify <b>no-proxy-arp</b> to disable proxy ARP for incoming packets to the mapped IP addresses. See <a href="#">Mapped Addresses and Routing, page 4-20</a> for more information.</li> </ul>

## Examples

The following example configures static NAT for the real host 10.1.1.1 on the inside to 10.2.2.2 on the outside with DNS rewrite enabled.

```
hostname(config)# object network my-host-obj1
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.1.1
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 10.2.2.2 dns
```

The following example configures static NAT for the real host 10.1.1.1 on the inside to 10.2.2.2 on the outside using a mapped object.

```
hostname(config)# object network my-mapped-obj
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.2.2.2

hostname(config-network-object)# object network my-host-obj1
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.1.1
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static my-mapped-obj
```

The following example configures static NAT-with-port-translation for 10.1.1.1 at TCP port 21 to the outside interface at port 2121.

```
hostname(config)# object network my-ftp-server
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.1.1
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static interface service tcp 21 2121
```

The following example maps an inside IPv4 network to an outside IPv6 network.

```
hostname(config)# object network inside_v4_v6
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 2001:DB8::/96
```

The following example maps an inside IPv6 network to an outside IPv6 network.

```
hostname(config)# object network inside_v6
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 2001:DB8:AAAA::/96
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 2001:DB8:BBBB::/96
```

## Configuring Identity NAT

This section describes how to configure an identity NAT rule using network object NAT. For more information, see [Identity NAT, page 4-10](#).

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	(Optional) Create a network object for the mapped addresses.	The object must include the same addresses that you want to translate. See <a href="#">Adding Network Objects for Mapped Addresses, page 5-4</a> .
Step 2	<pre>object network obj_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network my-host-obj1</pre>	Configures a network object for which you want to perform identity NAT, or enters object network configuration mode for an existing network object. This network object has a different name from the mapped network object (see <a href="#">Step 1</a> ) even though they both contain the same IP addresses.

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 3</b></p> <pre>{host ip_address   subnet subnet_address netmask   range ip_address_1 ip_address_2}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0</pre>	<p>If you are creating a new network object, defines the real IP address(es) (IPv4 or IPv6) to which you want to perform identity NAT. If you configured a network object for the mapped addresses in <a href="#">Step 1</a>, then these addresses must match.</p>
<p><b>Step 4</b></p> <pre>nat [(real_ifc,mapped_ifc)] static {mapped_inline_ip   mapped_obj} [no-proxy-arp] [route-lookup]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static MAPPED_IPS</pre>	<p>Configures <b>identity NAT</b> for the object IP addresses.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You can only define a single NAT rule for a given object. See <a href="#">Additional Guidelines, page 5-3</a>.</p> <p>See the following guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interfaces</b>—(Required for transparent mode) Specify the real and mapped interfaces. Be sure to include the parentheses in your command. In routed mode, if you do not specify the real and mapped interfaces, all interfaces are used; you can also specify the keyword <b>any</b> for one or both of the interfaces.</li> <li>• <b>Mapped IP addresses</b>—Be sure to configure the same IP address for both the mapped and real address. Use one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Network object</b>—Including the same IP address as the real object (see <a href="#">Step 1</a>).</li> <li>– <b>Inline IP address</b>—The netmask or range for the mapped network is the same as that of the real network. For example, if the real network is a host, then this address will be a host address. In the case of a range, then the mapped addresses include the same number of addresses as the real range. For example, if the real address is defined as a range from 10.1.1.1 through 10.1.1.6, and you specify 10.1.1.1 as the mapped address, then the mapped range will include 10.1.1.1 through 10.1.1.6.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>No Proxy ARP</b>—Specify <b>no-proxy-arp</b> to disable proxy ARP for incoming packets to the mapped IP addresses. See <a href="#">Mapped Addresses and Routing, page 4-20</a> for more information.</li> <li>• <b>Route lookup</b>—(Routed mode only; interface(s) specified) Specify <b>route-lookup</b> to determine the egress interface using a route lookup instead of using the interface specified in the NAT command. See <a href="#">Determining the Egress Interface, page 4-22</a> for more information.</li> </ul>

### Example

The following example maps a host address to itself using an inline mapped address:

```
hostname(config)# object network my-host-obj1
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.1.1
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 10.1.1.1
```

The following example maps a host address to itself using a network object:

```
hostname(config)# object network my-host-obj1-identity
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.1.1

hostname(config-network-object)# object network my-host-obj1
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.1.1
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static my-host-obj1-identity
```

## Configuring Per-Session PAT Rules

By default, all TCP PAT traffic and all UDP DNS traffic uses per-session PAT. To use multi-session PAT for traffic, you can configure per-session PAT rules: a permit rule uses per-session PAT, and a deny rule uses multi-session PAT. For more information about per-session vs. multi-session PAT, see [Per-Session PAT vs. Multi-Session PAT, page 4-9](#).

### Defaults

By default, the following rules are installed:

```
xlate per-session permit tcp any4 any4
xlate per-session permit tcp any4 any6
xlate per-session permit tcp any6 any4
xlate per-session permit tcp any6 any6
xlate per-session permit udp any4 any4 eq domain
xlate per-session permit udp any4 any6 eq domain
xlate per-session permit udp any6 any4 eq domain
xlate per-session permit udp any6 any6 eq domain
```



#### Note

You cannot remove these rules, and they always exist after any manually-created rules. Because rules are evaluated in order, you can override the default rules. For example, to completely negate these rules, you could add the following:

```
xlate per-session deny tcp any4 any4
xlate per-session deny tcp any4 any6
xlate per-session deny tcp any6 any4
xlate per-session deny tcp any6 any6
xlate per-session deny udp any4 any4 eq domain
xlate per-session deny udp any4 any6 eq domain
xlate per-session deny udp any6 any4 eq domain
xlate per-session deny udp any6 any6 eq domain
```

## Detailed Steps

Command	Purpose
<pre>xlate per-session {permit   deny} {tcp   udp} source_ip [operator src_port] destination_ip operator dest_port</pre> <p><b>Example:</b>  hostname(config)# xlate per-session deny tcp any4 209.165.201.3 eq 1720</p>	<p>Creates a permit or deny rule. This rule is placed above the default rules, but below any other manually-created rules. Be sure to create your rules in the order you want them applied.</p> <p>For the source and destination IP addresses, you can configure the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>host ip_address</b>—Specifies an IPv4 host address.</li> <li>• <b>ip_address mask</b>—Specifies an IPv4 network address and subnet mask.</li> <li>• <b>ipv6-address/prefix-length</b>—Specifies an IPv6 host or network address and prefix.</li> <li>• <b>any4</b> and <b>any6</b>—<b>any4</b> specifies only IPv4 traffic; and <b>any6</b> specifies any6 traffic.</li> </ul> <p>The <i>operator</i> matches the port numbers used by the source or destination. The permitted operators are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>lt</b>—less than</li> <li>• <b>gt</b>—greater than</li> <li>• <b>eq</b>—equal to</li> <li>• <b>neq</b>—not equal to</li> <li>• <b>range</b>—an inclusive range of values. When you use this operator, specify two port numbers, for example:  <pre>range 100 200</pre></li> </ul>

## Examples

The following example creates a deny rule for H.323 traffic, so that it uses multi-session PAT:

```
hostname(config)# xlate per-session deny tcp any4 209.165.201.7 eq 1720
hostname(config)# xlate per-session deny udp any4 209.165.201.7 range 1718 1719
```

# Monitoring Network Object NAT

To monitor object NAT, enter one of the following commands:

Command	Purpose
<code>show nat</code>	Shows NAT statistics, including hits for each NAT rule.
<code>show nat pool</code>	Shows NAT pool statistics, including the addresses and ports allocated, and how many times they were allocated.

Command	Purpose
<pre>show running-config nat</pre>	<p>Shows the NAT configuration.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You cannot view the NAT configuration using the <b>show running-config object</b> command. You cannot reference objects or object groups that have not yet been created in <b>nat</b> commands. To avoid forward or circular references in <b>show</b> command output, the <b>show running-config</b> command shows the <b>object</b> command two times: first, where the IP address(es) are defined; and later, where the <b>nat</b> command is defined. This command output guarantees that objects are defined first, then object groups, and finally NAT. For example:</p> <pre>hostname# show running-config ... object network obj1   range 192.168.49.1 192.150.49.100 object network obj2   object 192.168.49.100 object network network-1   subnet &lt;network-1&gt; object network network-2   subnet &lt;network-2&gt; object-group network pool   network-object object obj1   network-object object obj2 ... object network network-1   nat (inside,outside) dynamic pool object network network-2   nat (inside,outside) dynamic pool</pre>
<pre>show xlate</pre>	<p>Shows current NAT session information.</p>

## Configuration Examples for Network Object NAT

This section includes the following configuration examples:

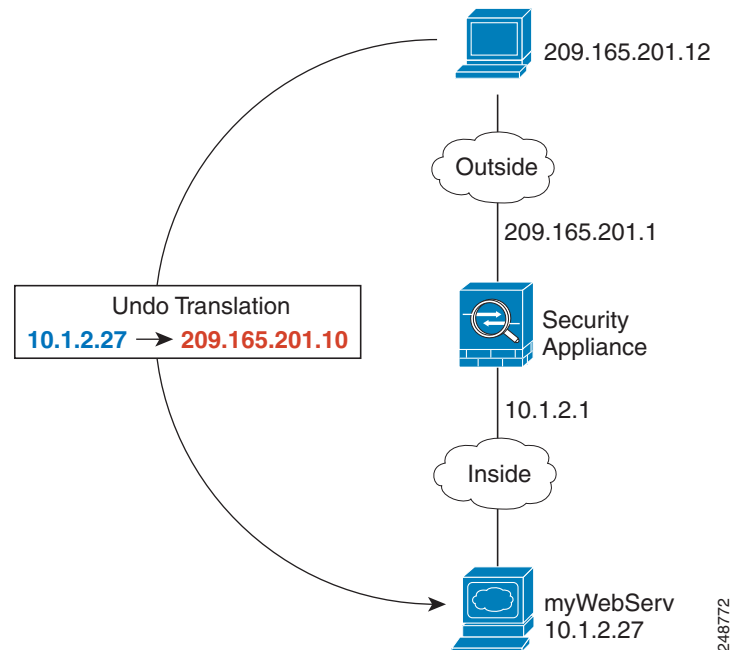
- [Providing Access to an Inside Web Server \(Static NAT\), page 5-19](#)
- [NAT for Inside Hosts \(Dynamic NAT\) and NAT for an Outside Web Server \(Static NAT\), page 5-19](#)
- [Inside Load Balancer with Multiple Mapped Addresses \(Static NAT, One-to-Many\), page 5-21](#)
- [Single Address for FTP, HTTP, and SMTP \(Static NAT-with-Port-Translation\), page 5-22](#)
- [DNS Server on Mapped Interface, Web Server on Real Interface \(Static NAT with DNS Modification\), page 5-23](#)
- [DNS Server and FTP Server on Mapped Interface, FTP Server is Translated \(Static NAT with DNS Modification\), page 5-25](#)
- [IPv4 DNS Server and FTP Server on Mapped Interface, IPv6 Host on Real Interface \(Static NAT64 with DNS64 Modification\), page 5-26](#)



## Providing Access to an Inside Web Server (Static NAT)

The following example performs static NAT for an inside web server. The real address is on a private network, so a public address is required. Static NAT is necessary so hosts can initiate traffic to the web server at a fixed address. (See [Figure 5-1](#)).

**Figure 5-1** Static NAT for an Inside Web Server



**Step 1** Create a network object for the internal web server:

```
hostname(config)# object network myWebServ
```

**Step 2** Define the web server address:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.2.27
```

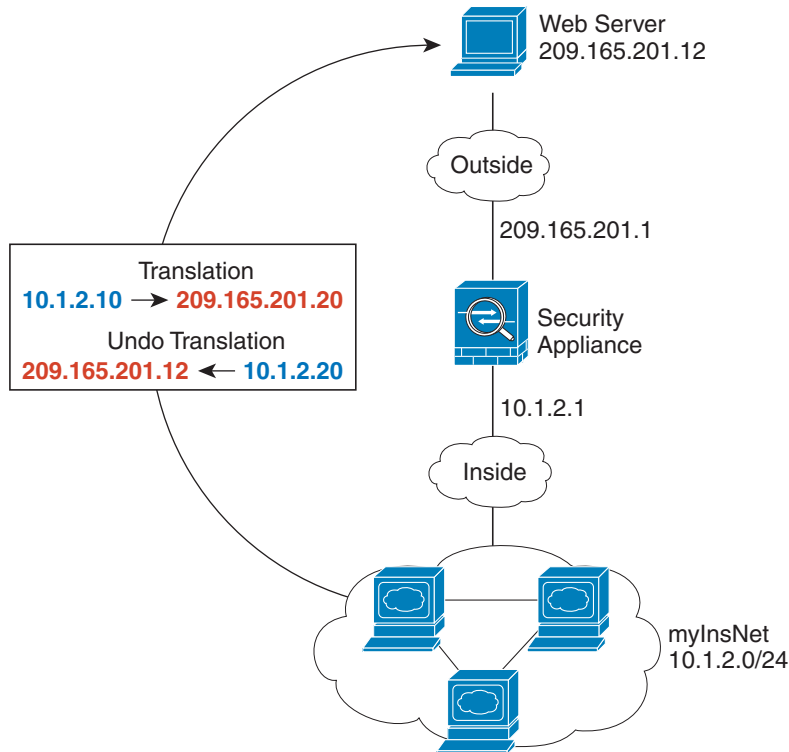
**Step 3** Configure static NAT for the object:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 209.165.201.10
```

## NAT for Inside Hosts (Dynamic NAT) and NAT for an Outside Web Server (Static NAT)

The following example configures dynamic NAT for inside users on a private network when they access the outside. Also, when inside users connect to an outside web server, that web server address is translated to an address that appears to be on the inside network. (See [Figure 5-2](#)).

Figure 5-2 Dynamic NAT for Inside, Static NAT for Outside Web Server



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**Step 1** Create a network object for the dynamic NAT pool to which you want to translate the inside addresses:

```
hostname(config)# object network myNatPool
hostname(config-network-object)# range 209.165.201.20 209.165.201.30
```

**Step 2** Create a network object for the inside network:

```
hostname(config)# object network myInsNet
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.1.2.0 255.255.255.0
```

**Step 3** Enable dynamic NAT for the inside network:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic myNatPool
```

**Step 4** Create a network object for the outside web server:

```
hostname(config)# object network myWebServ
```

**Step 5** Define the web server address:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.201.12
```

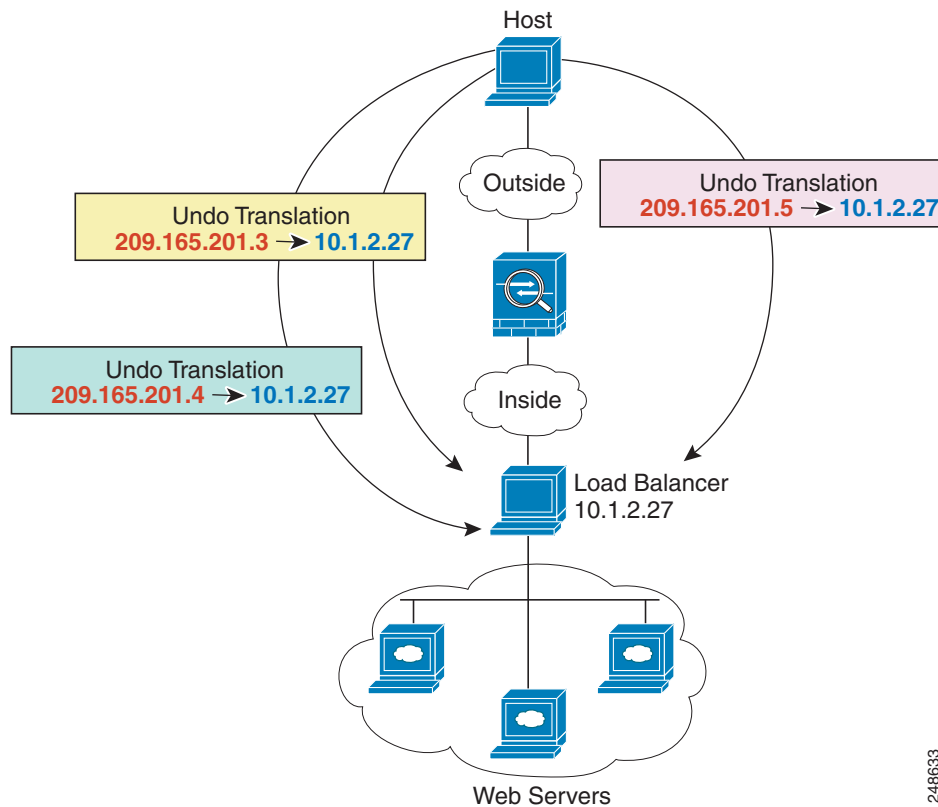
**Step 6** Configure static NAT for the web server:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (outside,inside) static 10.1.2.20
```

## Inside Load Balancer with Multiple Mapped Addresses (Static NAT, One-to-Many)

The following example shows an inside load balancer that is translated to multiple IP addresses. When an outside host accesses one of the mapped IP addresses, it is untranslated to the single load balancer address. Depending on the URL requested, it redirects traffic to the correct web server. (See [Figure 5-3](#)).

**Figure 5-3** Static NAT with One-to-Many for an Inside Load Balancer



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**Step 1** Create a network object for the addresses to which you want to map the load balancer:

```
hostname(config)# object network myPublicIPs
hostname(config-network-object)# range 209.165.201.3 209.265.201.8
```

**Step 2** Create a network object for the load balancer:

```
hostname(config)# object network myLBHost
```

**Step 3** Define the load balancer address:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.2.27
```

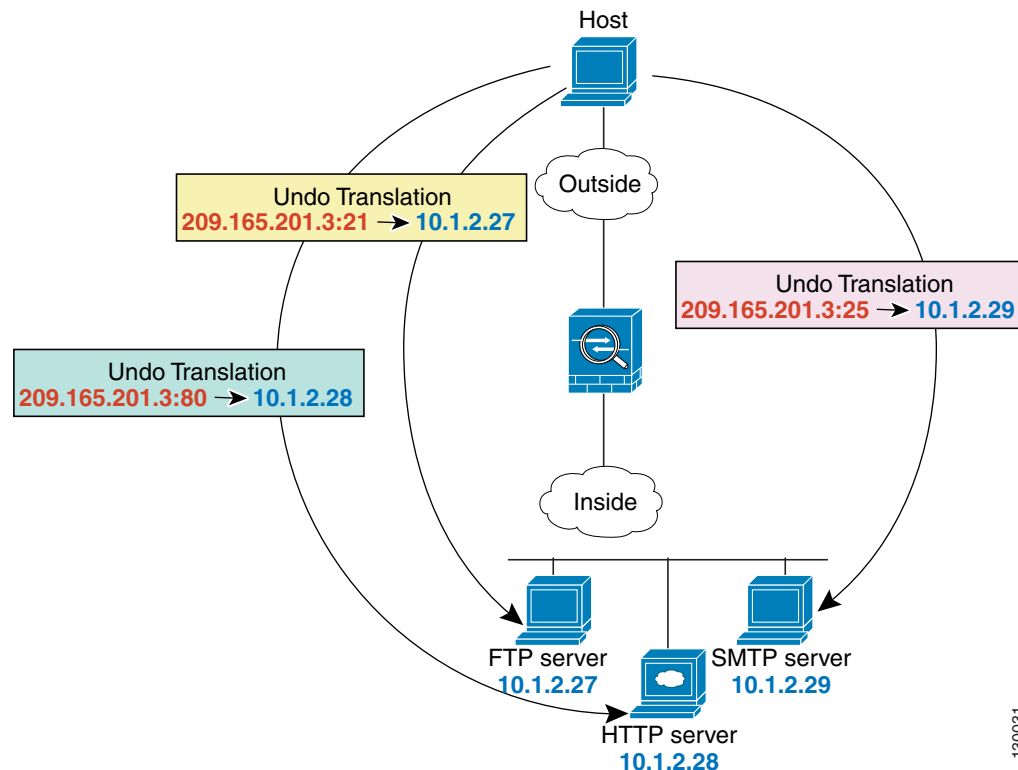
**Step 4** Configure static NAT for the load balancer:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static myPublicIPs
```

## Single Address for FTP, HTTP, and SMTP (Static NAT-with-Port-Translation)

The following static NAT-with-port-translation example provides a single address for remote users to access FTP, HTTP, and SMTP. These servers are actually different devices on the real network, but for each server, you can specify static NAT-with-port-translation rules that use the same mapped IP address, but different ports. (See [Figure 5-4](#).)

**Figure 5-4** Static NAT-with-Port-Translation



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- Step 1** Create a network object for the FTP server address:
- ```
hostname(config)# object network FTP_SERVER
```
- Step 2** Define the FTP server address, and configure static NAT with identity port translation for the FTP server:
- ```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.2.27
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 209.165.201.3 service tcp ftp ftp
```
- Step 3** Create a network object for the HTTP server address:
- ```
hostname(config)# object network HTTP_SERVER
```
- Step 4** Define the HTTP server address, and configure static NAT with identity port translation for the HTTP server:
- ```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.2.28
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 209.165.201.3 service tcp http http
```

**Step 5** Create a network object for the SMTP server address:

```
hostname(config)# object network SMTP_SERVER
```

**Step 6** Define the SMTP server address, and configure static NAT with identity port translation for the SMTP server:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.2.29
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 209.165.201.3 service tcp
smtp smtp
```

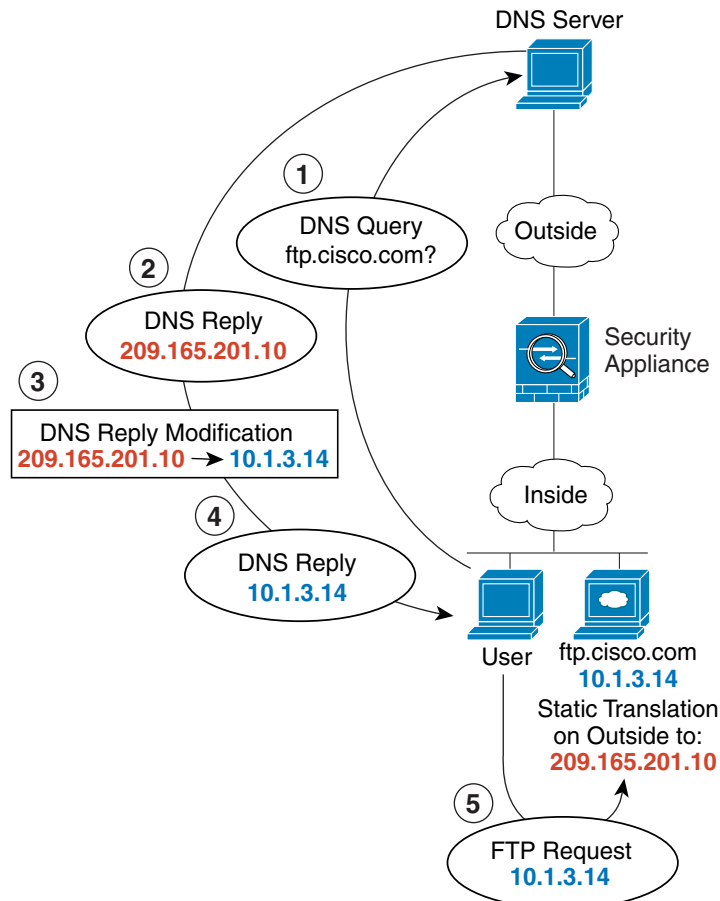
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## DNS Server on Mapped Interface, Web Server on Real Interface (Static NAT with DNS Modification)

For example, a DNS server is accessible from the outside interface. A server, ftp.cisco.com, is on the inside interface. You configure the ASA to statically translate the ftp.cisco.com real address (10.1.3.14) to a mapped address (209.165.201.10) that is visible on the outside network. (See [Figure 5-5](#).) In this case, you want to enable DNS reply modification on this static rule so that inside users who have access to ftp.cisco.com using the real address receive the real address from the DNS server, and not the mapped address.

When an inside host sends a DNS request for the address of ftp.cisco.com, the DNS server replies with the mapped address (209.165.201.10). The ASA refers to the static rule for the inside server and translates the address inside the DNS reply to 10.1.3.14. If you do not enable DNS reply modification, then the inside host attempts to send traffic to 209.165.201.10 instead of accessing ftp.cisco.com directly.

Figure 5-5 DNS Reply Modification



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**Step 1** Create a network object for the FTP server address:

```
hostname(config)# object network FTP_SERVER
```

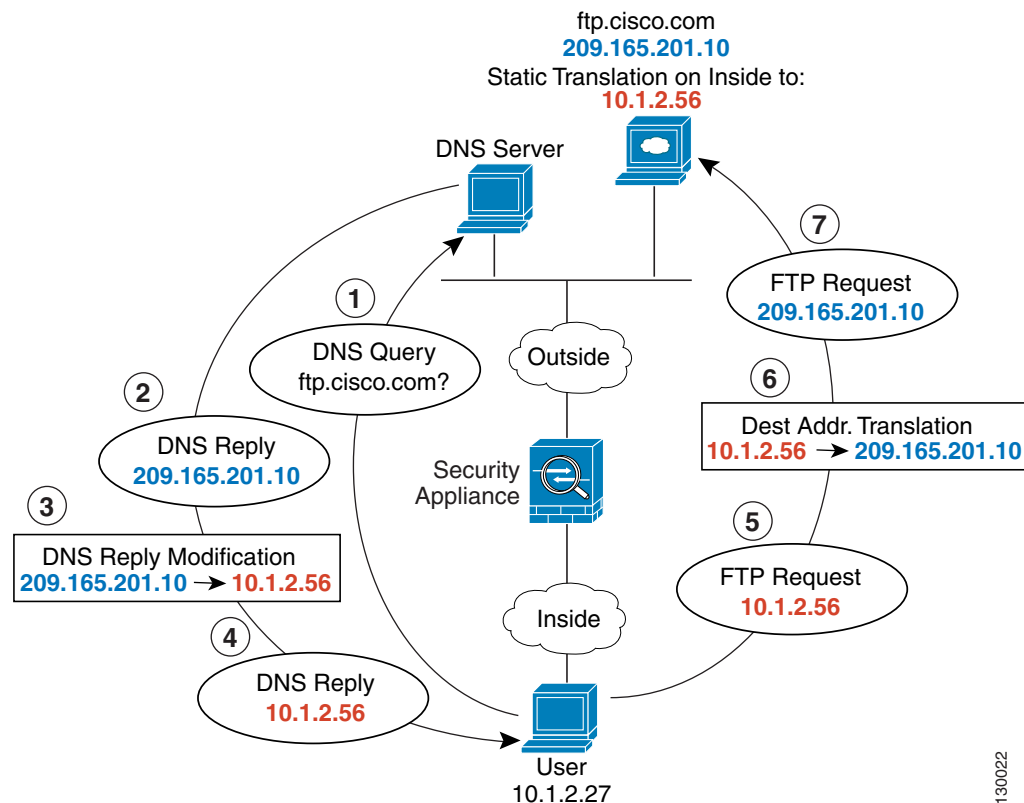
**Step 2** Define the FTP server address, and configure static NAT with DNS modification:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.1.3.14
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 209.165.201.10 dns
```

## DNS Server and FTP Server on Mapped Interface, FTP Server is Translated (Static NAT with DNS Modification)

Figure 5-6 shows an FTP server and DNS server on the outside. The ASA has a static translation for the outside server. In this case, when an inside user requests the address for ftp.cisco.com from the DNS server, the DNS server responds with the real address, 209.165.201.10. Because you want inside users to use the mapped address for ftp.cisco.com (10.1.2.56) you need to configure DNS reply modification for the static translation.

Figure 5-6 DNS Reply Modification Using Outside NAT



**Step 1** Create a network object for the FTP server address:

```
hostname(config)# object network FTP_SERVER
```

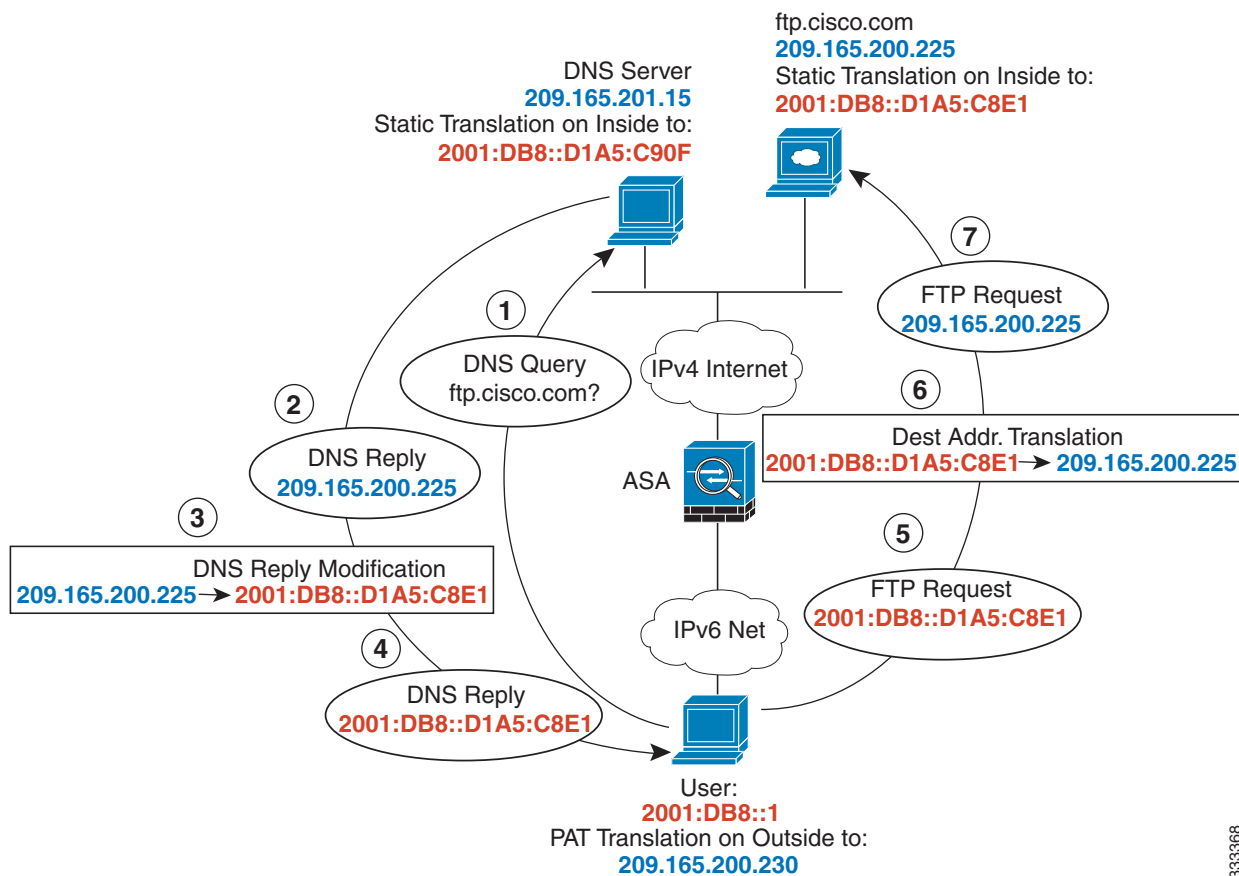
**Step 2** Define the FTP server address, and configure static NAT with DNS modification:

```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.201.10
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (outside,inside) static 10.1.2.56 dns
```

## IPv4 DNS Server and FTP Server on Mapped Interface, IPv6 Host on Real Interface (Static NAT64 with DNS64 Modification)

Figure 5-6 shows an FTP server and DNS server on the outside IPv4 network. The ASA has a static translation for the outside server. In this case, when an inside IPv6 user requests the address for ftp.cisco.com from the DNS server, the DNS server responds with the real address, 209.165.200.225. Because you want inside users to use the mapped address for ftp.cisco.com (2001:DB8::D1A5:C8E1) you need to configure DNS reply modification for the static translation. This example also includes a static NAT translation for the DNS server, and a PAT rule for the inside IPv6 hosts.

Figure 5-7 DNS Reply Modification Using Outside NAT



**Step 1** Configure static NAT with DNS modification for the FTP server.

- a. Create a network object for the FTP server address.

```
hostname(config)# object network FTP_SERVER
```

- b. Define the FTP server address, and configure static NAT with DNS modification and, because this is a one-to-one translation, configure the net-to-net method for NAT46.

```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.200.225
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (outside,inside) static 2001:DB8::D1A5:C8E1/128
net-to-net dns
```

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**Step 2** Configure NAT for the DNS server.

- a. Create a network object for the DNS server address.

```
hostname(config)# object network DNS_SERVER
```

- b. Define the DNS server address, and configure static NAT using the net-to-net method.

```
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.201.15  
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (outside,inside) static 2001:DB8::D1A5:C90F/128  
net-to-net
```

**Step 3** Configure an IPv4 PAT pool for translating the inside IPv6 network.

```
hostname(config)# object network IPv4_POOL  
hostname(config-network-object)# range 203.0.113.1 203.0.113.254
```

**Step 4** Configure PAT for the inside IPv6 network.

- a. Create a network object for the inside IPv6 network.

```
hostname(config)# object network IPv6_INSIDE
```

- b. Define the IPv6 network address, and configure dynamic NAT using a PAT pool.

```
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 2001:DB8::/96  
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic pat-pool IPv4_POOL
```

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# Feature History for Network Object NAT

Table 5-1 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 5-1** Feature History for Network Object NAT

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
Network Object NAT	8.3(1)	Configures NAT for a network object IP address(es). We introduced or modified the following commands: <b>nat</b> (object network configuration mode), <b>show nat</b> , <b>show xlate</b> , <b>show nat pool</b> .
Identity NAT configurable proxy ARP and route lookup	8.4(2)/8.5(1)	In earlier releases for identity NAT, proxy ARP was disabled, and a route lookup was always used to determine the egress interface. You could not configure these settings. In 8.4(2) and later, the default behavior for identity NAT was changed to match the behavior of other static NAT configurations: proxy ARP is enabled, and the NAT configuration determines the egress interface (if specified) by default. You can leave these settings as is, or you can enable or disable them discretely. Note that you can now also disable proxy ARP for regular static NAT.  When upgrading to 8.4(2) from 8.3(1), 8.3(2), and 8.4(1), all identity NAT configurations will now include the <b>no-proxy-arp</b> and <b>route-lookup</b> keywords, to maintain existing functionality.  We modified the following command: <b>nat static</b> [ <b>no-proxy-arp</b> ] [ <b>route-lookup</b> ].
PAT pool and round robin address assignment	8.4(2)/8.5(1)	You can now specify a pool of PAT addresses instead of a single address. You can also optionally enable round-robin assignment of PAT addresses instead of first using all ports on a PAT address before using the next address in the pool. These features help prevent a large number of connections from a single PAT address from appearing to be part of a DoS attack and makes configuration of large numbers of PAT addresses easy.  We modified the following command: <b>nat dynamic</b> [ <b>pat-pool mapped_object</b> ] [ <b>round-robin</b> ].
Round robin PAT pool allocation uses the same IP address for existing hosts	8.4(3)	When using a PAT pool with round robin allocation, if a host has an existing connection, then subsequent connections from that host will use the same PAT IP address if ports are available.  We did not modify any commands.  <i>This feature is not available in 8.5(1) or 8.6(1).</i>

Table 5-1 Feature History for Network Object NAT (continued)

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
Flat range of PAT ports for a PAT pool	8.4(3)	<p>If available, the real source port number is used for the mapped port. However, if the real port is <i>not</i> available, by default the mapped ports are chosen from the same range of ports as the real port number: 0 to 511, 512 to 1023, and 1024 to 65535. Therefore, ports below 1024 have only a small PAT pool.</p> <p>If you have a lot of traffic that uses the lower port ranges, when using a PAT pool, you can now specify a flat range of ports to be used instead of the three unequal-sized tiers: either 1024 to 65535, or 1 to 65535.</p> <p>We modified the following command: <b>nat dynamic [pat-pool mapped_object [flat [include-reserve]]]</b>.</p> <p><i>This feature is not available in 8.5(1) or 8.6(1).</i></p>
Extended PAT for a PAT pool	8.4(3)	<p>Each PAT IP address allows up to 65535 ports. If 65535 ports do not provide enough translations, you can now enable extended PAT for a PAT pool. Extended PAT uses 65535 ports per <i>service</i>, as opposed to per IP address, by including the destination address and port in the translation information.</p> <p>We modified the following command: <b>nat dynamic [pat-pool mapped_object [extended]]</b>.</p> <p><i>This feature is not available in 8.5(1) or 8.6(1).</i></p>

Table 5-1 Feature History for Network Object NAT (continued)

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
Automatic NAT rules to translate a VPN peer's local IP address back to the peer's real IP address	8.4(3)	<p>In rare situations, you might want to use a VPN peer's real IP address on the inside network instead of an assigned local IP address. Normally with VPN, the peer is given an assigned local IP address to access the inside network. However, you might want to translate the local IP address back to the peer's real public IP address if, for example, your inside servers and network security is based on the peer's real IP address.</p> <p>You can enable this feature on one interface per tunnel group. Object NAT rules are dynamically added and deleted when the VPN session is established or disconnected. You can view the rules using the <b>show nat</b> command.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Because of routing issues, we do not recommend using this feature unless you know you need this feature; contact Cisco TAC to confirm feature compatibility with your network. See the following limitations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only supports Cisco IPsec and AnyConnect Client.</li> <li>• Return traffic to the public IP addresses must be routed back to the ASA so the NAT policy and VPN policy can be applied.</li> <li>• Does not support load-balancing (because of routing issues).</li> <li>• Does not support roaming (public IP changing).</li> </ul> <p>We introduced the following command:  <b>nat-assigned-to-public-ip</b> <i>interface</i> (tunnel-group general-attributes configuration mode).</p>
NAT support for IPv6	9.0(1)	<p>NAT now supports IPv6 traffic, as well as translating between IPv4 and IPv6. Translating between IPv4 and IPv6 is not supported in transparent mode.</p> <p>We modified the following commands: <b>nat</b> (object network configuration mode), <b>show nat</b>, <b>show nat pool</b>, <b>show xlate</b>.</p>

Table 5-1 Feature History for Network Object NAT (continued)

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
NAT support for reverse DNS lookups	9.0(1)	NAT now supports translation of the DNS PTR record for reverse DNS lookups when using IPv4 NAT, IPv6 NAT, and NAT64 with DNS inspection enabled for the NAT rule.
Per-session PAT	9.0(1)	<p>The per-session PAT feature improves the scalability of PAT and, for clustering, allows each member unit to own PAT connections; multi-session PAT connections have to be forwarded to and owned by the master unit. At the end of a per-session PAT session, the ASA sends a reset and immediately removes the xlate. This reset causes the end node to immediately release the connection, avoiding the TIME_WAIT state. Multi-session PAT, on the other hand, uses the PAT timeout, by default 30 seconds. For “hit-and-run” traffic, such as HTTP or HTTPS, the per-session feature can dramatically increase the connection rate supported by one address. Without the per-session feature, the maximum connection rate for one address for an IP protocol is approximately 2000 per second. With the per-session feature, the connection rate for one address for an IP protocol is <math>65535/average-lifetime</math>.</p> <p>By default, all TCP traffic and UDP DNS traffic use a per-session PAT xlate. For traffic that requires multi-session PAT, such as H.323, SIP, or Skinny, you can disable per-session PAT by creating a per-session deny rule.</p> <p>We introduced the following commands: <b>xlate per-session</b>, <b>show nat pool</b>.</p>





## Twice NAT

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Twice NAT lets you identify both the source and destination address in a single rule. This chapter shows you how to configure twice NAT and includes the following sections:

- [Information About Twice NAT, page 6-1](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for Twice NAT, page 6-2](#)
- [Prerequisites for Twice NAT, page 6-2](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 6-2](#)
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**Note**

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For detailed information about how NAT works, see [Chapter 4, “Information About NAT.”](#)

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## Information About Twice NAT

Twice NAT lets you identify both the source and destination address in a single rule. Specifying both the source and destination addresses lets you specify that a source address should be translated to A when going to destination X, but be translated to B when going to destination Y, for example.



**Note**

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For static NAT, the rule is bidirectional, so be aware that “source” and “destination” are used in commands and descriptions throughout this guide even though a given connection might originate at the “destination” address. For example, if you configure static NAT with port address translation, and specify the source address as a Telnet server, and you want all traffic going to that Telnet server to have the port translated from 2323 to 23, then in the command, you must specify the *source* ports to be translated (real: 23, mapped: 2323). You specify the source ports because you specified the Telnet server address as the source address.

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The destination address is optional. If you specify the destination address, you can either map it to itself (identity NAT), or you can map it to a different address. The destination mapping is always a static mapping.

Twice NAT also lets you use service objects for static NAT-with-port-translation; network object NAT only accepts inline definition.

For detailed information about the differences between twice NAT and network object NAT, see [How NAT is Implemented, page 4-13](#).

Twice NAT rules are added to section 1 of the NAT rules table, or if specified, section 3. For more information about NAT ordering, see [NAT Rule Order, page 4-18](#).

## Licensing Requirements for Twice NAT

Model	License Requirement
ASAv	Standard or Premium License.
All other models	Base License.

## Prerequisites for Twice NAT

- For both the real and mapped addresses, configure network objects or network object groups (the **object network** or **object-group network** command). Network object groups are particularly useful for creating a mapped address pool with discontinuous IP address ranges or multiple hosts or subnets. To create a network object or group, see the general operations configuration guide.
- For static NAT-with-port-translation, configure TCP or UDP service objects (the **object service** command). To create a service object, see the general operations configuration guide.

For specific guidelines for objects and groups, see the configuration section for the NAT type you want to configure. See also the [Guidelines and Limitations, page 6-2](#) section.

## Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature.

### Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single and multiple context mode.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

- Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.
- In transparent mode, you must specify the real and mapped interfaces; you cannot use **any**.
- In transparent mode, you cannot configure interface PAT, because the transparent mode interfaces do not have IP addresses. You also cannot use the management IP address as a mapped address.
- In transparent mode, translating between IPv4 and IPv6 networks is not supported. Translating between two IPv6 networks, or between two IPv4 networks is supported.



**IPv6 Guidelines**

- Supports IPv6.
- For routed mode, you can also translate between IPv4 and IPv6.
- For transparent mode, translating between IPv4 and IPv6 networks is not supported. Translating between two IPv6 networks, or between two IPv4 networks is supported.
- For transparent mode, a PAT pool is not supported for IPv6.
- For static NAT, you can specify an IPv6 subnet up to /64. Larger subnets are not supported.
- When using FTP with NAT46, when an IPv4 FTP client connects to an IPv6 FTP server, the client must use either the extended passive mode (EPSV) or extended port mode (EPRT); PASV and PORT commands are not supported with IPv6.

**Additional Guidelines**

- You cannot configure FTP destination port translation when the source IP address is a subnet (or any other application that uses a secondary connection); the FTP data channel establishment does not succeed. For example, the following configuration does not work:

```
object network MyInsNet
  subnet 10.1.2.0 255.255.255.0
object network MapInsNet
  subnet 209.165.202.128 255.255.255.224
object network Server1
  host 209.165.200.225
object network Server1_mapped
  host 10.1.2.67
object service REAL_ftp
  service tcp destination eq ftp
object service MAPPED_ftp
  service tcp destination eq 2021
object network MyOutNet
  subnet 209.165.201.0 255.255.255.224

nat (inside,outside) source static MyInsNet MapInsNet destination static
Server1_mapped Server1 service MAPPED_ftp REAL_ftp
```

- If you change the NAT configuration, and you do not want to wait for existing translations to time out before the new NAT information is used, you can clear the translation table using the **clear xlate** command. However, clearing the translation table disconnects all current connections that use translations.



**Note** If you remove a dynamic NAT or PAT rule, and then add a new rule with mapped addresses that overlap the addresses in the removed rule, then the new rule will not be used until all connections associated with the removed rule time out or are cleared using the **clear xlate** command. This safeguard ensures that the same address is not assigned to multiple hosts.

- You cannot use an object group with both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses; the object group must include only one type of address.
- When using the **any** keyword in a NAT rule, the definition of “any” traffic (IPv4 vs. IPv6) depends on the rule. Before the ASA performs NAT on a packet, the packet must be IPv6-to-IPv6 or IPv4-to-IPv4; with this prerequisite, the ASA can determine the value of **any** in a NAT rule. For example, if you configure a rule from “any” to an IPv6 server, and that server was mapped from an

IPv4 address, then **any** means “any IPv6 traffic.” If you configure a rule from “any” to “any,” and you map the source to the interface IPv4 address, then **any** means “any IPv4 traffic” because the mapped interface address implies that the destination is also IPv4.

- Objects and object groups used in NAT cannot be undefined; they must include IP addresses.
- You can use the same objects in multiple rules.
- The mapped IP address pool cannot include:
  - The mapped interface IP address. If you specify **any** interface for the rule, then all interface IP addresses are disallowed. For interface PAT (routed mode only), use the **interface** keyword instead of the IP address.
  - (Transparent mode) The management IP address.
  - (Dynamic NAT) The standby interface IP address when VPN is enabled.
  - Existing VPN pool addresses.

## Default Settings

- By default, the rule is added to the end of section 1 of the NAT table.
- (Routed mode) The default real and mapped interface is Any, which applies the rule to all interfaces.
- If you specify an optional interface, then the ASA uses the NAT configuration to determine the egress interface, but you have the option to always use a route lookup instead.

## Configuring Twice NAT

This section describes how to configure twice NAT. This section includes the following topics:

- [Adding Network Objects for Real and Mapped Addresses, page 6-4](#)
- [\(Optional\) Adding Service Objects for Real and Mapped Ports, page 6-6](#)
- [Configuring Dynamic NAT, page 6-7](#)
- [Configuring Dynamic PAT \(Hide\), page 6-11](#)
- [Configuring Static NAT or Static NAT-with-Port-Translation, page 6-18](#)
- [Configuring Identity NAT, page 6-21](#)
- [Configuring Per-Session PAT Rules, page 6-24](#)

## Adding Network Objects for Real and Mapped Addresses

For each NAT rule, configure up to four network objects or groups for:

- **Source real address**
- **Source mapped address**
- **Destination real address**
- **Destination mapped address**

Objects are required unless you specify the **any** keyword inline to represent all traffic, or for some types of NAT, the **interface** keyword to represent the interface address. For more information about configuring a network object or group, see the general operations configuration guide.

## Guidelines

- A network object group can contain objects and/or inline addresses of either IPv4 or IPv6 addresses. The group cannot contain both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses; it must contain one type only.
- See [Guidelines and Limitations, page 6-2](#) for information about disallowed mapped IP addresses.
- Source Dynamic NAT:
  - You typically configure a larger group of real addresses to be mapped to a smaller group.
  - The mapped object or group cannot contain a subnet; the object must define a range; the group can include hosts and ranges.
  - If a mapped network object contains both ranges and host IP addresses, then the ranges are used for dynamic NAT, and the host IP addresses are used as a PAT fallback.
- Source Dynamic PAT (Hide):
  - The mapped object or group cannot contain a subnet; a network object must define a host, or for a PAT pool, a range; a network object group (for a PAT pool) can include hosts and ranges.
- Source Static NAT or Static NAT with port translation:
  - The mapped object or group can contain a host, range, or subnet.
  - The static mapping is typically one-to-one, so the real addresses have the same quantity as the mapped addresses. You can, however, have different quantities if desired. For more information, see [Static NAT, page 4-3](#).
- Source Identity NAT
  - The real and mapped objects must match; you can use the same object for both, or you can create separate objects that contain the same IP addresses.
- Destination Static NAT or Static NAT with port translation (the destination translation is always static):
  - Although the main feature of twice NAT is the inclusion of the destination IP address, the destination address is optional. If you do specify the destination address, you can configure static translation for that address or just use identity NAT for it. You might want to configure twice NAT without a destination address to take advantage of some of the other qualities of twice NAT, including the use of network object groups for real addresses, or manually ordering of rules. For more information, see [Main Differences Between Network Object NAT and Twice NAT, page 4-13](#).
  - For identity NAT, the real and mapped objects must match; you can use the same object for both, or you can create separate objects that contain the same IP addresses.
  - The static mapping is typically one-to-one, so the real addresses have the same quantity as the mapped addresses. You can, however, have different quantities if desired. For more information, see [Static NAT, page 4-3](#).
  - For static interface NAT with port translation (routed mode only), you can specify the **interface** keyword instead of a network object/group for the mapped address. For more information, see [Static Interface NAT with Port Translation, page 4-5](#).

## Detailed Steps

Command	Purpose
<pre>object network obj_name   {host ip_address   subnet   subnet_address netmask   range   ip_address_1 ip_address_2}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network MyInsNet hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0</pre>	Adds a network object, either IPv4 or IPv6.
<pre>object-group network grp_name   {network-object {object net_obj_name     subnet_address netmask     host ip_address}     group-object grp_obj_name}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network TEST hostname(config-network-object)# range 10.1.1.1 10.1.1.70  hostname(config)# object network TEST2 hostname(config-network-object)# range 10.1.2.1 10.1.2.70  hostname(config-network-object)# object-group network MAPPED_IPS hostname(config-network)# network-object object TEST hostname(config-network)# network-object object TEST2 hostname(config-network)# network-object host 10.1.2.79</pre>	Adds a network object group, either IPv4 or IPv6.

## (Optional) Adding Service Objects for Real and Mapped Ports

Configure service objects for:

- **Source real port (Static only) or Destination real port**
- **Source mapped port (Static only) or Destination mapped port**

For more information about configuring a service object, see the general operations configuration guide.

### Guidelines

- NAT only supports TCP or UDP. When translating a port, be sure the protocols in the real and mapped service objects are identical (both TCP or both UDP).
- The “not equal” (**neq**) operator is not supported.
- For identity port translation, you can use the same service object for both the real and mapped ports.
- Source Dynamic NAT—Source Dynamic NAT does not support port translation.

- Source Dynamic PAT (Hide)—Source Dynamic PAT does not support port translation.
- Source Static NAT or Static NAT with port translation—A service object can contain both a source and destination port; however, you should specify *either* the source *or* the destination port for both service objects. You should only specify *both* the source and destination ports if your application uses a fixed source port (such as some DNS servers); but fixed source ports are rare. For example, if you want to translate the port for the source host, then configure the source service.
- Source Identity NAT—A service object can contain both a source and destination port; however, you should specify *either* the source *or* the destination port for both service objects. You should only specify *both* the source and destination ports if your application uses a fixed source port (such as some DNS servers); but fixed source ports are rare. For example, if you want to translate the port for the source host, then configure the source service.
- Destination Static NAT or Static NAT with port translation (the destination translation is always static)—For non-static source NAT, you can only perform port translation on the destination. A service object can contain both a source and destination port, but only the destination port is used in this case. If you specify the source port, it will be ignored.

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<pre>object service obj_name   service {tcp   udp} [source operator     port] [destination operator port]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object service REAL_SRC_SVC hostname(config-service-object)# service tcp source eq 80</pre> <pre>hostname(config)# object service MAPPED_SRC_SVC hostname(config-service-object)# service tcp source eq 8080</pre>	Adds a service object.

## Configuring Dynamic NAT

This section describes how to configure twice NAT for dynamic NAT. For more information, see [Dynamic NAT, page 4-7](#).

## Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	Create network objects or groups for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Source real addresses</li> <li>• Source mapped addresses</li> <li>• Destination real addresses</li> <li>• Destination mapped addresses</li> </ul>	See <a href="#">Adding Network Objects for Real and Mapped Addresses, page 6-4</a> .  If you want to translate all source traffic, you can skip adding an object for the source real addresses, and instead specify the <b>any</b> keyword in the <b>nat</b> command.  If you want to configure destination static interface NAT with port translation only, you can skip adding an object for the destination mapped addresses, and instead specify the <b>interface</b> keyword in the <b>nat</b> command.
Step 2	(Optional) Create service objects for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Destination real ports</li> <li>• Destination mapped ports</li> </ul>	See <a href="#">(Optional) Adding Service Objects for Real and Mapped Ports, page 6-6</a> .

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 3</b></p> <pre> <b>nat</b> [(<i>real_ifc</i>,<i>mapped_ifc</i>)] [<i>line</i>   {<b>after-auto</b> [<i>line</i>]}] <b>source dynamic</b> {<i>real_obj</i>   <b>any</b>} {<i>mapped_obj</i> [<b>interface</b> [<b>ipv6</b>]]} [<b>destination static</b> {<i>mapped_obj</i>   <b>interface</b> [<b>ipv6</b>]} <i>real_obj</i>] [<b>service</b> <i>mapped_dest_svc_obj</i> <i>real_dest_svc_obj</i>] [<b>dns</b>] [<b>unidirectional</b>] [<b>inactive</b>] [<b>description</b> <i>desc</i>]  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic MyInsNet NAT_POOL destination static Server1_mapped Server1 service MAPPED_SVC REAL_SVC </pre>	<p>Configure <b>dynamic NAT</b>. See the following guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interfaces</b>—(Required for transparent mode) Specify the real and mapped interfaces. Be sure to include the parentheses in your command. In routed mode, if you do not specify the real and mapped interfaces, all interfaces are used; you can also specify the keyword <b>any</b> for one or both of the interfaces.</li> <li>• <b>Section and Line</b>—(Optional) By default, the NAT rule is added to the end of section 1 of the NAT table (see <a href="#">NAT Rule Order, page 4-18</a>). If you want to add the rule into section 3 instead (after the network object NAT rules), then use the <b>after-auto</b> keyword. You can insert a rule anywhere in the applicable section using the <i>line</i> argument.</li> <li>• <b>Source addresses:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Real</b>—Specify a network object, group, or the <b>any</b> keyword.</li> <li>– <b>Mapped</b>—Specify a different network object or group. You can optionally configure the following fallback method: <p style="margin-left: 20px;">Interface PAT fallback—(Routed mode only) The <b>interface</b> keyword enables interface PAT fallback. If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. After the mapped IP addresses are used up, then the IP address of the mapped interface is used. For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>mapped_ifc</i>.</p> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Command	Purpose
	<p>(Continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Destination addresses (Optional): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mapped—Specify a network object or group, or for static interface NAT with port translation only, specify the <b>interface</b> keyword. If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. If you specify <b>interface</b>, be sure to also configure the <b>service</b> keyword. For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>real_ifc</i>. See <a href="#">Static Interface NAT with Port Translation, page 4-5</a> for more information.</li> <li>– Real—Specify a network object or group. For identity NAT, simply use the same object or group for both the real and mapped addresses.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Destination port—(Optional) Specify the <b>service</b> keyword along with the mapped and real service objects. For identity port translation, simply use the same service object for both the real and mapped ports.</li> <li>• DNS—(Optional; for a source-only rule) The <b>dns</b> keyword translates DNS replies. Be sure DNS inspection is enabled (it is enabled by default). You cannot configure the <b>dns</b> keyword if you configure a <b>destination</b> address. See <a href="#">DNS and NAT, page 4-28</a> for more information.</li> <li>• Unidirectional—(Optional) Specify <b>unidirectional</b> so the destination addresses cannot initiate traffic to the source addresses.</li> <li>• Inactive—(Optional) To make this rule inactive without having to remove the command, use the <b>inactive</b> keyword. To reactivate it, reenter the whole command without the <b>inactive</b> keyword.</li> <li>• Description—(Optional) Provide a description up to 200 characters using the <b>description</b> keyword.</li> </ul>



## Examples

The following example configures dynamic NAT for inside network 10.1.1.0/24 when accessing servers on the 209.165.201.1/27 network as well as servers on the 203.0.113.0/24 network:

```
hostname(config)# object network INSIDE_NW
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0

hostname(config)# object network MAPPED_1
hostname(config-network-object)# range 209.165.200.225 209.165.200.254

hostname(config)# object network MAPPED_2
hostname(config-network-object)# range 209.165.202.129 209.165.200.158

hostname(config)# object network SERVERS_1
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 209.165.201.0 255.255.255.224

hostname(config)# object network SERVERS_2
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 203.0.113.0 255.255.255.0

hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic INSIDE_NW MAPPED_1 destination
static SERVERS_1 SERVERS_1
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic INSIDE_NW MAPPED_2 destination
static SERVERS_2 SERVERS_2
```

The following example configures dynamic NAT for an IPv6 inside network 2001:DB8:AAAA::/96 when accessing servers on the IPv4 209.165.201.1/27 network as well as servers on the 203.0.113.0/24 network:

```
hostname(config)# object network INSIDE_NW
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 2001:DB8:AAAA::/96

hostname(config)# object network MAPPED_1
hostname(config-network-object)# range 209.165.200.225 209.165.200.254

hostname(config)# object network MAPPED_2
hostname(config-network-object)# range 209.165.202.129 209.165.200.158

hostname(config)# object network SERVERS_1
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 209.165.201.0 255.255.255.224

hostname(config)# object network SERVERS_2
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 203.0.113.0 255.255.255.0

hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic INSIDE_NW MAPPED_1 destination
static SERVERS_1 SERVERS_1
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic INSIDE_NW MAPPED_2 destination
static SERVERS_2 SERVERS_2
```

## Configuring Dynamic PAT (Hide)

This section describes how to configure twice NAT for dynamic PAT (hide). For more information, see [Dynamic PAT, page 4-8](#).

### Guidelines

For a PAT pool:

- If available, the real source port number is used for the mapped port. However, if the real port is *not* available, by default the mapped ports are chosen from the same range of ports as the real port number: 0 to 511, 512 to 1023, and 1024 to 65535. Therefore, ports below 1024 have only a small PAT pool that can be used. (8.4(3) and later, not including 8.5(1) or 8.6(1)) If you have a lot of traffic that uses the lower port ranges, you can now specify a flat range of ports to be used instead of the three unequal-sized tiers: either 1024 to 65535, or 1 to 65535.
- If you use the same PAT pool object in two separate rules, then be sure to specify the same options for each rule. For example, if one rule specifies extended PAT and a flat range, then the other rule must also specify extended PAT and a flat range.

For extended PAT for a PAT pool:

- Many application inspections do not support extended PAT. See [Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4 in Chapter 7, “Getting Started with Application Layer Protocol Inspection,”](#) for a complete list of unsupported inspections.
- If you enable extended PAT for a dynamic PAT rule, then you cannot also use an address in the PAT pool as the PAT address in a separate static NAT-with-port-translation rule. For example, if the PAT pool includes 10.1.1.1, then you cannot create a static NAT-with-port-translation rule using 10.1.1.1 as the PAT address.
- If you use a PAT pool and specify an interface for fallback, you cannot specify extended PAT.
- For VoIP deployments that use ICE or TURN, do not use extended PAT. ICE and TURN rely on the PAT binding to be the same for all destinations.

For round robin for a PAT pool:

- If a host has an existing connection, then subsequent connections from that host will use the same PAT IP address if ports are available. **Note:** This “stickiness” does not survive a failover. If the ASA fails over, then subsequent connections from a host may not use the initial IP address.
- Round robin, especially when combined with extended PAT, can consume a large amount of memory. Because NAT pools are created for every mapped protocol/IP address/port range, round robin results in a large number of concurrent NAT pools, which use memory. Extended PAT results in an even larger number of concurrent NAT pools.

## Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	Create network objects or groups for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Source real addresses</li> <li>• Source mapped addresses</li> <li>• Destination real addresses</li> <li>• Destination mapped addresses</li> </ul>	<p>See <a href="#">Adding Network Objects for Real and Mapped Addresses, page 6-4</a>.</p> <p>If you want to translate all source traffic, you can skip adding an object for the source real addresses, and instead specify the <b>any</b> keyword in the <b>nat</b> command.</p> <p>If you want to use the interface address as the mapped address, you can skip adding an object for the source mapped addresses, and instead specify the <b>interface</b> keyword in the <b>nat</b> command.</p> <p>If you want to configure destination static interface NAT with port translation only, you can skip adding an object for the destination mapped addresses, and instead specify the <b>interface</b> keyword in the <b>nat</b> command.</p>
<b>Step 2</b>	(Optional) Create service objects for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Destination real ports</li> <li>• Destination mapped ports</li> </ul>	<p>See <a href="#">(Optional) Adding Service Objects for Real and Mapped Ports, page 6-6</a>.</p>

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 3</b></p> <pre> nat [(real_ifc,mapped_ifc)] [line   {after-auto [line]}] source dynamic {real-obj   any} {mapped_obj [interface [ipv6]]   [pat-pool mapped_obj [round-robin] [extended] [flat [include-reserve]] [interface [ipv6]]   interface [ipv6]} [destination static {mapped_obj   interface [ipv6]} real_obj] [service mapped_dest_svc_obj real_dest_svc_obj] [dns] [unidirectional] [inactive] [description desc] </pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre> hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic MyInsNet interface destination static Server1 Server1 description Interface PAT for inside addresses when going to server 1 </pre>	<p>Configures <b>dynamic PAT (hide)</b>. See the following guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interfaces</b>—(Required for transparent mode) Specify the real and mapped interfaces. Be sure to include the parentheses in your command. In routed mode, if you do not specify the real and mapped interfaces, all interfaces are used; you can also specify the keyword <b>any</b> for one or both of the interfaces.</li> <li>• <b>Section and Line</b>—(Optional) By default, the NAT rule is added to the end of section 1 of the NAT table (see <a href="#">NAT Rule Order, page 4-18</a>). If you want to add the rule into section 3 instead (after the network object NAT rules), then use the <b>after-auto</b> keyword. You can insert a rule anywhere in the applicable section using the <i>line</i> argument.</li> <li>• <b>Source addresses:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Real</b>—Specify a network object, group, or the <b>any</b> keyword. Use the <b>any</b> keyword if you want to translate all traffic from the real interface to the mapped interface.</li> <li>- <b>Mapped</b>—Configure one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Network object</b>—Specify a network object that contains a host address.</li> <li>- <b>pat-pool</b>—Specify the <b>pat-pool</b> keyword and a network object or group that contains multiple addresses.</li> <li>- <b>interface</b>—(Routed mode only) Specify the <b>interface</b> keyword alone to only use interface PAT. If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. When specified with a PAT pool or network object, the <b>interface</b> keyword enables interface PAT fallback. After the PAT IP addresses are used up, then the IP address of the mapped interface is used. For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>mapped_ifc</i>.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>(continued)</p>

Command	Purpose
	<p>(continued)</p> <p>For a PAT pool, you can specify one or more of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Round robin—The <b>round-robin</b> keyword enables round-robin address allocation for a PAT pool. Without round robin, by default all ports for a PAT address will be allocated before the next PAT address is used. The round-robin method assigns an address/port from each PAT address in the pool before returning to use the first address again, and then the second address, and so on.</li> <li>-- Extended PAT—The <b>extended</b> keyword enables extended PAT. Extended PAT uses 65535 ports per <i>service</i>, as opposed to per IP address, by including the destination address and port in the translation information. Normally, the destination port and address are not considered when creating PAT translations, so you are limited to 65535 ports per PAT address. For example, with extended PAT, you can create a translation of 10.1.1.1:1027 when going to 192.168.1.7:23 as well as a translation of 10.1.1.1:1027 when going to 192.168.1.7:80.</li> <li>-- Flat range—The <b>flat</b> keyword enables use of the entire 1024 to 65535 port range when allocating ports. When choosing the mapped port number for a translation, the ASA uses the real source port number if it is available. However, without this option, if the real port is <i>not</i> available, by default the mapped ports are chosen from the same range of ports as the real port number: 1 to 511, 512 to 1023, and 1024 to 65535. To avoid running out of ports at the low ranges, configure this setting. To use the entire range of 1 to 65535, also specify the <b>include-reserve</b> keyword.</li> </ul> <p>(continued)</p>

Command	Purpose
	<p>(continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Destination addresses (Optional): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mapped—Specify a network object or group, or for static interface NAT with port translation only (routed mode), specify the <b>interface</b> keyword. If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. If you specify <b>interface</b>, be sure to also configure the <b>service</b> keyword. For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>real_ifc</i>. See <a href="#">Static Interface NAT with Port Translation, page 4-5</a> for more information.</li> <li>– Real—Specify a network object or group. For identity NAT, simply use the same object or group for both the real and mapped addresses.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Destination port—(Optional) Specify the <b>service</b> keyword along with the real and mapped service objects. For identity port translation, simply use the same service object for both the real and mapped ports.</li> <li>• DNS—(Optional; for a source-only rule) The <b>dns</b> keyword translates DNS replies. Be sure DNS inspection is enabled (it is enabled by default). You cannot configure the <b>dns</b> keyword if you configure a <b>destination</b> address. See <a href="#">DNS and NAT, page 4-28</a> for more information.</li> <li>• Unidirectional—(Optional) Specify <b>unidirectional</b> so the destination addresses cannot initiate traffic to the source addresses.</li> <li>• Inactive—(Optional) To make this rule inactive without having to remove the command, use the <b>inactive</b> keyword. To reactivate it, reenter the whole command without the <b>inactive</b> keyword.</li> <li>• Description—(Optional) Provide a description up to 200 characters using the <b>description</b> keyword.</li> </ul>

## Examples

The following example configures interface PAT for inside network 192.168.1.0/24 when accessing outside Telnet server 209.165.201.23, and Dynamic PAT using a PAT pool when accessing any server on the 203.0.113.0/24 network.

```
hostname(config)# object network INSIDE_NW
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 192.168.1.0 255.255.255.0

hostname(config)# object network PAT_POOL
hostname(config-network-object)# range 209.165.200.225 209.165.200.254

hostname(config)# object network TELNET_SVR
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.201.23

hostname(config)# object service TELNET
hostname(config-service-object)# service tcp destination eq 23

hostname(config)# object network SERVERS
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 203.0.113.0 255.255.255.0

hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic INSIDE_NW interface destination
static TELNET_SVR TELNET_SVR service TELNET TELNET
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic INSIDE_NW pat-pool PAT_POOL
destination static SERVERS SERVERS
```

The following example configures interface PAT for inside network 192.168.1.0/24 when accessing outside IPv6 Telnet server 2001:DB8::23, and Dynamic PAT using a PAT pool when accessing any server on the 2001:DB8:AAAA::/96 network.

```
hostname(config)# object network INSIDE_NW
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 192.168.1.0 255.255.255.0

hostname(config)# object network PAT_POOL
hostname(config-network-object)# range 2001:DB8:AAAA::1 2001:DB8:AAAA::200

hostname(config)# object network TELNET_SVR
hostname(config-network-object)# host 2001:DB8::23

hostname(config)# object service TELNET
hostname(config-service-object)# service tcp destination eq 23

hostname(config)# object network SERVERS
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 2001:DB8:AAAA::/96

hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic INSIDE_NW interface ipv6 destination
static TELNET_SVR TELNET_SVR service TELNET TELNET
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic INSIDE_NW pat-pool PAT_POOL
destination static SERVERS SERVERS
```

## Configuring Static NAT or Static NAT-with-Port-Translation

This section describes how to configure a static NAT rule using twice NAT. For more information about static NAT, see [Static NAT, page 4-3](#).

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	Create network objects or groups for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Source real addresses</li> <li>• Source mapped addresses</li> <li>• Destination real addresses</li> <li>• Destination mapped addresses</li> </ul>	See <a href="#">Adding Network Objects for Real and Mapped Addresses, page 6-4</a> .  If you want to configure source static interface NAT with port translation only, you can skip adding an object for the source mapped addresses, and instead specify the <b>interface</b> keyword in the <b>nat</b> command.  If you want to configure destination static interface NAT with port translation only, you can skip adding an object for the destination mapped addresses, and instead specify the <b>interface</b> keyword in the <b>nat</b> command.
<b>Step 2</b>	(Optional) Create service objects for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Source <i>or</i> Destination real ports</li> <li>• Source <i>or</i> Destination mapped ports</li> </ul>	See <a href="#">(Optional) Adding Service Objects for Real and Mapped Ports, page 6-6</a> .



Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 3</b></p> <pre> <b>nat</b> [(<i>real_ifc</i>,<i>mapped_ifc</i>)] [<i>line</i>   {<b>after-object</b> [<i>line</i>]}] <b>source static</b> <i>real_ob</i> [<i>mapped_obj</i>   <b>interface</b> [<i>ipv6</i>]] [<b>destination static</b> {<i>mapped_obj</i>   <b>interface</b> [<i>ipv6</i>]}] <i>real_obj</i>] [<b>service</b> <i>real_src_mapped_dest_svc_obj</i> <i>mapped_src_real_dest_svc_obj</i>] [<b>net-to-net</b>] [<b>dns</b>] [<b>unidirectional</b>   <b>no-proxy-arp</b>] [<b>inactive</b>] [<b>description</b> <i>desc</i>] </pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre> hostname(config)# nat (inside,dmz) source static MyInsNet MyInsNet_mapped destination static Server1 Server1 service REAL_SRC_SVC MAPPED_SRC_SVC </pre>	<p>Configures <b>static NAT</b>. See the following guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interfaces</b>—(Required for transparent mode) Specify the real and mapped interfaces. Be sure to include the parentheses in your command. In routed mode, if you do not specify the real and mapped interfaces, all interfaces are used; you can also specify the keyword <b>any</b> for one or both of the interfaces.</li> <li>• <b>Section and Line</b>—(Optional) By default, the NAT rule is added to the end of section 1 of the NAT table. See <a href="#">NAT Rule Order, page 4-18</a> for more information about sections. If you want to add the rule into section 3 instead (after the network object NAT rules), then use the <b>after-auto</b> keyword. You can insert a rule anywhere in the applicable section using the <i>line</i> argument.</li> <li>• <b>Source addresses:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Real</b>—Specify a network object or group.</li> <li>– <b>Mapped</b>—Specify a different network object or group. For static interface NAT with port translation only, you can specify the <b>interface</b> keyword (routed mode only). If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. If you specify <b>interface</b>, be sure to also configure the <b>service</b> keyword (in this case, the service objects should include only the source port). For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>mapped_ifc</i>. See <a href="#">Static Interface NAT with Port Translation, page 4-5</a> for more information.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Destination addresses (Optional):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Mapped</b>—Specify a network object or group, or for static interface NAT with port translation only, specify the <b>interface</b> keyword. If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. If you specify <b>interface</b>, be sure to also configure the <b>service</b> keyword (in this case, the service objects should include only the destination port). For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>real_ifc</i>.</li> <li>– <b>Real</b>—Specify a network object or group. For identity NAT, simply use the same object or group for both the real and mapped addresses.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Command	Purpose
	<p>(Continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ports—(Optional) Specify the <b>service</b> keyword along with the real and mapped service objects. For source port translation, the objects must specify the source service. The order of the service objects in the command for source port translation is <b>service real_obj mapped_obj</b>. For destination port translation, the objects must specify the destination service. The order of the service objects for destination port translation is <b>service mapped_obj real_obj</b>. In the rare case where you specify both the source and destination ports in the object, the first service object contains the real source port/mapped destination port; the second service object contains the mapped source port/real destination port. For identity port translation, simply use the same service object for both the real and mapped ports (source and/or destination ports, depending on your configuration).</li> <li>• Net-to-net—(Optional) For NAT 46, specify <b>net-to-net</b> to translate the first IPv4 address to the first IPv6 address, the second to the second, and so on. Without this option, the IPv4-embedded method is used. For a one-to-one translation, you must use this keyword.</li> <li>• DNS—(Optional; for a source-only rule) The <b>dns</b> keyword translates DNS replies. Be sure DNS inspection is enabled (it is enabled by default). You cannot configure the <b>dns</b> keyword if you configure a <b>destination</b> address. See <a href="#">DNS and NAT, page 4-28</a> for more information.</li> <li>• Unidirectional—(Optional) Specify <b>unidirectional</b> so the destination addresses cannot initiate traffic to the source addresses.</li> <li>• No Proxy ARP—(Optional) Specify <b>no-proxy-arp</b> to disable proxy ARP for incoming packets to the mapped IP addresses. See <a href="#">Mapped Addresses and Routing, page 4-20</a> for more information.</li> <li>• Inactive—(Optional) To make this rule inactive without having to remove the command, use the <b>inactive</b> keyword. To reactivate it, reenter the whole command without the <b>inactive</b> keyword.</li> <li>• Description—(Optional) Provide a description up to 200 characters using the <b>description</b> keyword.</li> </ul>

## Examples

The following example shows the use of static interface NAT with port translation. Hosts on the outside access an FTP server on the inside by connecting to the outside interface IP address with destination port 65000 through 65004. The traffic is untranslated to the internal FTP server at 192.168.10.100:6500 through :65004. Note that you specify the source port range in the service object (and not the destination port) because you want to translate the source address and port as identified in the command; the destination port is “any.” Because static NAT is bidirectional, “source” and “destination” refers primarily

to the command keywords; the actual source and destination address and port in a packet depends on which host sent the packet. In this example, connections are originated from outside to inside, so the “source” address and port of the FTP server is actually the destination address and port in the originating packet.

```
hostname(config)# object service FTP_PASV_PORT_RANGE
hostname(config-service-object)# service tcp source range 65000 65004
```

```
hostname(config)# object network HOST_FTP_SERVER
hostname(config-network-object)# host 192.168.10.100
```

```
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source static HOST_FTP_SERVER interface service
FTP_PASV_PORT_RANGE FTP_PASV_PORT_RANGE
```

The following example shows a static translation of one IPv6 network to another IPv6 when accessing an IPv6 network, and the dynamic PAT translation to an IPv4 PAT pool when accessing the IPv4 network:

```
hostname(config)# object network INSIDE_NW
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 2001:DB8:AAAA::/96
```

```
hostname(config)# object network MAPPED_IPv6_NW
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 2001:DB8:BBBB::/96
```

```
hostname(config)# object network OUTSIDE_IPv6_NW
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 2001:DB8:CCCC::/96
```

```
hostname(config)# object network OUTSIDE_IPv4_NW
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
```

```
hostname(config)# object network MAPPED_IPv4_POOL
hostname(config-network-object)# range 10.1.2.1 10.1.2.254
```

```
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source static INSIDE_NW MAPPED_IPv6_NW destination
static OUTSIDE_IPv6_NW OUTSIDE_IPv6_NW
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic INSIDE_NW pat-pool MAPPED_IPv4_POOL
destination static OUTSIDE_IPv4_NW OUTSIDE_IPv4_NW
```

## Configuring Identity NAT

This section describes how to configure an identity NAT rule using twice NAT. For more information about identity NAT, see [Identity NAT, page 4-10](#).

## Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	Create network objects or groups for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Source real addresses (you will typically use the same object for the source mapped addresses)</li> <li>• Destination real addresses</li> <li>• Destination mapped addresses</li> </ul>	See <a href="#">Adding Network Objects for Real and Mapped Addresses, page 6-4</a> . If you want to perform identity NAT for all addresses, you can skip creating an object for the the source real addresses and instead use the keywords <b>any any</b> in the <b>nat</b> command. If you want to configure destination static interface NAT with port translation only, you can skip adding an object for the destination mapped addresses, and instead specify the <b>interface</b> keyword in the <b>nat</b> command.
Step 2	(Optional) Create service objects for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Source <i>or</i> Destination real ports</li> <li>• Source <i>or</i> Destination mapped ports</li> </ul>	See <a href="#">(Optional) Adding Service Objects for Real and Mapped Ports, page 6-6</a> .

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 3</b></p> <pre> <b>nat</b> [(<i>real_ifc</i>,<i>mapped_ifc</i>)] [<i>line</i>   {<b>after-object</b> [<i>line</i>]}] <b>source static</b> {<i>nw_obj nw_obj</i>   <b>any any</b>} [<b>destination static</b> {<i>mapped_obj</i>   <b>interface</b> [<b>ipv6</b>]} <i>real_obj</i>] [<b>service</b> <i>real_src mapped_dest_svc_obj</i> <i>mapped_src_real_dest_svc_obj</i>] [<b>no-proxy-arp</b>] [<b>route-lookup</b>] [<b>inactive</b>] [<b>description</b> <i>desc</i>] </pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre> hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source static MyInsNet MyInsNet destination static Server1 Server1 </pre>	<p>Configures <b>identity NAT</b>. See the following guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interfaces</b>—(Required for transparent mode) Specify the real and mapped interfaces. Be sure to include the parentheses in your command. In routed mode, if you do not specify the real and mapped interfaces, all interfaces are used; you can also specify the keyword <b>any</b> for one or both of the interfaces.</li> <li>• <b>Section and Line</b>—(Optional) By default, the NAT rule is added to the end of section 1 of the NAT table. See <a href="#">NAT Rule Order, page 4-18</a> for more information about sections. If you want to add the rule into section 3 instead (after the network object NAT rules), then use the <b>after-auto</b> keyword. You can insert a rule anywhere in the applicable section using the <i>line</i> argument.</li> <li>• <b>Source addresses</b>—Specify a network object, group, or the <b>any</b> keyword for both the real and mapped addresses.</li> <li>• <b>Destination addresses (Optional):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Mapped</b>—Specify a network object or group, or for static interface NAT with port translation only, specify the <b>interface</b> keyword (routed mode only). If you specify <b>ipv6</b>, then the IPv6 address of the interface is used. If you specify <b>interface</b>, be sure to also configure the <b>service</b> keyword (in this case, the service objects should include only the destination port). For this option, you must configure a specific interface for the <i>real_ifc</i>. See <a href="#">Static Interface NAT with Port Translation, page 4-5</a> for more information.</li> <li>– <b>Real</b>—Specify a network object or group. For identity NAT, simply use the same object or group for both the real and mapped addresses.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Port</b>—(Optional) Specify the <b>service</b> keyword along with the real and mapped service objects. For source port translation, the objects must specify the source service. The order of the service objects in the command for source port translation is <b>service</b> <i>real_obj mapped_obj</i>. For destination port translation, the objects must specify the destination service. The order of the service objects for destination port translation is <b>service</b> <i>mapped_obj real_obj</i>. In the rare case where you specify both the source and destination ports in the object, the first service object contains the real source port/mapped destination port; the second service object contains the mapped source port/real destination port. For identity port translation, simply use the same service object for both the real and mapped ports (source and/or destination ports, depending on your configuration).</li> </ul>

Command	Purpose
	(Continued) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Proxy ARP—(Optional) Specify <b>no-proxy-arp</b> to disable proxy ARP for incoming packets to the mapped IP addresses. See <a href="#">Mapped Addresses and Routing, page 4-20</a> for more information.</li> <li>• Route lookup—(Optional; routed mode only; interface(s) specified) Specify <b>route-lookup</b> to determine the egress interface using a route lookup instead of using the interface specified in the NAT command. See <a href="#">Determining the Egress Interface, page 4-22</a> for more information.</li> <li>• Inactive—(Optional) To make this rule inactive without having to remove the command, use the <b>inactive</b> keyword. To reactivate it, reenter the whole command without the <b>inactive</b> keyword.</li> <li>• Description—(Optional) Provide a description up to 200 characters using the <b>description</b> keyword.</li> </ul>

## Configuring Per-Session PAT Rules

By default, all TCP PAT traffic and all UDP DNS traffic uses per-session PAT. To use multi-session PAT for traffic, you can configure per-session PAT rules: a permit rule uses per-session PAT, and a deny rule uses multi-session PAT. For more information about per-session vs. multi-session PAT, see [Per-Session PAT vs. Multi-Session PAT, page 4-9](#).

### Detailed Steps

To configure a per-session PAT rule, see [Configuring Per-Session PAT Rules, page 5-16](#).

## Monitoring Twice NAT

To monitor twice NAT, enter one of the following commands:

Command	Purpose
<code>show nat</code>	Shows NAT statistics, including hits for each NAT rule.
<code>show nat pool</code>	Shows NAT pool statistics, including the addresses and ports allocated, and how many times they were allocated.
<code>show xlate</code>	Shows current NAT session information.
<code>show nat divert-table</code>	All NAT rules build an entry in the NAT divert table. If the NAT divert field is set to ignore=yes NAT on the matching rule, the ASA stops the lookup and does a route lookup based on the destination IP to determine the egress interface. If the NAT divert field is set to ignore=no on the matching rule, walk the NAT table based on the found input_ifc and output_ifc and do the necessary translation. Egress interface will be output_ifc.

# Configuration Examples for Twice NAT

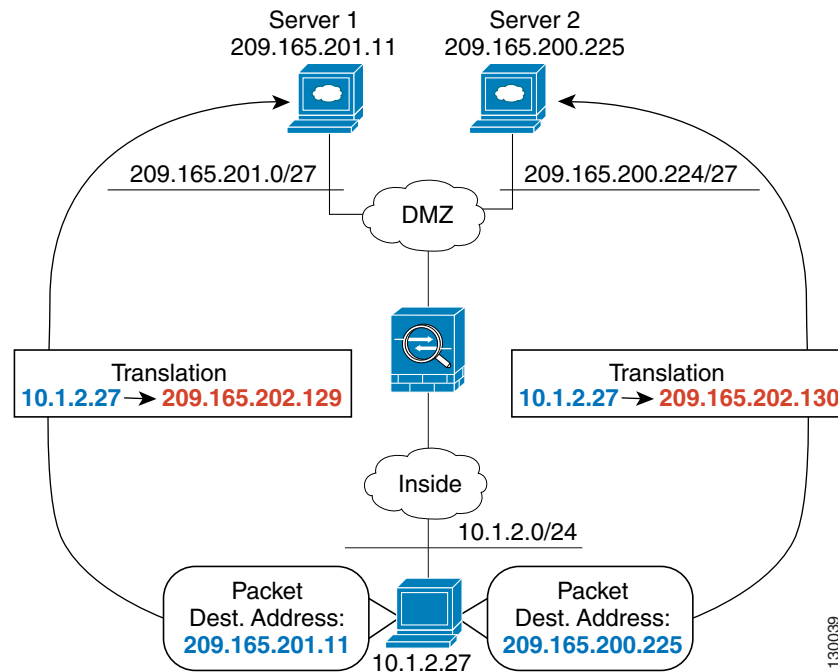
This section includes the following configuration examples:

- [Different Translation Depending on the Destination \(Dynamic PAT\)](#), page 6-25
- [Different Translation Depending on the Destination Address and Port \(Dynamic PAT\)](#), page 6-27

## Different Translation Depending on the Destination (Dynamic PAT)

Figure 6-1 shows a host on the 10.1.2.0/24 network accessing two different servers. When the host accesses the server at 209.165.201.11, the real address is translated to 209.165.202.129:port. When the host accesses the server at 209.165.200.225, the real address is translated to 209.165.202.130:port.

**Figure 6-1** Twice NAT with Different Destination Addresses



**Step 1** Add a network object for the inside network:

```
hostname(config)# object network myInsideNetwork
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.1.2.0 255.255.255.0
```

**Step 2** Add a network object for the DMZ network 1:

```
hostname(config)# object network DMZnetwork1
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 209.165.201.0 255.255.255.224
```

**Step 3** Add a network object for the PAT address:

```
hostname(config)# object network PATaddress1
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.202.129
```

**Step 4** Configure the first twice NAT rule:

```
hostname(config)# nat (inside,dmz) source dynamic myInsideNetwork PATaddress1 destination  
static DMZnetwork1 DMZnetwork1
```

Because you do not want to translate the destination address, you need to configure identity NAT for it by specifying the same address for the real and mapped destination addresses.

By default, the NAT rule is added to the end of section 1 of the NAT table, See [Configuring Dynamic PAT \(Hide\)](#), page 6-11 for more information about specifying the section and line number for the NAT rule.

**Step 5** Add a network object for the DMZ network 2:

```
hostname(config)# object network DMZnetwork2  
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 209.165.200.224 255.255.255.224
```

**Step 6** Add a network object for the PAT address:

```
hostname(config)# object network PATaddress2  
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.202.130
```

**Step 7** Configure the second twice NAT rule:

```
hostname(config)# nat (inside,dmz) source dynamic myInsideNetwork PATaddress2 destination  
static DMZnetwork2 DMZnetwork2
```

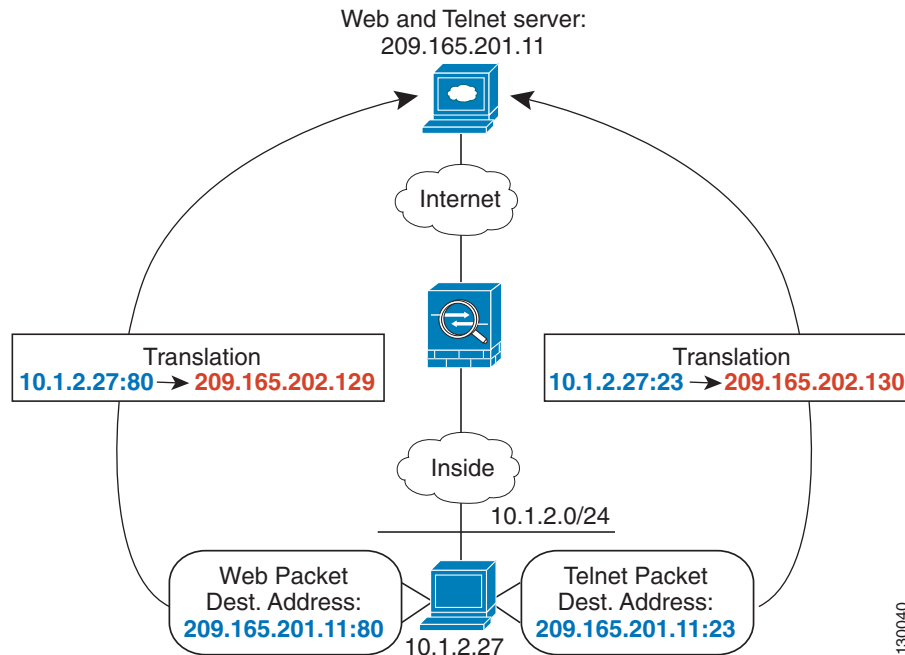
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## Different Translation Depending on the Destination Address and Port (Dynamic PAT)

Figure 6-2 shows the use of source and destination ports. The host on the 10.1.2.0/24 network accesses a single host for both web services and Telnet services. When the host accesses the server for Telnet services, the real address is translated to 209.165.202.129:*port*. When the host accesses the same server for web services, the real address is translated to 209.165.202.130:*port*.

**Figure 6-2** Twice NAT with Different Destination Ports



**Step 1** Add a network object for the inside network:

```
hostname(config)# object network myInsideNetwork
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 10.1.2.0 255.255.255.0
```

**Step 2** Add a network object for the Telnet/Web server:

```
hostname(config)# object network TelnetWebServer
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.201.11
```

**Step 3** Add a network object for the PAT address when using Telnet:

```
hostname(config)# object network PATaddress1
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.202.129
```

**Step 4** Add a service object for Telnet:

```
hostname(config)# object service TelnetObj
hostname(config-network-object)# service tcp destination eq telnet
```

**Step 5** Configure the first twice NAT rule:

```
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic myInsideNetwork PATaddress1
destination static TelnetWebServer TelnetWebServer service TelnetObj TelnetObj
```

Because you do not want to translate the destination address or port, you need to configure identity NAT for them by specifying the same address for the real and mapped destination addresses, and the same port for the real and mapped service.

By default, the NAT rule is added to the end of section 1 of the NAT table, See [Configuring Dynamic PAT \(Hide\)](#), page 6-11 for more information about specifying the section and line number for the NAT rule.

**Step 6** Add a network object for the PAT address when using HTTP:

```
hostname(config)# object network PATaddress2
hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.202.130
```

**Step 7** Add a service object for HTTP:

```
hostname(config)# object service HTTPObj
hostname(config-network-object)# service tcp destination eq http
```

**Step 8** Configure the second twice NAT rule:

```
hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source dynamic myInsideNetwork PATaddress2
destination static TelnetWebServer TelnetWebServer service HTTPObj HTTPObj
```

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# Feature History for Twice NAT

Table 6-1 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 6-1** Feature History for Twice NAT

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
Twice NAT	8.3(1)	<p>Twice NAT lets you identify both the source and destination address in a single rule.</p> <p>We modified or introduced the following commands: <b>nat</b>, <b>show nat</b>, <b>show xlate</b>, <b>show nat pool</b>.</p>
Identity NAT configurable proxy ARP and route lookup	8.4(2)/8.5(1)	<p>In earlier releases for identity NAT, proxy ARP was disabled, and a route lookup was always used to determine the egress interface. You could not configure these settings. In 8.4(2) and later, the default behavior for identity NAT was changed to match the behavior of other static NAT configurations: proxy ARP is enabled, and the NAT configuration determines the egress interface (if specified) by default. You can leave these settings as is, or you can enable or disable them discretely. Note that you can now also disable proxy ARP for regular static NAT.</p> <p>For pre-8.3 configurations, the migration of NAT exempt rules (the <b>nat 0 access-list</b> command) to 8.4(2) and later now includes the following keywords to disable proxy ARP and to use a route lookup: <b>no-proxy-arp</b> and <b>route-lookup</b>. The <b>unidirectional</b> keyword that was used for migrating to 8.3(2) and 8.4(1) is no longer used for migration. When upgrading to 8.4(2) from 8.3(1), 8.3(2), and 8.4(1), all identity NAT configurations will now include the <b>no-proxy-arp</b> and <b>route-lookup</b> keywords, to maintain existing functionality. The <b>unidirectional</b> keyword is removed.</p> <p>We modified the following command: <b>nat source static [no-proxy-arp] [route-lookup]</b>.</p>
PAT pool and round robin address assignment	8.4(2)/8.5(1)	<p>You can now specify a pool of PAT addresses instead of a single address. You can also optionally enable round-robin assignment of PAT addresses instead of first using all ports on a PAT address before using the next address in the pool. These features help prevent a large number of connections from a single PAT address from appearing to be part of a DoS attack and makes configuration of large numbers of PAT addresses easy.</p> <p>We modified the following command: <b>nat source dynamic [pat-pool mapped_object [round-robin]]</b>.</p>

Table 6-1 Feature History for Twice NAT (continued)

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
Round robin PAT pool allocation uses the same IP address for existing hosts	8.4(3)	<p>When using a PAT pool with round robin allocation, if a host has an existing connection, then subsequent connections from that host will use the same PAT IP address if ports are available.</p> <p>We did not modify any commands.</p> <p><i>This feature is not available in 8.5(1) or 8.6(1).</i></p>
Flat range of PAT ports for a PAT pool	8.4(3)	<p>If available, the real source port number is used for the mapped port. However, if the real port is <i>not</i> available, by default the mapped ports are chosen from the same range of ports as the real port number: 0 to 511, 512 to 1023, and 1024 to 65535. Therefore, ports below 1024 have only a small PAT pool.</p> <p>If you have a lot of traffic that uses the lower port ranges, when using a PAT pool, you can now specify a flat range of ports to be used instead of the three unequal-sized tiers: either 1024 to 65535, or 1 to 65535.</p> <p>We modified the following command: <b>nat source dynamic [pat-pool mapped_object [flat [include-reserve]]]</b>.</p> <p><i>This feature is not available in 8.5(1) or 8.6(1).</i></p>
Extended PAT for a PAT pool	8.4(3)	<p>Each PAT IP address allows up to 65535 ports. If 65535 ports do not provide enough translations, you can now enable extended PAT for a PAT pool. Extended PAT uses 65535 ports per <i>service</i>, as opposed to per IP address, by including the destination address and port in the translation information.</p> <p>We modified the following command: <b>nat source dynamic [pat-pool mapped_object [extended]]</b>.</p> <p><i>This feature is not available in 8.5(1) or 8.6(1).</i></p>

Table 6-1 Feature History for Twice NAT (continued)

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
Automatic NAT rules to translate a VPN peer's local IP address back to the peer's real IP address	8.4(3)	<p>In rare situations, you might want to use a VPN peer's real IP address on the inside network instead of an assigned local IP address. Normally with VPN, the peer is given an assigned local IP address to access the inside network. However, you might want to translate the local IP address back to the peer's real public IP address if, for example, your inside servers and network security is based on the peer's real IP address.</p> <p>You can enable this feature on one interface per tunnel group. Object NAT rules are dynamically added and deleted when the VPN session is established or disconnected. You can view the rules using the <b>show nat</b> command.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Because of routing issues, we do not recommend using this feature unless you know you need this feature; contact Cisco TAC to confirm feature compatibility with your network. See the following limitations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only supports Cisco IPsec and AnyConnect Client.</li> <li>• Return traffic to the public IP addresses must be routed back to the ASA so the NAT policy and VPN policy can be applied.</li> <li>• Does not support load-balancing (because of routing issues).</li> <li>• Does not support roaming (public IP changing).</li> </ul> <p>We introduced the following command:  <b>nat-assigned-to-public-ip interface</b> (tunnel-group general-attributes configuration mode).</p>
NAT support for IPv6	9.0(1)	<p>NAT now supports IPv6 traffic, as well as translating between IPv4 and IPv6. Translating between IPv4 and IPv6 is not supported in transparent mode.</p> <p>We modified the following commands: <b>nat</b> (global configuration mode), <b>show nat</b>, <b>show nat pool</b>, <b>show xlate</b>.</p>

Table 6-1 Feature History for Twice NAT (continued)

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
NAT support for reverse DNS lookups	9.0(1)	NAT now supports translation of the DNS PTR record for reverse DNS lookups when using IPv4 NAT, IPv6 NAT, and NAT64 with DNS inspection enabled for the NAT rule.
Per-session PAT	9.0(1)	<p>The per-session PAT feature improves the scalability of PAT and, for clustering, allows each member unit to own PAT connections; multi-session PAT connections have to be forwarded to and owned by the master unit. At the end of a per-session PAT session, the ASA sends a reset and immediately removes the xlate. This reset causes the end node to immediately release the connection, avoiding the TIME_WAIT state. Multi-session PAT, on the other hand, uses the PAT timeout, by default 30 seconds. For “hit-and-run” traffic, such as HTTP or HTTPS, the per-session feature can dramatically increase the connection rate supported by one address. Without the per-session feature, the maximum connection rate for one address for an IP protocol is approximately 2000 per second. With the per-session feature, the connection rate for one address for an IP protocol is 65535/average-lifetime.</p> <p>By default, all TCP traffic and UDP DNS traffic use a per-session PAT xlate. For traffic that requires multi-session PAT, such as H.323, SIP, or Skinny, you can disable per-session PAT by creating a per-session deny rule.</p> <p>We introduced the following commands: <b>xlate per-session</b>, <b>show nat pool</b>.</p>



## **PART 3**

### **Application Inspection**







# Getting Started with Application Layer Protocol Inspection

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This chapter describes how to configure application layer protocol inspection. Inspection engines are required for services that embed IP addressing information in the user data packet or that open secondary channels on dynamically assigned ports. These protocols require the ASA to do a deep packet inspection instead of passing the packet through the fast path (see the general operations configuration guide for more information about the fast path). As a result, inspection engines can affect overall throughput. Several common inspection engines are enabled on the ASA by default, but you might need to enable others depending on your network.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Information about Application Layer Protocol Inspection, page 7-1](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 7-3](#)
- [Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4](#)
- [Configuring Application Layer Protocol Inspection, page 7-7](#)

## Information about Application Layer Protocol Inspection

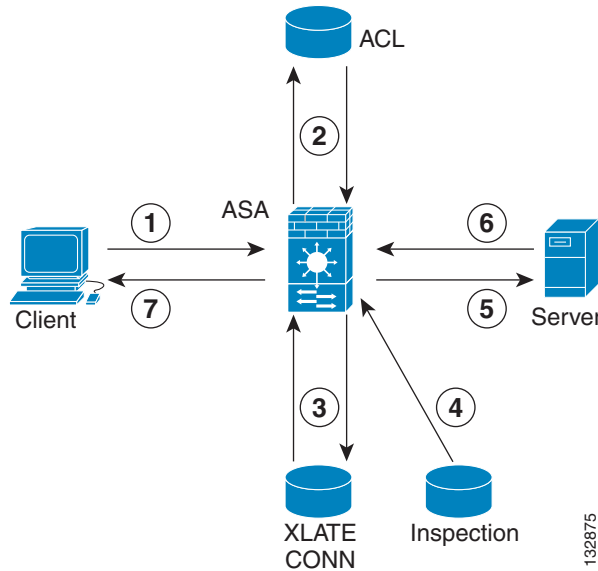
This section includes the following topics:

- [How Inspection Engines Work, page 7-1](#)
- [When to Use Application Protocol Inspection, page 7-2](#)

## How Inspection Engines Work

As illustrated in [Figure 7-1](#), the ASA uses three databases for its basic operation:

- **ACLs**—Used for authentication and authorization of connections based on specific networks, hosts, and services (TCP/UDP port numbers).
- **Inspections**—Contains a static, predefined set of application-level inspection functions.
- **Connections (XLATE and CONN tables)**—Maintains state and other information about each established connection. This information is used by the Adaptive Security Algorithm and cut-through proxy to efficiently forward traffic within established sessions.

**Figure 7-1** How Inspection Engines Work

In [Figure 7-1](#), operations are numbered in the order they occur, and are described as follows:

1. A TCP SYN packet arrives at the ASA to establish a new connection.
2. The ASA checks the ACL database to determine if the connection is permitted.
3. The ASA creates a new entry in the connection database (XLATE and CONN tables).
4. The ASA checks the Inspections database to determine if the connection requires application-level inspection.
5. After the application inspection engine completes any required operations for the packet, the ASA forwards the packet to the destination system.
6. The destination system responds to the initial request.
7. The ASA receives the reply packet, looks up the connection in the connection database, and forwards the packet because it belongs to an established session.

The default configuration of the ASA includes a set of application inspection entries that associate supported protocols with specific TCP or UDP port numbers and that identify any special handling required.

## When to Use Application Protocol Inspection

When a user establishes a connection, the ASA checks the packet against ACLs, creates an address translation, and creates an entry for the session in the fast path, so that further packets can bypass time-consuming checks. However, the fast path relies on predictable port numbers and does not perform address translations inside a packet.

Many protocols open secondary TCP or UDP ports. The initial session on a well-known port is used to negotiate dynamically assigned port numbers.

Other applications embed an IP address in the packet that needs to match the source address that is normally translated when it goes through the ASA.

If you use applications like these, then you need to enable application inspection.

When you enable application inspection for a service that embeds IP addresses, the ASA translates embedded addresses and updates any checksum or other fields that are affected by the translation.

When you enable application inspection for a service that uses dynamically assigned ports, the ASA monitors sessions to identify the dynamic port assignments, and permits data exchange on these ports for the duration of the specific session.

## Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature.

### Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single and multiple context mode.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.

### Failover Guidelines

State information for multimedia sessions that require inspection are not passed over the state link for stateful failover. The exception is GTP, which is replicated over the state link.

### IPv6 Guidelines

Supports IPv6 for the following inspections:

- DNS
- FTP
- HTTP
- ICMP
- SIP
- SMTP
- IPsec pass-through
- IPv6

Supports NAT64 for the following inspections:

- DNS
- FTP
- HTTP
- ICMP

### Additional Guidelines and Limitations

Some inspection engines do not support PAT, NAT, outside NAT, or NAT between same security interfaces. See [Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4](#) for more information about NAT support.

For all the application inspections, the ASA limits the number of simultaneous, active data connections to 200 connections. For example, if an FTP client opens multiple secondary connections, the FTP inspection engine allows only 200 active connections and the 201 connection is dropped and the adaptive security appliance generates a system error message.

Inspected protocols are subject to advanced TCP-state tracking, and the TCP state of these connections is not automatically replicated. While these connections are replicated to the standby unit, there is a best-effort attempt to re-establish a TCP state.

## Default Settings and NAT Limitations

By default, the configuration includes a policy that matches all default application inspection traffic and applies inspection to the traffic on all interfaces (a global policy). Default application inspection traffic includes traffic to the default ports for each protocol. You can only apply one global policy, so if you want to alter the global policy, for example, to apply inspection to non-standard ports, or to add inspections that are not enabled by default, you need to either edit the default policy or disable it and apply a new one.

[Table 7-1](#) lists all inspections supported, the default ports used in the default class map, and the inspection engines that are on by default, shown in bold. This table also notes any NAT limitations.

**Table 7-1 Supported Application Inspection Engines**

Application <sup>1</sup>	Default Port	NAT Limitations	Standards <sup>2</sup>	Comments
CTIQBE	TCP/2748	No extended PAT. No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	—	—
DCERPC	TCP/135	No NAT64.	—	—
<b>DNS</b> over UDP	UDP/53	No NAT support is available for name resolution through WINS.	RFC 1123	—
<b>FTP</b>	TCP/21	(Clustering) No static PAT.	RFC 959	—
GTP	UDP/3386 UDP/2123	No extended PAT. No NAT64.	—	Requires a special license.
<b>H.323 H.225 and RAS</b>	TCP/1720 UDP/1718 UDP (RAS) 1718-1719	No dynamic NAT or PAT. Static PAT may not work. (Clustering) No static PAT. No extended PAT. No per-session PAT. No NAT on same security interfaces. No outside NAT. No NAT64.	ITU-T H.323, H.245, H225.0, Q.931, Q.932	—
HTTP	TCP/80	—	RFC 2616	Beware of MTU limitations stripping ActiveX and Java. If the MTU is too small to allow the Java or ActiveX tag to be included in one packet, stripping may not occur.
ICMP	—	—	—	—

Table 7-1 Supported Application Inspection Engines (continued)

Application <sup>1</sup>	Default Port	NAT Limitations	Standards <sup>2</sup>	Comments
ICMP ERROR	—	—	—	—
ILS (LDAP)	TCP/389	No extended PAT. No NAT64.	—	—
Instant Messaging (IM)	Varies by client	No extended PAT. No NAT64.	RFC 3860	—
<b>IP Options</b>	—	No NAT64.	RFC 791, RFC 2113	—
IPsec Pass Through	UDP/500	No PAT. No NAT64.	—	—
IPv6	—	No NAT64.	RFC 2460	—
MGCP	UDP/2427, 2727	No extended PAT. No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	RFC 2705bis-05	—
MMP	TCP 5443	No extended PAT. No NAT64.	—	—
<b>NetBIOS Name Server over IP</b>	UDP/137, 138 (Source ports)	No extended PAT. No NAT64.	—	NetBIOS is supported by performing NAT of the packets for NBNS UDP port 137 and NBDS UDP port 138.
PPTP	TCP/1723	No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	RFC 2637	—
RADIUS Accounting	1646	No NAT64.	RFC 2865	—
<b>RSH</b>	TCP/514	No PAT. No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	Berkeley UNIX	—
RTSP	TCP/554	No extended PAT. No outside NAT. No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	RFC 2326, 2327, 1889	No handling for HTTP cloaking.
ScanSafe (Cloud Web Security)	TCP/80 TCP/413	—	—	These ports are not included in the default-inspection-traffic class for the ScanSafe inspection.

Table 7-1 Supported Application Inspection Engines (continued)

Application <sup>1</sup>	Default Port	NAT Limitations	Standards <sup>2</sup>	Comments
<b>SIP</b>	TCP/5060 UDP/5060	No outside NAT. No NAT on same security interfaces. No extended PAT. No per-session PAT. No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	RFC 2543	—
<b>SKINNY (SCCP)</b>	TCP/2000	No outside NAT. No NAT on same security interfaces. No extended PAT. No per-session PAT. No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	—	Does not handle TFTP uploaded Cisco IP Phone configurations under certain circumstances.
<b>SMTP and ESMTP</b>	TCP/25	No NAT64.	RFC 821, 1123	—
<b>SNMP</b>	UDP/161, 162	No NAT or PAT.	RFC 1155, 1157, 1212, 1213, 1215	v.2 RFC 1902-1908; v.3 RFC 2570-2580.
<b>SQL*Net</b>	TCP/1521	No extended PAT. No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	—	v.1 and v.2.
<b>Sun RPC over UDP and TCP</b>	UDP/111	No extended PAT. No NAT64.	—	The default rule includes UDP port 111; if you want to enable Sun RPC inspection for TCP port 111, you need to create a new rule that matches TCP port 111 and performs Sun RPC inspection.
<b>TFTP</b>	UDP/69	No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	RFC 1350	Payload IP addresses are not translated.
<b>WAAS</b>	—	No extended PAT. No NAT64.	—	—
<b>XDCMP</b>	UDP/177	No extended PAT. No NAT64. (Clustering) No static PAT.	—	—

1. Inspection engines that are enabled by default for the default port are in bold.

2. The ASA is in compliance with these standards, but it does not enforce compliance on packets being inspected. For example, FTP commands are supposed to be in a particular order, but the ASA does not enforce the order.

The default policy configuration includes the following commands:

```
class-map inspection_default
  match default-inspection-traffic
policy-map type inspect dns preset_dns_map
  parameters
    message-length maximum client auto
    message-length maximum 512
    dns-guard
    protocol-enforcement
    nat-rewrite
policy-map global_policy
  class inspection_default
    inspect dns preset_dns_map
    inspect ftp
    inspect h323 h225 _default_h323_map
    inspect h323 ras _default_h323_map
    inspect ip-options _default_ip_options_map
    inspect netbios
    inspect rsh
    inspect rtsp
    inspect skinny
    inspect esmtp _default_esmtp_map
    inspect sqlnet
    inspect sunrpc
    inspect tftp
    inspect sip
    inspect xdmcp
```

## Configuring Application Layer Protocol Inspection

This feature uses Modular Policy Framework to create a service policy. Service policies provide a consistent and flexible way to configure ASA features. For example, you can use a service policy to create a timeout configuration that is specific to a particular TCP application, as opposed to one that applies to all TCP applications. See [Chapter 1, “Service Policy Using the Modular Policy Framework,”](#) for more information. For some applications, you can perform special actions when you enable inspection. See [Chapter 1, “Service Policy Using the Modular Policy Framework,”](#) for more information.

Inspection is enabled by default for some applications. See [Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4](#) section for more information. Use this section to modify your inspection policy.

### Detailed Steps

- Step 1** To identify the traffic to which you want to apply inspections, add either a Layer 3/4 class map for through traffic or a Layer 3/4 class map for management traffic. See [Creating a Layer 3/4 Class Map for Through Traffic, page 1-12](#) and [Creating a Layer 3/4 Class Map for Management Traffic, page 1-14](#) for detailed information. The management Layer 3/4 class map can be used only with the RADIUS accounting inspection.

The default Layer 3/4 class map for through traffic is called “inspection\_default.” It matches traffic using a special **match** command, **match default-inspection-traffic**, to match the default ports for each application protocol. This traffic class (along with **match any**, which is not typically used for inspection) matches both IPv4 and IPv6 traffic for inspections that support IPv6. See [Guidelines and Limitations, page 7-3](#) for a list of IPv6-enabled inspections.

You can specify a **match access-list** command along with the **match default-inspection-traffic** command to narrow the matched traffic to specific IP addresses. Because the **match default-inspection-traffic** command specifies the ports to match, any ports in the ACL are ignored.



**Tip** We suggest that you only inspect traffic on ports on which you expect application traffic; if you inspect all traffic, for example using **match any**, the ASA performance can be impacted.

If you want to match non-standard ports, then create a new class map for the non-standard ports. See [Default Settings and NAT Limitations, page 7-4](#) for the standard ports for each inspection engine. You can combine multiple class maps in the same policy if desired, so you can create one class map to match certain traffic, and another to match different traffic. However, if traffic matches a class map that contains an inspection command, and then matches another class map that also has an inspection command, only the first matching class is used. For example, SNMP matches the `inspection_default` class. To enable SNMP inspection, enable SNMP inspection for the default class in [Step 5](#). Do not add another class that matches SNMP.

For example, to limit inspection to traffic from 10.1.1.0 to 192.168.1.0 using the default class map, enter the following commands:

```
hostname(config)# access-list inspect extended permit ip 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
192.168.1.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config)# class-map inspection_default
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list inspect
```

View the entire class map using the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# show running-config class-map inspection_default
!
class-map inspection_default
  match default-inspection-traffic
  match access-list inspect
!
```

To inspect FTP traffic on port 21 as well as 1056 (a non-standard port), create an ACL that specifies the ports, and assign it to a new class map:

```
hostname(config)# access-list ftp_inspect extended permit tcp any any eq 21
hostname(config)# access-list ftp_inspect extended permit tcp any any eq 1056
hostname(config)# class-map new_inspection
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ftp_inspect
```

**Step 2** (Optional) Some inspection engines let you control additional parameters when you apply the inspection to the traffic. See the following sections to configure an inspection policy map for your application:

- DCERPC—See [Configuring a DCERPC Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 11-2](#)
- DNS—See [\(Optional\) Configuring a DNS Inspection Policy Map and Class Map, page 8-3](#)
- ESMTP—See [Configuring an ESMTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-33](#)
- FTP—See [Configuring an FTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-12](#).
- GTP—See [Configuring a GTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 11-4](#).
- H323—See [Configuring an H.323 Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 9-6](#)
- HTTP—See [Configuring an HTTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-16](#).
- Instant Messaging—See [Configuring an Instant Messaging Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-20](#)



- IP Options—See [Configuring an IP Options Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control](#), page 8-24
- IPsec Pass Through—See [IPsec Pass Through Inspection](#), page 8-25
- IPv6—See [\(Optional\) Configuring an IPv6 Inspection Policy Map](#), page 8-27
- MGCP—See [Configuring an MGCP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control](#), page 9-12.
- NetBIOS—See [Configuring a NetBIOS Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control](#), page 8-30
- RADIUS Accounting—See [Configuring a RADIUS Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control](#), page 11-9
- RTSP—See [Configuring an RTSP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control](#), page 9-16
- ScanSafe (Cloud Web Security)—See [Configuring a Service Policy to Send Traffic to Cloud Web Security](#), page 21-10
- SIP—See [Configuring a SIP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control](#), page 9-20
- Skinny—See [Configuring a Skinny \(SCCP\) Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control](#), page 9-26
- SNMP—See [Configuring an SNMP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control](#), page 11-10.

**Step 3** To add or edit a Layer 3/4 policy map that sets the actions to take with the class map traffic, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

The default policy map is called “global\_policy.” This policy map includes the default inspections listed in the [Default Settings and NAT Limitations](#), page 7-4. If you want to modify the default policy (for example, to add or delete an inspection, or to identify an additional class map for your actions), then enter **global\_policy** as the name.

**Step 4** To identify the class map from [Step 1](#) to which you want to assign an action, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name
hostname(config-pmap-c)#
```

If you are editing the default policy map, it includes the inspection\_default class map. You can edit the actions for this class by entering **inspection\_default** as the name. To add an additional class map to this policy map, identify a different name. You can combine multiple class maps in the same policy if desired, so you can create one class map to match certain traffic, and another to match different traffic. However, if traffic matches a class map that contains an inspection command, and then matches another class map that also has an inspection command, only the first matching class is used. For example, SNMP matches the inspection\_default class map. To enable SNMP inspection, enable SNMP inspection for the default class in [Step 5](#). Do not add another class that matches SNMP.

**Step 5** Enable application inspection by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect protocol
```

The *protocol* is one of the following values:

Table 7-2 Protocol Keywords

Keywords	Notes
<b>ctiqbe</b>	—
<b>dcerpc</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added a DCERPC inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring a DCERPC Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 11-2, identify the map name in this command.
<b>dns</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ] <b>[dynamic-filter-snoop]</b>	If you added a DNS inspection policy map according to <a href="#">(Optional) Configuring a DNS Inspection Policy Map and Class Map</a> , page 8-3, identify the map name in this command. The default DNS inspection policy map name is “preset_dns_map.” The default inspection policy map sets the maximum DNS packet length to 512 bytes.  To enable DNS snooping for the Botnet Traffic Filter, enter the <b>dynamic-filter-snoop</b> keyword. See <a href="#">Enabling DNS Snooping</a> , page 22-10 for more information.
<b>esmtpt</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an ESMTP inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring an ESMTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 8-33, identify the map name in this command.
<b>ftp</b> [ <b>strict</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]]	Use the <b>strict</b> keyword to increase the security of protected networks by preventing web browsers from sending embedded commands in FTP requests. See <a href="#">Using the strict Option</a> , page 8-11 for more information.  If you added an FTP inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring an FTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 8-12, identify the map name in this command.
<b>gtp</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added a GTP inspection policy map according to the <a href="#">Configuring a GTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 11-4, identify the map name in this command.
<b>h323 h225</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an H323 inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring an H.323 Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 9-6, identify the map name in this command.
<b>h323 ras</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an H323 inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring an H.323 Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 9-6, identify the map name in this command.
<b>http</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an HTTP inspection policy map according to the <a href="#">Configuring an HTTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 8-16, identify the map name in this command.
<b>icmp</b>	—
<b>icmp error</b>	—

Table 7-2 Protocol Keywords

Keywords	Notes
<b>ils</b>	—
<b>im</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an Instant Messaging inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring an Instant Messaging Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 8-20, identify the map name in this command.
<b>ip-options</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an IP Options inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring an IP Options Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 8-24, identify the map name in this command.
<b>ipsec-pass-thru</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an IPsec Pass Through inspection policy map according to <a href="#">IPsec Pass Through Inspection</a> , page 8-25, identify the map name in this command.
<b>ipv6</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an IP Options inspection policy map according to <a href="#">(Optional) Configuring an IPv6 Inspection Policy Map</a> , page 8-27, identify the map name in this command.
<b>mgcp</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an MGCP inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring an MGCP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 9-12, identify the map name in this command.
<b>netbios</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added a NetBIOS inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring a NetBIOS Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 8-30, identify the map name in this command.
<b>pptp</b>	—
<b>radius-accounting</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	The <b>radius-accounting</b> keyword is only available for a management class map. See <a href="#">Creating a Layer 3/4 Class Map for Management Traffic</a> , page 1-14 for more information about creating a management class map.  If you added a RADIUS accounting inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring a RADIUS Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 11-9, identify the map name in this command.
<b>rsh</b>	—
<b>rtsp</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added a RTSP inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring an RTSP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 9-16, identify the map name in this command.
<b>scansafe</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added a ScanSafe (Cloud Web Security) inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring a Service Policy to Send Traffic to Cloud Web Security</a> , page 21-10, identify the map name in this command.
<b>sip</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added a SIP inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring a SIP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 9-20, identify the map name in this command.

Table 7-2 Protocol Keywords

Keywords	Notes
<b>skinny</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added a Skinny inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring a Skinny (SCCP) Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 9-26, identify the map name in this command.
<b>snmp</b> [ <i>map_name</i> ]	If you added an SNMP inspection policy map according to <a href="#">Configuring an SNMP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control</a> , page 11-10, identify the map name in this command.
<b>sqlnet</b>	—
<b>sunrpc</b>	The default class map includes UDP port 111; if you want to enable Sun RPC inspection for TCP port 111, you need to create a new class map that matches TCP port 111, add the class to the policy, and then apply the <b>inspect sunrpc</b> command to that class.
<b>tftp</b>	—
<b>waas</b>	—
<b>xdmcp</b>	—

**Step 6** To activate the policy map on one or more interfaces, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# service-policy polycymap_name {global | interface interface_name}
```

Where **global** applies the policy map to all interfaces, and **interface** applies the policy to one interface. By default, the default policy map, “global\_policy,” is applied globally. Only one global policy is allowed. You can override the global policy on an interface by applying a service policy to that interface. You can only apply one policy map to each interface.



## Inspection of Basic Internet Protocols

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This chapter describes how to configure application layer protocol inspection. Inspection engines are required for services that embed IP addressing information in the user data packet or that open secondary channels on dynamically assigned ports. These protocols require the ASA to do a deep packet inspection instead of passing the packet through the fast path. As a result, inspection engines can affect overall throughput.

Several common inspection engines are enabled on the ASA by default, but you might need to enable others depending on your network.

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- [ICMP Error Inspection, page 8-20](#)
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### DNS Inspection

This section describes DNS application inspection. This section includes the following topics:

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### General Information About DNS

A single connection is created for multiple DNS sessions, as long as they are between the same two hosts, and the sessions have the same 5-tuple (source/destination IP address, source/destination port, and protocol). DNS identification is tracked by `app_id`, and the idle timer for each `app_id` runs independently. Because the `app_id` expires independently, a legitimate DNS response can only pass through the ASA within a limited period of time and there is no resource build-up. However, if you enter the `show conn` command, you will see the idle timer of a DNS connection being reset by a new DNS session. This is due to the nature of the shared DNS connection and is by design.

### DNS Inspection Actions

DNS inspection is enabled by default. You can customize DNS inspection to perform many tasks:

- Translate the DNS record based on the NAT configuration. For more information, see [DNS and NAT, page 4-28](#).
- Enforce message length, domain-name length, and label length.
- Verify the integrity of the domain-name referred to by the pointer if compression pointers are encountered in the DNS message.
- Check to see if a compression pointer loop exists.
- Inspect packets based on the DNS header, type, class and more.

### Default Settings for DNS Inspection

DNS inspection is enabled by default, using the `preset_dns_map` inspection class map:

- The maximum DNS message length is 512 bytes.
- The maximum client DNS message length is automatically set to match the Resource Record.
- DNS Guard is enabled, so the ASA tears down the DNS session associated with a DNS query as soon as the DNS reply is forwarded by the ASA. The ASA also monitors the message exchange to ensure that the ID of the DNS reply matches the ID of the DNS query.
- Translation of the DNS record based on the NAT configuration is enabled.
- Protocol enforcement is enabled, which enables DNS message format check, including domain name length of no more than 255 characters, label length of 63 characters, compression, and looped pointer check.

See the following default DNS inspection commands:

```
class-map inspection_default
  match default-inspection-traffic
policy-map type inspect dns preset_dns_map
  parameters
```

```

message-length maximum client auto
message-length maximum 512
dns-guard
protocol-enforcement
nat-rewrite
policy-map global_policy
class inspection_default
inspect dns preset_dns_map
! ...
service-policy global_policy global

```

## (Optional) Configuring a DNS Inspection Policy Map and Class Map

To match DNS packets with certain characteristics and perform special actions, create a DNS inspection policy map. You can also configure a DNS inspection class map to group multiple match criteria for reference within the inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable DNS inspection.

### Prerequisites

If you want to match a DNS message domain name list, then create a regular expression using one of the methods below:

- Creating a regular expression (see the general operations configuration guide).
- Creating a regular expression class map (see the general operations configuration guide).

### Detailed Steps

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 1</b> Do one of the following:</p> <pre>class-map type inspect dns [match-all   match-any] class_map_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# class-map type inspect dns match-all dns-class-map</pre>	<p>Creates a DNS inspection class map, where <i>class_map_name</i> is the name of the class map. The <b>match-all</b> keyword is the default, and specifies that traffic must match <i>all</i> criteria to match the class map. The <b>match-any</b> keyword specifies that the traffic matches the class map if it matches at least one of the criteria.</p> <p>A class map groups multiple traffic matches. You can alternatively identify <b>match</b> commands directly in the policy map. The difference between creating a class map and defining the traffic match directly in the inspection policy map is that the class map lets you create more complex match criteria, and you can reuse class maps.</p> <p>The CLI enters class-map configuration mode, where you can enter one or more <b>match</b> or <b>match not</b> commands.</p> <p>For the traffic that you identify in this class map, you can only specify actions (such as drop) for the entire class. If you want to perform different actions for each <b>match</b> command, you should identify the traffic directly in the policy map.</p>

Command	Purpose
<p><b>policy-map type inspect dns name</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  <pre>hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect dns dns-map</pre></p>	<p>Creates an inspection policy map in which you want to match traffic directly.</p> <p>You can specify multiple <b>match</b> commands in the policy map. For information about the order of <b>match</b> commands, see <a href="#">Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4</a>.</p>
<p><b>Step 2</b></p> <p><b>match [not] header-flag [eq]</b>  <pre>{f_well_known [f_well_known...]   f_value}</pre></p> <p>For direct match only:</p> <pre>{drop [log]   drop-connection [log]  [enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}] [mask [log]]   log}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b>  <pre>hostname(config-pmap)# match header-flag AA QR hostname(config-pmap-c)# mask log hostname(config-pmap-c)# enforce-tsig log</pre></p>	<p>Matches a specific flag or flags that are set in the DNS header, where the <i>f_well_known</i> argument is the DNS flag bit. The <i>f_value</i> argument is the 16-bit value in hex starting with 0x. The <b>eq</b> keyword specifies an exact match (match all); without the <b>eq</b> keyword, the packet only needs to match one of the specified headers (match any).</p> <p>To specify traffic that should not match, use the <b>match not</b> command.</p> <p>If you are matching directly in the inspection policy map, specify the action(s) for the match:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>drop [log]</b>—Drops the packet. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>drop-connection [log]</b>—Drops the packet and closes the connection. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}</b>—Enforces the TSIG resource record in a message. <b>drop</b> drops a packet without the TSIG resource record. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>mask [log]</b>—Masks out the matching portion of the packet. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>log</b>—Logs the packet.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 3</b></p> <p><b>match [not] dns-type</b>  <pre>{eq {t_well_known   t_val}} {range t_val1 t_val2}</pre></p> <p>For direct match only:</p> <pre>{drop [log]   drop-connection [log]  enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}   log}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b>  <pre>hostname(config-pmap)# match dns-type eq aaaa hostname(config-pmap-c)# enforce-tsig log</pre></p>	<p>Matches a DNS type, where the <i>t_well_known</i> argument is the DNS flag bit. The <i>t_val</i> arguments are arbitrary values in the DNS type field (0-65535). The <b>range</b> keyword specifies a range, and the <b>eq</b> keyword specifies an exact match.</p> <p>To specify traffic that should not match, use the <b>match not</b> command.</p> <p>If you are matching directly in the inspection policy map, specify the action for the match:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>drop [log]</b>—Drops the packet. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>drop-connection [log]</b>—Drops the packet and closes the connection. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}</b>—Enforces the TSIG resource record in a message. <b>drop</b> drops a packet without the TSIG resource record. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>log</b>—Logs the packet.</li> </ul>



Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 4</b></p> <pre>match [not] dns-class {eq {in   c_val}}   range c_val1 c_val2}</pre> <p>For direct match only:</p> <pre>{drop [log]   drop-connection [log]   enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}   log}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap)# match dns-class eq in hostname(config-pmap-c)# log</pre>	<p>Matches a DNS class, either <b>in</b> (for Internet) or <i>c_val</i>, an arbitrary value from 0 to 65535 in the DNS class field. The <b>range</b> keyword specifies a range, and the <b>eq</b> keyword specifies an exact match.</p> <p>To specify traffic that should not match, use the <b>match not</b> command.</p> <p>If you are matching directly in the inspection policy map, specify the action for the match:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>drop [log]</b>—Drops the packet. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>drop-connection [log]</b>—Drops the packet and closes the connection. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}</b>—Enforces the TSIG resource record in a message. <b>drop</b> drops a packet without the TSIG resource record. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>log</b>—Logs the packet.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 5</b></p> <pre>match {question   resource-record {answer   authority   additional}}</pre> <p>For direct match only:</p> <pre>{drop [log]   drop-connection [log]   enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}   log}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap)# match resource-record answer hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop-connection</pre>	<p>Matches a DNS question or resource record, where the <b>question</b> keyword specifies the question portion of a DNS message. The <b>resource-record</b> keyword specifies the resource record portion of a DNS message; the <b>answer</b> keyword specifies the Answer RR section; the <b>authority</b> keyword specifies the Authority RR section; the <b>additional</b> keyword specifies the Additional RR section.</p> <p>To specify traffic that should not match, use the <b>match not</b> command.</p> <p>If you are matching directly in the inspection policy map, specify the action for the match:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>drop [log]</b>—Drops the packet. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>drop-connection [log]</b>—Drops the packet and closes the connection. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}</b>—Enforces the TSIG resource record in a message. <b>drop</b> drops a packet without the TSIG resource record. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>log</b>—Logs the packet.</li> </ul>

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 6</b></p> <pre>match [not] domain-name regex {regex_id   class class_id}</pre> <p>For direct match only:</p> <pre>{drop [log]   drop-connection [log]  enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}   log}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap)# match domain-name regex regex1 hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop-connection</pre>	<p>Matches a DNS message domain name list. The <i>regex_name</i> argument is a regular expression. The <b>class</b> <i>regex_class_name</i> is a regular expression class map. See <a href="#">Prerequisites, page 8-3</a>.</p> <p>To specify traffic that should not match, use the <b>match not</b> command.</p> <p>If you are matching directly in the inspection policy map, specify the action for the match:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>drop [log]</b>—Drops the packet. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>drop-connection [log]</b>—Drops the packet and closes the connection. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>enforce-tsig {[drop] [log]}</b>—Enforces the TSIG resource record in a message. <b>drop</b> drops a packet without the TSIG resource record. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>log</b>—Logs the packet.</li> </ul>

Command	Purpose
<p><b>Step 7</b> (If you are using a DNS inspection class map)</p> <pre> <b>policy-map type inspect dns</b> <i>name</i>   <b>class</b> <i>class_map_name</i>     {<b>drop</b> [<b>log</b>]   <b>drop-connection</b> [<b>log</b>]   <b>enforce-tsig</b> {[<b>drop</b>] [<b>log</b>]}   <b>mask</b> [<b>log</b>]   <b>log</b>}  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect dns dns-map hostname(config-pmap)# class dns-class-map hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop hostname(config-pmap-c)# match header-flag eq aa hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop log </pre>	<p>Creates an inspection policy map, specifies the DNS inspection class map, and sets the action for the class map:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>drop</b> [<b>log</b>]—Drops the packet. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>drop-connection</b> [<b>log</b>]—Drops the packet and closes the connection. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>enforce-tsig</b> {[<b>drop</b>] [<b>log</b>]}—Enforces the TSIG resource record in a message. <b>drop</b> drops a packet without the TSIG resource record. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>mask</b> [<b>log</b>]—Masks out the matching portion of the packet. <b>log</b> also logs the packet.</li> <li>• <b>log</b>—Logs the packet.</li> </ul> <p>You can specify multiple <b>class</b> or <b>match</b> commands in the policy map. For information about the order of <b>class</b> and <b>match</b> commands, see <a href="#">Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4</a>.</p>
<p><b>Step 8</b></p> <pre> <b>parameters</b>   {<b>dns-guard</b>   <b>id-mismatch count</b> <i>number</i> <b>duration</b> <i>seconds</i> <b>action</b> <b>log</b>   <b>id-randomization</b>   <b>message-length maximum</b> {<i>length</i>   <b>client</b> {[<i>length</i>] [<b>auto</b>]}   <b>server</b> {[<i>length</i>] [<b>auto</b>]}   <b>nat-rewrite</b>   <b>protocol-enforcement</b>   <b>tsig enforced action</b> {[<b>drop</b>] [<b>log</b>]} </pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre> hostname(config-pmap)# parameters hostname(config-pmap-p)# dns-guard hostname(config-pmap-p)# id-mismatch action log hostname(config-pmap-p)# message-length maximum 1024 hostname(config-pmap-p)# nat-rewrite hostname(config-pmap-p)# protocol-enforcement </pre>	<p>Enters parameters configuration mode so you can set one or more parameters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>dns-guard</b>—Enables DNS Guard. The ASA tears down the DNS session associated with a DNS query as soon as the DNS reply is forwarded by the ASA. The ASA also monitors the message exchange to ensure that the ID of the DNS reply matches the ID of the DNS query.</li> <li>• <b>id-mismatch count</b> <i>number</i> <b>duration</b> <i>seconds</i> <b>action</b> <b>log</b>—Enables logging for excessive DNS ID mismatches, where the <b>count</b> <i>number</i> <b>duration</b> <i>seconds</i> arguments specify the maximum number of mismatch instances per second before a system message log is sent.</li> <li>• <b>id-randomization</b>—Randomizes the DNS identifier for a DNS query.</li> <li>• <b>message-length maximum</b> {<i>length</i>   <b>client</b> {[<i>length</i>] [<b>auto</b>]}   <b>server</b> {[<i>length</i>] [<b>auto</b>]}—Sets the maximum DNS message length, from 512 to 65535 bytes. You can also set the maximum length for client or server messages. <b>auto</b> sets the maximum length to the value in the Resource Record.</li> <li>• <b>nat-rewrite</b>—Translates the DNS record based on the NAT configuration.</li> <li>• <b>protocol-enforcement</b>—Enables DNS message format check, including domain name length of no more than 255 characters, label length of 63 characters, compression, and looped pointer check.</li> <li>• <b>tsig enforced action</b> {[<b>drop</b>] [<b>log</b>]}—Requires a TSIG resource record to be present. <b>drop</b> drops a non-conforming packet. <b>log</b> logs the packet.</li> </ul>

## Examples

The following example shows a how to define a DNS inspection policy map.

```

regex domain_example "example\.com"
regex domain_foo "foo\.com"

! define the domain names that the server serves
class-map type inspect regex match-any my_domains
    match regex domain_example
    match regex domain_foo

! Define a DNS map for query only
class-map type inspect dns match-all pub_server_map
    match not header-flag QR
    match question
    match not domain-name regex class my_domains

policy-map type inspect dns new_dns_map
    class pub_server_map
        drop log
    match header-flag RD
        mask log
    parameters
        message-length maximum client auto
        message-length maximum 512
        dns-guard
        protocol-enforcement
        nat-rewrite

```

## Configuring DNS Inspection

The default ASA configuration includes many default inspections on default ports applied globally on all interfaces. A common method for customizing the inspection configuration is to customize the default global policy. The steps in this section show how to edit the default global policy, but you can alternatively create a new service policy as desired, for example, an interface-specific policy.

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<b>class-map</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# class-map dns_class_map	Creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to apply the inspection.  In the default global policy, the inspection_default class map is a special class map that includes default ports for all inspection types ( <b>match default-inspection-traffic</b> ). If you are using this class map in either the default policy or for a new service policy, you can skip this step and the next step.
Step 2	<b>match</b> <i>parameter</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list dns	Specifies the traffic in the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a> , page 1-12 for more information.

	Command	Purpose
Step 3	<p><b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# policy-map global_policy</p>	<p>Adds or edits a policy map that sets the actions to take with the class map traffic.</p> <p>In the default configuration, the <code>global_policy</code> policy map is assigned globally to all interfaces. If you want to edit the <code>global_policy</code>, enter <code>global_policy</code> as the policy name.</p>
Step 4	<p><b>class</b> <i>name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b> hostname(config-pmap)# class inspection_default</p>	<p>Identifies the class map created in <a href="#">Step 1</a>.</p> <p>To edit the default policy, or to use the special <code>inspection_default</code> class map in a new policy, specify <b>inspection_default</b> for the <i>name</i>.</p>
Step 5	<p><b>inspect dns</b> [<i>dns_policy_map</i>] [<b>dynamic-filter-snoop</b>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b> hostname(config-class)# no inspect dns hostname(config-class)# inspect dns dns-map</p>	<p>Configures DNS inspection. Specify the inspection policy map you created in the <a href="#">(Optional) Configuring a DNS Inspection Policy Map and Class Map</a>, page 8-3.</p> <p>For information about the Botnet Traffic Filter <b>dynamic-filter-snoop</b> keyword, see <a href="#">Enabling DNS Snooping</a>, page 22-10.</p> <p><b>Note</b> If you are editing the default global policy (or any in-use policy) to use a different DNS inspection policy map from the default <code>preset_dns_map</code>, you must remove the DNS inspection with the <b>no inspect dns</b> command, and then re-add it with the new DNS inspection policy map name.</p>
Step 6	<p><b>service-policy</b> <i>polycymap_name</i> {<b>global</b>   <b>interface</b> <i>interface_name</i>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# service-policy global_policy global</p>	<p>Activates the policy map on one or more interfaces. <b>global</b> applies the policy map to all interfaces, and <b>interface</b> applies the policy to one interface. Only one global policy is allowed. You can override the global policy on an interface by applying a service policy to that interface. You can only apply one policy map to each interface.</p> <p>The default configuration includes a global policy called <code>global_policy</code>. If you are editing that policy, you can skip this step.</p>

## Examples

The following example shows a how to use a new inspection policy map in the global default configuration:

```
policy-map global_policy
  class inspection_default
    no inspect dns preset_dns_map
    inspect dns new_dns_map
service-policy global_policy global
```

## Monitoring DNS Inspection

To view information about the current DNS connections, enter the following command:

```
hostname# show conn
```

For connections using a DNS server, the source port of the connection may be replaced by the IP address of DNS server in the show conn command output.

A single connection is created for multiple DNS sessions, as long as they are between the same two hosts, and the sessions have the same 5-tuple (source/destination IP address, source/destination port, and protocol). DNS identification is tracked by app\_id, and the idle timer for each app\_id runs independently.

Because the app\_id expires independently, a legitimate DNS response can only pass through the security appliance within a limited period of time and there is no resource build-up. However, when you enter the **show conn** command, you see the idle timer of a DNS connection being reset by a new DNS session. This is due to the nature of the shared DNS connection and is by design.

To display the statistics for DNS application inspection, enter the **show service-policy** command. The following is sample output from the **show service-policy** command:

```
hostname# show service-policy
Interface outside:
  Service-policy: sample_policy
    Class-map: dns_port
      Inspect: dns maximum-length 1500, packet 0, drop 0, reset-drop 0
```

## FTP Inspection

This section describes the FTP inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [FTP Inspection Overview, page 8-10](#)
- [Using the strict Option, page 8-11](#)
- [Configuring an FTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-12](#)
- [Verifying and Monitoring FTP Inspection, page 8-15](#)

## FTP Inspection Overview

The FTP application inspection inspects the FTP sessions and performs four tasks:

- Prepares dynamic secondary data connection
- Tracks the FTP command-response sequence
- Generates an audit trail
- Translates the embedded IP address

FTP application inspection prepares secondary channels for FTP data transfer. Ports for these channels are negotiated through PORT or PASV commands. The channels are allocated in response to a file upload, a file download, or a directory listing event.



### Note

If you disable FTP inspection engines with the **no inspect ftp** command, outbound users can start connections only in passive mode, and all inbound FTP is disabled.

## Using the strict Option

Using the **strict** option with the **inspect ftp** command increases the security of protected networks by preventing web browsers from sending embedded commands in FTP requests.

**Note**

To specify FTP commands that are not permitted to pass through the ASA, create an FTP map according to the [Configuring an FTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-12](#).

After you enable the **strict** option on an interface, FTP inspection enforces the following behavior:

- An FTP command must be acknowledged before the ASA allows a new command.
- The ASA drops connections that send embedded commands.
- The 227 and PORT commands are checked to ensure they do not appear in an error string.

**Caution**

Using the **strict** option may cause the failure of FTP clients that are not strictly compliant with FTP RFCs.

If the **strict** option is enabled, each FTP command and response sequence is tracked for the following anomalous activity:

- Truncated command—Number of commas in the PORT and PASV reply command is checked to see if it is five. If it is not five, then the PORT command is assumed to be truncated and the TCP connection is closed.
- Incorrect command—Checks the FTP command to see if it ends with <CR><LF> characters, as required by the RFC. If it does not, the connection is closed.
- Size of RETR and STOR commands—These are checked against a fixed constant. If the size is greater, then an error message is logged and the connection is closed.
- Command spoofing—The PORT command should always be sent from the client. The TCP connection is denied if a PORT command is sent from the server.
- Reply spoofing—PASV reply command (227) should always be sent from the server. The TCP connection is denied if a PASV reply command is sent from the client. This prevents the security hole when the user executes “227 xxxxx a1, a2, a3, a4, p1, p2.”
- TCP stream editing—The ASA closes the connection if it detects TCP stream editing.
- Invalid port negotiation—The negotiated dynamic port value is checked to see if it is less than 1024. As port numbers in the range from 1 to 1024 are reserved for well-known connections, if the negotiated port falls in this range, then the TCP connection is freed.
- Command pipelining—The number of characters present after the port numbers in the PORT and PASV reply command is cross checked with a constant value of 8. If it is more than 8, then the TCP connection is closed.
- The ASA replaces the FTP server response to the SYST command with a series of Xs. to prevent the server from revealing its system type to FTP clients. To override this default behavior, use the **no mask-syst-reply** command in the FTP map.

## Configuring an FTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

FTP command filtering and security checks are provided using strict FTP inspection for improved security and control. Protocol conformance includes packet length checks, delimiters and packet format checks, command terminator checks, and command validation.

Blocking FTP based on user values is also supported so that it is possible for FTP sites to post files for download, but restrict access to certain users. You can block FTP connections based on file type, server name, and other attributes. System message logs are generated if an FTP connection is denied after inspection.

If you want FTP inspection to allow FTP servers to reveal their system type to FTP clients, and limit the allowed FTP commands, then create and configure an FTP map. You can then apply the FTP map when you enable FTP inspection.

To create an FTP map, perform the following steps:

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- Step 1** (Optional) Add one or more regular expressions for use in traffic matching commands according to the general operations configuration guide. See the types of text you can match in the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#).
  - Step 2** (Optional) Create one or more regular expression class maps to group regular expressions according to the general operations configuration guide.
  - Step 3** (Optional) Create an FTP inspection class map by performing the following steps.

A class map groups multiple traffic matches. Traffic must match *all* of the **match** commands to match the class map. You can alternatively identify **match** commands directly in the policy map. The difference between creating a class map and defining the traffic match directly in the inspection policy map is that the class map lets you create more complex match criteria, and you can reuse class maps.

To specify traffic that should not match the class map, use the **match not** command. For example, if the **match not** command specifies the string “example.com,” then any traffic that includes “example.com” does not match the class map.

For the traffic that you identify in this class map, you can specify actions such as drop, drop-connection, reset, mask, set the rate limit, and/or log the connection in the inspection policy map.

If you want to perform different actions for each **match** command, you should identify the traffic directly in the policy map.

- a. Create the class map by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config)# class-map type inspect ftp [match-all | match-any] class_map_name
hostname(config-cmap)#
```

Where *class\_map\_name* is the name of the class map. The **match-all** keyword is the default, and specifies that traffic must match all criteria to match the class map. The **match-any** keyword specifies that the traffic matches the class map if it matches at least one of the criteria. The CLI enters class-map configuration mode, where you can enter one or more **match** commands.

- b. (Optional) To add a description to the class map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# description string
```

- c. (Optional) To match a filename for FTP transfer, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] filename regex [regex_name |
class regex_class_name]
```

Where the *regex\_name* is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).



- d. (Optional) To match a file type for FTP transfer, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] filetype regex [regex_name |
class regex_class_name]
```

Where the *regex\_name* is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- e. (Optional) To disallow specific FTP commands, use the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] request-command ftp_command [ftp_command...]
```

Where *ftp\_command* with one or more FTP commands that you want to restrict. See [Table 8-1](#) for a list of the FTP commands that you can restrict.

**Table 8-1** FTP Map request-command deny Options

request-command deny Option	Purpose
<b>appe</b>	Disallows the command that appends to a file.
<b>cdup</b>	Disallows the command that changes to the parent directory of the current working directory.
<b>delete</b>	Disallows the command that deletes a file on the server.
<b>get</b>	Disallows the client command for retrieving a file from the server.
<b>help</b>	Disallows the command that provides help information.
<b>mkd</b>	Disallows the command that makes a directory on the server.
<b>put</b>	Disallows the client command for sending a file to the server.
<b>rmd</b>	Disallows the command that deletes a directory on the server.
<b>rnfr</b>	Disallows the command that specifies rename-from filename.
<b>rnto</b>	Disallows the command that specifies rename-to filename.
<b>site</b>	Disallows the command that are specific to the server system. Usually used for remote administration.
<b>stou</b>	Disallows the command that stores a file using a unique file name.

- f. (Optional) To match an FTP server, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] server regex [regex_name | class regex_class_name]
```

Where the *regex\_name* is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- g. (Optional) To match an FTP username, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] username regex [regex_name |
class regex_class_name]
```

Where the *regex\_name* is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- Step 4** Create an FTP inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect ftp policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 5** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

**Step 6** To apply actions to matching traffic, perform the following steps.

a. Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:

- Specify the FTP class map that you created in [Step 3](#) by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name
hostname(config-pmap-c)#
```

- Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#). If you use a **match not** command, then any traffic that does not match the criterion in the **match not** command has the action applied.

b. Specify the action you want to perform on the matching traffic by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# {[drop [send-protocol-error] |
drop-connection [send-protocol-error] | mask | reset] [log] | rate-limit message_rate}
```

Not all options are available for each **match** or **class** command. See the CLI help or the command reference for the exact options available.

The **drop** keyword drops all packets that match.

The **send-protocol-error** keyword sends a protocol error message.

The **drop-connection** keyword drops the packet and closes the connection.

The **mask** keyword masks out the matching portion of the packet.

The **reset** keyword drops the packet, closes the connection, and sends a TCP reset to the server and/or client.

The **log** keyword, which you can use alone or with one of the other keywords, sends a system log message.

The **rate-limit** *message\_rate* argument limits the rate of messages.

You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the policy map. For information about the order of **class** and **match** commands, see [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#).

**Step 7** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

b. To mask the greeting banner from the FTP server, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# mask-banner
```

c. To mask the reply to **syst** command, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# mask-syst-reply
```

Before submitting a username and password, all FTP users are presented with a greeting banner. By default, this banner includes version information useful to hackers trying to identify weaknesses in a system. The following example shows how to mask this banner:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect ftp mymap
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# mask-banner
```

```
hostname(config)# class-map match-all ftp-traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp eq ftp

hostname(config)# policy-map ftp-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class ftp-traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect ftp strict mymap

hostname(config)# service-policy ftp-policy interface inside
```

## Verifying and Monitoring FTP Inspection

FTP application inspection generates the following log messages:

- An Audit record 303002 is generated for each file that is retrieved or uploaded.
- The FTP command is checked to see if it is RETR or STOR and the retrieve and store commands are logged.
- The username is obtained by looking up a table providing the IP address.
- The username, source IP address, destination IP address, NAT address, and the file operation are logged.
- Audit record 201005 is generated if the secondary dynamic channel preparation failed due to memory shortage.

In conjunction with NAT, the FTP application inspection translates the IP address within the application payload. This is described in detail in RFC 959.

## HTTP Inspection

This section describes the HTTP inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [HTTP Inspection Overview, page 8-15](#)
- [Configuring an HTTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-16](#)

## HTTP Inspection Overview

Use the HTTP inspection engine to protect against specific attacks and other threats that are associated with HTTP traffic. The enhanced HTTP inspection feature, which is also known as an application firewall and is available when you configure an HTTP map (see [Configuring an HTTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-16](#)), can help prevent attackers from using HTTP messages for circumventing network security policy. It verifies the following for all HTTP messages:

- Conformance to RFC 2616
- Use of RFC-defined methods only.
- Compliance with the additional criteria.

## Configuring an HTTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

To specify actions when a message violates a parameter, create an HTTP inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable HTTP inspection.



### Note

When you enable HTTP inspection with an inspection policy map, strict HTTP inspection with the action reset and log is enabled by default. You can change the actions performed in response to inspection failure, but you cannot disable strict inspection as long as the inspection policy map remains enabled.

To create an HTTP inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

- Step 1** (Optional) Add one or more regular expressions for use in traffic matching commands according to the general operations configuration guide. See the types of text you can match in the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#).
- Step 2** (Optional) Create one or more regular expression class maps to group regular expressions according to the general operations configuration guide.
- Step 3** (Optional) Create an HTTP inspection class map by performing the following steps.

A class map groups multiple traffic matches. Traffic must match *all* of the **match** commands to match the class map. You can alternatively identify **match** commands directly in the policy map. The difference between creating a class map and defining the traffic match directly in the inspection policy map is that the class map lets you create more complex match criteria, and you can reuse class maps.

To specify traffic that should not match the class map, use the **match not** command. For example, if the **match not** command specifies the string “example.com,” then any traffic that includes “example.com” does not match the class map.

For the traffic that you identify in this class map, you can specify actions such as drop, drop-connection, reset, mask, set the rate limit, and/or log the connection in the inspection policy map.

If you want to perform different actions for each **match** command, you should identify the traffic directly in the policy map.

- a. Create the class map by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config)# class-map type inspect http [match-all | match-any] class_map_name
hostname(config-cmap)#
```

Where *class\_map\_name* is the name of the class map. The **match-all** keyword is the default, and specifies that traffic must match all criteria to match the class map. The **match-any** keyword specifies that the traffic matches the class map if it matches at least one of the criteria. The CLI enters class-map configuration mode, where you can enter one or more **match** commands.

- b. (Optional) To add a description to the class map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# description string
```

- c. (Optional) To match traffic with a content-type field in the HTTP response that does not match the accept field in the corresponding HTTP request message, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] req-resp content-type mismatch
```

- d. (Optional) To match text found in the HTTP request message arguments, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] request args regex [regex_name | class
regex_class_name]
```

Where the *regex\_name* is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- e. (Optional) To match text found in the HTTP request message body or to match traffic that exceeds the maximum HTTP request message body length, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] request body {regex [regex_name] | class
regex_class_name} | length gt max_bytes}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#). The **length gt** *max\_bytes* is the maximum message body length in bytes.

- f. (Optional) To match text found in the HTTP request message header, or to restrict the count or length of the header, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] request header {[field]
[regex [regex_name] | class regex_class_name]} |
[length gt max_length_bytes | count gt max_count_bytes]}
```

Where the *field* is the predefined message header keyword. The **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#). The **length gt** *max\_bytes* is the maximum message body length in bytes. The **count gt** *max\_count* is the maximum number of header fields.

- g. (Optional) To match text found in the HTTP request message method, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] request method {[method] |
[regex [regex_name] | class regex_class_name]}
```

Where the *method* is the predefined message method keyword. The **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- h. (Optional) To match text found in the HTTP request message URI, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] request uri {regex [regex_name] | class
regex_class_name} | length gt max_bytes}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#). The **length gt** *max\_bytes* is the maximum message body length in bytes.

- i. (Optional) To match text found in the HTTP response message body, or to comment out Java applet and Active X object tags in order to filter them, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] response body {[active-x] | [java-applet] |
[regex [regex_name] | class regex_class_name]} | length gt max_bytes}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#). The **length gt** *max\_bytes* is the maximum message body length in bytes.

- j. (Optional) To match text found in the HTTP response message header, or to restrict the count or length of the header, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] response header {[field]
[regex [regex_name] | class regex_class_name]} |
[length gt max_length_bytes | count gt max_count]}
```

Where the *field* is the predefined message header keyword. The **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#). The **length gt** *max\_bytes* is the maximum message body length in bytes. The **count gt** *max\_count* is the maximum number of header fields.

- k. (Optional) To match text found in the HTTP response message status line, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] response status-line {regex [regex_name] | class
regex_class_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- Step 4** Create an HTTP inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect http policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

- Step 5** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

- Step 6** To apply actions to matching traffic, perform the following steps.

- a. Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:

- Specify the HTTP class map that you created in [Step 3](#) by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name
hostname(config-pmap-c)#
```

- Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#). If you use a **match not** command, then any traffic that does not match the criterion in the **match not** command has the action applied.

- b. Specify the action you want to perform on the matching traffic by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# {[drop [send-protocol-error] |
drop-connection [send-protocol-error] | mask | reset] [log] | rate-limit message_rate}
```

Not all options are available for each **match** or **class** command. See the CLI help or the command reference for the exact options available.

The **drop** keyword drops all packets that match.

The **send-protocol-error** keyword sends a protocol error message.

The **drop-connection** keyword drops the packet and closes the connection.

The **mask** keyword masks out the matching portion of the packet.

The **reset** keyword drops the packet, closes the connection, and sends a TCP reset to the server and/or client.

The **log** keyword, which you can use alone or with one of the other keywords, sends a system log message.

The **rate-limit** *message\_rate* argument limits the rate of messages.

You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the policy map. For information about the order of **class** and **match** commands, see [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#).

**Step 7** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

- a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap) # parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p) #
```

- b. To check for HTTP protocol violations, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p) # protocol-violation [action [drop-connection / reset / log]]
```

Where the **drop-connection** action closes the connection. The **reset** action closes the connection and sends a TCP reset to the client. The **log** action sends a system log message when this policy map matches traffic.

- c. To substitute a string for the server header field, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p) # spoofer-server string
```

Where the *string* argument is the string to substitute for the server header field. Note: WebVPN streams are not subject to the **spoofer-server** command.

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The following example shows how to define an HTTP inspection policy map that will allow and log any HTTP connection that attempts to access "www.xyz.com/\*.asp" or "www.xyz[0-9][0-9].com" with methods "GET" or "PUT." All other URL/Method combinations will be silently allowed.

```
hostname(config) # regex url1 "www\.xyz\.com/.*\.asp"
hostname(config) # regex url2 "www\.xyz[0-9][0-9]\.com"
hostname(config) # regex get "GET"
hostname(config) # regex put "PUT"

hostname(config) # class-map type regex match-any url_to_log
hostname(config-cmap) # match regex url1
hostname(config-cmap) # match regex url2
hostname(config-cmap) # exit

hostname(config) # class-map type regex match-any methods_to_log
hostname(config-cmap) # match regex get
hostname(config-cmap) # match regex put
hostname(config-cmap) # exit

hostname(config) # class-map type inspect http http_url_policy
hostname(config-cmap) # match request uri regex class url_to_log
hostname(config-cmap) # match request method regex class methods_to_log
hostname(config-cmap) # exit

hostname(config) # policy-map type inspect http http_policy
hostname(config-pmap) # class http_url_policy
hostname(config-pmap-c) # log
```

## ICMP Inspection

The ICMP inspection engine allows ICMP traffic to have a "session" so it can be inspected like TCP and UDP traffic. Without the ICMP inspection engine, we recommend that you do not allow ICMP through the ASA in an ACL. Without stateful inspection, ICMP can be used to attack your network. The ICMP inspection engine ensures that there is only one response for each request, and that the sequence number is correct.

## ICMP Error Inspection

When this feature is enabled, the ASA creates translation sessions for intermediate hops that send ICMP error messages, based on the NAT configuration. The ASA overwrites the packet with the translated IP addresses.

When disabled, the ASA does not create translation sessions for intermediate nodes that generate ICMP error messages. ICMP error messages generated by the intermediate nodes between the inside host and the ASA reach the outside host without consuming any additional NAT resource. This is undesirable when an outside host uses the traceroute command to trace the hops to the destination on the inside of the ASA. When the ASA does not translate the intermediate hops, all the intermediate hops appear with the mapped destination IP address.

The ICMP payload is scanned to retrieve the five-tuple from the original packet. Using the retrieved five-tuple, a lookup is performed to determine the original address of the client. The ICMP error inspection engine makes the following changes to the ICMP packet:

- In the IP Header, the mapped IP is changed to the real IP (Destination Address) and the IP checksum is modified.
- In the ICMP Header, the ICMP checksum is modified due to the changes in the ICMP packet.
- In the Payload, the following changes are made:
  - Original packet mapped IP is changed to the real IP
  - Original packet mapped port is changed to the real Port
  - Original packet IP checksum is recalculated

## Instant Messaging Inspection

This section describes the IM inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [IM Inspection Overview, page 8-20](#)
- [Configuring an Instant Messaging Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-20](#)

## IM Inspection Overview

The IM inspect engine lets you apply fine grained controls on the IM application to control the network usage and stop leakage of confidential data, propagation of worms, and other threats to the corporate network.

## Configuring an Instant Messaging Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

To specify actions when a message violates a parameter, create an IM inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable IM inspection.



To create an IM inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

- Step 1** (Optional) Add one or more regular expressions for use in traffic matching commands according to the general operations configuration guide. See the types of text you can match in the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#).
- Step 2** (Optional) Create one or more regular expression class maps to group regular expressions according to the general operations configuration guide.
- Step 3** (Optional) Create an IM inspection class map by performing the following steps.

A class map groups multiple traffic matches. Traffic must match *all* of the **match** commands to match the class map. You can alternatively identify **match** commands directly in the policy map. The difference between creating a class map and defining the traffic match directly in the inspection policy map is that the class map lets you create more complex match criteria, and you can reuse class maps.

To specify traffic that should not match the class map, use the **match not** command. For example, if the **match not** command specifies the string “example.com,” then any traffic that includes “example.com” does not match the class map.

For the traffic that you identify in this class map, you can specify actions such as drop-connection, reset, and/or log the connection in the inspection policy map.

If you want to perform different actions for each **match** command, you should identify the traffic directly in the policy map.

- a. Create the class map by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config)# class-map type inspect im [match-all | match-any] class_map_name
hostname(config-cmap)#
```

Where *the class\_map\_name* is the name of the class map. The **match-all** keyword is the default, and specifies that traffic must match all criteria to match the class map. The **match-any** keyword specifies that the traffic matches the class map if it matches at least one of the criteria. The CLI enters class-map configuration mode, where you can enter one or more **match** commands.

- b. (Optional) To add a description to the class map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# description string
```

Where *the string* is the description of the class map (up to 200 characters).

- c. (Optional) To match traffic of a specific IM protocol, such as Yahoo or MSN, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] protocol {im-yahoo | im-msn}
```

- d. (Optional) To match a specific IM service, such as chat, file-transfer, webcam, voice-chat, conference, or games, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] service {chat | file-transfer | webcam | voice-chat
| conference | games}
```

- e. (Optional) To match the source login name of the IM message, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] login-name regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```

Where the **regex regex\_name** argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class regex\_class\_name** is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- f. (Optional) To match the destination login name of the IM message, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] peer-login-name regex {class class_name |
regex_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- g. (Optional) To match the source IP address of the IM message, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] ip-address ip_address ip_address_mask
```

Where the *ip\_address* and the *ip\_address\_mask* is the IP address and netmask of the message source.

- h. (Optional) To match the destination IP address of the IM message, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] peer-ip-address ip_address ip_address_mask
```

Where the *ip\_address* and the *ip\_address\_mask* is the IP address and netmask of the message destination.

- i. (Optional) To match the version of the IM message, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] version regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- j. (Optional) To match the filename of the IM message, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] filename regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).




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**Note** Not supported using MSN IM protocol.

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- Step 4** Create an IM inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect im policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

- Step 5** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

- Step 6** Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:

- Specify the IM class map that you created in [Step 3](#) by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name
hostname(config-pmap-c)#
```

- Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#). If you use a **match not** command, then any traffic that does not match the criterion in the **match not** command has the action applied.

You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the policy map. For information about the order of **class** and **match** commands, see [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#).

- Step 7** Specify the action you want to perform on the matching traffic by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# {drop-connection | reset | log}
```

Where the **drop-connection** action closes the connection. The **reset** action closes the connection and sends a TCP reset to the client. The **log** action sends a system log message when this policy map matches traffic.

The following example shows how to define an IM inspection policy map.

```
hostname(config)# regex loginname1 "ying@yahoo.com"
hostname(config)# regex loginname2 "Kevin@yahoo.com"
hostname(config)# regex loginname3 "rahul@yahoo.com"
hostname(config)# regex loginname4 "darshant@yahoo.com"
hostname(config)# regex yahoo_version_regex "1\\.0"
hostname(config)# regex gif_files "\.gif"
hostname(config)# regex exe_files "\.exe"

hostname(config)# class-map type regex match-any yahoo_src_login_name_regex
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex loginname1
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex loginname2

hostname(config)# class-map type regex match-any yahoo_dst_login_name_regex
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex loginname3
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex loginname4

hostname(config)# class-map type inspect im match-any yahoo_file_block_list
hostname(config-cmap)# match filename regex gif_files
hostname(config-cmap)# match filename regex exe_files

hostname(config)# class-map type inspect im match-all yahoo_im_policy
hostname(config-cmap)# match login-name regex class yahoo_src_login_name_regex
hostname(config-cmap)# match peer-login-name regex class yahoo_dst_login_name_regex

hostname(config)# class-map type inspect im match-all yahoo_im_policy2
hostname(config-cmap)# match version regex yahoo_version_regex

hostname(config)# class-map im_inspect_class_map
hostname(config-cmap)# match default-inspection-traffic

hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect im im_policy_all
hostname(config-pmap)# class yahoo_file_block_list
hostname(config-pmap-c)# match service file-transfer
hostname(config-pmap)# class yahoo_im_policy
hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop-connection
hostname(config-pmap)# class yahoo_im_policy2
hostname(config-pmap-c)# reset
hostname(config)# policy-map global_policy_name
hostname(config-pmap)# class im_inspect_class_map
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect im im_policy_all
```

## IP Options Inspection

This section describes the IP Options inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [IP Options Inspection Overview, page 8-24](#)
- [Configuring an IP Options Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-24](#)

## IP Options Inspection Overview

Each IP packet contains an IP header with the Options field. The Options field, commonly referred to as IP Options, provide for control functions that are required in some situations but unnecessary for most common communications. In particular, IP Options include provisions for time stamps, security, and special routing. Use of IP Options is optional, and the field can contain zero, one, or more options.

You can configure IP Options inspection to control which IP packets with specific IP options are allowed through the ASA. Configuring this inspection instructs the ASA to allow a packet to pass or to clear the specified IP options and then allow the packet to pass.

IP Options inspection can check for the following three IP options in a packet:

- End of Options List (EOOL) or IP Option 0—This option, which contains just a single zero byte, appears at the end of all options to mark the end of a list of options. This might not coincide with the end of the header according to the header length.
- No Operation (NOP) or IP Option 1—The Options field in the IP header can contain zero, one, or more options, which makes the total length of the field variable. However, the IP header must be a multiple of 32 bits. If the number of bits of all options is not a multiple of 32 bits, the NOP option is used as “internal padding” to align the options on a 32-bit boundary.
- Router Alert (RTRALT) or IP Option 20—This option notifies transit routers to inspect the contents of the packet even when the packet is not destined for that router. This inspection is valuable when implementing RSVP and similar protocols require relatively complex processing from the routers along the packets delivery path.



### Note

IP Options inspection is included by default in the global inspection policy. Therefore, the ASA allows RSVP traffic that contains packets with the Router Alert option (option 20) when the ASA is in routed mode.

Dropping RSVP packets containing the Router Alert option can cause problems in VoIP implementations.

When you configure the ASA to clear the Router Alert option from IP headers, the IP header changes in the following ways:

- The Options field is padded so that the field ends on a 32 bit boundary.
- Internet header length (IHL) changes.
- The total length of the packet changes.
- The checksum is recomputed.

If an IP header contains additional options other than EOOL, NOP, or RTRALT, regardless of whether the ASA is configured to allow these options, the ASA will drop the packet.

## Configuring an IP Options Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

**Step 1** To create an IP Options inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect ip-options policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 2** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

**Step 3** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters  
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

b. To allow or clear packets with the End of Options List (EOOL) option, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# eoool action {allow | clear}
```

This option, which contains just a single zero byte, appears at the end of all options to mark the end of a list of options. This might not coincide with the end of the header according to the header length.

c. To allow or clear packets with the No Operation (NOP) option, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# nop action {allow | clear}
```

The Options field in the IP header can contain zero, one, or more options, which makes the total length of the field variable. However, the IP header must be a multiple of 32 bits. If the number of bits of all options is not a multiple of 32 bits, the NOP option is used as “internal padding” to align the options on a 32-bit boundary.

d. To allow or clear packets with the Router Alert (RTRALT) option, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# router-alert action {allow | clear}
```

This option notifies transit routers to inspect the contents of the packet even when the packet is not destined for that router. This inspection is valuable when implementing RSVP and similar protocols require relatively complex processing from the routers along the packets delivery path.



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**Note** Enter the **clear** command to clear the IP option from the packet before allowing the packet through the ASA.

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## IPsec Pass Through Inspection

This section describes the IPsec Pass Through inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [IPsec Pass Through Inspection Overview, page 8-26](#)
- [Example for Defining an IPsec Pass Through Parameter Map, page 8-26](#)

## IPsec Pass Through Inspection Overview

Internet Protocol Security (IPsec) is a protocol suite for securing IP communications by authenticating and encrypting each IP packet of a data stream. IPsec also includes protocols for establishing mutual authentication between agents at the beginning of the session and negotiation of cryptographic keys to be used during the session. IPsec can be used to protect data flows between a pair of hosts (for example, computer users or servers), between a pair of security gateways (such as routers or firewalls), or between a security gateway and a host.

IPsec Pass Through application inspection provides convenient traversal of ESP (IP protocol 50) and AH (IP protocol 51) traffic associated with an IKE UDP port 500 connection. It avoids lengthy ACL configuration to permit ESP and AH traffic and also provides security using timeout and max connections.

Specify IPsec Pass Through inspection parameters to identify a specific map to use for defining the parameters for the inspection. Configure a policy map for Specify IPsec Pass Through inspection to access the parameters configuration, which lets you specify the restrictions for ESP or AH traffic. You can set the per client max connections and the idle timeout in parameters configuration.

NAT and non-NAT traffic is permitted. However, PAT is not supported.

## Example for Defining an IPsec Pass Through Parameter Map

The following example shows how to use ACLs to identify IKE traffic, define an IPsec Pass Thru parameter map, define a policy, and apply the policy to the outside interface:

```
hostname(config)# access-list ipsecpassthruacl permit udp any any eq 500
hostname(config)# class-map ipsecpassthru-traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ipsecpassthruacl
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect ipsec-pass-thru iptmap
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# esp per-client-max 10 timeout 0:11:00
hostname(config-pmap-p)# ah per-client-max 5 timeout 0:06:00
hostname(config)# policy-map inspection_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class ipsecpassthru-traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect ipsec-pass-thru iptmap
hostname(config)# service-policy inspection_policy interface outside
```

## IPv6 Inspection

- [Information about IPv6 Inspection, page 8-26](#)
- [Default Settings for IPv6 Inspection, page 8-27](#)
- [\(Optional\) Configuring an IPv6 Inspection Policy Map, page 8-27](#)
- [Configuring IPv6 Inspection, page 8-29](#)

## Information about IPv6 Inspection

IPv6 inspection lets you selectively log or drop IPv6 traffic based on the extension header. In addition, IPv6 inspection can check conformance to RFC 2460 for type and order of extension headers in IPv6 packets.

## Default Settings for IPv6 Inspection

If you enable IPv6 inspection and do not specify an inspection policy map, then the default IPv6 inspection policy map is used, and the following actions are taken:

- Allows only known IPv6 extension headers
- Enforces the order of IPv6 extension headers as defined in the RFC 2460 specification

If you create an inspection policy map, the above actions are taken by default unless you explicitly disable them.

## (Optional) Configuring an IPv6 Inspection Policy Map

To identify extension headers to drop or log, and/or to disable packet verification, create an IPv6 inspection policy map to be used by the service policy.

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<p><code>policy-map type inspect ipv6 name</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b>  <pre>hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect ipv6 ipv6-map</pre></p>	Creates an inspection policy map.

	Command	Purpose
Step 2	<pre>match header header   [drop [log]   log]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap)# match header ah hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop log hostname(config-pmap-c)# match header esp hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop log</pre>	<p>Specifies the headers you want to match. By default, the packet is logged (<b>log</b>); if you want to drop (and optionally also log) the packet, enter the <b>drop</b> and optional <b>log</b> commands in match configuration mode.</p> <p>Re-enter the <b>match</b> command and optional <b>drop</b> action for each extension you want to match:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ah</b>—Matches the IPv6 Authentication extension header</li> <li>• <b>count gt number</b>—Specifies the maximum number of IPv6 extension headers, from 0 to 255</li> <li>• <b>destination-option</b>—Matches the IPv6 destination-option extension header</li> <li>• <b>esp</b>—Matches the IPv6 Encapsulation Security Payload (ESP) extension header</li> <li>• <b>fragment</b>—Matches the IPv6 fragment extension header</li> <li>• <b>hop-by-hop</b>—Matches the IPv6 hop-by-hop extension header</li> <li>• <b>routing-address count gt number</b>—Sets the maximum number of IPv6 routing header type 0 addresses, greater than a number between 0 and 255</li> <li>• <b>routing-type {eq   range} number</b>—Matches the IPv6 routing header type, from 0 to 255. For a range, separate values by a space, for example, <b>30 40</b>.</li> </ul>
Step 3	<pre>parameters   [no] verify-header {order   type}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap)# parameters hostname(config-pmap-p)# no verify-header order hostname(config-pmap-p)# no verify-header type</pre>	<p>Specifies IPv6 parameters. These parameters are enabled by default. To disable them, enter the <b>no</b> keyword.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>[no] verify-header type</b>—Allows only known IPv6 extension headers</li> <li>• <b>[no] verify-header order</b>—Enforces the order of IPv6 extension headers as defined in the RFC 2460 specification</li> </ul>

## Examples

The following example creates an inspection policy map that will drop and log all IPv6 packets with the hop-by-hop, destination-option, routing-address, and routing type 0 headers:

```
policy-map type inspect ipv6 ipv6-pm
  parameters
  match header hop-by-hop
    drop log
  match header destination-option
    drop log
  match header routing-address count gt 0
    drop log
  match header routing-type eq 0
    drop log
```



## Configuring IPv6 Inspection

To enable IPv6 inspection, perform the following steps.

### Detailed Steps

	Command	Purpose
Step 1	<b>class-map</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# class-map ipv6_traffic	Creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to apply the inspection.
Step 2	<b>match</b> <i>parameter</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ipv6	Specifies the traffic in the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a> , page 1-12 for more information.
Step 3	<b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# policy-map ipv6_policy	Adds or edits a policy map that sets the actions to take with the class map traffic.
Step 4	<b>class</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-pmap)# class ipv6_traffic	Identifies the class map created in <a href="#">Step 1</a>
Step 5	<b>inspect ipv6</b> [ <i>ipv6_policy_map</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-class)# inspect ipv6 ipv6-map	Configures IPv6 inspection. Specify the inspection policy map you created in the <a href="#">(Optional) Configuring an IPv6 Inspection Policy Map</a> , page 8-27.
Step 6	<b>service-policy</b> <i>polycymap_name</i> { <b>global</b>   <b>interface</b> <i>interface_name</i> }  <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# service-policy ipv6_policy outside	Activates the policy map on one or more interfaces. <b>global</b> applies the policy map to all interfaces, and <b>interface</b> applies the policy to one interface. Only one global policy is allowed. You can override the global policy on an interface by applying a service policy to that interface. You can only apply one policy map to each interface.

### Examples

The following example drops all IPv6 traffic with the hop-by-hop, destination-option, routing-address, and routing type 0 headers:

```
policy-map type inspect ipv6 ipv6-pm
  parameters
  match header hop-by-hop
    drop
  match header destination-option
    drop
  match header routing-address count gt 0
```

```

drop
match header routing-type eq 0
drop
policy-map global_policy
class class-default
inspect ipv6 ipv6-pm
!
service-policy global_policy global

```

## NetBIOS Inspection

This section describes the IM inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [NetBIOS Inspection Overview, page 8-30](#)
- [Configuring a NetBIOS Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-30](#)

## NetBIOS Inspection Overview

NetBIOS inspection is enabled by default. The NetBios inspection engine translates IP addresses in the NetBios name service (NBNS) packets according to the ASA NAT configuration.

## Configuring a NetBIOS Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

To specify actions when a message violates a parameter, create a NETBIOS inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable NETBIOS inspection.

To create a NETBIOS inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

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**Step 1** (Optional) Add one or more regular expressions for use in traffic matching commands according to the general operations configuration guide. See the types of text you can match in the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#).

**Step 2** (Optional) Create one or more regular expression class maps to group regular expressions according to the general operations configuration guide.

**Step 3** Create a NetBIOS inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```

hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect netbios policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#

```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 4** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```

hostname(config-pmap)# description string

```

**Step 5** To apply actions to matching traffic, perform the following steps.

a. Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:

- Specify the NetBIOS class map that you created in [Step 3](#) by entering the following command:

```

hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name
hostname(config-pmap-c)#

```

- Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#). If you use a **match not** command, then any traffic that does not match the criterion in the **match not** command has the action applied.
- b. Specify the action you want to perform on the matching traffic by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# {[drop [send-protocol-error] |
drop-connection [send-protocol-error] | mask | reset] [log] | rate-limit message_rate}
```

Not all options are available for each **match** or **class** command. See the CLI help or the command reference for the exact options available.

The **drop** keyword drops all packets that match.

The **send-protocol-error** keyword sends a protocol error message.

The **drop-connection** keyword drops the packet and closes the connection.

The **mask** keyword masks out the matching portion of the packet.

The **reset** keyword drops the packet, closes the connection, and sends a TCP reset to the server and/or client.

The **log** keyword, which you can use alone or with one of the other keywords, sends a system log message.

The **rate-limit message\_rate** argument limits the rate of messages.

You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the policy map. For information about the order of **class** and **match** commands, see [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#).

**Step 6** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

- a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

- b. To check for NETBIOS protocol violations, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# protocol-violation [action [drop-connection / reset / log]]
```

Where the **drop-connection** action closes the connection. The **reset** action closes the connection and sends a TCP reset to the client. The **log** action sends a system log message when this policy map matches traffic.

The following example shows how to define a NETBIOS inspection policy map.

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect netbios netbios_map
hostname(config-pmap)# protocol-violation drop log
```

```
hostname(config)# policy-map netbios_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class inspection_default
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect netbios netbios_map
```

## PPTP Inspection

PPTP is a protocol for tunneling PPP traffic. A PPTP session is composed of one TCP channel and usually two PPTP GRE tunnels. The TCP channel is the control channel used for negotiating and managing the PPTP GRE tunnels. The GRE tunnels carries PPP sessions between the two hosts.

When enabled, PPTP application inspection inspects PPTP protocol packets and dynamically creates the GRE connections and xlates necessary to permit PPTP traffic. Only Version 1, as defined in RFC 2637, is supported.

PAT is only performed for the modified version of GRE [RFC 2637] when negotiated over the PPTP TCP control channel. Port Address Translation is *not* performed for the unmodified version of GRE [RFC 1701, RFC 1702].

Specifically, the ASA inspects the PPTP version announcements and the outgoing call request/response sequence. Only PPTP Version 1, as defined in RFC 2637, is inspected. Further inspection on the TCP control channel is disabled if the version announced by either side is not Version 1. In addition, the outgoing-call request and reply sequence are tracked. Connections and xlates are dynamic allocated as necessary to permit subsequent secondary GRE data traffic.

The PPTP inspection engine must be enabled for PPTP traffic to be translated by PAT. Additionally, PAT is only performed for a modified version of GRE (RFC2637) and only if it is negotiated over the PPTP TCP control channel. PAT is not performed for the unmodified version of GRE (RFC 1701 and RFC 1702).

As described in RFC 2637, the PPTP protocol is mainly used for the tunneling of PPP sessions initiated from a modem bank PAC (PPTP Access Concentrator) to the headend PNS (PPTP Network Server). When used this way, the PAC is the remote client and the PNS is the server.

However, when used for VPN by Windows, the interaction is inverted. The PNS is a remote single-user PC that initiates connection to the head-end PAC to gain access to a central network.

## SMTP and Extended SMTP Inspection

This section describes the IM inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [SMTP and ESMTP Inspection Overview, page 8-32](#)
- [Configuring an ESMTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 8-33](#)

## SMTP and ESMTP Inspection Overview

ESMTP application inspection provides improved protection against SMTP-based attacks by restricting the types of SMTP commands that can pass through the ASA and by adding monitoring capabilities.

ESMTP is an enhancement to the SMTP protocol and is similar in most respects to SMTP. For convenience, the term SMTP is used in this document to refer to both SMTP and ESMTP. The application inspection process for extended SMTP is similar to SMTP application inspection and includes support for SMTP sessions. Most commands used in an extended SMTP session are the same as those used in an SMTP session but an ESMTP session is considerably faster and offers more options related to reliability and security, such as delivery status notification.

Extended SMTP application inspection adds support for these extended SMTP commands, including AUTH, EHLO, ETRN, HELP, SAML, SEND, SOML, STARTTLS, and VRFY. Along with the support for seven RFC 821 commands (DATA, HELO, MAIL, NOOP, QUIT, RCPT, RSET), the ASA supports a total of fifteen SMTP commands.

Other extended SMTP commands, such as ATRN, ONEX, VERB, CHUNKING, and private extensions and are not supported. Unsupported commands are translated into Xs, which are rejected by the internal server. This results in a message such as “500 Command unknown: 'XXX'.” Incomplete commands are discarded.

The ESMTP inspection engine changes the characters in the server SMTP banner to asterisks except for the “2”, “0”, “0” characters. Carriage return (CR) and linefeed (LF) characters are ignored.

With SMTP inspection enabled, a Telnet session used for interactive SMTP may hang if the following rules are not observed: SMTP commands must be at least four characters in length; must be terminated with carriage return and line feed; and must wait for a response before issuing the next reply.

An SMTP server responds to client requests with numeric reply codes and optional human-readable strings. SMTP application inspection controls and reduces the commands that the user can use as well as the messages that the server returns. SMTP inspection performs three primary tasks:

- Restricts SMTP requests to seven basic SMTP commands and eight extended commands.
- Monitors the SMTP command-response sequence.
- Generates an audit trail—Audit record 108002 is generated when invalid character embedded in the mail address is replaced. For more information, see RFC 821.

SMTP inspection monitors the command and response sequence for the following anomalous signatures:

- Truncated commands.
- Incorrect command termination (not terminated with <CR><LR>).
- The MAIL and RCPT commands specify who are the sender and the receiver of the mail. Mail addresses are scanned for strange characters. The pipeline character (|) is deleted (changed to a blank space) and “<” ,”>” are only allowed if they are used to define a mail address (“>” must be preceded by “<”). To close the session when the PIPE character is found as a parameter to a MAIL from or RCPT to command, include the **special-character** command in the configuration as part of the inspection parameters (**parameters** command).
- Unexpected transition by the SMTP server.
- For unknown commands, the ASA changes all the characters in the packet to X. In this case, the server generates an error code to the client. Because of the change in the packed, the TCP checksum has to be recalculated or adjusted.
- TCP stream editing.
- Command pipelining.

## Configuring an ESMTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

ESMTP inspection detects attacks, including spam, phishing, malformed message attacks, buffer overflow/underflow attacks. It also provides support for application security and protocol conformance, which enforce the sanity of the ESMTP messages as well as detect several attacks, block senders/receivers, and block mail relay.

To specify actions when a message violates a parameter, create an ESMTP inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable ESMTP inspection.

To create an ESMTP inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

- 
- Step 1** (Optional) Add one or more regular expressions for use in traffic matching commands according to the general operations configuration guide. See the types of text you can match in the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#).
  - Step 2** (Optional) Create one or more regular expression class maps to group regular expressions according to the general operations configuration guide.
  - Step 3** Create an ESMTP inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect esmtp policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 4** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

**Step 5** To apply actions to matching traffic, perform the following steps.

- a. Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:
  - Specify the ESMTP class map that you created in [Step 3](#) by entering the following command:
 

```
hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name
hostname(config-pmap-c)#
```
  - Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#). If you use a **match not** command, then any traffic that does not match the criterion in the **match not** command has the action applied.
- b. Specify the action you want to perform on the matching traffic by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# {[drop [send-protocol-error] |
drop-connection [send-protocol-error] | mask | reset] [log] | rate-limit message_rate}
```

Not all options are available for each **match** or **class** command. See the CLI help or the command reference for the exact options available.

The **drop** keyword drops all packets that match.

The **send-protocol-error** keyword sends a protocol error message.

The **drop-connection** keyword drops the packet and closes the connection.

The **mask** keyword masks out the matching portion of the packet.

The **reset** keyword drops the packet, closes the connection, and sends a TCP reset to the server and/or client.

The **log** keyword, which you can use alone or with one of the other keywords, sends a system log message.

The **rate-limit** *message\_rate* argument limits the rate of messages.

You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the policy map. For information about the order of **class** and **match** commands, see [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#).

**Step 6** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

- a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

- b. To configure a local domain name, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# mail-relay domain-name action [drop-connection / log]
```

Where the **drop-connection** action closes the connection. The **log** action sends a system log message when this policy map matches traffic.

- c. To enforce banner obfuscation, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# mask-banner
```

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The following example shows how to define an ESMTP inspection policy map.

```
hostname(config)# regex user1 "user1@cisco.com"
hostname(config)# regex user2 "user2@cisco.com"
hostname(config)# regex user3 "user3@cisco.com"
hostname(config)# class-map type regex senders_black_list
hostname(config-cmap)# description "Regular expressions to filter out undesired senders"
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex user1
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex user2
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex user3

hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect esmtp advanced_esmtp_map
hostname(config-pmap)# match sender-address regex class senders_black_list
hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop-connection log

hostname(config)# policy-map outside_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class inspection_default
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect esmtp advanced_esmtp_map

hostname(config)# service-policy outside_policy interface outside
```

## TFTP Inspection

TFTP inspection is enabled by default.

TFTP, described in RFC 1350, is a simple protocol to read and write files between a TFTP server and client.

The ASA inspects TFTP traffic and dynamically creates connections and translations, if necessary, to permit file transfer between a TFTP client and server. Specifically, the inspection engine inspects TFTP read request (RRQ), write request (WRQ), and error notification (ERROR).

A dynamic secondary channel and a PAT translation, if necessary, are allocated on a reception of a valid read (RRQ) or write (WRQ) request. This secondary channel is subsequently used by TFTP for file transfer or error notification.

Only the TFTP server can initiate traffic over the secondary channel, and at most one incomplete secondary channel can exist between the TFTP client and server. An error notification from the server closes the secondary channel.

TFTP inspection must be enabled if static PAT is used to redirect TFTP traffic.







## Inspection for Voice and Video Protocols

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This chapter describes how to configure application layer protocol inspection. Inspection engines are required for services that embed IP addressing information in the user data packet or that open secondary channels on dynamically assigned ports. These protocols require the ASA to do a deep packet inspection instead of passing the packet through the fast path. As a result, inspection engines can affect overall throughput.

Several common inspection engines are enabled on the ASA by default, but you might need to enable others depending on your network.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [CTIQBE Inspection, page 9-1](#)
- [H.323 Inspection, page 9-3](#)
- [MGCP Inspection, page 9-11](#)
- [RTSP Inspection, page 9-14](#)
- [SIP Inspection, page 9-18](#)
- [Skinny \(SCCP\) Inspection, page 9-24](#)

### CTIQBE Inspection

This section describes CTIQBE application inspection. This section includes the following topics:

- [CTIQBE Inspection Overview, page 9-1](#)
- [Limitations and Restrictions, page 9-2](#)
- [Verifying and Monitoring CTIQBE Inspection, page 9-2](#)

### CTIQBE Inspection Overview

CTIQBE protocol inspection supports NAT, PAT, and bidirectional NAT. This enables Cisco IP SoftPhone and other Cisco TAPI/JTAPI applications to work successfully with Cisco CallManager for call setup across the ASA.

TAPI and JTAPI are used by many Cisco VoIP applications. CTIQBE is used by Cisco TSP to communicate with Cisco CallManager.

## Limitations and Restrictions

The following summarizes limitations that apply when using CTIQBE application inspection:

- CTIQBE application inspection does not support configurations with the **alias** command.
- Stateful failover of CTIQBE calls is not supported.
- Entering the **debug ctiqbe** command may delay message transmission, which may have a performance impact in a real-time environment. When you enable this debugging or logging and Cisco IP SoftPhone seems unable to complete call setup through the ASA, increase the timeout values in the Cisco TSP settings on the system running Cisco IP SoftPhone.

The following summarizes special considerations when using CTIQBE application inspection in specific scenarios:

- If two Cisco IP SoftPhones are registered with different Cisco CallManagers, which are connected to different interfaces of the ASA, calls between these two phones fails.
- When Cisco CallManager is located on the higher security interface compared to Cisco IP SoftPhones, if NAT or outside NAT is required for the Cisco CallManager IP address, the mapping must be static as Cisco IP SoftPhone requires the Cisco CallManager IP address to be specified explicitly in its Cisco TSP configuration on the PC.
- When using PAT or Outside PAT, if the Cisco CallManager IP address is to be translated, its TCP port 2748 must be statically mapped to the same port of the PAT (interface) address for Cisco IP SoftPhone registrations to succeed. The CTIQBE listening port (TCP 2748) is fixed and is not user-configurable on Cisco CallManager, Cisco IP SoftPhone, or Cisco TSP.

## Verifying and Monitoring CTIQBE Inspection

The **show ctiqbe** command displays information regarding the CTIQBE sessions established across the ASA. It shows information about the media connections allocated by the CTIQBE inspection engine.

The following is sample output from the **show ctiqbe** command under the following conditions. There is only one active CTIQBE session setup across the ASA. It is established between an internal CTI device (for example, a Cisco IP SoftPhone) at local address 10.0.0.99 and an external Cisco CallManager at 172.29.1.77, where TCP port 2748 is the Cisco CallManager. The heartbeat interval for the session is 120 seconds.

```
hostname# # show ctiqbe

Total: 1
-----
1      LOCAL          FOREIGN          STATE    HEARTBEAT
-----
1      10.0.0.99/1117    172.29.1.77/2748    1        120
-----
RTP/RTCP: PAT xlates: mapped to 172.29.1.99(1028 - 1029)
-----
MEDIA: Device ID 27      Call ID 0
      Foreign 172.29.1.99      (1028 - 1029)
      Local   172.29.1.88      (26822 - 26823)
-----
```

The CTI device has already registered with the CallManager. The device internal address and RTP listening port is PATed to 172.29.1.99 UDP port 1028. Its RTCP listening port is PATed to UDP 1029.

The line beginning with `RTP/RTCP: PAT xlates:` appears only if an internal CTI device has registered with an external CallManager and the CTI device address and ports are PATed to that external interface. This line does not appear if the CallManager is located on an internal interface, or if the internal CTI device address and ports are translated to the same external interface that is used by the CallManager.

The output indicates a call has been established between this CTI device and another phone at 172.29.1.88. The RTP and RTCP listening ports of the other phone are UDP 26822 and 26823. The other phone locates on the same interface as the CallManager because the ASA does not maintain a CTIQBE session record associated with the second phone and CallManager. The active call leg on the CTI device side can be identified with Device ID 27 and Call ID 0.

The following is sample output from the `show xlate debug` command for these CTIBQE connections:

```
hostname# show xlate debug
3 in use, 3 most used
Flags: D - DNS, d - dump, I - identity, i - inside, n - no random,
      r - portmap, s - static
TCP PAT from inside:10.0.0.99/1117 to outside:172.29.1.99/1025 flags ri idle 0:00:22
timeout 0:00:30
UDP PAT from inside:10.0.0.99/16908 to outside:172.29.1.99/1028 flags ri idle 0:00:00
timeout 0:04:10
UDP PAT from inside:10.0.0.99/16909 to outside:172.29.1.99/1029 flags ri idle 0:00:23
timeout 0:04:10
```

The `show conn state ctiqbe` command displays the status of CTIQBE connections. In the output, the media connections allocated by the CTIQBE inspection engine are denoted by a 'C' flag. The following is sample output from the `show conn state ctiqbe` command:

```
hostname# show conn state ctiqbe
1 in use, 10 most used
hostname# show conn state ctiqbe detail
1 in use, 10 most used
Flags: A - awaiting inside ACK to SYN, a - awaiting outside ACK to SYN,
      B - initial SYN from outside, C - CTIQBE media, D - DNS, d - dump,
      E - outside back connection, F - outside FIN, f - inside FIN,
      G - group, g - MGCP, H - H.323, h - H.225.0, I - inbound data,
      i - incomplete, J - GTP, j - GTP data, k - Skinny media,
      M - SMTP data, m - SIP media, O - outbound data, P - inside back connection,
      q - SQL*Net data, R - outside acknowledged FIN,
      R - UDP RPC, r - inside acknowledged FIN, S - awaiting inside SYN,
      s - awaiting outside SYN, T - SIP, t - SIP transient, U - up
```

## H.323 Inspection

This section describes the H.323 application inspection. This section includes the following topics:

- [H.323 Inspection Overview, page 9-4](#)
- [How H.323 Works, page 9-4](#)
- [H.239 Support in H.245 Messages, page 9-5](#)
- [Limitations and Restrictions, page 9-5](#)
- [Configuring an H.323 Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 9-6](#)
- [Configuring H.323 and H.225 Timeout Values, page 9-9](#)
- [Verifying and Monitoring H.323 Inspection, page 9-9](#)

## H.323 Inspection Overview

H.323 inspection provides support for H.323 compliant applications such as Cisco CallManager and VocalTec Gatekeeper. H.323 is a suite of protocols defined by the International Telecommunication Union for multimedia conferences over LANs. The ASA supports H.323 through Version 6, including H.323 v3 feature Multiple Calls on One Call Signaling Channel.

With H.323 inspection enabled, the ASA supports multiple calls on the same call signaling channel, a feature introduced with H.323 Version 3. This feature reduces call setup time and reduces the use of ports on the ASA.

The two major functions of H.323 inspection are as follows:

- NAT the necessary embedded IPv4 addresses in the H.225 and H.245 messages. Because H.323 messages are encoded in PER encoding format, the ASA uses an ASN.1 decoder to decode the H.323 messages.
- Dynamically allocate the negotiated H.245 and RTP/RTCP connections.

## How H.323 Works

The H.323 collection of protocols collectively may use up to two TCP connection and four to eight UDP connections. FastConnect uses only one TCP connection, and RAS uses a single UDP connection for registration, admissions, and status.

An H.323 client can initially establish a TCP connection to an H.323 server using TCP port 1720 to request Q.931 call setup. As part of the call setup process, the H.323 terminal supplies a port number to the client to use for an H.245 TCP connection. In environments where H.323 gatekeeper is in use, the initial packet is transmitted using UDP.

H.323 inspection monitors the Q.931 TCP connection to determine the H.245 port number. If the H.323 terminals are not using FastConnect, the ASA dynamically allocates the H.245 connection based on the inspection of the H.225 messages.

**Note**

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The H.225 connection can also be dynamically allocated when using RAS.

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Within each H.245 message, the H.323 endpoints exchange port numbers that are used for subsequent UDP data streams. H.323 inspection inspects the H.245 messages to identify these ports and dynamically creates connections for the media exchange. RTP uses the negotiated port number, while RTCP uses the next higher port number.

The H.323 control channel handles H.225 and H.245 and H.323 RAS. H.323 inspection uses the following ports.

- 1718—Gate Keeper Discovery UDP port
- 1719—RAS UDP port
- 1720—TCP Control Port

You must permit traffic for the well-known H.323 port 1719 for RAS signaling. Additionally, you must permit traffic for the well-known H.323 port 1720 for the H.225 call signaling; however, the H.245 signaling ports are negotiated between the endpoints in the H.225 signaling. When an H.323 gatekeeper is used, the ASA opens an H.225 connection based on inspection of the ACF and RCF nmessages.

After inspecting the H.225 messages, the ASA opens the H.245 channel and then inspects traffic sent over the H.245 channel as well. All H.245 messages passing through the ASA undergo H.245 application inspection, which translates embedded IP addresses and opens the media channels negotiated in H.245 messages.

The H.323 ITU standard requires that a TPKT header, defining the length of the message, precede the H.225 and H.245, before being passed on to the reliable connection. Because the TPKT header does not necessarily need to be sent in the same TCP packet as H.225 and H.245 messages, the ASA must remember the TPKT length to process and decode the messages properly. For each connection, the ASA keeps a record that contains the TPKT length for the next expected message.

If the ASA needs to perform NAT on IP addresses in messages, it changes the checksum, the UUIE length, and the TPKT, if it is included in the TCP packet with the H.225 message. If the TPKT is sent in a separate TCP packet, the ASA proxy ACKs that TPKT and appends a new TPKT to the H.245 message with the new length.

**Note**

The ASA does not support TCP options in the Proxy ACK for the TPKT.

Each UDP connection with a packet going through H.323 inspection is marked as an H.323 connection and times out with the H.323 timeout as configured with the **timeout** command.

**Note**

You can enable call setup between H.323 endpoints when the Gatekeeper is inside the network. The ASA includes options to open pinholes for calls based on the RegistrationRequest/RegistrationConfirm (RRQ/RCF) messages. Because these RRQ/RCF messages are sent to and from the Gatekeeper, the calling endpoint's IP address is unknown and the ASA opens a pinhole through source IP address/port 0/0. By default, this option is disabled. To enable call setup between H.323 endpoint, enter the **ras-rcf-pinholes enable** command during parameter configuration mode while creating an H.323 Inspection policy map. See [Configuring an H.323 Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control](#), page 9-6.

## H.239 Support in H.245 Messages

The ASA sits between two H.323 endpoints. When the two H.323 endpoints set up a telepresence session so that the endpoints can send and receive a data presentation, such as spreadsheet data, the ASA ensure successful H.239 negotiation between the endpoints.

H.239 is a standar that provides the ability for H.300 series endpoints to open an additional video channel in a single call. In a call, an endpoint (such as a video phone), sends a channel for video and a channel for data presentation. The H.239 negotiation occurs on the H.245 channel.

The ASA opens pinholes for the additional media channel and the media control channel. The endpoints use open logical channel message (OLC) to signal a new channel creation. The message extension is part of H.245 version 13.

The decoding and encoding of of the telepresence session is enabled by default. H.239 encoding and decoding is preformed by ASN.1 coder.

## Limitations and Restrictions

The following are some of the known issues and limitations when using H.323 application inspection:

- Only static NAT is fully supported. Static PAT may not properly translate IP addresses embedded in optional fields within H.323 messages. If you experience this kind of problem, do not use static PAT with H.323.
- Not supported with dynamic NAT or PAT.
- Not supported with extended PAT.
- Not supported with NAT between same-security-level interfaces.
- Not supported with outside NAT.
- Not supported with NAT64.
- When a NetMeeting client registers with an H.323 gatekeeper and tries to call an H.323 gateway that is also registered with the H.323 gatekeeper, the connection is established but no voice is heard in either direction. This problem is unrelated to the ASA.
- If you configure a network static address where the network static address is the same as a third-party netmask and address, then any outbound H.323 connection fails.

## Configuring an H.323 Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

To specify actions when a message violates a parameter, create an H.323 inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable H.323 inspection.

To create an H.323 inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

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- Step 1** (Optional) Add one or more regular expressions for use in traffic matching commands according to the general operations configuration guide. See the types of text you can match in the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#).
- Step 2** (Optional) Create one or more regular expression class maps to group regular expressions according to the general operations configuration guide.
- Step 3** (Optional) Create an H.323 inspection class map by performing the following steps.

A class map groups multiple traffic matches. Traffic must match *all* of the **match** commands to match the class map. You can alternatively identify **match** commands directly in the policy map. The difference between creating a class map and defining the traffic match directly in the inspection policy map is that the class map lets you create more complex match criteria, and you can reuse class maps.

To specify traffic that should not match the class map, use the **match not** command. For example, if the **match not** command specifies the string “example.com,” then any traffic that includes “example.com” does not match the class map.

For the traffic that you identify in this class map, you can specify actions such as drop-connection, reset, and/or log the connection in the inspection policy map.

If you want to perform different actions for each **match** command, you should identify the traffic directly in the policy map.

- a. Create the class map by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config)# class-map type inspect h323 [match-all | match-any] class_map_name
hostname(config-cmap)#
```

Where *the class\_map\_name* is the name of the class map. The **match-all** keyword is the default, and specifies that traffic must match all criteria to match the class map. The **match-any** keyword specifies that the traffic matches the class map if it matches at least one of the criteria. The CLI enters class-map configuration mode, where you can enter one or more **match** commands.

- b. (Optional) To add a description to the class map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# description string
```

Where *string* is the description of the class map (up to 200 characters).

- c. (Optional) To match a called party, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] called-party regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- d. (Optional) To match a media type, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] media-type {audio | data | video}
```

- Step 4** Create an H.323 inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect h323 policy_map_name  
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

- Step 5** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

- Step 6** To apply actions to matching traffic, perform the following steps.

- a. Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:

- Specify the H.323 class map that you created in [Step 3](#) by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name  
hostname(config-pmap-c)#
```

- Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#). If you use a **match not** command, then any traffic that does not match the criterion in the **match not** command has the action applied.

- b. Specify the action you want to perform on the matching traffic by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# {[drop [send-protocol-error] |  
drop-connection [send-protocol-error] | mask | reset] [log] | rate-limit message_rate}
```

Not all options are available for each **match** or **class** command. See the CLI help or the command reference for the exact options available.

The **drop** keyword drops all packets that match.

The **send-protocol-error** keyword sends a protocol error message.

The **drop-connection** keyword drops the packet and closes the connection.

The **mask** keyword masks out the matching portion of the packet.

The **reset** keyword drops the packet, closes the connection, and sends a TCP reset to the server and/or client.

The **log** keyword, which you can use alone or with one of the other keywords, sends a system log message.

The **rate-limit** *message\_rate* argument limits the rate of messages.

You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the policy map. For information about the order of **class** and **match** commands, see [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#).

**Step 7** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

- a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

- b. To enable call setup between H.323 Endpoints, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# ras-rcf-pinholes enable
```

You can enable call setup between H.323 endpoints when the Gatekeeper is inside the network. The ASA includes options to open pinholes for calls based on the RegistrationRequest/RegistrationConfirm (RRQ/RCF) messages. Because these RRQ/RCF messages are sent to and from the Gatekeeper, the calling endpoint's IP address is unknown and the ASA opens a pinhole through source IP address/port 0/0. By default, this option is disabled.

- c. To define the H.323 call duration limit, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# call-duration-limit time
```

Where *time* is the call duration limit in seconds. Range is from 0:0:0 to 1163:0:0. A value of 0 means never timeout.

- d. To enforce call party number used in call setup, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# call-party-number
```

- e. To enforce H.245 tunnel blocking, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# h245-tunnel-block action {drop-connection | log}
```

- f. To define an hsi group and enter hsi group configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# hsi-group id
```

Where *id* is the hsi group ID. Range is from 0 to 2147483647.

To add an hsi to the hsi group, enter the following command in hsi group configuration mode:

```
hostname(config-h225-map-hsi-grp)# hsi ip_address
```

Where *ip\_address* is the host to add. A maximum of five hosts per hsi group are allowed.

To add an endpoint to the hsi group, enter the following command in hsi group configuration mode:

```
hostname(config-h225-map-hsi-grp)# endpoint ip_address if_name
```

Where *ip\_address* is the endpoint to add and *if\_name* is the interface through which the endpoint is connected to the security appliance. A maximum of ten endpoints per hsi group are allowed.

- g. To check RTP packets flowing on the pinholes for protocol conformance, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# rtp-conformance [enforce-payloadtype]
```

Where the **enforce-payloadtype** keyword enforces the payload type to be audio or video based on the signaling exchange.

- h. To enable state checking validation, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# state-checking {h225 | ras}
```



The following example shows how to configure phone number filtering:

```
hostname(config)# regex caller 1 "5551234567"
hostname(config)# regex caller 2 "5552345678"
hostname(config)# regex caller 3 "5553456789"

hostname(config)# class-map type inspect h323 match-all h323_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# match called-party regex caller1
hostname(config-pmap-c)# match calling-party regex caller2

hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect h323 h323_map
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# class h323_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# drop
```

## Configuring H.323 and H.225 Timeout Values

To configure the idle time after which an H.225 signalling connection is closed, use the **timeout h225** command. The default for H.225 timeout is one hour.

To configure the idle time after which an H.323 control connection is closed, use the **timeout h323** command. The default is five minutes.

## Verifying and Monitoring H.323 Inspection

This section describes how to display information about H.323 sessions. This section includes the following topics:

- [Monitoring H.225 Sessions, page 9-9](#)
- [Monitoring H.245 Sessions, page 9-10](#)
- [Monitoring H.323 RAS Sessions, page 9-10](#)

### Monitoring H.225 Sessions

The **show h225** command displays information for H.225 sessions established across the ASA. Along with the **debug h323 h225 event**, **debug h323 h245 event**, and **show local-host** commands, this command is used for troubleshooting H.323 inspection engine issues.

Before entering the **show h225**, **show h245**, or **show h323-ras** commands, we recommend that you configure the **pager** command. If there are a lot of session records and the **pager** command is not configured, it may take a while for the **show** command output to reach its end. If there is an abnormally large number of connections, check that the sessions are timing out based on the default timeout values or the values set by you. If they are not, then there is a problem that needs to be investigated.

The following is sample output from the **show h225** command:

```
hostname# show h225
Total H.323 Calls: 1
1 Concurrent Call(s) for
  Local: 10.130.56.3/1040 Foreign: 172.30.254.203/1720
  1. CRV 9861
  Local: 10.130.56.3/1040 Foreign: 172.30.254.203/1720
0 Concurrent Call(s) for
  Local: 10.130.56.4/1050 Foreign: 172.30.254.205/1720
```

This output indicates that there is currently 1 active H.323 call going through the ASA between the local endpoint 10.130.56.3 and foreign host 172.30.254.203, and for these particular endpoints, there is 1 concurrent call between them, with a CRV for that call of 9861.

For the local endpoint 10.130.56.4 and foreign host 172.30.254.205, there are 0 concurrent calls. This means that there is no active call between the endpoints even though the H.225 session still exists. This could happen if, at the time of the **show h225** command, the call has already ended but the H.225 session has not yet been deleted. Alternately, it could mean that the two endpoints still have a TCP connection opened between them because they set “maintainConnection” to TRUE, so the session is kept open until they set it to FALSE again, or until the session times out based on the H.225 timeout value in your configuration.

## Monitoring H.245 Sessions

The **show h245** command displays information for H.245 sessions established across the ASA by endpoints using slow start. Slow start is when the two endpoints of a call open another TCP control channel for H.245. Fast start is where the H.245 messages are exchanged as part of the H.225 messages on the H.225 control channel.) Along with the **debug h323 h245 event**, **debug h323 h225 event**, and **show local-host** commands, this command is used for troubleshooting H.323 inspection engine issues.

The following is sample output from the **show h245** command:

```
hostname# show h245
Total: 1
      LOCAL          TPKT    FOREIGN          TPKT
1     10.130.56.3/1041      0      172.30.254.203/1245      0
      MEDIA: LCN 258 Foreign 172.30.254.203 RTP 49608 RTCP 49609
              Local  10.130.56.3 RTP 49608 RTCP 49609
      MEDIA: LCN 259 Foreign 172.30.254.203 RTP 49606 RTCP 49607
              Local  10.130.56.3 RTP 49606 RTCP 49607
```

There is currently one H.245 control session active across the ASA. The local endpoint is 10.130.56.3, and we are expecting the next packet from this endpoint to have a TPKT header because the TPKT value is 0. The TKTP header is a 4-byte header preceding each H.225/H.245 message. It gives the length of the message, including the 4-byte header. The foreign host endpoint is 172.30.254.203, and we are expecting the next packet from this endpoint to have a TPKT header because the TPKT value is 0.

The media negotiated between these endpoints have an LCN of 258 with the foreign RTP IP address/port pair of 172.30.254.203/49608 and an RTCP IP address/port of 172.30.254.203/49609 with a local RTP IP address/port pair of 10.130.56.3/49608 and an RTCP port of 49609.

The second LCN of 259 has a foreign RTP IP address/port pair of 172.30.254.203/49606 and an RTCP IP address/port pair of 172.30.254.203/49607 with a local RTP IP address/port pair of 10.130.56.3/49606 and RTCP port of 49607.

## Monitoring H.323 RAS Sessions

The **show h323-ras** command displays information for H.323 RAS sessions established across the ASA between a gatekeeper and its H.323 endpoint. Along with the **debug h323 ras event** and **show local-host** commands, this command is used for troubleshooting H.323 RAS inspection engine issues.

The **show h323-ras** command displays connection information for troubleshooting H.323 inspection engine issues. The following is sample output from the **show h323-ras** command:

```
hostname# show h323-ras
Total: 1
      GK          Caller
      172.30.254.214 10.130.56.14
```

This output shows that there is one active registration between the gatekeeper 172.30.254.214 and its client 10.130.56.14.

## MGCP Inspection

This section describes MGCP application inspection. This section includes the following topics:

- [MGCP Inspection Overview, page 9-11](#)
- [Configuring an MGCP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 9-12](#)
- [Configuring MGCP Timeout Values, page 9-13](#)
- [Verifying and Monitoring MGCP Inspection, page 9-14](#)

## MGCP Inspection Overview

MGCP is a master/slave protocol used to control media gateways from external call control elements called media gateway controllers or call agents. A media gateway is typically a network element that provides conversion between the audio signals carried on telephone circuits and data packets carried over the Internet or over other packet networks. Using NAT and PAT with MGCP lets you support a large number of devices on an internal network with a limited set of external (global) addresses. Examples of media gateways are:

- Trunking gateways, that interface between the telephone network and a Voice over IP network. Such gateways typically manage a large number of digital circuits.
- Residential gateways, that provide a traditional analog (RJ11) interface to a Voice over IP network. Examples of residential gateways include cable modem/cable set-top boxes, xDSL devices, broad-band wireless devices.
- Business gateways, that provide a traditional digital PBX interface or an integrated soft PBX interface to a Voice over IP network.



### Note

To avoid policy failure when upgrading from ASA version 7.1, all layer 7 and layer 3 policies must have distinct names. For instance, a previously configured policy map with the same name as a previously configured MGCP map must be changed before the upgrade.

MGCP messages are transmitted over UDP. A response is sent back to the source address (IP address and UDP port number) of the command, but the response may not arrive from the same address as the command was sent to. This can happen when multiple call agents are being used in a failover configuration and the call agent that received the command has passed control to a backup call agent, which then sends the response.

MGCP endpoints are physical or virtual sources and destinations for data. Media gateways contain endpoints on which the call agent can create, modify and delete connections to establish and control media sessions with other multimedia endpoints. Also, the call agent can instruct the endpoints to detect certain events and generate signals. The endpoints automatically communicate changes in service state to the call agent.

MGCP transactions are composed of a command and a mandatory response. There are eight types of commands:

- CreateConnection

- ModifyConnection
- DeleteConnection
- NotificationRequest
- Notify
- AuditEndpoint
- AuditConnection
- RestartInProgress

The first four commands are sent by the call agent to the gateway. The Notify command is sent by the gateway to the call agent. The gateway may also send a DeleteConnection. The registration of the MGCP gateway with the call agent is achieved by the RestartInProgress command. The AuditEndpoint and the AuditConnection commands are sent by the call agent to the gateway.

All commands are composed of a Command header, optionally followed by a session description. All responses are composed of a Response header, optionally followed by a session description.

- The port on which the gateway receives commands from the call agent. Gateways usually listen to UDP port 2427.
- The port on which the call agent receives commands from the gateway. Call agents usually listen to UDP port 2727.

**Note**

MGCP inspection does not support the use of different IP addresses for MGCP signaling and RTP data. A common and recommended practice is to send RTP data from a resilient IP address, such as a loopback or virtual IP address; however, the ASA requires the RTP data to come from the same address as MGCP signalling.

## Configuring an MGCP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

If the network has multiple call agents and gateways for which the ASA has to open pinholes, create an MGCP map. You can then apply the MGCP map when you enable MGCP inspection.

To create an MGCP map, perform the following steps:

**Step 1** To create an MGCP inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect mgcp map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 2** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

**Step 3** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

**a.** To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

**b.** To configure the call agents, enter the following command for each call agent:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# call-agent ip_address group_id
```

Use the **call-agent** command to specify a group of call agents that can manage one or more gateways. The call agent group information is used to open connections for the call agents in the group (other than the one a gateway sends a command to) so that any of the call agents can send the response. Call agents with the same *group\_id* belong to the same group. A call agent may belong to more than one group. The *group\_id* option is a number from 0 to 4294967295. The *ip\_address* option specifies the IP address of the call agent.



**Note** MGCP call agents send AUEP messages to determine if MGCP end points are present. This establishes a flow through the ASA and allows MGCP end points to register with the call agent.

- c. To configure the gateways, enter the following command for each gateway:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# gateway ip_address group_id
```

Use the **gateway** command to specify which group of call agents are managing a particular gateway. The IP address of the gateway is specified with the *ip\_address* option. The *group\_id* option is a number from 0 to 4294967295 that must correspond with the *group\_id* of the call agents that are managing the gateway. A gateway may only belong to one group.

- d. If you want to change the maximum number of commands allowed in the MGCP command queue, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# command-queue command_limit
```

The following example shows how to define an MGCP map:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect mgcp sample_map
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# call-agent 10.10.11.5 101
hostname(config-pmap-p)# call-agent 10.10.11.6 101
hostname(config-pmap-p)# call-agent 10.10.11.7 102
hostname(config-pmap-p)# call-agent 10.10.11.8 102
hostname(config-pmap-p)# gateway 10.10.10.115 101
hostname(config-pmap-p)# gateway 10.10.10.116 102
hostname(config-pmap-p)# gateway 10.10.10.117 102
hostname(config-pmap-p)# command-queue 150
```

## Configuring MGCP Timeout Values

The **timeout mgcp command** lets you set the interval for inactivity after which an MGCP media connection is closed. The default is 5 minutes.

The **timeout mgcp-pat** command lets you set the timeout for PAT xlates. Because MGCP does not have a keepalive mechanism, if you use non-Cisco MGCP gateways (call agents), the PAT xlates are torn down after the default timeout interval, which is 30 seconds.

## Verifying and Monitoring MGCP Inspection

The **show mgcp commands** command lists the number of MGCP commands in the command queue. The **show mgcp sessions** command lists the number of existing MGCP sessions. The **detail** option includes additional information about each command (or session) in the output. The following is sample output from the **show mgcp commands** command:

```
hostname# show mgcp commands
1 in use, 1 most used, 200 maximum allowed
CRCX, gateway IP: host-pc-2, transaction ID: 2052, idle: 0:00:07
```

The following is sample output from the **show mgcp detail** command.

```
hostname# show mgcp commands detail
1 in use, 1 most used, 200 maximum allowed
CRCX, idle: 0:00:10
    Gateway IP      host-pc-2
    Transaction ID  2052
    Endpoint name   aaln/1
    Call ID         9876543210abcdef
    Connection ID
    Media IP        192.168.5.7
    Media port      6058
```

The following is sample output from the **show mgcp sessions** command.

```
hostname# show mgcp sessions
1 in use, 1 most used
Gateway IP host-pc-2, connection ID 6789af54c9, active 0:00:11
```

The following is sample output from the **show mgcp sessions detail** command.

```
hostname# show mgcp sessions detail
1 in use, 1 most used
Session active 0:00:14
    Gateway IP      host-pc-2
    Call ID         9876543210abcdef
    Connection ID   6789af54c9
    Endpoint name   aaln/1
    Media lcl port  6166
    Media rmt IP    192.168.5.7
    Media rmt port  6058
```

## RTSP Inspection

This section describes RTSP application inspection. This section includes the following topics:

- [RTSP Inspection Overview, page 9-15](#)
- [Using RealPlayer, page 9-15](#)
- [Restrictions and Limitations, page 9-15](#)
- [Configuring an RTSP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 9-16](#)

## RTSP Inspection Overview

The RTSP inspection engine lets the ASA pass RTSP packets. RTSP is used by RealAudio, RealNetworks, Apple QuickTime 4, RealPlayer, and Cisco IP/TV connections.

**Note**

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For Cisco IP/TV, use RTSP TCP port 554 and TCP 8554.

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RTSP applications use the well-known port 554 with TCP (rarely UDP) as a control channel. The ASA only supports TCP, in conformity with RFC 2326. This TCP control channel is used to negotiate the data channels that is used to transmit audio/video traffic, depending on the transport mode that is configured on the client.

The supported RDT transports are: rtp/avp, rtp/avp/udp, x-real-rdt, x-real-rdt/udp, and x-pn-tng/udp.

The ASA parses Setup response messages with a status code of 200. If the response message is travelling inbound, the server is outside relative to the ASA and dynamic channels need to be opened for connections coming inbound from the server. If the response message is outbound, then the ASA does not need to open dynamic channels.

Because RFC 2326 does not require that the client and server ports must be in the SETUP response message, the ASA keeps state and remembers the client ports in the SETUP message. QuickTime places the client ports in the SETUP message and then the server responds with only the server ports.

RTSP inspection does not support PAT or dual-NAT. Also, the ASA cannot recognize HTTP cloaking where RTSP messages are hidden in the HTTP messages.

## Using RealPlayer

When using RealPlayer, it is important to properly configure transport mode. For the ASA, add an **access-list** command from the server to the client or vice versa. For RealPlayer, change transport mode by clicking **Options>Preferences>Transport>RTSP Settings**.

If using TCP mode on the RealPlayer, select the **Use TCP to Connect to Server** and **Attempt to use TCP for all content** check boxes. On the ASA, there is no need to configure the inspection engine.

If using UDP mode on the RealPlayer, select the **Use TCP to Connect to Server** and **Attempt to use UDP for static content** check boxes, and for live content not available via Multicast. On the ASA, add an **inspect rtsp port** command.

## Restrictions and Limitations

The following restrictions apply to the RSTP inspection.

- The ASA does not support multicast RTSP or RTSP messages over UDP.
- The ASA does not have the ability to recognize HTTP cloaking where RTSP messages are hidden in the HTTP messages.
- The ASA cannot perform NAT on RTSP messages because the embedded IP addresses are contained in the SDP files as part of HTTP or RTSP messages. Packets could be fragmented and ASA cannot perform NAT on fragmented packets.
- With Cisco IP/TV, the number of translates the ASA performs on the SDP part of the message is proportional to the number of program listings in the Content Manager (each program listing can have at least six embedded IP addresses).

- You can configure NAT for Apple QuickTime 4 or RealPlayer. Cisco IP/TV only works with NAT if the Viewer and Content Manager are on the outside network and the server is on the inside network.

## Configuring an RTSP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

To specify actions when a message violates a parameter, create an RTSP inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable RTSP inspection.

To create an RTSP inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

- 
- Step 1** (Optional) Add one or more regular expressions for use in traffic matching commands according to the general operations configuration guide. See the types of text you can match in the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#).
- Step 2** (Optional) Create one or more regular expression class maps to group regular expressions according to the general operations configuration guide.
- Step 3** (Optional) Create an RTSP inspection class map by performing the following steps.

A class map groups multiple traffic matches. Traffic must match *all* of the **match** commands to match the class map. You can alternatively identify **match** commands directly in the policy map. The difference between creating a class map and defining the traffic match directly in the inspection policy map is that the class map lets you create more complex match criteria, and you can reuse class maps.

To specify traffic that should not match the class map, use the **match not** command. For example, if the **match not** command specifies the string “example.com,” then any traffic that includes “example.com” does not match the class map.

For the traffic that you identify in this class map, you can specify actions such as drop-connection and/or log the connection in the inspection policy map.

If you want to perform different actions for each **match** command, you should identify the traffic directly in the policy map.

- a. Create the class map by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config)# class-map type inspect rtsp [match-all | match-any] class_map_name
hostname(config-cmap)#
```

Where *class\_map\_name* is the name of the class map. The **match-all** keyword is the default, and specifies that traffic must match all criteria to match the class map. The **match-any** keyword specifies that the traffic matches the class map if it matches at least one of the criteria. The CLI enters class-map configuration mode, where you can enter one or more **match** commands.

- b. (Optional) To add a description to the class map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# description string
```

- c. (Optional) To match an RTSP request method, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] request-method method
```

Where *method* is the type of method to match (announce, describe, get\_parameter, options, pause, play, record, redirect, setup, set\_parameter, teardown).

- d. (Optional) To match URL filtering, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] url-filter regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```



Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

**Step 4** To create an RTSP inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect rtsp policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 5** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

**Step 6** To apply actions to matching traffic, perform the following steps.

a. Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:

- Specify the RTSP class map that you created in [Step 3](#) by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name
hostname(config-pmap-c)#
```

- Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#). If you use a **match not** command, then any traffic that does not match the criterion in the **match not** command has the action applied.

b. Specify the action you want to perform on the matching traffic by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# {[drop [send-protocol-error] |
drop-connection [send-protocol-error] | mask | reset] [log] | rate-limit message_rate}
```

Not all options are available for each **match** or **class** command. See the CLI help or the command reference for the exact options available.

The **drop** keyword drops all packets that match.

The **send-protocol-error** keyword sends a protocol error message.

The **drop-connection** keyword drops the packet and closes the connection.

The **mask** keyword masks out the matching portion of the packet.

The **reset** keyword drops the packet, closes the connection, and sends a TCP reset to the server and/or client.

The **log** keyword, which you can use alone or with one of the other keywords, sends a system log message.

The **rate-limit** *message\_rate* argument limits the rate of messages.

You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the policy map. For information about the order of **class** and **match** commands, see [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#).

**Step 7** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

b. To restrict usage on reserve port for media negotiation, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# reserve-port-protect
```

c. To set the limit on the URL length allowed in the message, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# url-length-limit length
```

Where the *length* argument specifies the URL length in bytes (0 to 6000).

The following example shows a how to define an RTSP inspection policy map.

```
hostname(config)# regex badurl1 www.url1.com/rtsp.avi
hostname(config)# regex badurl2 www.url2.com/rtsp.rm
hostname(config)# regex badurl3 www.url3.com/rtsp.asp

hostname(config)# class-map type regex match-any badurl-list
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex badurl1
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex badurl2
hostname(config-cmap)# match regex badurl3

hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect rtsp rtsp-filter-map
hostname(config-pmap)# match url-filter regex class badurl-list
hostname(config-pmap-p)# drop-connection

hostname(config)# class-map rtsp-traffic-class
hostname(config-cmap)# match default-inspection-traffic

hostname(config)# policy-map rtsp-traffic-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class rtsp-traffic-class
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect rtsp rtsp-filter-map

hostname(config)# service-policy rtsp-traffic-policy global
```

## SIP Inspection

This section describes SIP application inspection. This section includes the following topics:

- [SIP Inspection Overview, page 9-18](#)
- [SIP Instant Messaging, page 9-19](#)
- [Configuring a SIP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 9-20](#)
- [Configuring SIP Timeout Values, page 9-23](#)
- [Verifying and Monitoring SIP Inspection, page 9-24](#)

## SIP Inspection Overview

SIP, as defined by the IETF, enables call handling sessions, particularly two-party audio conferences, or “calls.” SIP works with SDP for call signalling. SDP specifies the ports for the media stream. Using SIP, the ASA can support any SIP VoIP gateways and VoIP proxy servers. SIP and SDP are defined in the following RFCs:

- SIP: Session Initiation Protocol, RFC 3261
- SDP: Session Description Protocol, RFC 2327

To support SIP calls through the ASA, signaling messages for the media connection addresses, media ports, and embryonic connections for the media must be inspected, because while the signaling is sent over a well-known destination port (UDP/TCP 5060), the media streams are dynamically allocated. Also, SIP embeds IP addresses in the user-data portion of the IP packet. SIP inspection applies NAT for these embedded IP addresses.

The following limitations and restrictions apply when using PAT with SIP:

- If a remote endpoint tries to register with a SIP proxy on a network protected by the ASA, the registration fails under very specific conditions, as follows:
  - PAT is configured for the remote endpoint.
  - The SIP registrar server is on the outside network.
  - The port is missing in the contact field in the REGISTER message sent by the endpoint to the proxy server.
  - Configuring static PAT is not supported with SIP inspection. If static PAT is configured for the Cisco Unified Communications Manager, SIP inspection cannot rewrite the SIP packet. Configure one-to-one static NAT for the Cisco Unified Communications Manager.
- If a SIP device transmits a packet in which the SDP portion has an IP address in the owner/creator field (o=) that is different than the IP address in the connection field (c=), the IP address in the o= field may not be properly translated. This is due to a limitation in the SIP protocol, which does not provide a port value in the o= field.
- When using PAT, any SIP header field which contains an internal IP address without a port might not be translated and hence the internal IP address will be leaked outside. If you want to avoid this leakage, configure NAT instead of PAT.

## SIP Instant Messaging

Instant Messaging refers to the transfer of messages between users in near real-time. SIP supports the Chat feature on Windows XP using Windows Messenger RTC Client version 4.7.0105 only. The MESSAGE/INFO methods and 202 Accept response are used to support IM as defined in the following RFCs:

- Session Initiation Protocol (SIP)-Specific Event Notification, RFC 3265
- Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) Extension for Instant Messaging, RFC 3428

MESSAGE/INFO requests can come in at any time after registration/subscription. For example, two users can be online at any time, but not chat for hours. Therefore, the SIP inspection engine opens pinholes that time out according to the configured SIP timeout value. This value must be configured at least five minutes longer than the subscription duration. The subscription duration is defined in the Contact Expires value and is typically 30 minutes.

Because MESSAGE/INFO requests are typically sent using a dynamically allocated port other than port 5060, they are required to go through the SIP inspection engine.



### Note

Only the Chat feature is currently supported. Whiteboard, File Transfer, and Application Sharing are not supported. RTC Client 5.0 is not supported.

SIP inspection translates the SIP text-based messages, recalculates the content length for the SDP portion of the message, and recalculates the packet length and checksum. It dynamically opens media connections for ports specified in the SDP portion of the SIP message as address/ports on which the endpoint should listen.

SIP inspection has a database with indices CALL\_ID/FROM/TO from the SIP payload. These indices identify the call, the source, and the destination. This database contains the media addresses and media ports found in the SDP media information fields and the media type. There can be multiple media addresses and ports for a session. The ASA opens RTP/RTCP connections between the two endpoints using these media addresses/ports.

The well-known port 5060 must be used on the initial call setup (INVITE) message; however, subsequent messages may not have this port number. The SIP inspection engine opens signaling connection pinholes, and marks these connections as SIP connections. This is done for the messages to reach the SIP application and be translated.

As a call is set up, the SIP session is in the “transient” state until the media address and media port is received from the called endpoint in a Response message indicating the RTP port the called endpoint listens on. If there is a failure to receive the response messages within one minute, the signaling connection is torn down.

Once the final handshake is made, the call state is moved to active and the signaling connection remains until a BYE message is received.

If an inside endpoint initiates a call to an outside endpoint, a media hole is opened to the outside interface to allow RTP/RTCP UDP packets to flow to the inside endpoint media address and media port specified in the INVITE message from the inside endpoint. Unsolicited RTP/RTCP UDP packets to an inside interface does not traverse the ASA, unless the ASA configuration specifically allows it.

## Configuring a SIP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

To specify actions when a message violates a parameter, create a SIP inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable SIP inspection.

To create a SIP inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

- 
- Step 1** (Optional) Add one or more regular expressions for use in traffic matching commands according to the general operations configuration guide. See the types of text you can match in the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#).
  - Step 2** (Optional) Create one or more regular expression class maps to group regular expressions according to the general operations configuration guide.
  - Step 3** (Optional) Create a SIP inspection class map by performing the following steps.

A class map groups multiple traffic matches. Traffic must match *all* of the **match** commands to match the class map. You can alternatively identify **match** commands directly in the policy map. The difference between creating a class map and defining the traffic match directly in the inspection policy map is that the class map lets you create more complex match criteria, and you can reuse class maps.

To specify traffic that should not match the class map, use the **match not** command. For example, if the **match not** command specifies the string “example.com,” then any traffic that includes “example.com” does not match the class map.

For the traffic that you identify in this class map, you can specify actions such as drop-connection, reset, and/or log the connection in the inspection policy map.

If you want to perform different actions for each **match** command, you should identify the traffic directly in the policy map.

- a. Create the class map by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config)# class-map type inspect sip [match-all | match-any] class_map_name
hostname(config-cmap)#
```

Where *the class\_map\_name* is the name of the class map. The match-all keyword is the default, and specifies that traffic must match all criteria to match the class map. The match-any keyword specifies that the traffic matches the class map if it matches at leX( The CLI enters class-map configuration mode, where you can enter one or more **match** commands.

- b. (Optional) To add a description to the class map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# description string
```

Where *string* is the description of the class map (up to 200 characters).

- c. (Optional) To match a called party, as specified in the To header, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] called-party regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- d. (Optional) To match a calling party, as specified in the From header, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] calling-party regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- e. (Optional) To match a content length in the SIP header, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] content length gt length
```

Where *length* is the number of bytes the content length is greater than. 0 to 65536.

- f. (Optional) To match an SDP content type or regular expression, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] content type {sdp | regex {class class_name | regex_name}}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- g. (Optional) To match a SIP IM subscriber, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] im-subscriber regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- h. (Optional) To match a SIP via header, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] message-path regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- i. (Optional) To match a SIP request method, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] request-method method
```

Where *method* is the type of method to match (ack, bye, cancel, info, invite, message, notify, options, prack, refer, register, subscribe, unknown, update).

- j. (Optional) To match the requester of a third-party registration, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] third-party-registration regex {class class_name | regex_name}
```

Where the **regex** *regex\_name* argument is the regular expression you created in [Step 1](#). The **class** *regex\_class\_name* is the regular expression class map you created in [Step 2](#).

- k. (Optional) To match an URI in the SIP headers, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match [not] uri {sip | tel} length gt length
```

Where *length* is the number of bytes the URI is greater than. 0 to 65536.

**Step 4** Create a SIP inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect sip policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 5** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

**Step 6** To apply actions to matching traffic, perform the following steps.

a. Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:

- Specify the SIP class map that you created in [Step 3](#) by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name
hostname(config-pmap-c)#
```

- Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#). If you use a **match not** command, then any traffic that does not match the criterion in the **match not** command has the action applied.

b. Specify the action you want to perform on the matching traffic by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# {[drop [send-protocol-error] |
drop-connection [send-protocol-error] | mask | reset] [log] | rate-limit message_rate}
```

Not all options are available for each **match** or **class** command. See the CLI help or the command reference for the exact options available.

The **drop** keyword drops all packets that match.

The **send-protocol-error** keyword sends a protocol error message.

The **drop-connection** keyword drops the packet and closes the connection.

The **mask** keyword masks out the matching portion of the packet.

The **reset** keyword drops the packet, closes the connection, and sends a TCP reset to the server and/or client.

The **log** keyword, which you can use alone or with one of the other keywords, sends a system log message.

The **rate-limit** *message\_rate* argument limits the rate of messages.

You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the policy map. For information about the order of **class** and **match** commands, see [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#).

**Step 7** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

b. To enable or disable instant messaging, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# im
```

c. To enable or disable IP address privacy, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# ip-address-privacy
```

- d. To enable check on Max-forwards header field being 0 (which cannot be 0 before reaching the destination), enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# max-forwards-validation action {drop | drop-connection |
reset | log} [log]
```

- e. To enable check on RTP packets flowing on the pinholes for protocol conformance, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# rtp-conformance [enforce-payloadtype]
```

Where the **enforce-payloadtype** keyword enforces the payload type to be audio or video based on the signaling exchange.

- f. To identify the Server and User-Agent header fields, which expose the software version of either a server or an endpoint, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# software-version action {mask | log} [log]
```

Where the **mask** keyword masks the software version in the SIP messages.

- g. To enable state checking validation, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# state-checking action {drop | drop-connection | reset | log}
[log]
```

- h. To enable strict verification of the header fields in the SIP messages according to RFC 3261, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# strict-header-validation action {drop | drop-connection |
reset | log} [log]
```

- i. To allow non SIP traffic using the well-known SIP signaling port, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# traffic-non-sip
```

- j. To identify the non-SIP URIs present in the Alert-Info and Call-Info header fields, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# uri-non-sip action {mask | log} [log]
```

The following example shows how to disable instant messaging over SIP:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect sip mymap
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# no im

hostname(config)# policy-map global_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class inspection_default
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect sip mymap

hostname(config)# service-policy global_policy global
```

## Configuring SIP Timeout Values

The media connections are torn down within two minutes after the connection becomes idle. This is, however, a configurable timeout and can be set for a shorter or longer period of time. To configure the timeout for the SIP control connection, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# timeout sip hh:mm:ss
```

This command configures the idle timeout after which a SIP control connection is closed.

To configure the timeout for the SIP media connection, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# timeout sip_media hh:mm:ss
```

This command configures the idle timeout after which a SIP media connection is closed.

## Verifying and Monitoring SIP Inspection

The **show sip** command assists in troubleshooting SIP inspection engine issues and is described with the **inspect protocol sip udp 5060** command. The **show timeout sip** command displays the timeout value of the designated protocol.

The **show sip** command displays information for SIP sessions established across the ASA. Along with the **debug sip** and **show local-host** commands, this command is used for troubleshooting SIP inspection engine issues.



### Note

We recommend that you configure the **pager** command before entering the **show sip** command. If there are a lot of SIP session records and the **pager** command is not configured, it takes a while for the **show sip** command output to reach its end.

The following is sample output from the **show sip** command:

```
hostname# show sip
Total: 2
call-id c3943000-960ca-2e43-228f@10.130.56.44
    state Call init, idle 0:00:01
call-id c3943000-860ca-7e1f-11f7@10.130.56.45
    state Active, idle 0:00:06
```

This sample shows two active SIP sessions on the ASA (as shown in the Total field). Each call-id represents a call.

The first session, with the call-id c3943000-960ca-2e43-228f@10.130.56.44, is in the state Call Init, which means the session is still in call setup. Call setup is not complete until a final response to the call has been received. For instance, the caller has already sent the INVITE, and maybe received a 100 Response, but has not yet seen the 200 OK, so the call setup is not complete yet. Any non-1xx response message is considered a final response. This session has been idle for 1 second.

The second session is in the state Active, in which call setup is complete and the endpoints are exchanging media. This session has been idle for 6 seconds.

## Skinny (SCCP) Inspection

This section describes SCCP application inspection. This section includes the following topics:

- [SCCP Inspection Overview, page 9-25](#)
- [Supporting Cisco IP Phones, page 9-25](#)
- [Restrictions and Limitations, page 9-26](#)
- [Configuring a Skinny \(SCCP\) Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 9-26](#)
- [Verifying and Monitoring SIP Inspection, page 9-24](#)



## SCCP Inspection Overview

**Note**

For specific information about setting up the Phone Proxy on the ASA, which is part of the Cisco Unified Communications architecture and supports IP phone deployment, see [Chapter 13, “Cisco Phone Proxy.”](#)

Skinny (SCCP) is a simplified protocol used in VoIP networks. Cisco IP Phones using SCCP can coexist in an H.323 environment. When used with Cisco CallManager, the SCCP client can interoperate with H.323 compliant terminals.

The ASA supports PAT and NAT for SCCP. PAT is necessary if you have more IP phones than global IP addresses for the IP phones to use. By supporting NAT and PAT of SCCP Signaling packets, Skinny application inspection ensures that all SCCP signalling and media packets can traverse the ASA.

Normal traffic between Cisco CallManager and Cisco IP Phones uses SCCP and is handled by SCCP inspection without any special configuration. The ASA also supports DHCP options 150 and 66, which it accomplishes by sending the location of a TFTP server to Cisco IP Phones and other DHCP clients. Cisco IP Phones might also include DHCP option 3 in their requests, which sets the default route. For more information, see the general operations configuration guide.

**Note**

The ASA supports inspection of traffic from Cisco IP Phones running SCCP protocol version 19 and earlier.

## Supporting Cisco IP Phones

**Note**

For specific information about setting up the Phone Proxy on the ASA, which is part of the Cisco Unified Communications architecture and supports IP phone deployment, see [Chapter 13, “Cisco Phone Proxy.”](#)

In topologies where Cisco CallManager is located on the higher security interface with respect to the Cisco IP Phones, if NAT is required for the Cisco CallManager IP address, the mapping must be **static** as a Cisco IP Phone requires the Cisco CallManager IP address to be specified explicitly in its configuration. An static identity entry allows the Cisco CallManager on the higher security interface to accept registrations from the Cisco IP Phones.

Cisco IP Phones require access to a TFTP server to download the configuration information they need to connect to the Cisco CallManager server.

When the Cisco IP Phones are on a lower security interface compared to the TFTP server, you must use an ACL to connect to the protected TFTP server on UDP port 69. While you do need a static entry for the TFTP server, this does not have to be an identity static entry. When using NAT, an identity static entry maps to the same IP address. When using PAT, it maps to the same IP address and port.

When the Cisco IP Phones are on a *higher* security interface compared to the TFTP server and Cisco CallManager, no ACL or static entry is required to allow the Cisco IP Phones to initiate the connection.

## Restrictions and Limitations

The following are limitations that apply to the current version of PAT and NAT support for SCCP:

- PAT does not work with configurations containing the **alias** command.
- Outside NAT or PAT is *not* supported.

If the address of an internal Cisco CallManager is configured for NAT or PAT to a different IP address or port, registrations for external Cisco IP Phones fail because the ASA currently does not support NAT or PAT for the file content transferred over TFTP. Although the ASA supports NAT of TFTP messages and opens a pinhole for the TFTP file, the ASA cannot translate the Cisco CallManager IP address and port embedded in the Cisco IP Phone configuration files that are transferred by TFTP during phone registration.



### Note

The ASA supports stateful failover of SCCP calls except for calls that are in the middle of call setup.

## Configuring a Skinny (SCCP) Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

To specify actions when a message violates a parameter, create an SCCP inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable SCCP inspection.

To create an SCCP inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

**Step 1** (Optional) Add one or more regular expressions for use in traffic matching commands according to the general operations configuration guide. See the types of text you can match in the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#).

**Step 2** (Optional) Create one or more regular expression class maps to group regular expressions according to the general operations configuration guide.

**Step 3** Create an SCCP inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect skinny policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 4** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

**Step 5** To apply actions to matching traffic, perform the following steps.

a. Specify the traffic on which you want to perform actions using one of the following methods:

- Specify the SCCP class map that you created in [Step 3](#) by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# class class_map_name
hostname(config-pmap-c)#
```

- Specify traffic directly in the policy map using one of the **match** commands described in [Step 3](#). If you use a **match not** command, then any traffic that does not match the criterion in the **match not** command has the action applied.

b. Specify the action you want to perform on the matching traffic by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# {[drop [send-protocol-error] |
drop-connection [send-protocol-error] | mask | reset] [log] | rate-limit message_rate}
```

Not all options are available for each **match** or **class** command. See the CLI help or the command reference for the exact options available.

The **drop** keyword drops all packets that match.

The **send-protocol-error** keyword sends a protocol error message.

The **drop-connection** keyword drops the packet and closes the connection.

The **mask** keyword masks out the matching portion of the packet.

The **reset** keyword drops the packet, closes the connection, and sends a TCP reset to the server and/or client.

The **log** keyword, which you can use alone or with one of the other keywords, sends a system log message.

The **rate-limit message\_rate** argument limits the rate of messages.

**Step 6** You can specify multiple **class** or **match** commands in the policy map. For information about the order of **class** and **match** commands, see [Defining Actions in an Inspection Policy Map, page 2-4](#). To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

- a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

- b. To enforce registration before calls can be placed, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# enforce-registration
```

- c. To set the maximum SCCP station message ID allowed, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# message-ID max hex_value
```

Where the *hex\_value* argument is the station message ID in hex.

- d. To check RTP packets flowing on the pinholes for protocol conformance, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# rtp-conformance [enforce-payloadtype]
```

Where the **enforce-payloadtype** keyword enforces the payload type to be audio or video based on the signaling exchange.

- e. To set the maximum and minimum SCCP prefix length value allowed, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# sccp-prefix-len {max | min} value_length
```

Where the *value\_length* argument is a maximum or minimum value.

- f. To configure the timeout value for signaling and media connections, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# timeout
```

The following example shows how to define an SCCP inspection policy map.

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect skinny skinny-map
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# enforce-registration
hostname(config-pmap-p)# match message-id range 200 300
```

```

hostname(config-pmap-p)# drop log
hostname(config)# class-map inspection_default
hostname(config-cmap)# match default-inspection-traffic
hostname(config)# policy-map global_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class inspection_default
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect skinny skinny-map
hostname(config)# service-policy global_policy global

```

## Verifying and Monitoring SCCP Inspection

The **show skinny** command assists in troubleshooting SCCP (Skinny) inspection engine issues. The following is sample output from the **show skinny** command under the following conditions. There are two active Skinny sessions set up across the ASA. The first one is established between an internal Cisco IP Phone at local address 10.0.0.11 and an external Cisco CallManager at 172.18.1.33. TCP port 2000 is the CallManager. The second one is established between another internal Cisco IP Phone at local address 10.0.0.22 and the same Cisco CallManager.

```

hostname# show skinny
-----
LOCAL                FOREIGN                STATE
-----
1      10.0.0.11/52238      172.18.1.33/2000      1
  MEDIA 10.0.0.11/22948 172.18.1.22/20798
2      10.0.0.22/52232      172.18.1.33/2000      1
  MEDIA 10.0.0.22/20798 172.18.1.11/22948

```

The output indicates that a call has been established between two internal Cisco IP Phones. The RTP listening ports of the first and second phones are UDP 22948 and 20798 respectively.

The following is sample output from the **show xlate debug** command for these Skinny connections:

```

hostname# show xlate debug
2 in use, 2 most used
Flags: D - DNS, d - dump, I - identity, i - inside, n - no random,
       r - portmap, s - static
NAT from inside:10.0.0.11 to outside:172.18.1.11 flags si idle 0:00:16 timeout 0:05:00
NAT from inside:10.0.0.22 to outside:172.18.1.22 flags si idle 0:00:14 timeout 0:05:00

```



## Inspection of Database and Directory Protocols

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This chapter describes how to configure application layer protocol inspection. Inspection engines are required for services that embed IP addressing information in the user data packet or that open secondary channels on dynamically assigned ports. These protocols require the ASA to do a deep packet inspection instead of passing the packet through the fast path. As a result, inspection engines can affect overall throughput.

Several common inspection engines are enabled on the ASA by default, but you might need to enable others depending on your network.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [ILS Inspection, page 10-1](#)
- [SQL\\*Net Inspection, page 10-2](#)
- [Sun RPC Inspection, page 10-3](#)

### ILS Inspection

The ILS inspection engine provides NAT support for Microsoft NetMeeting, SiteServer, and Active Directory products that use LDAP to exchange directory information with an ILS server.

The ASA supports NAT for ILS, which is used to register and locate endpoints in the ILS or SiteServer Directory. PAT cannot be supported because only IP addresses are stored by an LDAP database.

For search responses, when the LDAP server is located outside, NAT should be considered to allow internal peers to communicate locally while registered to external LDAP servers. For such search responses, xlates are searched first, and then DNAT entries to obtain the correct address. If both of these searches fail, then the address is not changed. For sites using NAT 0 (no NAT) and not expecting DNAT interaction, we recommend that the inspection engine be turned off to provide better performance.

Additional configuration may be necessary when the ILS server is located inside the ASA border. This would require a hole for outside clients to access the LDAP server on the specified port, typically TCP 389.

Because ILS traffic only occurs on the secondary UDP channel, the TCP connection is disconnected after the TCP inactivity interval. By default, this interval is 60 minutes and can be adjusted using the **timeout** command.

ILS/LDAP follows a client/server model with sessions handled over a single TCP connection. Depending on the client's actions, several of these sessions may be created.

During connection negotiation time, a BIND PDU is sent from the client to the server. Once a successful BIND RESPONSE from the server is received, other operational messages may be exchanged (such as ADD, DEL, SEARCH, or MODIFY) to perform operations on the ILS Directory. The ADD REQUEST and SEARCH RESPONSE PDUs may contain IP addresses of NetMeeting peers, used by H.323 (SETUP and CONNECT messages) to establish the NetMeeting sessions. Microsoft NetMeeting v2.X and v3.X provides ILS support.

The ILS inspection performs the following operations:

- Decodes the LDAP REQUEST/RESPONSE PDUs using the BER decode functions
- Parses the LDAP packet
- Extracts IP addresses
- Translates IP addresses as necessary
- Encodes the PDU with translated addresses using BER encode functions
- Copies the newly encoded PDU back to the TCP packet
- Performs incremental TCP checksum and sequence number adjustment

ILS inspection has the following limitations:

- Referral requests and responses are not supported
- Users in multiple directories are not unified
- Single users having multiple identities in multiple directories cannot be recognized by NAT


**Note**

Because H225 call signalling traffic only occurs on the secondary UDP channel, the TCP connection is disconnected after the interval specified by the TCP **timeout** command. By default, this interval is set at 60 minutes.

## SQL\*Net Inspection

SQL\*Net inspection is enabled by default.

The SQL\*Net protocol consists of different packet types that the ASA handles to make the data stream appear consistent to the Oracle applications on either side of the ASA.

The default port assignment for SQL\*Net is 1521. This is the value used by Oracle for SQL\*Net, but this value does not agree with IANA port assignments for Structured Query Language (SQL). Use the **class-map** command to apply SQL\*Net inspection to a range of port numbers.


**Note**

Disable SQL\*Net inspection when SQL data transfer occurs on the same port as the SQL control TCP port 1521. The security appliance acts as a proxy when SQL\*Net inspection is enabled and reduces the client window size from 65000 to about 16000 causing data transfer issues.

The ASA translates all addresses and looks in the packets for all embedded ports to open for SQL\*Net Version 1.

For SQL\*Net Version 2, all DATA or REDIRECT packets that immediately follow REDIRECT packets with a zero data length will be fixed up.

The packets that need fix-up contain embedded host/port addresses in the following format:

```
(ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=tcp) (DEV=6) (HOST=a.b.c.d) (PORT=a))
```

SQL\*Net Version 2 TNSFrame types (Connect, Accept, Refuse, Resend, and Marker) will not be scanned for addresses to NAT nor will inspection open dynamic connections for any embedded ports in the packet.

SQL\*Net Version 2 TNSFrames, Redirect, and Data packets will be scanned for ports to open and addresses to NAT, if preceded by a REDIRECT TNSFrame type with a zero data length for the payload. When the Redirect message with data length zero passes through the ASA, a flag will be set in the connection data structure to expect the Data or Redirect message that follows to be translated and ports to be dynamically opened. If one of the TNS frames in the preceding paragraph arrive after the Redirect message, the flag will be reset.

The SQL\*Net inspection engine will recalculate the checksum, change IP, TCP lengths, and readjust Sequence Numbers and Acknowledgment Numbers using the delta of the length of the new and old message.

SQL\*Net Version 1 is assumed for all other cases. TNSFrame types (Connect, Accept, Refuse, Resend, Marker, Redirect, and Data) and all packets will be scanned for ports and addresses. Addresses will be translated and port connections will be opened.

## Sun RPC Inspection

This section describes Sun RPC application inspection. This section includes the following topics:

- [Sun RPC Inspection Overview, page 10-3](#)
- [Managing Sun RPC Services, page 10-4](#)
- [Verifying and Monitoring Sun RPC Inspection, page 10-4](#)

## Sun RPC Inspection Overview

The Sun RPC inspection engine enables or disables application inspection for the Sun RPC protocol. Sun RPC is used by NFS and NIS. Sun RPC services can run on any port. When a client attempts to access an Sun RPC service on a server, it must learn the port that service is running on. It does this by querying the port mapper process, usually rpcbind, on the well-known port of 111.

The client sends the Sun RPC program number of the service and the port mapper process responds with the port number of the service. The client sends its Sun RPC queries to the server, specifying the port identified by the port mapper process. When the server replies, the ASA intercepts this packet and opens both embryonic TCP and UDP connections on that port.

The following limitations apply to Sun RPC inspection:

- NAT or PAT of Sun RPC payload information is not supported.
- Sun RPC inspection supports inbound ACLs only. Sun RPC inspection does not support outbound ACLs because the inspection engine uses dynamic ACLs instead of secondary connections. Dynamic ACLs are always added on the ingress direction and not on egress; therefore, this inspection engine does not support outbound ACLs. To view the dynamic ACLs configured for the ASA, use the **show asp table classify domain permit** command. For information about the **show asp table classify domain permit** command, see the CLI configuration guide.

## Managing Sun RPC Services

Use the Sun RPC services table to control Sun RPC traffic through the ASA based on established Sun RPC sessions. To create entries in the Sun RPC services table, use the **sunrpc-server** command in global configuration mode:

```
hostname(config)# sunrpc-server interface_name ip_address mask service service_type
protocol {tcp | udp} port[-port] timeout hh:mm:ss
```

You can use this command to specify the timeout after which the pinhole that was opened by Sun RPC application inspection will be closed. For example, to create a timeout of 30 minutes to the Sun RPC server with the IP address 192.168.100.2, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# sunrpc-server inside 192.168.100.2 255.255.255.255 service 100003
protocol tcp 111 timeout 00:30:00
```

This command specifies that the pinhole that was opened by Sun RPC application inspection will be closed after 30 minutes. In this example, the Sun RPC server is on the inside interface using TCP port 111. You can also specify UDP, a different port number, or a range of ports. To specify a range of ports, separate the starting and ending port numbers in the range with a hyphen (for example, 111-113).

The service type identifies the mapping between a specific service type and the port number used for the service. To determine the service type, which in this example is 100003, use the **sunrpcinfo** command at the UNIX or Linux command line on the Sun RPC server machine.

To clear the Sun RPC configuration, enter the following command.

```
hostname(config)# clear configure sunrpc-server
```

This removes the configuration performed using the **sunrpc-server** command. The **sunrpc-server** command allows pinholes to be created with a specified timeout.

To clear the active Sun RPC services, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# clear sunrpc-server active
```

This clears the pinholes that are opened by Sun RPC application inspection for specific services, such as NFS or NIS.

## Verifying and Monitoring Sun RPC Inspection

The sample output in this section is for a Sun RPC server with an IP address of 192.168.100.2 on the inside interface and a Sun RPC client with an IP address of 209.168.200.5 on the outside interface.

To view information about the current Sun RPC connections, enter the **show conn** command. The following is sample output from the **show conn** command:

```
hostname# show conn
15 in use, 21 most used
UDP out 209.165.200.5:800 in 192.168.100.2:2049 idle 0:00:04 flags -
UDP out 209.165.200.5:714 in 192.168.100.2:111 idle 0:00:04 flags -
UDP out 209.165.200.5:712 in 192.168.100.2:647 idle 0:00:05 flags -
UDP out 192.168.100.2:0 in 209.165.200.5:714 idle 0:00:05 flags i
hostname(config)#
```

To display the information about the Sun RPC service table configuration, enter the **show running-config sunrpc-server** command. The following is sample output from the **show running-config sunrpc-server** command:

```
hostname(config)# show running-config sunrpc-server
```



```
sunrpc-server inside 192.168.100.2 255.255.255.255 service 100003 protocol UDP port 111
timeout 0:30:00
sunrpc-server inside 192.168.100.2 255.255.255.255 service 100005 protocol UDP port 111
timeout 0:30:00
```

This output shows that a timeout interval of 30 minutes is configured on UDP port 111 for the Sun RPC server with the IP address 192.168.100.2 on the inside interface.

To display the pinholes open for Sun RPC services, enter the **show sunrpc-server active** command. The following is sample output from **show sunrpc-server active** command:

```
hostname# show sunrpc-server active
LOCAL FOREIGN SERVICE TIMEOUT
-----
1 209.165.200.5/0 192.168.100.2/2049 100003 0:30:00
2 209.165.200.5/0 192.168.100.2/2049 100003 0:30:00
3 209.165.200.5/0 192.168.100.2/647 100005 0:30:00
4 209.165.200.5/0 192.168.100.2/650 100005 0:30:00
```

The entry in the LOCAL column shows the IP address of the client or server on the inside interface, while the value in the FOREIGN column shows the IP address of the client or server on the outside interface.

To view information about the Sun RPC services running on a Sun RPC server, enter the **rpcinfo -p** command from the Linux or UNIX server command line. The following is sample output from the **rpcinfo -p** command:

```
sunrpcserver:~ # rpcinfo -p
program vers proto port
100000 2 tcp 111 portmapper
100000 2 udp 111 portmapper
100024 1 udp 632 status
100024 1 tcp 635 status
100003 2 udp 2049 nfs
100003 3 udp 2049 nfs
100003 2 tcp 2049 nfs
100003 3 tcp 2049 nfs
100021 1 udp 32771 nlockmgr
100021 3 udp 32771 nlockmgr
100021 4 udp 32771 nlockmgr
100021 1 tcp 32852 nlockmgr
100021 3 tcp 32852 nlockmgr
100021 4 tcp 32852 nlockmgr
100005 1 udp 647 mountd
100005 1 tcp 650 mountd
100005 2 udp 647 mountd
100005 2 tcp 650 mountd
100005 3 udp 647 mountd
100005 3 tcp 650 mountd
```

In this output, port 647 corresponds to the mountd daemon running over UDP. The mountd process would more commonly be using port 32780. The mountd process running over TCP uses port 650 in this example.





# Inspection for Management Application Protocols

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This chapter describes how to configure application layer protocol inspection. Inspection engines are required for services that embed IP addressing information in the user data packet or that open secondary channels on dynamically assigned ports. These protocols require the ASA to do a deep packet inspection instead of passing the packet through the fast path. As a result, inspection engines can affect overall throughput.

Several common inspection engines are enabled on the ASA by default, but you might need to enable others depending on your network.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [DCERPC Inspection, page 11-1](#)
- [GTP Inspection, page 11-3](#)
- [RADIUS Accounting Inspection, page 11-8](#)
- [RSH Inspection, page 11-10](#)
- [SNMP Inspection, page 11-10](#)
- [XDMCP Inspection, page 11-11](#)

## DCERPC Inspection

This section describes the DCERPC inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [DCERPC Overview, page 11-1](#)
- [Configuring a DCERPC Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 11-2](#)

## DCERPC Overview

DCERPC is a protocol widely used by Microsoft distributed client and server applications that allows software clients to execute programs on a server remotely.

This typically involves a client querying a server called the Endpoint Mapper listening on a well known port number for the dynamically allocated network information of a required service. The client then sets up a secondary connection to the server instance providing the service. The security appliance allows the appropriate port number and network address and also applies NAT, if needed, for the secondary connection.

DCERPC inspect maps inspect for native TCP communication between the EPM and client on well known TCP port 135. Map and lookup operations of the EPM are supported for clients. Client and server can be located in any security zone. The embedded server IP address and Port number are received from the applicable EPM response messages. Since a client may attempt multiple connections to the server port returned by EPM, multiple use of pinholes are allowed, which have user configurable timeouts.

**Note**

DCERPC inspection only supports communication between the EPM and clients to open pinholes through the ASA. Clients using RPC communication that does not use the EPM is not supported with DCERPC inspection.

## Configuring a DCERPC Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

To specify additional DCERPC inspection parameters, create a DCERPC inspection policy map. You can then apply the inspection policy map when you enable DCERPC inspection.

To create a DCERPC inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

**Step 1** Create a DCERPC inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect dcerpc policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 2** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

**Step 3** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)#
```

b. To configure the timeout for DCERPC pinholes and override the global system pinhole timeout of two minutes, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# timeout pinhole hh:mm:ss
```

Where the *hh:mm:ss* argument is the timeout for pinhole connections. Value is between 0:0:1 and 1193:0:0.

c. To configure options for the endpoint mapper traffic, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p)# endpoint-mapper [epm-service-only] [lookup-operation]
[timeout hh:mm:ss]
```

Where the *hh:mm:ss* argument is the timeout for pinholes generated from the lookup operation. If no timeout is configured for the lookup operation, the timeout pinhole command or the default is used. The **epm-service-only** keyword enforces endpoint mapper service during binding so that only its service traffic is processed. The **lookup-operation** keyword enables the lookup operation of the endpoint mapper service.

The following example shows how to define a DCERPC inspection policy map with the timeout configured for DCERPC pinholes.

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect dcerpc dcerpc_map
hostname(config-pmap)# timeout pinhole 0:10:00

hostname(config)# class-map dcerpc
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp eq 135

hostname(config)# policy-map global-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class dcerpc
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect dcerpc dcerpc-map

hostname(config)# service-policy global-policy global
```

## GTP Inspection

This section describes the GTP inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [GTP Inspection Overview, page 11-3](#)
- [Configuring a GTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 11-4](#)
- [Verifying and Monitoring GTP Inspection, page 11-7](#)

**Note**

GTP inspection requires a special license. If you enter GTP-related commands on a ASA without the required license, the ASA displays an error message.

## GTP Inspection Overview

GPRS provides uninterrupted connectivity for mobile subscribers between GSM networks and corporate networks or the Internet. The GGSN is the interface between the GPRS wireless data network and other networks. The SGSN performs mobility, data session management, and data compression.

The UMTS is the commercial convergence of fixed-line telephony, mobile, Internet and computer technology. UTRAN is the networking protocol used for implementing wireless networks in this system. GTP allows multi-protocol packets to be tunneled through a UMTS/GPRS backbone between a GGSN, an SGSN and the UTRAN.

GTP does not include any inherent security or encryption of user data, but using GTP with the ASA helps protect your network against these risks.

The SGSN is logically connected to a GGSN using GTP. GTP allows multiprotocol packets to be tunneled through the GPRS backbone between GSNs. GTP provides a tunnel control and management protocol that allows the SGSN to provide GPRS network access for a mobile station by creating, modifying, and deleting tunnels. GTP uses a tunneling mechanism to provide a service for carrying user data packets.

**Note**

When using GTP with failover, if a GTP connection is established and the active unit fails before data is transmitted over the tunnel, the GTP data connection (with a “j” flag set) is not replicated to the standby unit. This occurs because the active unit does not replicate embryonic connections to the standby unit.

## Configuring a GTP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

If you want to enforce additional parameters on GTP traffic, create and configure a GTP map. If you do not specify a map with the **inspect gtp** command, the ASA uses the default GTP map, which is preconfigured with the following default values:

- **request-queue 200**
- **timeout gsn 0:30:00**
- **timeout pdp-context 0:30:00**
- **timeout request 0:01:00**
- **timeout signaling 0:30:00**
- **timeout tunnel 0:01:00**
- **tunnel-limit 500**

To create and configure a GTP map, perform the following steps. You can then apply the GTP map when you enable GTP inspection according to the [Configuring Application Layer Protocol Inspection, page 7-7](#).

**Step 1** Create a GTP inspection policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect gtp policy_map_name
hostname(config-pmap)#
```

Where the *policy\_map\_name* is the name of the policy map. The CLI enters policy-map configuration mode.

**Step 2** (Optional) To add a description to the policy map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# description string
```

**Step 3** To match an Access Point name, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# match [not] apn regex [regex_name | class regex_class_name]
```

**Step 4** To match a message ID, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# match [not] message id [message_id | range lower_range upper_range]
```

Where the *message\_id* is an alphanumeric identifier between 1 and 255. The *lower\_range* is lower range of message IDs. The *upper\_range* is the upper range of message IDs.

**Step 5** To match a message length, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# match [not] message length min min_length max max_length
```

Where the *min\_length* and *max\_length* are both between 1 and 65536. The length specified by this command is the sum of the GTP header and the rest of the message, which is the payload of the UDP packet.

**Step 6** To match the version, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap)# match [not] version [version_id | range lower_range upper_range]
```

Where the *version\_id* is between 0 and 255. The *lower\_range* is lower range of versions. The *upper\_range* is the upper range of versions.

**Step 7** To configure parameters that affect the inspection engine, perform the following steps:

- a. To enter parameters configuration mode, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap) # parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p) #
```

The **mnc network\_code** argument is a two or three-digit value identifying the network code.

By default, the security appliance does not check for valid MCC/MNC combinations. This command is used for IMSI Prefix filtering. The MCC and MNC in the IMSI of the received packet is compared with the MCC/MNC configured with this command and is dropped if it does not match.

This command must be used to enable IMSI Prefix filtering. You can configure multiple instances to specify permitted MCC and MNC combinations. By default, the ASA does not check the validity of MNC and MCC combinations, so you must verify the validity of the combinations configured. To find more information about MCC and MNC codes, see the ITU E.212 recommendation, *Identification Plan for Land Mobile Stations*.

- b. To allow invalid GTP packets or packets that otherwise would fail parsing and be dropped, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-pmap-p) # permit errors
```

By default, all invalid packets or packets that failed, during parsing, are dropped.

- c. To enable support for GSN pooling, use the **permit response** command.

If the ASA performs GTP inspection, by default the ASA drops GTP responses from GSNs that were not specified in the GTP request. This situation occurs when you use load-balancing among a pool of GSNs to provide efficiency and scalability of GPRS.

You can enable support for GSN pooling by using the **permit response** command. This command configures the ASA to allow responses from any of a designated set of GSNs, regardless of the GSN to which a GTP request was sent. You identify the pool of load-balancing GSNs as a network object. Likewise, you identify the SGSN as a network object. If the GSN responding belongs to the same object group as the GSN that the GTP request was sent to and if the SGSN is in a object group that the responding GSN is permitted to send a GTP response to, the ASA permits the response.

- d. To create an object to represent the pool of load-balancing GSNs, perform the following steps:

Use the **object-group** command to define a new network object group representing the pool of load-balancing GSNs.

```
hostname(config) # object-group network GSN-pool-name
hostname(config-network) #
```

For example, the following command creates an object group named gsnpool32:

```
hostname(config) # object-group network gsnpool32
hostname(config-network) #
```

- e. Use the **network-object** command to specify the load-balancing GSNs. You can do so with one **network-object** command per GSN, using the **host** keyword. You can also using **network-object** command to identify whole networks containing GSNs that perform load balancing.

```
hostname(config-network) # network-object host IP-address
```

For example, the following commands create three network objects representing individual hosts:

```
hostname(config-network) # network-object host 192.168.100.1
hostname(config-network) # network-object host 192.168.100.2
hostname(config-network) # network-object host 192.168.100.3
hostname(config-network) #
```

- f. To create an object to represent the SGSN that the load-balancing GSNs are permitted to respond to, perform the following steps:

- a. Use the **object-group** command to define a new network object group that will represent the SGSN that sends GTP requests to the GSN pool.

```
hostname(config)# object-group network SGSN-name
hostname(config-network)#
```

For example, the following command creates an object group named `sgsn32`:

```
hostname(config)# object-group network sgsn32
hostname(config-network)#
```

- b. Use the **network-object** command with the **host** keyword to identify the SGSN.

```
hostname(config-network)# network-object host IP-address
```

For example, the following command creates a network objects representing the SGSN:

```
hostname(config-network)# network-object host 192.168.50.100
hostname(config-network)#
```

- g. To allow GTP responses from any GSN in the network object representing the GSN pool, defined in [c.](#), [d.](#) to the network object representing the SGSN, defined in [c.](#), [f.](#), enter the following commands:

```
hostname(config)# gtp-map map_name
hostname(config-gtp-map)# permit response to-object-group SGSN-name from-object-group
GSN-pool-name
```

For example, the following command permits GTP responses from any host in the object group named `gsnpool32` to the host in the object group named `sgsn32`:

```
hostname(config-gtp-map)# permit response to-object-group sgsn32 from-object-group
gsnpool32
```

The following example shows how to support GSN pooling by defining network objects for the GSN pool and the SGSN. An entire Class C network is defined as the GSN pool but you can identify multiple individual IP addresses, one per **network-object** command, instead of identifying whole networks. The example then modifies a GTP map to permit responses from the GSN pool to the SGSN.

```
hostname(config)# object-group network gsnpool32
hostname(config-network)# network-object 192.168.100.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config)# object-group network sgsn32
hostname(config-network)# network-object host 192.168.50.100
hostname(config)# gtp-map gtp-policy
hostname(config-gtp-map)# permit response to-object-group sgsn32 from-object-group
gsnpool32
```

- h. To specify the maximum number of GTP requests that will be queued waiting for a response, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-gtp-map)# request-queue max_requests
```

where the *max\_requests* argument sets the maximum number of GTP requests that will be queued waiting for a response, from 1 to 4294967295. The default is 200.

When the limit has been reached and a new request arrives, the request that has been in the queue for the longest time is removed. The Error Indication, the Version Not Supported and the SGSN Context Acknowledge messages are not considered as requests and do not enter the request queue to wait for a response.

- i. To change the inactivity timers for a GTP session, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-gtp-map)# timeout (gsn | pdp-context | request | signaling | tunnel)
hh:mm:ss
```



Enter this command separately for each timeout.

The **gsn** keyword specifies the period of inactivity after which a GSN will be removed.

The **pdp-context** keyword specifies the maximum period of time allowed before beginning to receive the PDP context.

The **request** keyword specifies the maximum period of time allowed before beginning to receive the GTP message.

The **signaling** keyword specifies the period of inactivity after which the GTP signaling will be removed.

The **tunnel** keyword specifies the period of inactivity after which the GTP tunnel will be torn down.

The *hh:mm:ss* argument is the timeout where *hh* specifies the hour, *mm* specifies the minutes, and *ss* specifies the seconds. The value **0** means never tear down.

- j. To specify the maximum number of GTP tunnels allowed to be active on the ASA, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config-gtp-map)# tunnel-limit max_tunnels
```

where the *max\_tunnels* argument is the maximum number of tunnels allowed, from 1 to 4294967295. The default is 500.

New requests will be dropped once the number of tunnels specified by this command is reached.

The following example shows how to limit the number of tunnels in the network:

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect gtp gmap
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# tunnel-limit 3000

hostname(config)# policy-map global_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class inspection_default
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect gtp gmap

hostname(config)# service-policy global_policy global
```

## Verifying and Monitoring GTP Inspection

To display GTP configuration, enter the **show service-policy inspect gtp** command in privileged EXEC mode. For the detailed syntax for this command, see the command page in the command reference.

Use the **show service-policy inspect gtp statistics** command to show the statistics for GTP inspection. The following is sample output from the **show service-policy inspect gtp statistics** command:

```
hostname# show service-policy inspect gtp statistics
GPRS GTP Statistics:
  version_not_support          0      msg_too_short          0
  unknown_msg                  0      unexpected_sig_msg     0
  unexpected_data_msg          0      ie_duplicated          0
  mandatory_ie_missing         0      mandatory_ie_incorrect 0
  optional_ie_incorrect        0      ie_unknown             0
  ie_out_of_order              0      ie_unexpected          0
  total_forwarded               0      total_dropped          0
  signalling_msg_dropped        0      data_msg_dropped       0
  signalling_msg_forwarded      0      data_msg_forwarded     0
  total_created_pdp             0      total_deleted_pdp      0
```

```
total created_pdpmb          0      total deleted_pdpmb          0
pdp_non_existent            0
```

You can use the vertical bar (|) to filter the display. Type ?| for more display filtering options.

The following is sample GSN output from the **show service-policy inspect gtp statistics gsn** command:

```
hostname# show service-policy inspect gtp statistics gsn 9.9.9.9
1 in use, 1 most used, timeout 0:00:00

GTP GSN Statistics for 9.9.9.9, Idle 0:00:00, restart counter 0
Tunnels Active 0Tunnels Created 0
Tunnels Destroyed 0
Total Messages Received 2
Signaling Messages Data Messages
total received 2 0
dropped 0 0
forwarded 2 0
```

Use the **show service-policy inspect gtp pdp-context** command to display PDP context-related information. The following is sample output from the **show service-policy inspect gtp pdp-context** command:

```
hostname# show service-policy inspect gtp pdp-context detail
1 in use, 1 most used, timeout 0:00:00

Version TID                MS Addr      SGSN Addr    Idle        APN
v1      1234567890123425      10.0.1.1     10.0.0.2    0:00:13    gprs.cisco.com

user_name (IMSI): 214365870921435    MS address:      1.1.1.1
primary pdp: Y
sgsn_addr_signal:      10.0.0.2    sgsn_addr_data:      10.0.0.2
ggsn_addr_signal:      10.1.1.1    ggsn_addr_data:      10.1.1.1
sgsn control teid:     0x000001d1    sgsn data teid:      0x000001d3
ggsn control teid:     0x6306ffa0    ggsn data teid:      0x6305f9fc
seq_tpdu_up:           0            seq_tpdu_down:       0
signal_sequence:       0
upstream_signal_flow:  0            upstream_data_flow:   0
downstream_signal_flow: 0            downstream_data_flow: 0
RAupdate_flow:         0
```

The PDP context is identified by the tunnel ID, which is a combination of the values for IMSI and NSAPI. A GTP tunnel is defined by two associated PDP contexts in different GSN nodes and is identified with a Tunnel ID. A GTP tunnel is necessary to forward packets between an external packet data network and a MS user.

You can use the vertical bar (|) to filter the display, as in the following example:

```
hostname# show service-policy gtp statistics | grep gsn
```

## RADIUS Accounting Inspection

This section describes the RADIUS Accounting inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [RADIUS Accounting Inspection Overview, page 11-9](#)
- [Configuring a RADIUS Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 11-9](#)

## RADIUS Accounting Inspection Overview

One of the well known problems is the over-billing attack in GPRS networks. The over-billing attack can cause consumers anger and frustration by being billed for services that they have not used. In this case, a malicious attacker sets up a connection to a server and obtains an IP address from the SGSN. When the attacker ends the call, the malicious server will still send packets to it, which gets dropped by the GGSN, but the connection from the server remains active. The IP address assigned to the malicious attacker gets released and reassigned to a legitimate user who will then get billed for services that the attacker will use.

RADIUS accounting inspection prevents this type of attack by ensuring the traffic seen by the GGSN is legitimate. With the RADIUS accounting feature properly configured, the security appliance tears down a connection based on matching the Framed IP attribute in the Radius Accounting Request Start message with the Radius Accounting Request Stop message. When the Stop message is seen with the matching IP address in the Framed IP attribute, the security appliance looks for all connections with the source matching the IP address.

You have the option to configure a secret pre-shared key with the RADIUS server so the security appliance can validate the message. If the shared secret is not configured, the security appliance does not need to validate the source of the message and will only check that the source IP address is one of the configured addresses allowed to send the RADIUS messages.



### Note

When using RADIUS accounting inspection with GPRS enabled, the ASA checks for the 3GPP-Session-Stop-Indicator in the Accounting Request STOP messages to properly handle secondary PDP contexts. Specifically, the ASA requires that the Accounting Request STOP messages include the 3GPP-SGSN-Address attribute before it will terminate the user sessions and all associated connections. Some third-party GGSNs might not send this attribute by default.

## Configuring a RADIUS Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

In order to use this feature, the **radius-accounting-map** will need to be specified in the **policy-map type management** and then applied to the service-policy using the new **control-plane** keyword to specify that this traffic is for to-the-box inspection.

The following example shows the complete set of commands in context to properly configure this feature:

**Step 1** Configure the class map and the port:

```
class-map type management c1
  match port udp eq 1888
```

**Step 2** Create the policy map, and configure the parameters for RADIUS accounting inspection using the parameter command to access the proper mode to configure the attributes, host, and key.

```
policy-map type inspect radius-accounting radius_accounting_map
  parameters
    host 10.1.1.1 inside key 123456789
    send response
    enable gprs
    validate-attribute 22
```

**Step 3** Configure the service policy.

```
policy-map global_policy
  class c1
    inspect radius-accounting radius_accounting_map
```

```
service-policy global_policy global
```

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## RSH Inspection

RSH inspection is enabled by default. The RSH protocol uses a TCP connection from the RSH client to the RSH server on TCP port 514. The client and server negotiate the TCP port number where the client listens for the STDERR output stream. RSH inspection supports NAT of the negotiated port number if necessary.

## SNMP Inspection

This section describes the SNMP inspection engine. This section includes the following topics:

- [SNMP Inspection Overview, page 11-10](#)
- [Configuring an SNMP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control, page 11-10](#)

## SNMP Inspection Overview

SNMP application inspection lets you restrict SNMP traffic to a specific version of SNMP. Earlier versions of SNMP are less secure; therefore, denying certain SNMP versions may be required by your security policy. The ASA can deny SNMP versions 1, 2, 2c, or 3. You control the versions permitted by creating an SNMP map.

You then apply the SNMP map when you enable SNMP inspection according to the [Configuring Application Layer Protocol Inspection, page 7-7](#).

## Configuring an SNMP Inspection Policy Map for Additional Inspection Control

To create an SNMP inspection policy map, perform the following steps:

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**Step 1** To create an SNMP map, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# snmp-map map_name
hostname(config-snmpp-map)#
```

where *map\_name* is the name of the SNMP map. The CLI enters SNMP map configuration mode.

**Step 2** To specify the versions of SNMP to deny, enter the following command for each version:

```
hostname(config-snmpp-map)# deny version version
hostname(config-snmpp-map)#
```

where *version* is 1, 2, 2c, or 3.

---

The following example denies SNMP Versions 1 and 2:

```
hostname(config)# snmp-map sample_map
hostname(config-snmpp-map)# deny version 1
```

```
hostname(config-snmp-map)# deny version 2
```

## XDMCP Inspection

XDMCP inspection is enabled by default; however, the XDMCP inspection engine is dependent upon proper configuration of the **established** command.

XDMCP is a protocol that uses UDP port 177 to negotiate X sessions, which use TCP when established.

For successful negotiation and start of an XWindows session, the ASA must allow the TCP back connection from the Xhosted computer. To permit the back connection, use the **established** command on the ASA. Once XDMCP negotiates the port to send the display, The **established** command is consulted to verify if this back connection should be permitted.

During the XWindows session, the manager talks to the display Xserver on the well-known port 6000 + *n*. Each display has a separate connection to the Xserver, as a result of the following terminal setting.

```
setenv DISPLAY Xserver:n
```

where *n* is the display number.

When XDMCP is used, the display is negotiated using IP addresses, which the ASA can NAT if needed. XDMCP inspection does not support PAT.





## **PART 4**

# **Unified Communications**







## Information About the ASA in Cisco Unified Communications

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This chapter describes how to configure the adaptive security appliance for Cisco Unified Communications Proxy features.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Information About the ASA in Cisco Unified Communications, page 12-1](#)
- [TLS Proxy Applications in Cisco Unified Communications, page 12-3](#)
- [Licensing for Cisco Unified Communications Proxy Features, page 12-4](#)

## Information About the ASA in Cisco Unified Communications

This section describes the Cisco UC Proxy features. The purpose of a proxy is to terminate and reoriginate connections between a client and server. The proxy delivers a range of security functions such as traffic inspection, protocol conformance, and policy control to ensure security for the internal network. An increasingly popular function of a proxy is to terminate encrypted connections in order to apply security policies while maintaining confidentiality of connections. The ASA is a strategic platform to provide proxy functions for unified communications deployments.

The Cisco UC Proxy includes the following solutions:

### **Phone Proxy: Secure remote access for Cisco encrypted endpoints, and VLAN traversal for Cisco softphones**

The phone proxy feature enables termination of Cisco SRTP/TLS-encrypted endpoints for secure remote access. The phone proxy allows large scale deployments of secure phones without a large scale VPN remote access hardware deployment. End-user infrastructure is limited to just the IP endpoint, without VPN tunnels or hardware.

The Cisco adaptive security appliance phone proxy is the replacement product for the Cisco Unified Phone Proxy. Additionally, the phone proxy can be deployed for voice/data VLAN traversal for softphone applications. Cisco IP Communicator (CIPC) traffic (both media and signaling) can be proxied through the ASA, thus traversing calls securely between voice and data VLANs.

For information about the differences between the TLS proxy and phone proxy, go to the following URL for Unified Communications content, including TLS Proxy vs. Phone Proxy white paper:

<http://www.cisco.com/go/secureuc>

**TLS Proxy: Decryption and inspection of Cisco Unified Communications encrypted signaling**

End-to-end encryption often leaves network security appliances “blind” to media and signaling traffic, which can compromise access control and threat prevention security functions. This lack of visibility can result in a lack of interoperability between the firewall functions and the encrypted voice, leaving businesses unable to satisfy both of their key security requirements.

The ASA is able to intercept and decrypt encrypted signaling from Cisco encrypted endpoints to the Cisco Unified Communications Manager (Cisco UCM), and apply the required threat protection and access control. It can also ensure confidentiality by re-encrypting the traffic onto the Cisco UCM servers.

Typically, the ASA TLS Proxy functionality is deployed in campus unified communications network. This solution is ideal for deployments that utilize end to end encryption and firewalls to protect Unified Communications Manager servers.

**Mobility Proxy: Secure connectivity between Cisco Unified Mobility Advantage server and Cisco Unified Mobile Communicator clients**

Cisco Unified Mobility solutions include the Cisco Unified Mobile Communicator (Cisco UMC), an easy-to-use software application for mobile handsets that extends enterprise communications applications and services to mobile phones and the Cisco Unified Mobility Advantage (Cisco UMA) server. The Cisco Unified Mobility solution streamlines the communication experience, enabling single number reach and integration of mobile endpoints into the Unified Communications infrastructure.

The security appliance acts as a proxy, terminating and reoriginating the TLS signaling between the Cisco UMC and Cisco UMA. As part of the proxy security functionality, inspection is enabled for the Cisco UMA Mobile Multiplexing Protocol (MMP), the protocol between Cisco UMC and Cisco UMA.

**Presence Federation Proxy: Secure connectivity between Cisco Unified Presence servers and Cisco/Microsoft Presence servers**

Cisco Unified Presence solution collects information about the availability and status of users, such as whether they are using communication devices, such as IP phones at particular times. It also collects information regarding their communications capabilities, such as whether web collaboration or video conferencing is enabled. Using user information captured by Cisco Unified Presence, applications such as Cisco Unified Personal Communicator and Cisco UCM can improve productivity by helping users connect with colleagues more efficiently through determining the most effective way for collaborative communication.

Using the ASA as a secure presence federation proxy, businesses can securely connect their Cisco Unified Presence (Cisco UP) servers to other Cisco or Microsoft Presence servers, enabling intra-enterprise communications. The security appliance terminates the TLS connectivity between the servers, and can inspect and apply policies for the SIP communications between the servers.

**Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy: Secure connectivity between Cisco UCM servers in different enterprises for IP Phone traffic**

As more unified communications are deployed within enterprises, cases where business-to-business calls utilize unified communications on both sides with the Public Switched Network (PSTN) in the middle become increasingly common. All outside calls go over circuits to telephone providers and from there are delivered to all external destinations.

The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine gradually creates dynamic, encrypted VoIP connections between businesses, so that a collection of enterprises that work together end up looking like one giant business with secure VoIP interconnections between them.

There are three components to a Cisco Intercompany Media Engine deployment within an enterprise: a Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server, a call agent (the Cisco Unified Communications Manager) and an ASA running the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.

The ASA provides perimeter security by encrypting signaling connections between enterprises and preventing unauthorized calls. An ASA running the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy can either be deployed as an Internet firewall or be designated as a Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy and placed in the DMZ, off the path of the regular Internet traffic.

## TLS Proxy Applications in Cisco Unified Communications

Table 12-1 shows the Cisco Unified Communications applications that utilize the TLS proxy on the ASA.

**Table 12-1** *TLS Proxy Applications and the Security Appliance*

Application	TLS Client	TLS Server	Client Authentication	Security Appliance Server Role	Security Appliance Client Role
Phone Proxy and TLS Proxy	IP phone	Cisco UCM	Yes	Proxy certificate, self-signed or by internal CA	Local dynamic certificate signed by the ASA CA (might not need certificate for phone proxy application)
Mobility Proxy	Cisco UMC	Cisco UMA	No	Using the Cisco UMA private key or certificate impersonation	Any static configured certificate
Presence Federation Proxy	Cisco UP or MS LCS/OCS	Cisco UP or MS LCS/OCS	Yes	Proxy certificate, self-signed or by internal CA	Using the Cisco UP private key or certificate impersonation

The ASA supports TLS proxy for various voice applications. For the phone proxy, the TLS proxy running on the ASA has the following key features:

- The ASA forces remote IP phones connecting to the phone proxy through the Internet to be in secured mode even when the Cisco UCM cluster is in non-secure mode.
- The TLS proxy is implemented on the ASA to intercept the TLS signaling from IP phones.
- The TLS proxy decrypts the packets, sends packets to the inspection engine for NAT rewrite and protocol conformance, optionally encrypts packets, and sends them to Cisco UCM or sends them in clear text if the IP phone is configured to be in nonsecure mode on the Cisco UCM.
- The ASA acts as a media terminator as needed and translates between SRTP and RTP media streams.
- The TLS proxy is a transparent proxy that works based on establishing trusted relationship between the TLS client, the proxy (the ASA), and the TLS server.

For the Cisco Unified Mobility solution, the TLS client is a Cisco UMA client and the TLS server is a Cisco UMA server. The ASA is between a Cisco UMA client and a Cisco UMA server. The mobility proxy (implemented as a TLS proxy) for Cisco Unified Mobility allows the use of an imported PKCS-12 certificate for server proxy during the handshake with the client. Cisco UMA clients are not required to present a certificate (no client authentication) during the handshake.

For the Cisco Unified Presence solution, the ASA acts as a TLS proxy between the Cisco UP server and the foreign server. This allows the ASA to proxy TLS messages on behalf of the server that initiates the TLS connection, and route the proxied TLS messages to the client. The ASA stores certificate trustpoints for the server and the client, and presents these certificates on establishment of the TLS session.

## Licensing for Cisco Unified Communications Proxy Features

The Cisco Unified Communications proxy features supported by the ASA require a Unified Communications Proxy license:

- Phone proxy
- TLS proxy for encrypted voice inspection
- Presence federation proxy
- Intercompany media engine proxy



### Note

In Version 8.2(2) and later, the Mobility Advantage proxy no longer requires a Unified Communications Proxy license.

The following table shows the Unified Communications Proxy license details by platform for the phone proxy, TLS proxy for encrypted voice inspection, and presence federation proxy:



### Note

This feature is not available on No Payload Encryption models.

Model	License Requirement <sup>1</sup>
ASA 5505	Base License and Security Plus License: 2 sessions. <i>Optional license: 24 sessions.</i>
ASA 5512-X	Base License or Security Plus License: 2 sessions. <i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, or 500 sessions.</i>
ASA 5515-X	Base License: 2 sessions. <i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, or 500 sessions.</i>
ASA 5525-X	Base License: 2 sessions. <i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, or 1000 sessions.</i>
ASA 5545-X	Base License: 2 sessions. <i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, or 2000 sessions.</i>
ASA 5555-X	Base License: 2 sessions. <i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, or 3000 sessions.</i>

Model	License Requirement <sup>1</sup>
ASA 5585-X with SSP-10	Base License: 2 sessions. <i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, or 3000 sessions.</i>
ASA 5585-X with SSP-20, -40, or -60	Base License: 2 sessions. <i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, 3000, 5000, or 10,000 sessions.</i>
ASASM	Base License: 2 sessions. <i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, 3000, 5000, or 10,000 sessions.</i>
ASAv with 1 Virtual CPU	Standard and Premium Licenses: 250 sessions.
ASAv with 4 Virtual CPUs	Standard and Premium Licenses: 1000 sessions.

1. The following applications use TLS proxy sessions for their connections. Each TLS proxy session used by these applications (and only these applications) is counted against the UC license limit:
- Phone Proxy
  - Presence Federation Proxy
  - Encrypted Voice Inspection

Other applications that use TLS proxy sessions do not count towards the UC limit, for example, Mobility Advantage Proxy (which does not require a license) and IME (which requires a separate IME license).

Some UC applications might use multiple sessions for a connection. For example, if you configure a phone with a primary and backup Cisco Unified Communications Manager, there are 2 TLS proxy connections, so 2 UC Proxy sessions are used.

You independently set the TLS proxy limit using the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions** command. To view the limits of your model, enter the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions ?** command. When you apply a UC license that is higher than the default TLS proxy limit, the ASA automatically sets the TLS proxy limit to match the UC limit. The TLS proxy limit takes precedence over the UC license limit; if you set the TLS proxy limit to be less than the UC license, then you cannot use all of the sessions in your UC license.

**Note:** For license part numbers ending in “K8” (for example, licenses under 250 users), TLS proxy sessions are limited to 1000. For license part numbers ending in “K9” (for example, licenses 250 users or larger), the TLS proxy limit depends on the configuration, up to the model limit. K8 and K9 refer to whether the license is restricted for export: K8 is unrestricted, and K9 is restricted.

**Note:** If you clear the configuration (using the **clear configure all** command, for example), then the TLS proxy limit is set to the default for your model; if this default is lower than the UC license limit, then you see an error message to use the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions** command to raise the limit again. If you use failover and enter the **write standby** command on the primary unit to force a configuration synchronization, the **clear configure all** command is generated on the secondary unit automatically, so you may see the warning message on the secondary unit. Because the configuration synchronization restores the TLS proxy limit set on the primary unit, you can ignore the warning.

You might also use SRTP encryption sessions for your connections:

- For K8 licenses, SRTP sessions are limited to 250.
- For K9 licenses, there is not limit.

**Note:** Only calls that require encryption/decryption for media are counted towards the SRTP limit; if passthrough is set for the call, even if both legs are SRTP, they do not count towards the limit.

Table 12-2 shows the default and maximum TLS session details by platform.

**Table 12-2 Default and Maximum TLS Sessions on the Security Appliance**

Security Appliance Platform	Default TLS Sessions	Maximum TLS Sessions
ASA 5505	10	80

The following table shows the Unified Communications Proxy license details by platform for intercompany media engine proxy:

**Note**

This feature is not available on No Payload Encryption models.

Model	License Requirement
All models	<p>Intercompany Media Engine license.</p> <p>When you enable the Intercompany Media Engine (IME) license, you can use TLS proxy sessions up to the configured TLS proxy limit. If you also have a Unified Communications (UC) license installed that is higher than the default TLS proxy limit, then the ASA sets the limit to be the UC license limit plus an additional number of sessions depending on your model. You can manually configure the TLS proxy limit using the <b>tls-proxy maximum-sessions</b> command. To view the limits of your model, enter the <b>tls-proxy maximum-sessions ?</b> command. If you also install the UC license, then the TLS proxy sessions available for UC are also available for IME sessions. For example, if the configured limit is 1000 TLS proxy sessions, and you purchase a 750-session UC license, then the first 250 IME sessions do not affect the sessions available for UC. If you need more than 250 sessions for IME, then the remaining 750 sessions of the platform limit are used on a first-come, first-served basis by UC and IME.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For a license part number ending in “K8”, TLS proxy sessions are limited to 1000.</li> <li>• For a license part number ending in “K9”, the TLS proxy limit depends on your configuration and the platform model.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> K8 and K9 refer to whether the license is restricted for export: K8 is unrestricted, and K9 is restricted.</p> <p>You might also use SRTP encryption sessions for your connections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For a K8 license, SRTP sessions are limited to 250.</li> <li>• For a K9 license, there is no limit.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> Only calls that require encryption/decryption for media are counted toward the SRTP limit; if passthrough is set for the call, even if both legs are SRTP, they do not count toward the limit.</p>

For more information about licensing, see the general operations configuration guide.



## Cisco Phone Proxy

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This chapter describes how to configure the ASA for Cisco Phone Proxy feature.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Information About the Cisco Phone Proxy, page 13-1](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for the Phone Proxy, page 13-4](#)
- [Prerequisites for the Phone Proxy, page 13-5](#)
- [Phone Proxy Guidelines and Limitations, page 13-12](#)
- [Configuring the Phone Proxy, page 13-14](#)
- [Troubleshooting the Phone Proxy, page 13-28](#)
- [Configuration Examples for the Phone Proxy, page 13-44](#)
- [Feature History for the Phone Proxy, page 13-54](#)

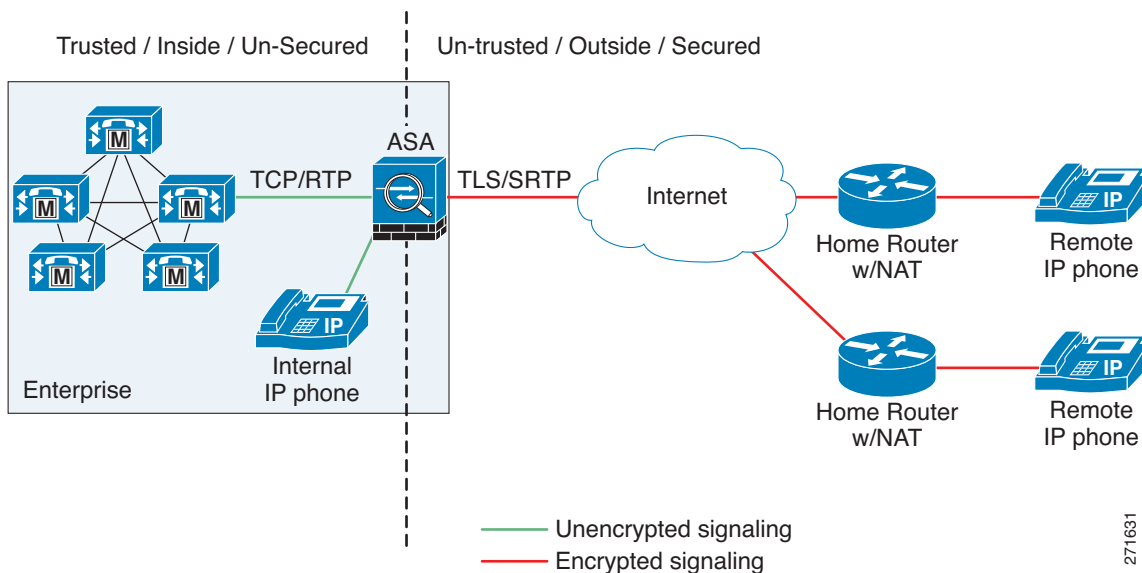
### Information About the Cisco Phone Proxy

The Cisco Phone Proxy on the ASA bridges IP telephony between the corporate IP telephony network and the Internet in a secure manner by forcing data from remote phones on an untrusted network to be encrypted.

### Phone Proxy Functionality

Telecommuters can connect their IP phones to the corporate IP telephony network over the Internet securely via the phone proxy without the need to connect over a VPN tunnel as illustrated by [Figure 13-1](#).

Figure 13-1 Phone Proxy Secure Deployment



The phone proxy supports a Cisco UCM cluster in mixed mode or nonsecure mode. Regardless of the cluster mode, the remote phones that are capable of encryption are always forced to be in encrypted mode. TLS (signaling) and SRTP (media) are always terminated on the ASA. The ASA can also perform NAT, open pinholes for the media, and apply inspection policies for the SCCP and SIP protocols. In a nonsecure cluster mode or a mixed mode where the phones are configured as nonsecure, the phone proxy behaves in the following ways:

- The TLS connections from the phones are terminated on the ASA and a TCP connection is initiated to the Cisco UCM.
- SRTP sent from external IP phones to the internal network IP phone via the ASA is converted to RTP.

In a mixed mode cluster where the internal IP phones are configured as authenticated, the TLS connection is not converted to TCP to the Cisco UCM but the SRTP is converted to RTP.

In a mixed mode cluster where the internal IP phone is configured as encrypted, the TLS connection remains a TLS connection to the Cisco UCM and the SRTP from the remote phone remains SRTP to the internal IP phone.

Since the main purpose of the phone proxy is to make the phone behave securely while making calls to a nonsecure cluster, the phone proxy performs the following major functions:

- Creates the certificate trust list (CTL) file, which is used to perform certificate based authentication with remote phones.
- Modifies the IP phone configuration file when it is requested via TFTP, changes security fields from nonsecure to secure, and signs all files sent to the phone. These modifications secure remote phones by forcing the phones to perform encrypted signaling and media.
- Terminates TLS signaling from the phone and initiates TCP or TLS to Cisco UCM
- Inserts itself into the media path by modifying the Skinny and SIP signaling messages.
- Terminates SRTP and initiates RTP/SRTP to the called party.



**Note**

As an alternative to authenticating remote IP phones through the TLS handshake, you can configure authentication via LSC provisioning. With LSC provisioning you create a password for each remote IP phone user and each user enters the password on the remote IP phones to retrieve the LSC.

Because using LSC provisioning to authenticate remote IP phones requires the IP phones first register in nonsecure mode, Cisco recommends LSC provisioning be done inside the corporate network before giving the IP phones to end-users. Otherwise, having the IP phones register in nonsecure mode requires the Administrator to open the nonsecure signaling port for SIP and SCCP on the ASA.

See “[Example 5: LSC Provisioning in Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster; Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Publisher, page 13-50](#)”. See also the Cisco Unified Communications Manager Security Guide for information on Using the Certificate Authority Proxy Function (CAPF) to install a locally significant certificate (LSC).

## Supported Cisco UCM and IP Phones for the Phone Proxy

### Cisco Unified Communications Manager

The following release of the Cisco Unified Communications Manager are supported with the phone proxy:

- Cisco Unified CallManager Version 4.x
- Cisco Unified CallManager Version 5.0
- Cisco Unified CallManager Version 5.1
- Cisco Unified Communications Manager 6.1
- Cisco Unified Communications Manager 7.0
- Cisco Unified Communications Manager 8.0

### Cisco Unified IP Phones

The phone proxy supports these IP phone features:

- Enterprise features like conference calls on remote phones connected through the phone proxy
- XML services

The following IP phones in the Cisco Unified IP Phones 7900 Series are supported with the phone proxy:

- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7975
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7971
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7970
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7965
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7962
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7961
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7961G-GE
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7960 (SCCP protocol support only)
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7945
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7942

- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7941
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7941G-GE
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7940 (SCCP protocol support only)
- Cisco Unified Wireless IP Phone 7921
- Cisco Unified Wireless IP Phone 7925



**Note** To support Cisco Unified Wireless IP Phone 7925, you must also configure MIC or LSC on the IP phone so that it properly works with the phone proxy.

- CIPC for softphones ( CIPC versions with Authenticated mode only)



**Note** The Cisco IP Communicator is supported with the phone proxy VLAN Traversal in authenticated TLS mode. We do not recommend it for remote access because SRTP/TLS is not supported currently on the Cisco IP Communicator.



**Note** The ASA supports inspection of traffic from Cisco IP Phones running SCCP protocol version 19 and earlier.

## Licensing Requirements for the Phone Proxy

The Cisco Phone Proxy feature supported by the ASA require a Unified Communications Proxy license. The following table shows the Unified Communications Proxy license details by platform:



**Note** This feature is not available on No Payload Encryption models.

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**Note:** For license part numbers ending in “K8” (for example, licenses under 250 users), TLS proxy sessions are limited to 1000. For license part numbers ending in “K9” (for example, licenses 250 users or larger), the TLS proxy limit depends on the configuration, up to the model limit. K8 and K9 refer to whether the license is restricted for export: K8 is unrestricted, and K9 is restricted.

**Note:** If you clear the configuration (using the **clear configure all** command, for example), then the TLS proxy limit is set to the default for your model; if this default is lower than the UC license limit, then you see an error message to use the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions** command to raise the limit again. If you use failover and enter the **write standby** command on the primary unit to force a configuration synchronization, the **clear configure all** command is generated on the secondary unit automatically, so you may see the warning message on the secondary unit. Because the configuration synchronization restores the TLS proxy limit set on the primary unit, you can ignore the warning.

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- For K9 licenses, there is not limit.

**Note:** Only calls that require encryption/decryption for media are counted towards the SRTP limit; if passthrough is set for the call, even if both legs are SRTP, they do not count towards the limit.

For more information about licensing, see the general operations configuration guide.

## Prerequisites for the Phone Proxy

This section contains the following topics:

- [Media Termination Instance Prerequisites, page 13-6](#)
- [Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-6](#)
- [DNS Lookup Prerequisites, page 13-7](#)
- [Cisco Unified Communications Manager Prerequisites, page 13-7](#)

- [ACL Rules](#), page 13-7
- [NAT and PAT Prerequisites](#), page 13-8
- [Prerequisites for IP Phones on Multiple Interfaces](#), page 13-9
- [7960 and 7940 IP Phones Support](#), page 13-9
- [Cisco IP Communicator Prerequisites](#), page 13-10
- [Prerequisites for Rate Limiting TFTP Requests](#), page 13-10
- [About ICMP Traffic Destined for the Media Termination Address](#), page 13-11
- [End-User Phone Provisioning](#), page 13-11

## Media Termination Instance Prerequisites

The ASA must have a media termination instance that meets the following criteria:

- You must configure one media termination for each phone proxy on the ASA. Multiple media termination instances on the ASA are not supported.
- For the media termination instance, you can configure a global media-termination address for all interfaces or configure a media-termination address for different interfaces. However, you cannot use a global media-termination address and media-termination addresses configured for each interface at the same time.
- If you configure a media termination address for multiple interfaces, you must configure an address on each interface that the ASA uses when communicating with IP phones.

For example, if you had three interfaces on the ASA (one internal interface and two external interfaces) and only one of the external interfaces were used to communicate with IP phones, you would configure two media termination addresses: one on the internal interface and one on the external interface that communicated with the IP phones.

- Only one media-termination address can be configured per interface.
- The IP addresses are publicly routable addresses that are unused IP addresses within the address range on that interface.
- The IP address on an interface cannot be the same address as that interface on the ASA.
- The IP addresses cannot overlap with existing static NAT pools or NAT rules.
- The IP addresses cannot be the same as the Cisco UCM or TFTP server IP address.
- For IP phones behind a router or gateway, you must also meet this prerequisite. On the router or gateway, add routes to the media termination address on the ASA interface that the IP phones communicate with so that the phone can reach the media termination address.

## Certificates from the Cisco UCM

Import the following certificates which are stored on the Cisco UCM. These certificates are required by the ASA for the phone proxy.

- Cisco\_Manufacturing\_CA
- CAP-RTP-001
- CAP-RTP-002
- CAPF certificate (Optional)

If LSC provisioning is required or you have LSC enabled IP phones, you must import the CAPF certificate from the Cisco UCM. If the Cisco UCM has more than one CAPF certificate, you must import all of them to the ASA.

**Note**

You can configure LSC provisioning for additional end-user authentication. See the Cisco Unified Communications Manager configuration guide for information.

See [Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-15](#). For example, the CA Manufacturer certificate is required by the phone proxy to validate the IP phone certificate.

## DNS Lookup Prerequisites

- If you have an fully qualified domain name (FQDN) configured for the Cisco UCM rather than an IP address, you must configure and enable DNS lookup on the ASA. For information about the **dns domain-lookup** command and how to use it to configure DNS lookup, see command reference.
- After configuring the DNS lookup, make sure that the ASA can ping the Cisco UCM with the configured FQDN.
- You must configure DNS lookup when you have a CAPF service enabled and the Cisco UCM is not running on the Publisher but the Publisher is configured with a FQDN instead of an IP address.

## Cisco Unified Communications Manager Prerequisites

- The TFTP server must reside on the same interface as the Cisco UCM.
- The Cisco UCM can be on a private network on the inside but you need to have a static mapping for the Cisco UCM on the ASA to a public routable address.
- If NAT is required for Cisco UCM, it must be configured on the ASA, not on the existing firewall.

## ACL Rules

If the phone proxy is deployed behind an existing firewall, access-list rules to permit signaling, TFTP requests, and media traffic to the phone proxy must be configured.

If NAT is configured for the TFTP server or Cisco UCMs, the translated “global” address must be used in the ACLs.

[Table 13-1](#) lists the ports that are required to be configured on the existing firewall:

**Table 13-1 Port Configuration Requirements**

Address	Port	Protocol	Description
Media Termination	1024-65535	UDP	Allow incoming SRTP
TFTP Server	69	UDP	Allow incoming TFTP
Cisco UCM	2443	TCP	Allow incoming secure SCCP

**Table 13-1 Port Configuration Requirements**

Address	Port	Protocol	Description
Cisco UCM	5061	TCP	Allow incoming secure SIP
CAPF Service (on Cisco UCM)	3804	TCP	Allow CAPF service for LSC provisioning



**Note** All these ports are configurable on the Cisco UCM, except for TFTP. These are the default values and should be modified if they are modified on the Cisco UCM. For example, 3804 is the default port for the CAPF Service. This default value should be modified if it is modified on the Cisco UCM.

## NAT and PAT Prerequisites

### NAT Prerequisites

- If NAT is configured for the TFTP server, the NAT configuration must be configured prior to configuring the **tftp-server** command under the phone proxy.
- If NAT is configured for the TFTP server or Cisco UCMs, the translated “global” address must be used in the ACLs.

### PAT Prerequisites

- When the Skinny inspection global port is configured to use a non-default port, then you must configure the nonsecure port as the `global_sccp_port+443`.

Therefore, if `global_sccp_port` is 7000, then the global secure SCCP port is 7443. Reconfiguring the port might be necessary when the phone proxy deployment has more than one Cisco UCM and they must share the interface IP address or a global IP address.

```
/* use the default ports for the first CUCM */
object network obj-10.0.0.1-01
  host 10.0.0.1
  nat (inside,outside) static interface service tcp 2000 2000
object network obj-10.0.0.1-02
  host 10.0.0.1
  nat (inside,outside) static interface service tcp 2443 2443
/* use non-default ports for the 2nd CUCM */
object network obj-10.0.0.2-01
  host 10.0.0.2
  nat (inside,outside) static interface service tcp 2000 7000
object network obj-10.0.0.2-02
  host 10.0.0.2
  nat (inside,outside) static interface service tcp 2443 7443
```



**Note** Both PAT configurations—for the nonsecure and secure ports—must be configured.

- When the IP phones must contact the CAPF on the Cisco UCM and the Cisco UCM is configured with static PAT (LCS provisioning is required), you must configure static PAT for the default CAPF port 3804.

## Prerequisites for IP Phones on Multiple Interfaces

When IP phones reside on multiple interfaces, the phone proxy configuration must have the correct IP address set for the Cisco UCM in the CTL file.

See the following example topology for information about how to correctly set the IP address:

```
phones --- (dmz)-----|
                        |----- ASA PP --- (outside Internet) --- phones
phones --- (inside)--|
```

In this example topology, the following IP address are set:

- Cisco UCM on the inside interface is set to 10.0.0.5
- The DMZ network is 192.168.1.0/24
- The inside network is 10.0.0.0/24

The Cisco UCM is mapped with different global IP addresses from DMZ > outside and inside interfaces > outside interface.

In the CTL file, the Cisco UCM must have two entries because of the two different IP addresses. For example, if the static statements for the Cisco UCM are as follows:

```
object network obj-10.0.0.5-01
  host 10.0.0.5
  nat (inside,outside) static 209.165.202.129
object network obj-10.0.0.5-02
  host 10.0.0.5
  nat (inside,dmz) static 198.168.1.2
```

There must be two CTL file record entries for the Cisco UCM:

```
record-entry cucm trustpoint cucm_in_to_out address 209.165.202.129
record-entry cucm trustpoint cucm_in_to_dmz address 192.168.1.2
```

## 7960 and 7940 IP Phones Support

- An LSC must be installed on these IP phones because they do not come pre installed with a MIC. Install the LSC on each phone before using them with the phone proxy to avoid opening the nonsecure SCCP port for the IP phones to register in nonsecure mode with the Cisco UCM.

See the following document for the steps to install an LSC on IP phones:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/voice\\_ip\\_comm/cucm/security/7\\_0\\_1/secugd/secucapf.html#wp1093518](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/voice_ip_comm/cucm/security/7_0_1/secugd/secucapf.html#wp1093518)



### Note

If an IP phone already has an LSC installed on it from a different Cisco UCM cluster, delete the LSC from the different cluster and install an LSC from the current Cisco UCM cluster.



### Note

You can configure LSC provisioning for additional end-user authentication. See the Cisco Unified Communications Manager configuration guide for information.

- The CAPF certificate must be imported onto the ASA.
- The CTL file created on the ASA must be created with a CAPF record-entry.

- The phone must be configured to use only the SCCP protocol because the SIP protocol does not support encryption on these IP phones.
- If LSC provisioning is done via the phone proxy, you must add an ACL to allow the IP phones to register with the Cisco UCM on the nonsecure port 2000.

## Cisco IP Communicator Prerequisites

To configure Cisco IP Communicator (CIPC) with the phone proxy, you must meet the following prerequisites:

- Include the **cipc security-mode authenticated** command under the **phone-proxy** command when configuring the phone proxy instance.
- Create an ACL to allow CIPC to register with the Cisco UCM in nonsecure mode.
- Configure null-sha1 as one of the SSL encryption ciphers.

Current versions of Cisco IP Communicator (CIPC) support authenticated mode and perform TLS signaling but not voice encryption. Therefore, you must include the following command when configuring the phone proxy instance:

### **cipc security-mode authenticated**

Because CIPC requires an LSC to perform the TLS handshake, CIPC needs to register with the Cisco UCM in nonsecure mode using cleartext signaling. To allow the CIPC to register, create an ACL that allows the CIPC to connect to the Cisco UCM on the nonsecure SIP/SCCP signalling ports (5060/2000).



#### Note

You can configure LSC provisioning for additional end-user authentication. See the Cisco Unified Communications Manager configuration guide for information.

CIPC uses a different cipher when doing the TLS handshake and requires the null-sha1 cipher and SSL encryption be configured. To add the null-sha1 cipher, use the show run all ssl command to see the output for the ssl encryption command and add null-sha1 to the end of the SSL encryption list.



#### Note

When used with CIPC, the phone proxy does not support end-users resetting their device name in CIPC (Preferences > Network tab > Use this Device Name field) or Administrators resetting the device name in Cisco Unified CM Administration console (Device menu > Phone Configuration > Device Name field). To function with the phone proxy, the CIPC configuration file must be in the format: SEP<mac\_address>.cnf.xml. If the device name does not follow this format (SEP<mac\_address>), CIPC cannot retrieve its configuration file from Cisco UMC via the phone proxy and CIPC will not function.

## Prerequisites for Rate Limiting TFTP Requests

In a remote access scenario, we recommend that you configure rate limiting of TFTP requests because any IP phone connecting through the Internet is allowed to send TFTP requests to the TFTP server.

To configure rate limiting of TFTP requests, configure the **police** command in the Modular Policy Framework. See the command reference for information about using the **police** command.



Policing is a way of ensuring that no traffic exceeds the maximum rate (in bits/second) that you configure, thus ensuring that no one traffic flow can take over the entire resource. When traffic exceeds the maximum rate, the ASA drops the excess traffic. Policing also sets the largest single burst of traffic allowed.

## Rate Limiting Configuration Example

The following example describes how you configure rate limiting for TFTP requests by using the **police** command and the Modular Policy Framework.

Begin by determining the conformance rate that is required for the phone proxy. To determine the conformance rate, use the following formula:

$$X * Y * 8$$

Where

X = requests per second

Y = size of each packet, which includes the L2, L3, and L4 plus the payload

Therefore, if a rate of 300 TFTP requests/second is required, then the conformance rate would be calculated as follows:

$$300 \text{ requests/second} * 80 \text{ bytes} * 8 = 192000$$

The example configuration below shows how the calculated conformance rate is used with the **police** command:

```
access-list tftp extended permit udp any host 192.168.0.1 eq tftp

class-map tftpclass
  match access-list tftp

policy-map tftpmap
  class tftpclass
    police output 192000

service-policy tftpmap interface inside
```

## About ICMP Traffic Destined for the Media Termination Address

To control which hosts can ping the media termination address, use the **icmp** command and apply the access rule to the outside interface on the ASA.

Any rules for ICMP access applied to the outside interface apply to traffic destined for the media termination address.

For example, use the following command to deny ICMP pings from any host destined for the media termination address:

```
icmp deny any outside
```

## End-User Phone Provisioning

The phone proxy is a transparent proxy with respect to the TFTP and signaling transactions. If NAT is not configured for the Cisco UCM TFTP server, then the IP phones need to be configured with the Cisco UCM cluster TFTP server address.

If NAT is configured for the Cisco UCM TFTP server, then the Cisco UCM TFTP server global address is configured as the TFTP server address on the IP phones.

## Ways to Deploy IP Phones to End Users

In both options, deploying a remote IP phone behind a commercial Cable/DSL router with NAT capabilities is supported.

### Option 1 (Recommended)

Stage the IP phones at corporate headquarters before sending them to the end users:

- The phones register inside the network. IT ensures there are no issues with the phone configurations, image downloads, and registration.
- If Cisco UCM cluster was in mixed mode, the CTL file should be erased before sending the phone to the end user.

Advantages of this option are:

- Easier to troubleshoot and isolate problems with the network or phone proxy because you know whether the phone is registered and working with the Cisco UCM.
- Better user experience because the phone does not have to download firmware from over a broadband connection, which can be slow and require the user to wait for a longer time.

### Option 2

Send the IP phone to the end user. When using option 2, the user must be provided instructions to change the settings on phones with the appropriate Cisco UCM and TFTP server IP address.



#### Note

As an alternative to authenticating remote IP phones through the TLS handshake, you can configure authentication via LSC provisioning. With LSC provisioning you create a password for each remote IP phone user and each user enters the password on the remote IP phones to retrieve the LSC.

Because using LSC provisioning to authenticate remote IP phones requires the IP phones first register in nonsecure mode, Cisco recommends LSC provisioning be done inside the corporate network before giving the IP phones to end-users. Otherwise, having the IP phones register in nonsecure mode requires the Administrator to open the nonsecure signaling port for SIP and SCCP on the ASA.

See [“Example 5: LSC Provisioning in Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster; Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Publisher, page 13-50”](#). See also the Cisco Unified Communications Manager Security Guide for information on Using the Certificate Authority Proxy Function (CAPF) to install a locally significant certificate (LSC).

## Phone Proxy Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the following topics:

- [General Guidelines and Limitations, page 13-13](#)
- [Media Termination Address Guidelines and Limitations, page 13-14](#)

## General Guidelines and Limitations

The phone proxy has the following general limitations:

- Only one phone proxy instance can be configured on the ASA by using the **phone-proxy** command. See the command reference for information about the **phone-proxy** command. See also [Creating the Phone Proxy Instance, page 13-24](#).
- The phone proxy only supports one Cisco UCM cluster. See [Creating the CTL File, page 13-18](#) for the steps to configure the Cisco UCM cluster for the phone proxy.
- The phone proxy is not supported when the ASA is running in transparent mode or multiple context mode.
- When a remote IP phone calls an invalid internal or external extension, the phone proxy does not support playing the annunciator message from the Cisco UCM. Instead, the remote IP phone plays a fast busy signal instead of the annunciator message "Your call cannot be completed ..." However, when an internal IP phone dials in invalid extension, the annunciator messages plays "Your call cannot be completed ..."
- Packets from phones connecting to the phone proxy over a VPN tunnel are not inspected by the ASA inspection engines.
- The phone proxy does not support IP phones sending Real-Time Control Protocol (RTCP) packets through the ASA. Disable RTCP packets in the Cisco Unified CM Administration console from the Phone Configuration page. See your Cisco Unified Communications Manager (CallManager) documentation for information about setting this configuration option.
- When used with CIPC, the phone proxy does not support end-users resetting their device name in CIPC (Preferences > Network tab > Use this Device Name field) or Administrators resetting the device name in Cisco Unified CM Administration console (Device menu > Phone Configuration > Device Name field). To function with the phone proxy, the CIPC configuration file must be in the format: SEP<mac\_address>.cnf.xml. If the device name does not follow this format (SEP<mac\_address>), CIPC cannot retrieve its configuration file from Cisco UMC via the phone proxy and CIPC will not function.
- The phone proxy does not support IP phones sending SCCP video messages using Cisco VT Advantage because SCCP video messages do not support SRTP keys.
- For mixed-mode clusters, the phone proxy does not support the Cisco Unified Call Manager using TFTP to send encrypted configuration files to IP phones through the ASA.
- Multiple IP phones behind one NAT device must be configured to use the same security mode.

When the phone proxy is configured for a mixed-mode cluster and multiple IP phones are behind one NAT device and registering through the phone proxy, all the SIP and SCCP IP phones must be configured as authenticated or encrypted, or all as non-secure on the Unified Call Manager.

For example, if there are four IP phones behind one NAT device where two IP phones are configured using SIP and two IP phones are configured using SCCP, the following configurations on the Unified Call Manager are acceptable:

- Two SIP IP phones: one IP phone in authenticated mode and one in encrypted mode, both in authenticated mode, or both in encrypted mode  
Two SCCP IP phones: one IP phone in authenticated mode and one in encrypted mode, both in authenticated mode, or both in encrypted mode
- Two SIP IP phones: both in non-secure mode  
Two SCCP IP phones: one IP phone in authenticated mode and one in encrypted mode, both in authenticated mode, both in encrypted mode

- Two SIP IP phones: one IP phone in authenticated mode and one in encrypted mode, both in authenticated mode, both in encrypted mode
- Two SCCP IP phones: both in non-secure mode

This limitation results from the way the application-redirect rules (rules that convert TLS to TCP) are created for the IP phones.

## Media Termination Address Guidelines and Limitations

The phone proxy has the following limitations relating to configuring the media-termination address:

- When configuring the media-termination address, the phone proxy does not support having internal IP phones (IP phones on the inside network) being on a different network interface from the Cisco UCM unless the IP phones are forced to use the non-secure Security mode.

When internal IP phones are on a different network interface than the Cisco UCM, the IP phones signalling sessions still go through ASA; however, the IP phone traffic does not go through the phone proxy. Therefore, Cisco recommends that you deploy internal IP phones on the same network interface as the Cisco UMC.

If the Cisco UMC and the internal IP phones must be on different network interfaces, you must add routes for the internal IP phones to access the network interface of the media-termination address where Cisco UMC resides.

When the phone proxy is configured to use a global media-termination address, all IP phones see the same global address, which is a public routable address.

- If you decide to configure a media-termination address on interfaces (rather than using a global interface), you must configure a media-termination address on at least two interfaces (the inside and an outside interface) before applying the phone-proxy service policy. Otherwise, you will receive an error message when enabling the Phone Proxy with SIP and Skinny Inspection.
- The phone proxy can use only one type of media termination instance at a time; for example, you can configure a global media-termination address for all interfaces or configure a media-termination address for different interfaces. However, you cannot use a global media-termination address and media-termination addresses configured for each interface at the same time.

## Configuring the Phone Proxy

This section includes the following topics:

- [Task Flow for Configuring the Phone Proxy in a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-15](#)
- [Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-15](#)
- [Task Flow for Configuring the Phone Proxy in a Mixed-mode Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-17](#)
- [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 13-17](#)
- [Creating the CTL File, page 13-18](#)
- [Using an Existing CTL File, page 13-20](#)
- [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance for a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-20](#)
- [Creating the TLS Proxy for a Mixed-mode Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-21](#)
- [Creating the Media Termination Instance, page 13-23](#)
- [Creating the Phone Proxy Instance, page 13-24](#)

- [Enabling the Phone Proxy with SIP and Skinny Inspection, page 13-26](#)
- [Configuring Linksys Routers with UDP Port Forwarding for the Phone Proxy, page 13-27](#)

## Task Flow for Configuring the Phone Proxy in a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster

Follow these tasks to configure the phone proxy in a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster:

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- Step 1** Create trustpoints and generate certificates for each entity in the network (Cisco UCM, Cisco UCM and TFTP, TFTP server, CAPF) that the IP phone must trust. The certificates are used in creating the CTL file. See [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 13-17](#).



**Note** Before you create the trustpoints and generate certificates, you must have imported the required certificates, which are stored on the Cisco UCM. See [Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-6](#) and [Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-15](#)

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- Step 2** Create the CTL file for the phone proxy. See [Creating the CTL File, page 13-18](#).
- Step 3** Create the TLS proxy instance. See [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance for a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-20](#).
- Step 4** Create the media termination instance for the phone proxy. See [Creating the Media Termination Instance, page 13-23](#).
- Step 5** Create the phone proxy instance. See [Creating the Phone Proxy Instance, page 13-24](#).
- Step 6** Enable the phone proxy y with SIP and Skinny inspection. See [Enabling the Phone Proxy with SIP and Skinny Inspection, page 13-26](#).
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## Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM

For the TLS proxy used by the phone proxy to complete the TLS handshake successfully, it needs to verify the certificates from the IP phone (and the Cisco UCM if doing TLS with Cisco UCM). To validate the IP phone certificate, we need the CA Manufacturer certificate which is stored on the Cisco UCM. Follow these steps to import the CA Manufacturer certificate to the ASA.

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- Step 1** Go to the Cisco UCM Operating System Administration web page.

- Step 2** Choose **Security > Certificate Management**.



**Note** Earlier versions of Cisco UCM have a different UI and way to locate the certificates. For example, in Cisco UCM version 4.x, certificates are located in the directory `C:\Program Files\Cisco\Certificates`. See your Cisco Unified Communications Manager (CallManager) documentation for information about locating certificates.

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- Step 3** Click Find and it will display all the certificates.

- Step 4** Find the filename `Cisco_Manufacturing_CA`. This is the certificate need to verify the IP phone certificate. Click the .PEM file `Cisco_Manufacturing_CA.pem`. This will show you the certificate information and a dialog box that has the option to download the certificate.



**Note** If the certificate list contains more than one certificate with the filename `Cisco_Manufacturing_CA`, make you select the certificate `Cisco_Manufacturing_CA.pem`—the one with the `.pem` file extension.

**Step 5** Click Download and save the file as a text file.

**Step 6** On the ASA, create a trustpoint for the Cisco Manufacturing CA and enroll via terminal by entering the following commands. Enroll via terminal because you will paste the certificate you downloaded in [Step 4](#).

```
hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint trustpoint_name
hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# enrollment terminal
```

**Step 7** Authenticate the trustpoint by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config)# crypto ca authenticate trustpoint
```

**Step 8** You are prompted to “Enter the base 64 encoded CA Certificate.” Copy the `.PEM` file you downloaded in [Step 4](#) and paste it at the command line. The file is already in base-64 encoding so no conversion is required. If the certificate is OK, you are prompted to accept it: “Do you accept this certificate? [yes/no].” Enter `yes`.



**Note** When you copy the certificate, make sure that you also copy also the lines with `BEGIN` and `END`.



**Tip** If the certificate is not ok, use the `debug crypto ca` command to show debug messages for PKI activity (used with CAs).

**Step 9** Repeat the [Step 1](#) through [Step 8](#) for the next certificate. [Table 13-2](#) shows the certificates that are required by the ASA.

**Table 13-2** Certificates Required by the Security Appliance for the Phone Proxy

Certificate Name	Required for..
CallManager	Authenticating the Cisco UCM during TLS handshake; only required for mixed-mode clusters.
Cisco_Manufacturing_CA	Authenticating IP phones with a Manufacturer Installed Certificate (MIC).
CAP-RTP-001	Authenticating IP phones with a MIC.
CAP-RTP-002	Authenticating IP phones with a MIC.
CAPF	Authenticating IP phones with an LSC.

## Task Flow for Configuring the Phone Proxy in a Mixed-mode Cisco UCM Cluster



**Note** For mixed-mode clusters, the phone proxy does not support the Cisco Unified Call Manager using TFTP to send encrypted configuration files to IP phones through the ASA.

Follow these tasks to configure the phone proxy in a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster:

**Step 1** Create trustpoints and generate certificates for each entity in the network (Cisco UCM, Cisco UCM and TFTP, TFTP server, CAPF) that the IP phone must trust. The certificates are used in creating the CTL file. See [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 13-17](#).



**Note** Before you create the trustpoints and generate certificates, you must have imported the required certificates, which are stored on the Cisco UCM. See [Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-6](#) and [Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-15](#)

**Step 2** Create the CTL file for the phone proxy. See [Creating the CTL File, page 13-18](#).



**Note** When the phone proxy is being configured to run in mixed-mode clusters, you have the following option to use an existing CTL file to install the trustpoints. See [Using an Existing CTL File, page 13-20](#).

**Step 3** Create the TLS proxy instance. See [Creating the TLS Proxy for a Mixed-mode Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-21](#).

**Step 4** Create the media termination instance for the phone proxy. See [Creating the Media Termination Instance, page 13-23](#).

**Step 5** Create the phone proxy instance. See [Creating the Phone Proxy Instance, page 13-24](#).

**Step 6** While configuring the phone proxy instance (in the Phone Proxy Configuration mode), enter the following command to configure the mode of the cluster to be mixed mode because the default is nonsecure:

```
hostname(config-phone-proxy)# cluster-mode mixed
```

**Step 7** Enable the phone proxy y with SIP and Skinny inspection. See [Enabling the Phone Proxy with SIP and Skinny Inspection, page 13-26](#).

## Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates

Create trustpoints and generate certificates for each entity in the network (Cisco UCM, Cisco UCM and TFTP, TFTP server, CAPF) that the IP phone must trust. The certificates are used in creating the CTL file.

You need to create trustpoints for each Cisco UCM (primary and secondary if a secondary Cisco UCM is used) and TFTP server in the network. The trustpoints need to be in the CTL file for the phones to trust the Cisco UCM.

**Prerequisites**

Import the required certificates, which are stored on the Cisco UCM. See [Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-6](#) and [Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-15](#).

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	hostname(config)# <b>crypto key generate rsa label</b> <i>key-pair-label modulus size</i> <b>Example:</b> crypto key generate rsa label cucmtftp_kp modulus 1024	Creates a keypair that can be used for the trustpoints.
<b>Step 2</b>	hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b> <i>trustpoint_name</i> <b>Example:</b> crypto ca trustpoint cucm_tftp_server	Creates the trustpoints for each entity in the network (primary Cisco UCM, secondary Cisco UCM, and TFTP server).  <b>Note</b> You are only required to create a separate trustpoint for the TFTP server when the TFTP server resides on a different server from the Cisco UCM. See <a href="#">Example 3: Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster, Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Different Servers, page 13-47</a> for an example of this configuration.
<b>Step 3</b>	hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enrollment self</b>	Generates a self-signed certificate.
<b>Step 4</b>	hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>keypair</b> <i>keyname</i> <b>Example:</b> keypair cucmtftp_kp	Specifies the keypair whose public key is being certified.
<b>Step 5</b>	hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b>	Exits from the Configure Trustpoint mode.
<b>Step 6</b>	hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca enroll</b> <i>trustpoint</i> <b>Example:</b> crypto ca enroll cucm_tftp_server	Requests the certificate from the CA server and causes the ASA to generate the certificate.  When prompted to include the device serial number in the subject name, type <b>Y</b> to include the serial number or type <b>N</b> to exclude it.  When prompted to generate the self-signed certificate, type <b>Y</b> .

**What to Do Next**

Once you have created the trustpoints and generated the certificates, create the CTL file for the phone proxy. See [Creating the CTL File, page 13-18](#).

If you are configuring the phone proxy in a mixed-mode cluster, you can use an existing CTL file. See [Using an Existing CTL File, page 13-20](#).

## Creating the CTL File

Create the CTL file that will be presented to the IP phones during the TFTP requests.



**Prerequisites**

If you are using domain names for your Cisco UCM and TFTP server, you must configure DNS lookup on the ASA. Add an entry for each of the outside interfaces on the ASA into your DNS server, if such entries are not already present. Each ASA outside IP address should have a DNS entry associated with it for lookups. These DNS entries must also be enabled for Reverse Lookup.

Enable DNS lookups on your ASA with the **dns domain-lookup** *interface\_name* command (where the *interface\_name* specifies the interface that has a route to your DNS server). Additionally, define your DNS server IP address on the ASA; for example: `dns name-server 10.2.3.4` (IP address of your DNS server).



**Note** You can enter the **dns domain-lookup** command multiple times to enable DNS lookup on multiple interfaces. If you enter multiple commands, the ASA tries each interface in the order it appears in the configuration until it receives a response.

See the command reference for information about the **dns domain-lookup** command.

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	hostname(config)# <b>ctl-file</b> <i>ctl_name</i> <b>Example:</b> ctl-file myctl	Creates the CTL file instance.
<b>Step 2</b>	hostname(config-ctl-file)# <b>record-entry tftp trustpoint</b> <i>trustpoint_name</i> <b>address</b> <i>TFTP_IP_address</i> <b>Example:</b> record-entry cucm-tftp trustpoint cucm_tftp_server address 10.10.0.26	Creates the record entry for the TFTP server. <b>Note</b> Use the global or mapped IP address of the TFTP server or Cisco UCM if NAT is configured.
<b>Step 3</b>	hostname(config-ctl-file)# <b>record-entry cucm trustpoint</b> <i>trustpoint_name</i> <b>address</b> <i>IP_address</i> <b>Example:</b> record-entry cucm trustpoint cucm_server address 10.10.0.26	Creates the record entry for the each Cisco UCM (primary and secondary). <b>Note</b> Use the global or mapped IP address of the Cisco UCM.
<b>Step 4</b>	hostname(config-ctl-file)# <b>record-entry capf trustpoint</b> <i>trust_point</i> <b>address</b> <b>Example:</b> record-entry capf trustpoint capf address 10.10.0.26	Creates the record entry for CAPF. <b>Note</b> You only enter this command when LSC provisioning is required or you have LSC enabled IP phones.
<b>Step 5</b>	hostname(config-ctl-file)# <b>no shutdown</b>	Creates the CTL file. When the file is created, it creates an internal trustpoint used by the phone proxy to sign the TFTP files. The trustpoint is named <b>_internal_PP_ctl-instance_filename</b> .
<b>Step 6</b>	hostname(config)# <b>copy running-configuration startup-configuration</b>	Saves the certificate configuration to Flash memory.

**What to Do Next**

Once you have configured the CTL file for the phone proxy, create the TLS proxy instance. See [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance for a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-20](#) to add the TLS proxy when configuring the phone proxy in a non-secure mode or see [Creating the TLS Proxy for a Mixed-mode Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-21](#) if the phone proxy is running in a mixed-mode cluster.

## Using an Existing CTL File



### Note

Only when the phone proxy is running in mixed-mode clusters, you have the option to use an existing CTL file to install trustpoints.

If you have an existing CTL file that contains the correct IP addresses of the entities (namely, the IP address that the IP phones use for the Cisco UCM or TFTP servers), you can use it to create a new CTL file thereby using the existing CTL file to install the trustpoints for each entity in the network (Cisco UCM, Cisco UCM and TFTP, TFTP server, CAPF) that the IP phones must trust.

### Prerequisites

If a CTL file exists for the cluster, copy the CTL file to Flash memory. When you copy the CTL file to Flash memory, rename the file and do not name the file `CTLfile.tlv`.

If you are using domain names for your Cisco UCM and TFTP server, you must configure DNS lookup on the ASA. See the prerequisites for [Creating the CTL File, page 13-18](#).

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<pre>hostname(config)# <b>ctl-file</b> <i>ctl_name</i> <b>Example:</b> ctl-file myctl</pre>	Creates the CTL file instance.
<b>Step 2</b>	<pre>hostname(config-ctl-file)# <b>cluster-ctl-file</b> <i>filename_path</i> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-ctl-file)# cluster-ctl-file disk0:/old_ctlfile.tlv</pre>	<p>Uses the trustpoints that are already in the existing CTL file stored in Flash memory.</p> <p>Where the existing CTL file was saved to Flash memory with a filename other than <code>CTLfile.tlv</code>; for example, <code>old_ctlfile.tlv</code>.</p>

### What to Do Next

When using an existing CTL file to configure the phone proxy, you can add additional entries to the file as necessary. See [Creating the CTL File, page 13-18](#).

Once you have configured the CTL file for the phone proxy, create the TLS proxy instance. See [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance for a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-20](#) to add the TLS proxy when configuring the phone proxy in a non-secure mode or see [Creating the TLS Proxy for a Mixed-mode Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-21](#) if the phone proxy is running in a mixed-mode cluster.

## Creating the TLS Proxy Instance for a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster

Create the TLS proxy instance to handle the encrypted signaling.

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy</b> <i>proxy_name</i> <b>Example:</b> tls-proxy mytls	Creates the TLS proxy instance.
<b>Step 2</b>	hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>server trust-point</b> <b>_internal_PP_ctl-instance_filename</b> <b>Example:</b> server trust-point _internal_PP_myctl	Configures the server trustpoint and references the internal trustpoint named <b>_internal_PP_ctl-instance_filename</b> .

### What to Do Next

Once you have created the TLS proxy instance, create the phone proxy instance. See [Creating the Phone Proxy Instance](#), page 13-24.

## Creating the TLS Proxy for a Mixed-mode Cisco UCM Cluster

For mixed mode clusters, there might be IP phones that are already configured as encrypted so it requires TLS to the Cisco UCM. You must configure the LDC issuer for the TLS proxy.

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	hostname(config)# <b>crypto key generate rsa</b> <b>label</b> <i>key-pair-label</i> <b>modulus</b> <i>size</i> <b>Examples:</b> hostname(config)# crypto key generate rsa label ldc_signer_key modulus 1024 hostname(config)# crypto key generate rsa label phone_common modulus 1024	Creates the necessary RSA key pairs.  Where the <i>key-pair-label</i> is the LDC signer key and the key for the IP phones.
<b>Step 2</b>	hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b> <i>trustpoint_name</i> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint ldc_server	Creates an internal local CA to sign the LDC for Cisco IP phones.  Where the <i>trustpoint_name</i> is for the LDC.
<b>Step 3</b>	hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enrollment self</b>	Generates a self-signed certificate.
<b>Step 4</b>	hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>proxy-ldc-issuer</b>	Defines the local CA role for the trustpoint to issue dynamic certificates for the TLS proxy.
<b>Step 5</b>	hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>fqdn</b> <i>fqdn</i> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# fqdn my-ldc-ca.example.com	Includes the indicated FQDN in the Subject Alternative Name extension of the certificate during enrollment.  Where the <i>fqdn</i> is for the LDC.

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 6</b>	<pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>subject-name</b> X.500_name <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# subject-name cn=FW_LDC_SIGNER_172_23_45_200</pre>	<p>Includes the indicated subject DN in the certificate during enrollment</p> <p>Where the <i>X.500_name</i> is for the LDC.</p> <p>Use commas to separate attribute-value pairs. Insert quotation marks around any value that contains commas or spaces.</p> <p>For example:</p> <pre>cn=crl,ou=certs,o="cisco systems, inc.",c=US</pre> <p>The maximum length is 500 characters.</p>
<b>Step 7</b>	<pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>keypair</b> keypair <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# keypair ldc_signer_key</pre>	<p>Specifies the key pair whose public key is to be certified.</p> <p>Where the <i>keypair</i> is for the LDC.</p>
<b>Step 8</b>	<pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca enroll</b> ldc_server <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca enroll ldc_server</pre>	Starts the enrollment process with the CA.
<b>Step 9</b>	<pre>hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy</b> proxy_name <b>Example:</b> tls-proxy mytls</pre>	Creates the TLS proxy instance.
<b>Step 10</b>	<pre>hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>server trust-point</b> _internal_PP_ctl-instance_filename <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# server trust-point _internal_PP_myctl</pre>	Configures the server trustpoint and references the internal trustpoint named <i>_internal_PP_ctl-instance_filename</i> .
<b>Step 11</b>	<pre>hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client ldc issuer</b> ca_tp_name <b>Example:</b> client ldc issuer ldc_server</pre>	Specifies the local CA trustpoint to issue client dynamic certificates.
<b>Step 12</b>	<pre>hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client ldc keypair</b> key_label <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# client ldc keypair phone_common</pre>	Specifies the RSA keypair to be used by client dynamic certificates.
<b>Step 13</b>	<pre>hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client cipher-suite</b> cipher-suite <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1</pre>	<p>Specifies the cipher suite.</p> <p>Options include des-sha1, 3des-sha1, aes128-sha1, aes256-sha1, or null-sha1.</p>
<b>Step 14</b>		Exports the local CA certificate and installs it as a trusted certificate on the Cisco Unified Communications Manager server by performing one of the following actions.

	Command	Purpose
•	<pre>hostname(config)# crypto ca export trustpoint identity-certificate</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# crypto ca export ldc_server identity-certificate</pre>	Exports the certificate if a trustpoint with proxy-ldc-issuer is used as the signer of the dynamic certificates.
•	<pre>hostname(config)# show crypto ca server certificates</pre>	<p>Exports the certificate for the embedded local CA server LOCAL-CA-SERVER.</p> <p>After exporting the certificate, you must save the output to a file and import it on the Cisco Unified Communications Manager. You can use the Display Certificates function in the Cisco Unified Communications Manager software to verify the installed certificate.</p> <p>For information about performing these procedures, see the following URLs:</p> <p><a href="http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/voice_ip_comm/cucm/cucos/5_0_4/iptpch6.html#wp1040848">http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/voice_ip_comm/cucm/cucos/5_0_4/iptpch6.html#wp1040848</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/voice_ip_comm/cucm/cucos/5_0_4/iptpch6.html#wp1040354">http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/voice_ip_comm/cucm/cucos/5_0_4/iptpch6.html#wp1040354</a></p>

#### What To Do Next

Once you have created the TLS proxy instance and installed the certificate on the Cisco Unified Communications Manager, create the phone proxy instance. See [Creating the Phone Proxy Instance](#), page 13-24.

## Creating the Media Termination Instance

Create the media termination instance that you will use in the phone proxy.

The media termination address you configure must meet the requirements as described in [Media Termination Instance Prerequisites](#), page 13-6.

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<pre>hostname(config)# <b>media-termination</b> instance_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# <b>media-termination</b> mediaterm1</pre>	Creates the media termination instance that you attach to the phone proxy.
<b>Step 2</b>	<pre>hostname(config-media-termination)# <b>address</b> ip_address [interface intf_name]</pre> <p><b>Examples:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-media-termination)# address 192.0.2.25 interface inside hostname(config-media-termination)# address 10.10.0.25 interface outside</pre>	<p>Configures the media-termination address used by the media termination instance. The phone proxy uses this address for SRTP and RTP.</p> <p>For the media termination instance, you can configure a global media-termination address for all interfaces or configure a media-termination address for different interfaces. However, you cannot use a global media-termination address and media-termination addresses configured for each interface at the same time.</p> <p>If you configure a media termination address for multiple interfaces, you must configure an address on each interface that the ASA uses when communicating with IP phones.</p> <p>The IP addresses are publicly routable addresses that are unused IP addresses within the address range on that interface.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Media Termination Instance Prerequisites</a>, page 13-6 for the complete list of prerequisites that you must follow when creating the media termination instance and configuring the media termination addresses.</p>
<b>Step 3</b>	<p>(Optional)</p> <pre>hostname(config-media-termination)# <b>rtp-min-port</b> port1 <b>rtp-max-port</b> port2</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-media-termination)# rtp-min-port 2001 rtp-maxport 32770</pre>	<p>Specifies the minimum and maximum values for the RTP port range for the media termination instance.</p> <p>Where <i>port1</i> and <i>port2</i> can be a value from 1024 to 65535.</p>

### What To Do Next

Once you have created the media termination instance, create the phone proxy instance. See [Creating the Phone Proxy Instance](#), page 13-24.

## Creating the Phone Proxy Instance

Create the phone proxy instance.

### Prerequisites

You must have already created the CTL file and TLS proxy instance for the phone proxy.

See [Creating the CTL File](#), page 13-18 and [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance for a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster](#), page 13-20

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<pre>hostname(config)# <b>phone-proxy</b> phone_proxy_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# phone-proxy myphoneproxy</pre>	<p>Creates the phone proxy instance.</p> <p>Only one phone proxy instance can be configured on the security appliance.</p>
<b>Step 2</b>	<pre>hostname(config-phone-proxy)# <b>media-termination</b> instance_name</pre> <p><b>Examples:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-phone-proxy)# media-termination my_mt</pre>	<p>Specifies the media termination instance used by the phone proxy for SRTP and RTP.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You must create the media termination instance before you specify it in the phone proxy instance.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Creating the Media Termination Instance</a>, page 13-23 for the steps to create the media termination instance.</p>
<b>Step 3</b>	<pre>hostname(config-phone-proxy)# <b>tftp-server</b> address ip_address interface interface</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-phone-proxy)# tftp-server address 192.0.2.101 interface inside</pre>	<p>Creates the TFTP server using the actual internal address and specify the interface on which the TFTP server resides.</p>
<b>Step 4</b>	<pre>hostame(config-phone-proxy)# <b>tls-proxy</b> proxy_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostame(config-phone-proxy)# tls-proxy mytls</pre>	<p>Configures the TLS proxy instance that you have already created.</p>
<b>Step 5</b>	<pre>hostname(config-phone-proxy)# <b>ctl-file</b> ctl_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostame(config-phone-proxy)# ctl-file myctl</pre>	<p>Configures the CTL file instance that you have already created,</p>
<b>Step 6</b>	<pre>hostname(config-phone-proxy)# <b>proxy-server</b> address ip_address [listen_port] interface ifc</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-phone-proxy)# proxy-server 192.168.1.2 interface inside</pre>	<p>(Optional) If the operational environment has an external HTTP proxy to which the IP phones direct all HTTP request, configures a proxy server.</p> <p>You can configure only one proxy server while the phone proxy is in use.</p> <p>By default, the Phone URL Parameters configured under the Enterprise Parameters use an FQDN in the URLs. The parameters might need to be changed to use an IP address if the DNS lookup for the HTTP proxy does not resolve the FQDNs.</p> <p><b>Note</b> If the IP phones have already downloaded their configuration files after you have configured the proxy server, you must restart the IP phones so that they get the configuration file with the proxy server address in the file.</p>

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 7</b>	hostname(config-phone-proxy)# <b>cipc security-mode authenticated</b>	(Optional) Forces Cisco IP Communicator (CIPC) softphones to operate in authenticated mode when CIPC softphones are deployed in a voice and data VLAN scenario.  See <a href="#">Cisco IP Communicator Prerequisites, page 13-10</a> for all requirements for using the phone proxy with CIPC.
<b>Step 8</b>	hostname(config-phone-proxy)# <b>no disable service-settings</b>	(Optional) Preserve the settings configured on the Cisco UCM for each IP phone configured.  By default, the following settings are disabled on the IP phones: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PC Port</li> <li>• Gratuitous ARP</li> <li>• Voice VLAN access</li> <li>• Web Access</li> <li>• Span to PC Port</li> </ul>

**What to Do Next**

Once you have created the phone proxy instance, configuring SIP and Skinny for the phone proxy. See [Enabling the Phone Proxy with SIP and Skinny Inspection, page 13-26](#).

## Enabling the Phone Proxy with SIP and Skinny Inspection

Enables the phone proxy instance that you created to inspect SIP and Skinny protocol traffic.

**Prerequisites**

You must have already created the phone proxy instance. See [Creating the Phone Proxy Instance, page 13-24](#).

	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	hostname(config)# <b>class-map</b> <i>class_map_name</i> <b>Example:</b> class-map sec_sccp	Configures the secure Skinny class of traffic to inspect. Traffic between the Cisco Unified Communications Manager and Cisco IP Phones uses SCCP and is handled by SCCP inspection.  Where <i>class_map_name</i> is the name of the Skinny class map.
<b>Step 2</b>	hostname(config-cmap)# <b>match port tcp eq 2443</b>	Matches the TCP port 2443 to which you want to apply actions for secure Skinny inspection.
<b>Step 3</b>	hostname(config-cmap)# <b>exit</b>	Exits from the Class Map configuration mode.



	Command	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b>	hostname(config)# <b>class-map</b> <i>class_map_name</i> <b>Example:</b> class-map sec_sip	Configures the secure SIP class of traffic to inspect.  Where <i>class_map_name</i> is the name of the SIP class map.
<b>Step 5</b>	hostname(config-cmap)# <b>match port tcp eq 5061</b>	Matches the TCP port 5061 to which you want to apply actions for secure SIP inspection
<b>Step 6</b>	hostname(config-cmap)# <b>exit</b>	Exits from the Class Map configuration mode.
<b>Step 7</b>	hostname(config)# <b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i> <b>Example:</b> policy-map pp_policy	Configure the policy map and attach the action to the class of traffic.
<b>Step 8</b>	hostname(config-pmap)# <b>class</b> <i>classmap-name</i> <b>Example:</b> class sec_sccp	Assigns a class map to the policy map so that you can assign actions to the class map traffic.  Where <i>classmap_name</i> is the name of the Skinny class map.
<b>Step 9</b>	hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>inspect skinny phone-proxy</b> <i>pp_name</i> <b>Example:</b> inspect skinny phone-proxy mypp	Enables SCCP (Skinny) application inspection and enables the phone proxy for the specified inspection session.
<b>Step 10</b>	hostnae(config-pmap)# <b>class</b> <i>classmap-name</i> <b>Example:</b> class sec_sip	Assigns a class map to the policy map so that you can assign actions to the class map traffic.  Where <i>classmap_name</i> is the name of the SIP class map.
<b>Step 11</b>	hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>inspect sip phone-proxy</b> <i>pp_name</i> <b>Example:</b> inspect sip phone-proxy mypp	Enables SIP application inspection and enables the phone proxy for the specified inspection session.
<b>Step 12</b>	hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>exit</b>	Exits from Policy Map configuration mode.
<b>Step 13</b>	hostname(config)# <b>service-policy</b> <i>polycymap_name</i> <b>interface</b> <i>intf</i> <b>Example:</b> service-policy pp_policy interface outside	Enables the service policy on the outside interface.

## Configuring Linksys Routers with UDP Port Forwarding for the Phone Proxy

When IP phones are behind a NAT-capable router, the router can be configured to forward the UDP ports to the IP address of the IP phone. Specifically, configure the router for UDP port forwarding when an IP phone is failing during TFTP requests and the failure is due to the router dropping incoming TFTP data packets. Configure the router to enable UDP port forwarding on port 69 to the IP phone.

As an alternative of explicit UDP forwarding, some Cable/DSL routers require you to designate the IP phone as a DMZ host. For Cable/DSL routers, this host is a special host that receives all incoming connections from the public network.

When configuring the phone proxy, there is no functional difference between an IP phone that has UDP ports explicitly forwarded or an IP phone designated as a DMZ host. The choice is entirely dependent upon the capabilities and preference of the end user.

## Configuring Your Router

Your firewall/router needs to be configured to forward a range of UDP ports to the IP phone. This will allow the IP phone to receive audio when you make/receive calls.



**Note**

Different Cable/DSL routers have different procedures for this configuration. Furthermore most NAT-capable routers will only allow a given port range to be forwarded to a single IP address

The configuration of each brand/model of firewall/router is different, but the task is the same. For specific instructions for your brand and model of router, please contact the manufacturer’s website.

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- Step 1** From your web browser, connect to the router administrative web page. For Linksys, this is typically something like `http://192.168.1.1`.
- Step 2** Click Applications & Gaming or the Port Forwarding tab (whichever is present on your router).
- Step 3** Locate the table containing the port forwarding data and add an entry containing the following values:

**Table 13-3 Port Forwarding Values to Add to Router**

Application	Start	End	Protocol	IP Address	Enabled
IP phone	1024	65535	UDP	<i>Phone IP address</i>	<b>Checked</b>
TFTP	69	69	UDP	<i>Phone IP address</i>	<b>Checked</b>

- Step 4** Click Save Settings. Port forwarding is configured.

## Troubleshooting the Phone Proxy

This section includes the following topics:

- [Debugging Information from the Security Appliance, page 13-28](#)
- [Debugging Information from IP Phones, page 13-32](#)
- [IP Phone Registration Failure, page 13-33](#)
- [Media Termination Address Errors, page 13-41](#)
- [Audio Problems with IP Phones, page 13-42](#)
- [Saving SAST Keys, page 13-42](#)

## Debugging Information from the Security Appliance

This section describes how to use the **debug**, **capture**, and **show** commands to obtain debugging information for the phone proxy. See the command reference for detailed information about the syntax for these commands.

[Table 13-4](#) lists the **debug** commands to use with the phone proxy.

**Table 13-4** Security Appliance Debug Commands to Use with the Phone Proxy

To	Use the Command	Notes
To show error and event messages for TLS proxy inspection.	<b>debug inspect tls-proxy [events   errors]</b>	Use this command when your IP phone has successfully downloaded all TFTP files but is failing to complete the TLS handshake with the TLS proxy configured for the phone proxy.
To show error and event messages of media sessions for SIP and Skinny inspections related to the phone proxy.	<b>debug phone-proxy media [events   errors]</b>	Use this command in conjunction with the <b>debug sip</b> command and the <b>debug skinny</b> command if your IP phone is experiencing call failures or audio problems.
To show error and event messages of signaling sessions for SIP and Skinny inspections related to the phone proxy.	<b>debug phone-proxy signaling [events   errors]</b>	Use this command in conjunction with the <b>debug sip</b> command and the <b>debug skinny</b> command if your IP phone is failing to register with the Cisco UCM or if you are experiencing call failure.
To show error and event messages of TFTP inspection, including creation of the CTL file and configuration file parsing.	<b>debug phone-proxy tftp [events   errors]</b>	
To show debug messages for SIP application inspection.	<b>debug sip</b>	Use this command when your IP phones are experiencing connection problems; for example, you can connect within the network but cannot make calls off the network. In the output, check for 4XX or 5XX messages.
To show debug messages for SCCP (Skinny) application inspection.	<b>debug skinny</b>	Use this command when your IP phones are experiencing connection problems; for example, you can connect within the network but cannot make calls off the network. In the output, check for 4XX or 5XX messages.

[Table 13-5](#) lists the capture commands to use with the phone proxy. Use the **capture** command on the appropriate interfaces (IP phones and Cisco UCM) to enable packet capture capabilities for packet sniffing and network fault isolation.

**Table 13-5 Security Appliance Capture Commands to Use with the Phone Proxy**

To	Use the Command	Notes
To capture packets on the ASA interfaces.	<b>capture</b> <i>capture_name</i> <b>interface</b> <i>interface_name</i>	Use this command if you are experiencing any problems that might require looking into the packets.  For example, if there is a TFTP failure and the output from the <b>debug</b> command does not indicate the problem clearly, run the <b>capture</b> command on the interface on which the IP phone resides and the interface on which the TFTP server resides to see the transaction and where the problem could be.
To capture data from the TLS proxy when there is a non-secure IP phone connecting to the phone proxy on the inside interface.	<b>capture</b> <i>capture_name</i> <b>packet-length</b> <i>bytes</i> <b>interface</b> <b>inside</b> <b>buffer</b> <i>buf_size</i>	
To capture encrypted data from the TLS proxy when there are secure IP phones connecting to the phone proxy on the inside interface.	<b>capture</b> <i>capture_name</i> <b>type</b> <b>tls-proxy</b> <b>buffer</b> <i>buf_size</i> <b>packet-length</b> <i>bytes</i> <b>interface</b> <b>inside</b>	
To capture encrypted inbound and outbound data from the TLS proxy on one or more interfaces.	<b>capture</b> <i>capture_name</i> <b>type</b> <b>tls-proxy</b> <b>buffer</b> <i>buf_size</i> <b>packet-length</b> <i>bytes</i> <b>interface</b> <i>interface_name</i>	If signaling fails, you might require capturing decrypted packets to see the contents of the SIP and SCCP signaling message. Use the <b>type</b> <b>tls-proxy</b> option in the <b>capture</b> command.

Table 13-6 lists the **show** commands to use with the phone proxy.

**Table 13-6 Security Appliance Show Commands to Use with the Phone Proxy**

To	Use the Command	Notes
To show the packets or connections dropped by the accelerated security path.	<b>show asp drop</b>	Use this command to troubleshoot audio quality issues with the IP phones or other traffic issues with the phone proxy. In addition to running this command, get call status from the phone to check for any dropped packets or jitter. See <a href="#">Debugging Information from IP Phones, page 13-32</a> .
To show the classifier contents of the accelerated security path for the specific classifier domain.	<b>show asp table classify domain</b> <i>domain_name</i>	If the IP phones are not downloading TFTP files, use this command to check that the classification rule for the domain <code>inspect-phone-proxy</code> is set for hosts to the configured TFTP server under the phone proxy instance.  If the IP phones are failing to register, use this command to make sure there is a classification rule for the domain <code>app-redirect</code> set for the IP phones that cannot register.
To show the connections that are to the ASA or from the ASA, in addition to through-traffic connections.	<b>show conn all</b>	If you are experiencing problems with audio, use this command to make sure that there are connections opened from the IP phone to the media termination address.  <b>Note</b> Use the <b>show conn</b> command with following options to display TFTP connections that have replicated (unused) connections:  <pre>hostname# show conn   include p</pre> <p>The output for the TFTP connections should have a “p” flag at the end:</p> <pre>UDP out 64.169.58.181:9014 in 192.168.200.101:39420 idle 0:01:51 bytes 522 flags p</pre> <p>Using this command shows that the phone proxy has connections that are going through “inspect-phone-proxy”, which inspects TFTP connections. Using this command verifies that the TFTP requests are being inspected because the p flag is there.</p>

**Table 13-6** Security Appliance Show Commands to Use with the Phone Proxy

To	Use the Command	Notes
To show the logs in the buffer and logging settings.	<b>show logging</b>	<p>Before entering the <b>show logging</b> command, enable the <b>logging buffered</b> command so that the <b>show logging</b> command displays the current message buffer and the current settings.</p> <p>Use this command to determine if the phone proxy and IP phones are successfully completing the TLS handshake.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Using the <b>show logging</b> command is useful for troubleshooting many problems where packets might be denied or there are translation failures.</p>
To show the corresponding media sessions stored by the phone proxy.	<b>show phone-proxy media-sessions</b>	Use this command to display output from successful calls. Additionally, use this command to troubleshoot problems with IP phone audio, such as one-way audio.
To show the IP phones capable of Secure mode stored in the database.	<b>show phone-proxy secure-phones</b>	For any problems, make sure there is an entry for the IP phone in this output and that the port for this IP phone is non-zero, which indicates that it has successfully registered with the Cisco UCM.
To show the corresponding signaling sessions stored by the phone proxy.	<b>show phone-proxy signaling-sessions</b>	Use this command to troubleshoot media or signaling failure.
To show the configured service policies.	<b>show service-policy</b>	Use this command to show statistics for the service policy.
To show active TLS proxy sessions related to the phone proxy.	<b>show tls-proxy sessions</b>	If the IP phone has failed to register, use this command to see if the IP phone has successfully completed the handshake with the TLS proxy configured for the phone proxy.

## Debugging Information from IP Phones

On the IP phone, perform the following actions:

- Check the Status messages on the IP phone by selecting the **Settings** button > Status > Status Messages and selecting the status item that you want to view.
- Collect the call-statistics data from the IP phone by selecting the **Settings** button > Status > Call Statistic. Data like the following displays:

```

RxType: G.729           TxType: G.729
RxSize: 20 ms          TxSize: 20 ms
RxCnt: 0                TxCnt: 014174
AvgJtr: 10             MaxJtr: 59
RxDisc: 0000           RxLost: 014001

```

- Check the Security settings on the IP phone by selecting the **Settings** button > Security Configuration. Settings for web access, Security mode, MIC, LSC, CTL file, trust list, and CAPF appear. Under Security mode, make sure the IP phone is set to Encrypted.
- Check the IP phone to determine which certificates are installed on the phone by selecting the **Settings** button > Security Configuration > Trust List. In the trustlist, verify the following:
  - Make sure that there is an entry for each entity that the IP phone will need to contact. If there is a primary and backup Cisco UCM, the trustlist should contain entries for each Cisco UCM.
  - If the IP phone needs an LSC, the record entry should contain a CAPF entry.
  - Make sure that the IP addresses listed for each entry are the mapped IP addresses of the entities that the IP phone can reach.
- Open a web browser and access the IP phone console logs at the URL `http://IP_phone_IP_address`. The device information appears in the page. In the Device Logs section in the left pane, click Console Logs.

## IP Phone Registration Failure

The following errors can make IP phones unable to register with the phone proxy:

- [TFTP Auth Error Displays on IP Phone Console, page 13-33](#)
- [Configuration File Parsing Error, page 13-34](#)
- [Configuration File Parsing Error: Unable to Get DNS Response, page 13-34](#)
- [Non-configuration File Parsing Error, page 13-35](#)
- [Cisco UCM Does Not Respond to TFTP Request for Configuration File, page 13-35](#)
- [IP Phone Does Not Respond After the Security Appliance Sends TFTP Data, page 13-36](#)
- [IP Phone Requesting Unsigned File Error, page 13-37](#)
- [IP Phone Unable to Download CTL File, page 13-37](#)
- [IP Phone Registration Failure from Signaling Connections, page 13-38](#)
- [SSL Handshake Failure, page 13-40](#)
- [Certificate Validation Errors, page 13-41](#)

## TFTP Auth Error Displays on IP Phone Console

**Problem** The IP phone displays the following Status message:

```
TFTP Auth Error
```

**Solution** This Status message can indicate a problem with the IP phone CTL file.

To correct problems with the IP phone CTL file, perform the following:

- 
- Step 1** From the IP phone, select the **Setting** button > Security Configuration > Trust List. Verify that each entity in the network—Primary Cisco UCM, Secondary Cisco UCM, TFTP server—has its own entry in the trustlist and that each entity IP address is reachable by the IP phone.

- Step 2** From the ASA, verify that the CTL file for the phone proxy contains one record entry for each entity in the network—Primary Cisco UCM, Secondary Cisco UCM, TFTP server—by entering the following command:

```
hostname# show running-config all ctl-file [ctl_name]
```

Each of these record entries creates one entry on the IP phone trustlist. The phone proxy creates one entry internally with the function CUCM+TFTP.

- Step 3** In the CTL file, verify that each IP address is the global or mapped IP address of the entity. If the IP phones are on multiple interfaces, additional addressing requirements apply. See [Prerequisites for IP Phones on Multiple Interfaces, page 13-9](#).

## Configuration File Parsing Error

**Problem** When the ASA receives the configuration file from the Cisco UCM and tries to parse it, the following error appears in the debug output (**debug phone-proxy tftp errors**):

```
PP: 192.168.10.5/49357 requesting SEP00010002003.cnf.xml.sgn
PP: opened 0x193166
.....
PP: Beginning of element tag is missing, got !
PP: error parsing config file
PP: Error modifying config file, dropping packet
```

**Solution** Perform the following actions to troubleshoot this problem:

- Step 1** Enter the following URL in a web browser to obtain the IP phone configuration file from the Cisco Unified CM Administration console:

```
http://<cucm_ip>:6970/<config_file_name>
```

For example, if the Cisco UCM IP address is 128.106.254.2 and the IP phone configuration file name is SEP000100020003.cnf.xml, enter:

```
http://128.106.254.2:6970/SEP000100020003.cnf.xml
```

- Step 2** Save this file, open a case with TAC and send them this file and the output from running the **debug phone-proxy tftp** command on the ASA.

## Configuration File Parsing Error: Unable to Get DNS Response

**Problem** When the ASA receives the configuration file from the Cisco UCM and tries to parse it, the following error appears in the debug output (**debug phone-proxy tftp errors**):

```
PP: 192.168.10.5/49357 requesting SEP00010002003.cnf.xml.sgn
PP: opened 0x193166
.....
PP: Callback required for parsing config file
PP: Unable to get dns response for id 7
PP: Callback, error modifying config file
```

The error indicates that the Cisco UCM is configured as an FQDN and the phone proxy is trying to do a DNS lookup but failed to get a response.



**Solution**

- 
- Step 1** Verify that DNS lookup is configured on the ASA.
  - Step 2** If DNS lookup is configured, determine whether you can ping the FQDN for the Cisco UCM from the ASA.
  - Step 3** If ASA cannot ping the Cisco UCM FQDN, check to see if there is a problem with the DNS server.
  - Step 4** Additionally, use the **name** command to associate a name with an IP address with the FQDN. See the command reference for information about using the **name** command.
- 

**Non-configuration File Parsing Error**

**Problem** The ASA receives a file other than an IP phone configuration file from the Cisco UCM and attempts to parse it. The following error appears in the debug output (**debug phone-proxy tftp**):

```
PP: 192.168.10.5/49357 requesting SK72f64050-7ad5-4b47-9bfa-5e9ad9cd4aa9.xml.sgn
PP: opened 0x193166
.....
PP: Beginning of element tag is missing, got !
PP: error parsing config file
PP: Error modifying config file, dropping packet
```

**Solution** The phone proxy should parse only the IP phone configuration file. When the phone proxy TFTP state gets out of state, the phone proxy cannot detect when it is attempting to parse a file other than the IP phone configuration file and the error above appears in the ASA output from the **debug phone-proxy tftp** command.

Perform the following actions to troubleshoot this problem:

- 
- Step 1** Reboot the IP phone.
  - Step 2** On the ASA, enter the following command to obtain the error information from the first TFTP request to the point where the first error occurred.  
  
hostname# **debug phone-proxy tftp**
  - Step 3** Capture the packets from the IP phone to the ASA. Make sure to capture the packets on the interface facing the IP phone and the interface facing the Cisco UCM. See [Debugging Information from the Security Appliance, page 13-28](#).
  - Step 4** Save this troubleshooting data, open a case with TAC and give them this information.
- 

**Cisco UCM Does Not Respond to TFTP Request for Configuration File**

**Problem** When the ASA forwards the TFTP request to the Cisco UCM for the IP phone configuration file, the Cisco UCM does not respond and the following errors appear in the debug output (**debug phone-proxy tftp**):

```
PP: 192.168.10.5/49355 requesting SEP001562106AF3.cnf.xml.sgn
PP: opened 0x17ccde
PP: 192.168.10.5/49355 requesting SEP001562106AF3.cnf.xml.sgn
```

```

PP: Client outside:192.168.10.5/49355 retransmitting request for Config file
SEP001562106AF3.cnf.xml.sgn
PP: opened 0x17ccde
PP: 192.168.10.5/49355 requesting SEP001562106AF3.cnf.xml.sgn
PP: Client outside:192.168.10.5/49355 retransmitting request for Config file
SEP001562106AF3.cnf.xml.sgn
PP: opened 0x17ccde
PP: 192.168.10.5/49355 requesting SEP001562106AF3.cnf.xml.sgn
PP: Client outside:192.168.10.5/49355 retransmitting request for Config file
SEP001562106AF3.cnf.xml.sgn
PP: opened 0x17ccde

```

**Solution** Perform the following actions to troubleshoot this problem:

- 
- Step 1** Determine why the Cisco UCM is not responding to the TFTP request by performing the following troubleshooting actions:
- Use the Cisco UCM to ping the ASA inside interface when PAT is configured for the outside interface so that the IP phone IP address is uses NAT for the ASA inside interface IP address.
  - Use the Cisco UCM to ping the IP phone IP address when NAT and PAT are not configured.
- Step 2** Verify that the ASA is forwarding the TFTP request. Capture the packets on the interface between the ASA and Cisco UCM. See [Debugging Information from the Security Appliance, page 13-28](#).
- 

## IP Phone Does Not Respond After the Security Appliance Sends TFTP Data

**Problem** When the ASA receives a TFTP request from the IP phone for the CTL file and forwards the data to the IP phone, the phone might not see the data and the TFTP transaction fails.

The following errors appear in the debug output (**debug phone-proxy tftp**):

```

PP: Client outside:68.207.118.9/33606 retransmitting request for CTL file
CTLSEP001DA2B78E91.tlv
PP: opened 0x214b27a
PP: Data Block 1 forwarded from 168.215.146.220/20168 to 68.207.118.9/33606 ingress ifc
outside
PP: 68.207.118.9/33606 requesting CTLSEP001DA2B78E91.tlv
PP: Client outside:68.207.118.9/33606 retransmitting request for CTL file
CTLSEP001DA2B78E91.tlv
PP: 68.207.118.9/33606 requesting CTLSEP001DA2B78E91.tlv
PP: Client outside:68.207.118.9/33606 retransmitting request for CTL file
CTLSEP001DA2B78E91.tlv

```

**Solution** Perform the following actions to determine why the IP phone is not responding and to troubleshoot the problem:

- 
- Step 1** Verify that the ASA is forwarding the TFTP request by entering the following command to capture the packets on the interface between the ASA and the IP phone:
- ```
hostname# capture out interface outside
```
- See the command reference for more information about using the **capture** command.
- Step 2** If the IP phone is behind a router, the router might be dropping the data. Make sure UDP port forwarding is enabled on the router.

- Step 3** If the router is a Linksys router, see [Configuring Linksys Routers with UDP Port Forwarding for the Phone Proxy, page 13-27](#) for information on the configuration requirements.
- 

## IP Phone Requesting Unsigned File Error

**Problem** The IP phone should always request a signed file. Therefore, the TFTP file being requested always has the .SGN extension.

When the IP phone does not request a signed file, the following error appears in the debug output (**debug phone-proxy tftp errors**):

```
Error: phone requesting for unsigned config file
```

**Solution** Most likely, this error occurs because the IP phone has not successfully installed the CTL file from the ASA.

Determine whether the IP phone has successfully downloaded and installed the CTL file from the ASA by checking the Status messages on the IP phone. See [Debugging Information from IP Phones, page 13-32](#) for information.

## IP Phone Unable to Download CTL File

**Problem** The IP phone Status message indicates it cannot download its CTL file and the IP phone cannot be converted to Secure (encrypted) mode.

**Solution** If the IP phone did not have an existing CTL file, check the Status messages by selecting the **Settings** button > Status > Status Messages. If the list contains a Status message indicating the IP phone encountered a CTL File Auth error, obtain the IP phone console logs, open a TAC case, and send them the logs.

**Solution** This error can appear in the IP phone Status messages when the IP phone already has an existing CTL file.

- 
- Step 1** Check the IP phone to see if a CTL file already exists on it. This can occur if the IP phone previously registered with a mixed mode cluster Cisco UCM. On the IP phone, select the **Settings** button > Security Configuration > CTL file.
- Step 2** Erase the existing CTL file by selecting the **Settings** button > Security Configuration > CTL file > Select. Press **\*\*#** on the keypad and select Erase.
- 

**Solution** Problems downloading the CTL file might be caused by issues with media termination. Enter the following command to determine if the media-termination address in the phone proxy configuration is set correctly:

```
hostname(config)# show running-config all phone-proxy
!
phone-proxy mypp
  media-termination address 10.10.0.25
  cipc security-mode authenticated
  cluster-mode mixed
  disable service-settings
  timeout secure-phones 0:05:00
hostname(config)#
```

Make sure that each media-termination instance is created correctly and that the address or addresses are set correctly. The ASA must meet specific criteria for media termination. See [Media Termination Instance Prerequisites, page 13-6](#) for the complete list of prerequisites that you must follow when creating the media termination instance and configuring the media termination addresses.

## IP Phone Registration Failure from Signaling Connections

**Problem** The IP phone is unable to complete the TLS handshake with the phone proxy and download its files using TFTP.

### Solution

**Step 1** Determine if the TLS handshake is occurring between the phone proxy and the IP phone, perform the following:

- a. Enable logging with the following command:

```
hostname(config)# logging buffered debugging
```

- b. To check the output from the syslogs captured by the **logging buffered** command, enter the following command:

```
hostname# show logging
```

The syslogs will contain information showing when the IP phone is attempting the TLS handshake, which happens after the IP phone downloads its configuration file.

**Step 2** Determine if the TLS proxy is configured correctly for the phone proxy:

- a. Display all currently running TLS proxy configurations by entering the following command:

```
hostname# show running-config tls-proxy
tls-proxy proxy
server trust-point _internal_PP_<ctl_file_instance_name>
client ldc issuer ldc_signer
client ldc key-pair phone_common
no client cipher-suite
hostname#
```

- b. Verify that the output contains the **server trust-point** command under the **tls-proxy** command (as shown in substep a.).

If you are missing the **server trust-point** command, modify the TLS proxy in the phone proxy configuration.

See Step 3 in the [Task Flow for Configuring the Phone Proxy in a Non-secure Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-15](#), or Step 3 in the [Task Flow for Configuring the Phone Proxy in a Mixed-mode Cisco UCM Cluster, page 13-17](#).

Having this command missing from the TLS proxy configuration for the phone proxy will cause TLS handshake failure.

**Step 3** Verify that all required certificates are imported into the ASA so that the TLS handshake will succeed.

- a. Determine which certificates are installed on the ASA by entering the following command:

```
hostname# show running-config crypto
```

Additionally, determine which certificates are installed on the IP phones. See [Debugging Information from IP Phones, page 13-32](#) for information about checking the IP phone to determine if it has MIC installed on it.

- b. Verify that the list of installed certificates contains all required certificates for the phone proxy. See [Table 13-2, Certificates Required by the Security Appliance for the Phone Proxy](#), for information.
- c. Import any missing certificates onto the ASA. See also [Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-15](#).

**Step 4** If the steps above fail to resolve the issue, perform the following actions to obtain additional troubleshooting information for Cisco Support.

- a. Enter the following commands to capture additional debugging information for the phone proxy:
 

```
hostname# debug inspect tls-proxy error
hostname# show running-config ssl
hostname(config) show tls-proxy tls_name session host host_addr detail
```
- b. Enable the **capture** command on the inside and outside interfaces (IP phones and Cisco UCM) to enable packet capture capabilities for packet sniffing and network fault isolation. See the command reference for information.

**Problem** The TLS handshake succeeds, but signaling connections are failing.

**Solution** Perform the following actions:

- Check to see if SIP and Skinny signaling is successful by using the following commands:
  - **debug sip**
  - **debug skinny**
- If the TLS handshake is failing and you receive the following syslog, the SSL encryption method might not be set correctly:

```
%ASA-6-725001: Starting SSL handshake with client dmz:171.169.0.2/53097 for TLSv1
session.
%ASA-7-725010: Device supports the following 1 cipher(s).
%ASA-7-725011: Cipher[1] : RC4-SHA
%ASA-7-725008: SSL client dmz:171.169.0.2/53097 proposes the following 2 cipher(s).
%ASA-7-725011: Cipher[1] : AES256-SHA
%ASA-7-725011: Cipher[2] : AES128-SHA
%ASA-7-725014: SSL lib error. Function: SSL3_GET_CLIENT_HELLO Reason: no shared cipher
%ASA-6-725006: Device failed SSL handshake with dmz client:171.169.0.2/53097
```

Set the correct ciphers by completing the following procedure:

**Step 1** To see the ciphers being used by the phone proxy, enter the following command:

```
hostname# show run all ssl
```

**Step 2** To add the required ciphers, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# ssl encryption
```

The default is to have all algorithms available in the following order:

```
[3des-sha1] [des-sha1] [rc4-md5] [possibly others]
```

See the command reference for more information about setting ciphers with the **ssl encryption** command.

## SSL Handshake Failure

**Problem** The phone proxy is not functioning. Initial troubleshooting uncovered the following errors in the ASA syslogs:

```
%ASA-7-725014: SSL lib error. Function: SSL3_READ_BYTES Reason: ssl handshake failure
%ASA-7-725014: SSL lib error. Function: SSL3_GET_CLIENT_CERTIFICATE Reason: no certificate
returned
%ASA-6-725006: Device failed SSL handshake with outside client:72.146.123.158/30519
%ASA-3-717009: Certificate validation failed. No suitable trustpoints found to validate
certificate serial number: 62D06172000000143FCC, subject name:
cn=CP-7962G-SEP00215554502,ou=EVVBU,o=Cisco Systems Inc.
%ASA-3-717027: Certificate chain failed validation. No suitable trustpoint was found to
validate chain.
```

### Solution

Verify that all required certificates are imported into the ASA so that the TLS handshake will succeed.

---

**Step 1** Determine which certificates are installed on the ASA by entering the following command:

```
hostname# show running-config crypto
```

Additionally, determine which certificates are installed on the IP phones. See [Debugging Information from IP Phones, page 13-32](#) for information about checking the IP phone to determine if it has MIC installed on it.

**Step 2** Verify that the list of installed certificates contains all required certificates for the phone proxy.

See [Table 13-2, Certificates Required by the Security Appliance for the Phone Proxy](#), for information.

**Step 3** Import any missing certificates onto the ASA. See also [Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-15](#).

---

**Problem** The phone proxy is not functioning. Initial troubleshooting uncovered the following errors in the ASA syslogs:

```
%ASA-6-725001: Starting SSL handshake with client dmz:171.169.0.2/53097 for TLSv1
session.
%ASA-7-725010: Device supports the following 1 cipher(s).
%ASA-7-725011: Cipher[1] : RC4-SHA
%ASA-7-725008: SSL client dmz:171.169.0.2/53097 proposes the following 2 cipher(s).
%ASA-7-725011: Cipher[1] : AES256-SHA
%ASA-7-725011: Cipher[2] : AES128-SHA
%ASA-7-725014: SSL lib error. Function: SSL3_GET_CLIENT_HELLO Reason: no shared cipher
%ASA-6-725006: Device failed SSL handshake with dmz client:171.169.0.2/53097
```

**Solution** the SSL encryption method might not be set correctly. Set the correct ciphers by completing the following procedure:

---

**Step 1** To see the ciphers being used by the phone proxy, enter the following command:

```
hostname# show run all ssl
```

**Step 2** To add the required ciphers, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# ssl encryption
```

The default is to have all algorithms available in the following order:

[3des-sha1] [des-sha1] [rc4-md5] [possibly others]

See the command reference for more information about setting ciphers with the **ssl encryption** command.

## Certificate Validation Errors

**Problem** Errors in the ASA log indicate that certificate validation errors occurred.

Entering the **show logging asdm** command, displayed the following errors:

```
3|Jun 19 2008 17:23:54|717009: Certificate validation failed. No suitable trustpoints
found to validate
certificate serial number: 348FD2760000000E6E27, subject name:
cn=CP-7961G-SEP001819A89CC3,ou=EVVBU,o=Cisco Systems Inc.
```

### Solution

In order for the phone proxy to authenticate the MIC provided by the IP phone, it needs the Cisco Manufacturing CA (MIC) certificate imported into the ASA.

Verify that all required certificates are imported into the ASA so that the TLS handshake will succeed.

**Step 1** Determine which certificates are installed on the ASA by entering the following command:

```
hostname# show running-config crypto
```

Additionally, determine which certificates are installed on the IP phones. The certificate information is shown under the Security Configuration menu. See [Debugging Information from IP Phones, page 13-32](#) for information about checking the IP phone to determine if it has the MIC installed on it.

**Step 2** Verify that the list of installed certificates contains all required certificates for the phone proxy.

See [Table 13-2, Certificates Required by the Security Appliance for the Phone Proxy](#), for information.

**Step 3** Import any missing certificates onto the ASA. See also [Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-15](#).

## Media Termination Address Errors

**Problem** Entering the **media-termination address** command displays the following errors:

```
hostname(config-phone-proxy)# media-termination address ip_address
ERROR: Failed to apply IP address to interface Virtual254, as the network overlaps with
interface GigabitEthernet0/0. Two interfaces cannot be in the same subnet.
ERROR: Failed to set IP address for the Virtual interface
ERROR: Could not bring up Phone proxy media termination interface
ERROR: Failed to find the HWIDB for the Virtual interface
```

**Solution** Enter the following command to determine if the media-termination address in the phone proxy configuration is set correctly:

```
hostname(config)# show running-config all phone-proxy
asa2(config)# show running-config all phone-proxy
!
```

```

phone-proxy mypp
  media-termination address 10.10.0.25
  cipc security-mode authenticated
  cluster-mode mixed
  disable service-settings
  timeout secure-phones 0:05:00
hostname(config)#

```

Make sure that each media-termination instance is created correctly and that the address or addresses are set correctly. The ASA must meet specific criteria for media termination. See [Media Termination Instance Prerequisites, page 13-6](#) for the complete list of prerequisites that you must follow when creating the media termination instance and configuring the media termination addresses.

## Audio Problems with IP Phones

The following audio errors can occur when the IP phones connecting through the phone proxy.

### Media Failure for a Voice Call

**Problem** The call signaling completes but there is one way audio or no audio.

#### Solution

- Problems with one way or no audio might be caused by issues with media termination. Enter the following command to determine if the media-termination address in the phone proxy configuration is set correctly:

```

hostname(config)# show running-config all phone-proxy
asa2(config)# show running-config all phone-proxy
!
phone-proxy mypp
  media-termination address 10.10.0.25
  cipc security-mode authenticated
  cluster-mode mixed
  disable service-settings
  timeout secure-phones 0:05:00
hostname(config)#

```

- Make sure that each media-termination instance is created correctly and that the address or addresses are set correctly. The ASA must meet specific criteria for media termination. See [Media Termination Instance Prerequisites, page 13-6](#) for the complete list of prerequisites that you must follow when creating the media termination instance and configuring the media termination addresses.
- If each media-termination address meets the requirements, determine whether the IP addresses are reachable by all IP phones.
- If each IP address is set correctly and reachable by all IP phones, check the call statistics on an IP phone (see [Debugging Information from IP Phones, page 13-32](#)) and determine if there are Rcvr packets and Sender packets on the IP phone, or if there are any Rcvr Lost or Discarded packets.

## Saving SAST Keys

Site Administrator Security Token (SAST) keys on the ASA can be saved in the event a recovery is required due to hardware failure and a replacement is required. The following steps shows how to recover the SAST keys and use them on the new hardware.



The SAST keys can be seen via the **show crypto key mypubkey rsa** command. The SAST keys are associated with a trustpoint that is labeled **\_internal\_ctl-file\_name\_SAST\_X** where *ctl-file-name* is the name of the CTL file instance that was configured, and *X* is an integer from 0 to N-1 where N is the number of SASTs configured for the CTL file (the default is 2).

**Step 1** On the ASA, export all the SAST keys in PKCS-12 format by using the **crypto ca export** command:

```
hostname(config)# crypto ca export _internal_ctl-file_name_SAST_X pkcs12 passphrase
```

```
hostname(config)# Exported pkcs12 follows:
MIIGZwIBAzCCBiEGCSqGSIB3DQEHAaCCBhIEggYOMIIGCjCCBgYGCSqGSIB3DQEH
```

[snip]

```
MIIGZwIBAzCCBiEGCSqGSIB3DQEHAaCCBhIEggYOMIIGCjCCBgYGCSqGSIB3DQEH
---End - This line not part of the pkcs12---
```

```
hostname(config)# crypto ca export _internal_ctl-file_name_SAST_X pkcs12 passphrase
```

```
hostname(config)# Exported pkcs12 follows:
MIIGZwIBAzCCBiEGCSqGSIB3DQEHAaCCBhIEggYOMIIGCjCCBgYGCSqGSIB3DQEH
```

[snip]

```
mGF/hfDDNAICBAA=
```

```
---End - This line not part of the pkcs12---
```

```
hostname(config)#
```



**Note** Save this output somewhere secure.

**Step 2** Import the SAST keys to a new ASA.

- a. To import the SAST key, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# crypto ca import trustpoint pkcs12 passphrase
```

Where *trustpoint* is **\_internal\_ctl-file\_name\_SAST\_X** and *ctl-file-name* is the name of the CTL file instance that was configured, and *X* is an integer from 0 to 4 depending on what you exported from the ASA.

- b. Using the PKCS-12 output you saved in [Step 1](#), enter the following command and paste the output when prompted:

```
hostname(config)# crypto ca import _internal_ctl-file_name_SAST_X pkcs12 passphrase
```

```
hostname(config)# Enter the base 64 encoded pkcs12.
hostname(config)# End with the word "quit" on a line by itself:
MIIGZwIBAzCCBiEGCSqGSIB3DQEHAaCCBhIEggYOMIIGCjCCBgYGCSqGSIB3DQEH
```

[snip]

```
muMiz6eClQICBAA=
hostname(config)# quit
INFO: Import PKCS12 operation completed successfully
hostname(config)# crypto ca import _internal_ctl-file_name_SAST_X pkcs12 passphrase
```

```
hostname(config)# Enter the base 64 encoded pkcs12.
hostname(config)# End with the word "quit" on a line by itself:
MIIGZwIBAzCCBiEGCSqGSIB3DQEHAaCCBhIEggYOMIIGCjCCBgYGCSqGSIB3DQEH
```

[snip]

```
mGF/hfDDNAICBAA=
hostname(config)# quit
INFO: Import PKCS12 operation completed successfully
hostname(config)#
```

- Step 3** Create the CTL file instance on the new ASA using the same name as the one used in the SAST trustpoints created in [Step 2](#) by entering the following commands. Create trustpoints for each Cisco UMC (primary and secondary).

```
hostname(config)# ctl-file ctl_name
hostname(config-ctl-file)# record-entry cucm trustpoint trust_point address address
hostname(config-ctl-file)# record-entry capf trustpoint trust_point address address
hostname(config-ctl-file)# no shutdown
```

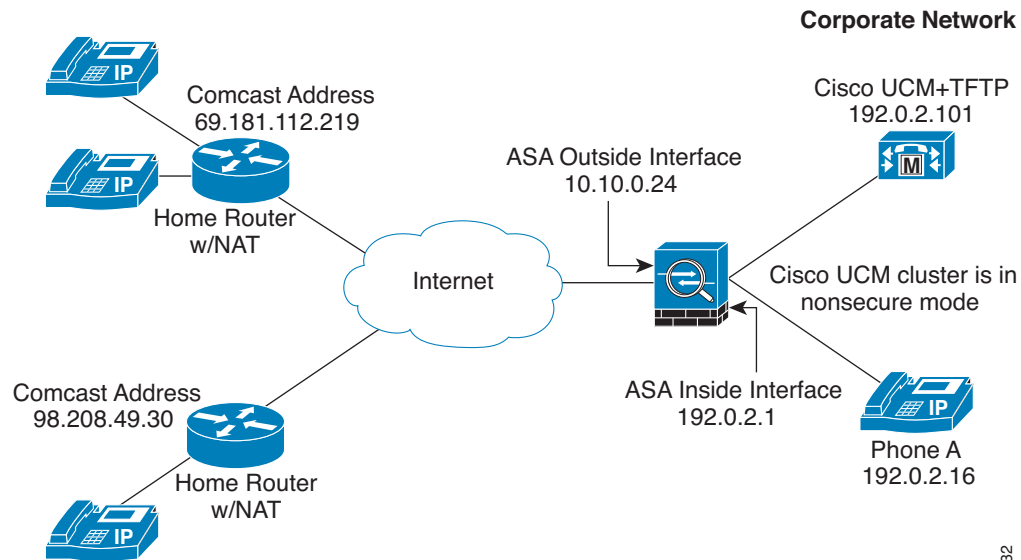
## Configuration Examples for the Phone Proxy

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### Example 1: Nonsecure Cisco UCM cluster, Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Publisher

[Figure 13-2](#) shows an example of the configuration for a non-secure Cisco UCM cluster using the following topology.

**Figure 13-2** Nonsecure Cisco UCM cluster, Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Publisher

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```

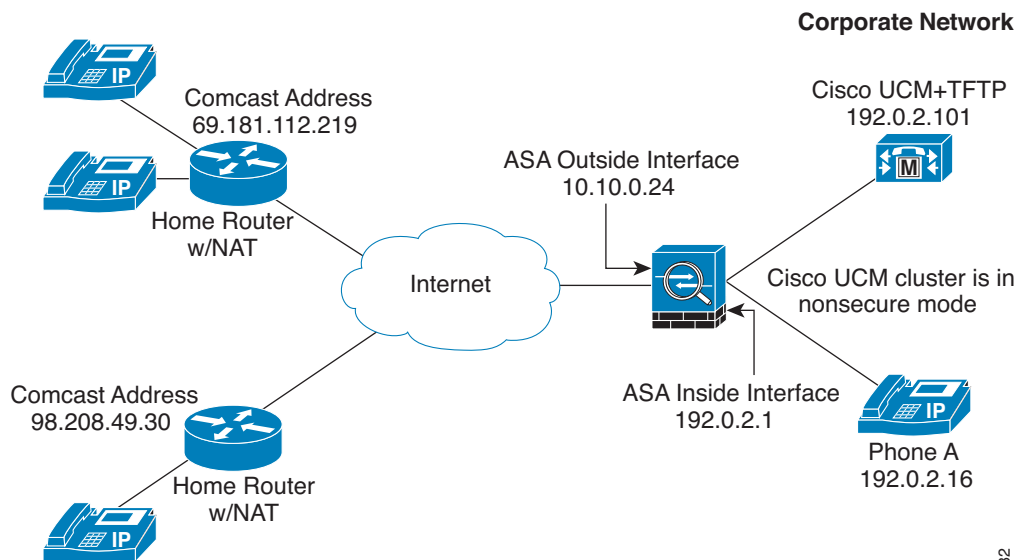
object network obj-192.0.2.101
  host 192.0.2.101
  nat (inside,outside) static 10.10.0.26
access-list pp extended permit udp any host 10.10.0.26 eq 69
access-group pp in interface outside
crypto key generate rsa label cucmtftp_kp modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint cucm_tftp_server
  enrollment self
  keypair cucmtftp_kp
crypto ca enroll cucm_tftp_server
ctl-file myctl
  record-entry cucm-tftp trustpoint cucm_tftp_server address 10.10.0.26
  no shutdown
tls-proxy mytls
  server trust-point _internal_PP_myctl
media-termination my_mediaterm
  address 192.0.2.25 interface inside
  address 10.10.0.25 interface outside
phone-proxy mypp
  media-termination my_mediaterm
  tftp-server address 192.0.2.101 interface inside
  tls-proxy mytls
  ctl-file myctl
class-map sec_sccp
  match port tcp 2443
class-map sec_sip
  match port tcp eq 5061
policy-map pp_policy
  class sec_sccp
    inspect skinny phone-proxy mypp
  class sec_sip
    inspect sip phone-proxy mypp
service-policy pp_policy interface outside

```

## Example 2: Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster, Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Publisher

Figure 13-3 shows an example of the configuration for a mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster using the following topology.

Figure 13-3 Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster, Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Publisher



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```
object network obj-192.0.2.101
  host 192.0.2.101
  nat (inside,outside) static 10.10.0.26
access-list pp extended permit udp any host 10.10.0.26 eq 69
access-group pp in interface outside
crypto key generate rsa label cucmtftp_kp modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint cucm_tftp_server
  enrollment self
  keypair cucmtftp_kp
crypto ca enroll cucm_tftp_server
ctl-file myctl
  record-entry cucm-tftp trustpoint cucm_tftp_server address 10.10.0.26
  no shutdown
crypto key generate rsa label ldc_signer_key modulus 1024
crypto key generate rsa label phone_common modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint ldc_server
  enrollment self
  proxy_ldc_issuer
  fqdn my-ldc-ca.exmaple.com
  subject-name cn=FW_LDC_SIGNER_172_23_45_200
  keypair ldc_signer_key
  crypto ca enroll ldc_server
tls-proxy my_proxy
  server trust-point _internal_PP_myctl
  client ldc issuer ldc_server
  client ldc keypair phone_common
  client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1
media-termination my_mediaterm
  address 192.0.2.25 interface inside
```

```

address 10.10.0.25 interface outside
phone-proxy mypp
media-termination my_mediaterm
tftp-server address 192.0.2.101 interface inside
tls-proxy mytls
ctl-file myctl
cluster-mode mixed
class-map sec_sccp
match port tcp 2443
class-map sec_sip
match port tcp eq 5061
policy-map pp_policy
class sec_sccp
inspect skinny phone-proxy mypp
class sec_sip
inspect sip phone-proxy mypp
service-policy pp_policy interface outside

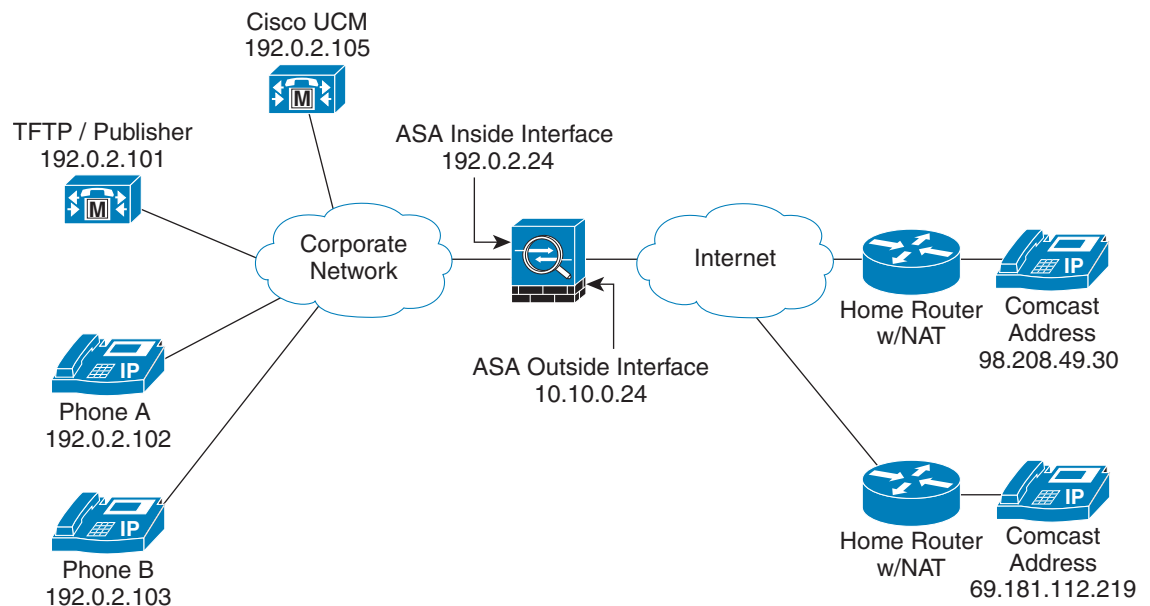
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### Example 3: Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster, Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Different Servers

Figure 13-4 shows an example of the configuration for a mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster using the following topology where the TFTP server resides on a different server from the Cisco UCM.

In this sample, the static interface PAT for the TFTP server is configured to appear like the ASA's outside interface IP address.

**Figure 13-4** Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster, Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Different Servers



```

object network obj-192.0.2.105
host 192.0.2.105
nat (inside,outside) static 10.10.0.26
object network obj-192.0.2.101

```

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```

host 192.0.2.101
  nat (inside,outside) static interface udp 69 69
access-list pp extended permit udp any host 10.10.0.24 eq 69
access-group pp in interface outside
crypto key generate rsa label cucm_kp modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint cucm
  enrollment self
  keypair cucm_kp
crypto ca enroll cucm
crypto key generate rsa label tftp_kp modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint tftp_server
  enrollment self
  keypair tftp_kp
crypto ca enroll tftp_server
ctl-file myctl
  record-entry cucm trustpoint cucm_server address 10.10.0.26
  no shutdown
crypto key generate rsa label ldc_signer_key modulus 1024
crypto key generate rsa label phone_common modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint ldc_server
  enrollment self
  proxy_ldc_issuer
  fqdn my-ldc-ca.exmaple.com
  subject-name cn=FW_LDC_SIGNER_172_23_45_200
  keypair ldc_signer_key
crypto ca enroll ldc_server
tls-proxy my_proxy
  server trust-point _internal_PP_myctl
  client ldc issuer ldc_server
  client ldc keypair phone_common
  client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1
media-termination my_mediaterm
  address 192.0.2.25 interface inside
  address 10.10.0.25 interface outside
phone-proxy mypp
  media-termination my_mediaterm
  tftp-server address 192.0.2.101 interface inside
  tls-proxy mytls
  ctl-file myctl
  cluster-mode mixed
class-map sec_sccp
  match port tcp 2443
class-map sec_sip
  match port tcp eq 5061
policy-map pp_policy
  class sec_sccp
    inspect skinny phone-proxy mypp
  class sec_sip
    inspect sip phone-proxy mypp
service-policy pp_policy interface outside

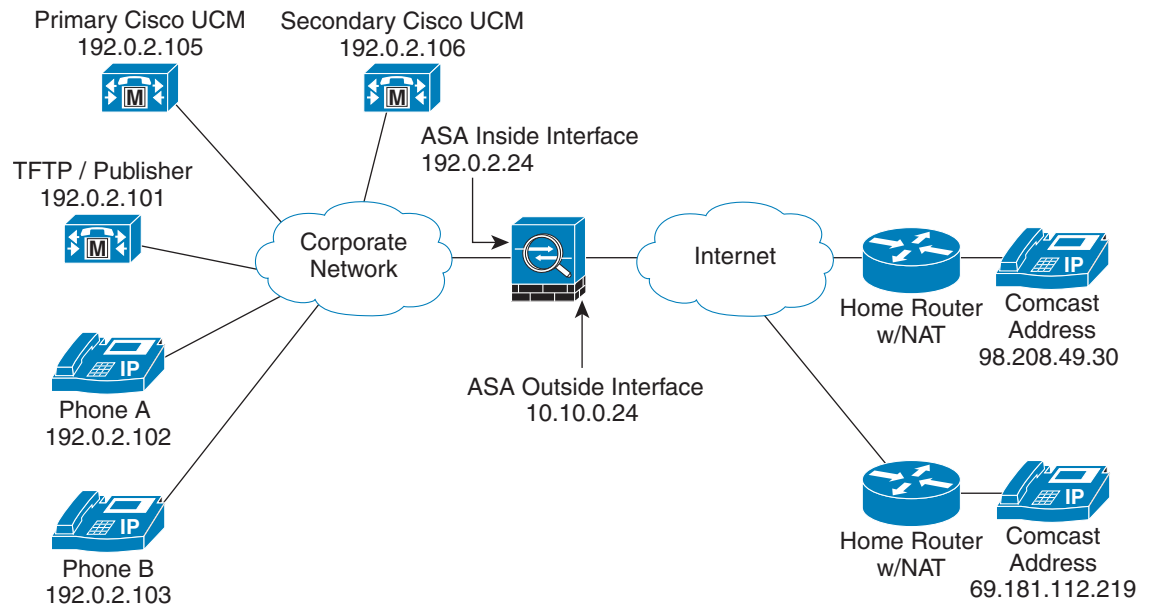
```

## Example 4: Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster, Primary Cisco UCM, Secondary and TFTP Server on Different Servers

Figure 13-5 shows an example of the configuration for a mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster using the following topology where the TFTP server resides on a different server from the primary and secondary Cisco UCMs.

In this sample, the static interface PAT for the TFTP server is configured to appear like the ASA's outside interface IP address.

**Figure 13-5** *Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster, Primary Cisco UCM, Secondary Cisco UCM, and TFTP Server on Different Servers*



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```

object network obj-192.0.2.105
  host 192.0.2.105
  nat (inside,outside) static 10.10.0.27
object network obj-192.0.2.101
  host 192.0.2.101
  nat (inside,outside) static interface udp 69 69
object network obj-192.0.2.106
  host 192.0.2.106
  nat (inside,outside) static 10.10.0.26
access-list pp extended permit udp any host 10.10.0.24 eq 69
access-group pp in interface outside
crypto key generate rsa label cluster_kp modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint pri_cucm
  enrollment self
  keypair cluster_kp
crypto ca enroll pri_cucm
crypto ca trustpoint sec_cucm
  enrollment self
  serial-number
  keypair cluster_kp
crypto ca enroll sec_cucm
crypto ca trustpoint tftp-server
  enrollment self
  fqdn my-tftp.example.com
  keypair cluster-kp
crypto ca enroll tftp_server
ctl-file myctl
  record-entry tftp trustpoint tftp_server address 10.10.0.24
  record-entry cucm trustpoint pri_cucm_server address 10.10.0.27
  record-entry cucm trustpoint sec_cucm_server address 10.10.0.2
  no shutdown
crypto key generate rsa label ldc_signer_key modulus 1024
crypto key generate rsa label phone_common modulus 1024

```

```

crypto ca trustpoint ldc_server
  enrollment self
  proxy_ldc_issuer
  fqdn my-ldc-ca.exmaple.com
  subject-name cn=FW_LDC_SIGNER_172_23_45_200
  keypair ldc_signer_key
  crypto ca enroll ldc_server
tls-proxy my_proxy
  server trust-point _internal_PP_myctl
  client ldc issuer ldc_server
  client ldc keypair phone_common
  client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1
media-termination my_mediaterm
  address 192.0.2.25 interface inside
  address 10.10.0.25 interface outside
phone-proxy mypp
  media-termination my_mediaterm
  tftp-server address 192.0.2.101 interface inside
  tls-proxy mytls
  ctl-file myctl
  cluster-mode mixed
class-map sec_sccp
  match port tcp 2443
class-map sec_sip
  match port tcp eq 5061
policy-map pp_policy
  class sec_sccp
    inspect skinny phone-proxy mypp
  class sec_sip
    inspect sip phone-proxy mypp
service-policy pp_policy interface outside

```

## Example 5: LSC Provisioning in Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster; Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Publisher

Figure 13-6 shows an example of the configuration for a mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster where LSC provisioning is required using the following topology.



### Note

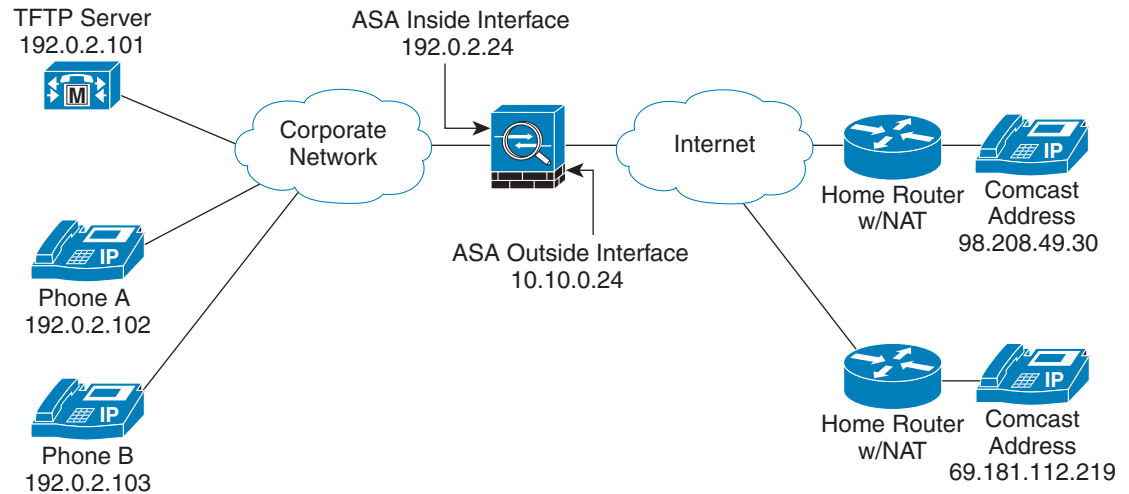
Doing LSC provisioning for remote IP phones is not recommended because it requires that the IP phones first register and they have to register in nonsecure mode. Having the IP phones register in nonsecure mode requires the Administrator to open the nonsecure signaling port for SIP and SCCP on the ASA. If possible, LSC provisioning should be done inside the corporate network before giving the IP phones to the end-users.

In this sample, you create an ACL to allow the IP phones to contact the TFTP server and to allow the IP phones to register in nonsecure mode by opening the nonsecure port for SIP and SCCP as well as the CAPF port for LSC provisioning.

Additionally, you create the CAPF trustpoint by copying and pasting the CAPF certificate from the Cisco UCM Certificate Management software.



**Figure 13-6 LSC Provisioning in Mixed-mode Cisco UCM cluster; Cisco UCM and TFTP Server on Publisher**



```

object network obj-192.0.2.105
  host 192.0.2.105
  nat (inside,outside) static 10.10.0.26
object network obj-192.0.2.101
  host 192.0.2.101
  nat (inside,outside) static interface udp 69 69
access-list pp extended permit udp any host 10.10.0.24 eq 69
access-list pp extended permit tcp any host 10.10.0.26 eq 2000
access-list pp extended permit tcp any host 10.10.0.26 eq 5060
access-list pp extended permit tcp any host 10.10.0.26 eq 3804
access-group pp in interface outside
crypto key generate rsa label cluster_kp modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint cucm
  enrollment self
  keypair cluster_kp
crypto ca enroll cucm
crypto ca trustpoint tftp_server
  enrollment self
  serial-number
  keypair cluster_kp
crypto ca enroll tftp_server
crypto ca trustpoint capf
  enroll terminal
crypto ca authenticate capf
ctl-file myctl
  record-entry cucm trustpoint cucm_server address 10.10.0.26
  record-entry capf trustpoint capf address 10.10.0.26
  no shutdown
crypto key generate rsa label ldc_signer_key modulus 1024
crypto key generate rsa label phone_common modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint ldc_server
  enrollment self
  proxy_ldc_issuer
  fqdn my-ldc-ca.exmaple.com
  subject-name cn=FW_LDC_SIGNER_172_23_45_200
  keypair ldc_signer_key
crypto ca enroll ldc_server
tls-proxy my_proxy

```

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```

server trust-point _internal_PP_myctl
client ldc issuer ldc_server
client ldc keypair phone_common
client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1
media-termination my_mediaterm
  address 192.0.2.25 interface inside
  address 10.10.0.25 interface outside
phone-proxy mypp
  media-termination my_mediaterm
  tftp-server address 192.0.2.101 interface inside
  tls-proxy mytls
  ctl-file myctl
  cluster-mode mixed
class-map sec_sccp
  match port tcp 2443
class-map sec_sip
  match port tcp eq 5061
policy-map pp_policy
  class sec_sccp
    inspect skinny phone-proxy mypp
  class sec_sip
    inspect sip phone-proxy mypp
service-policy pp_policy interface outside

```

## Example 6: VLAN Transversal

Figure 13-7 shows an example of the configuration to force Cisco IP Communicator (CIPC) softphones to operate in authenticated mode when CIPC softphones are deployed in a voice and data VLAN scenario. VLAN transversal is required between CIPC softphones on the data VLAN and hard phones on the voice VLAN.

In this sample, the Cisco UCM cluster mode is nonsecure.

In this sample, you create an ACL to allow the IP phones to contact the TFTP server and to allow the IP phones to register in nonsecure mode by opening the nonsecure port for SIP and SCCP as well as the CAPF port for LSC provisioning.

In this sample, you configure NAT for the CIPC by using PAT so that each CIPC is mapped to an IP address space in the Voice VLAN.

Additionally, you create the CAPF trustpoint by copying and pasting the CAPF certificate from the Cisco UCM Certificate Management software.



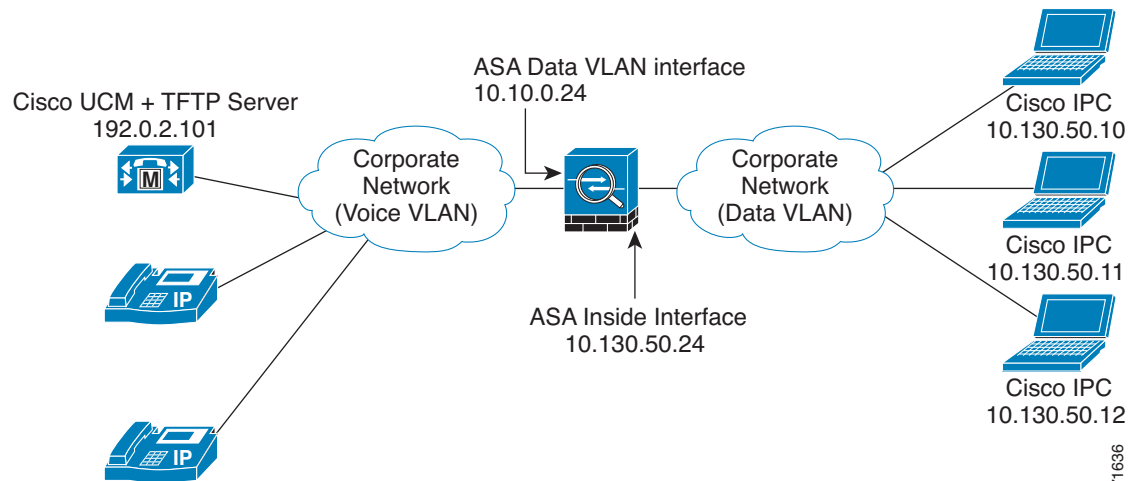
### Note

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Cisco IP Communicator supports authenticated mode only and does not support encrypted mode; therefore, there is no encrypted voice traffic (SRTP) flowing from the CIPC softphones.

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**Figure 13-7 VLAN Transversal Between CIPC Softphones on the Data VLAN and Hard Phones on the Voice VLAN**



```

object network obj-10.130.50.0
  subnet 10.130.50.0 255.255.255.0
  nat (data,voice) dynamic 192.0.2.10
object network obj-10.130.50.5
  host 10.130.50.5
  nat (data,voice) static 192.0.2.101
access-list pp extended permit udp any host 10.130.50.5 eq 69
access-list pp extended permit tcp any host 10.130.50.5 eq 2000
access-list pp extended permit tcp any host 10.130.50.5 eq 5060
access-list pp extended permit tcp any host 10.130.50.5 eq 3804
access-group pp in interface data
crypto ca generate rsa label cucmtftp_kp modulus 1024
crypto ca trustpoint cucm_tftp_server
  enrollment self
  keypair cucmtftp_kp
crypto ca enroll cucm_tftp_server
crypto ca trustpoint capf
  enrollment terminal
crypto ca authenticate capf
ctl-file myctl
  record-entry cucm-tftp trustpoint cucm_tftp_server address 10.130.50.5
  record-entry capf trustpoint capf address 10.130.50.5
  no shutdown
tls-proxy mytls
  server trust-point _internal_PP_myctl
media-termination my_mediaterm
  address 10.130.50.2
phone-proxy mypp
  media-termination my_mediaterm
  tftp-server address 10.10.0.20 interface inside
  tls-proxy mytls
  ctl-file myctl
  cipc security-mode authenticated
class-map sec_sccp
  match port tcp eq 2443
class-map sec_sip
  match port tcp eq 5061
policy-map pp_policy
  class sec_sccp
    inspect skinny phone-proxy mypp

```

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```

class sec_sip
  inspect sip phone-proxy mypp
service-policy pp_policy interface data

```

## Feature History for the Phone Proxy

Table 13-7 lists the release history for this feature.

**Table 13-7** Feature History for Cisco Phone Proxy

| Feature Name                          | Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cisco Phone Proxy                     | 8.0(4)   | <p>The phone proxy feature was introduced. The following new commands were introduced.</p> <p><b>cipc security-mode authenticated, clear configure ctl, clear configure phone-proxy, cluster-ctl-file, cluster-mode nonsecure, ctl-file (global), ctl-file (phone proxy), debug phone proxy, disable service-settings, media-termination address, phone-proxy, proxy-server, record-entry, sast, show phone-proxy, show running-config ctl, show running-config phone-proxy, timeout secure-phones, tftp-server address.</b></p> |
| NAT for the media termination address | 8.1(2)   | <p>The <b>media-termination address</b> command was changed to allow for NAT:</p> <p><b>[no] media-termination address <i>ip_address</i> interface <i>intf_name</i></b></p> <p>Where the <b>interface <i>intf_name</i></b> keyword was added.</p> <p>The <b>rtp-min-port</b> and <b>rtp-max-ports</b> keywords were removed from the command syntax and included as a separate command:</p> <p><b>rtp-min-port <i>port1</i> rtp-max-port <i>port2</i></b></p>                                                                    |



## TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection

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This chapter describes how to configure the ASA for the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection feature.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Information about the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection, page 14-1](#)
- [Licensing for the TLS Proxy, page 14-5](#)
- [Prerequisites for the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection, page 14-7](#)
- [Configuring the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection, page 14-7](#)
- [Monitoring the TLS Proxy, page 14-14](#)
- [Feature History for the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection, page 14-16](#)

### Information about the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection

End-to-end encryption often leaves network security appliances “blind” to media and signaling traffic, which can compromise access control and threat prevention security functions. This lack of visibility can result in a lack of interoperability between the firewall functions and the encrypted voice, leaving businesses unable to satisfy both of their key security requirements.

The ASA is able to intercept and decrypt encrypted signaling from Cisco encrypted endpoints to the Cisco Unified Communications Manager (Cisco UCM), and apply the required threat protection and access control. It can also ensure confidentiality by re-encrypting the traffic onto the Cisco UCM servers.

Typically, the ASA TLS Proxy functionality is deployed in campus unified communications network. This solution is ideal for deployments that utilize end to end encryption and firewalls to protect Unified Communications Manager servers.

### Decryption and Inspection of Unified Communications Encrypted Signaling

With encrypted voice inspection, the security appliance decrypts, inspects and modifies (as needed, for example, performing NAT fixup), and re-encrypts voice signaling traffic while all of the existing VoIP inspection functions for Skinny and SIP protocols are preserved. Once voice signaling is decrypted, the plaintext signaling message is passed to the existing inspection engines.

The security appliance acts as a TLS proxy between the Cisco IP Phone and Cisco UCM. The proxy is transparent for the voice calls between the phone and the Cisco UCM. Cisco IP Phones download a Certificate Trust List from the Cisco UCM before registration which contains identities (certificates) of the devices that the phone should trust, such as TFTP servers and Cisco UCM servers. To support server proxy, the CTL file must contain the certificate that the security appliance creates for the Cisco UCMs. To proxy calls on behalf of the Cisco IP Phone, the security appliance presents a certificate that the Cisco UCM can verify, which is a Local Dynamic Certificate for the phone, issued by the certificate authority on the security appliance.

TLS proxy is supported by the Cisco Unified CallManager Release 5.1 and later. You should be familiar with the security features of the Cisco UCM. For background and detailed description of Cisco UCM security, see the Cisco Unified CallManager document:

[http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/voice/c\\_callmg/5\\_0/sec\\_vir/ae/sec504/index.htm](http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/voice/c_callmg/5_0/sec_vir/ae/sec504/index.htm)

TLS proxy applies to the encryption layer and must be configured with an application layer protocol inspection. You should be familiar with the inspection features on the ASA, especially Skinny and SIP inspection.

## Supported Cisco UCM and IP Phones for the TLS Proxy

### Cisco Unified Communications Manager

The following releases of the Cisco Unified Communications Manager are supported with the TLS proxy:

- Cisco Unified CallManager Version 4.x
- Cisco Unified CallManager Version 5.0
- Cisco Unified CallManager Version 5.1
- Cisco Unified Communications Manager 6.1
- Cisco Unified Communications Manager 7.0
- Cisco Unified Communications Manager 8.0

### Cisco Unified IP Phones

The following IP phones in the Cisco Unified IP Phones 7900 Series are supported with the TLS proxy:

- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7985
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7975
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7971
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7970
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7965
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7962
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7961
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7961G-GE
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7960
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7945
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7942
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7941

- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7941G-GE
- Cisco Unified IP Phone 7940
- Cisco Unified Wireless IP Phone 7921
- Cisco Unified Wireless IP Phone 7925
- Cisco IP Communicator (CIPC) for softphones

## CTL Client Overview

The CTL Client application supplied by Cisco Unified CallManager Release 5.1 and later supports a TLS proxy server (firewall) in the CTL file. Figure 14-1 through Figure 14-4 illustrate the TLS proxy features supported in the CTL Client.

**Figure 14-1** CTL Client TLS Proxy Features — Add Firewall

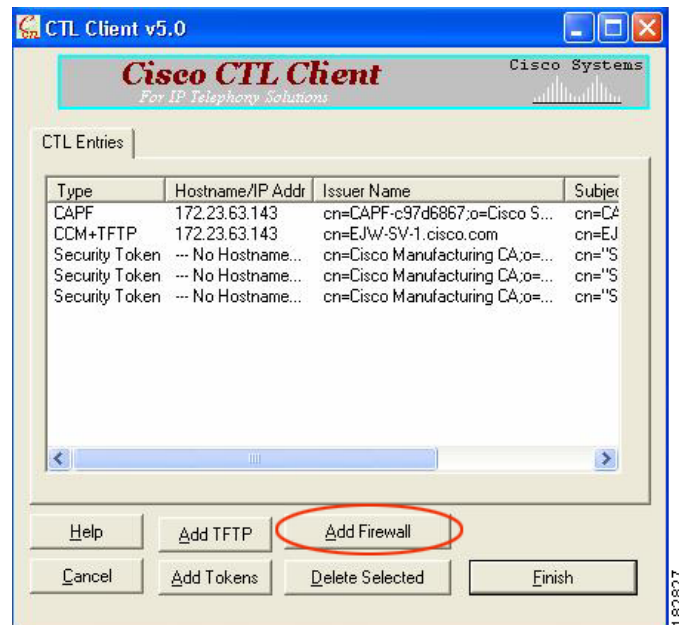


Figure 14-1 shows support for adding a CTL entry consisting of the security appliance as the TLS proxy.

**Figure 14-2** CTL Client TLS Proxy Features – ASA IP Address or Domain Name

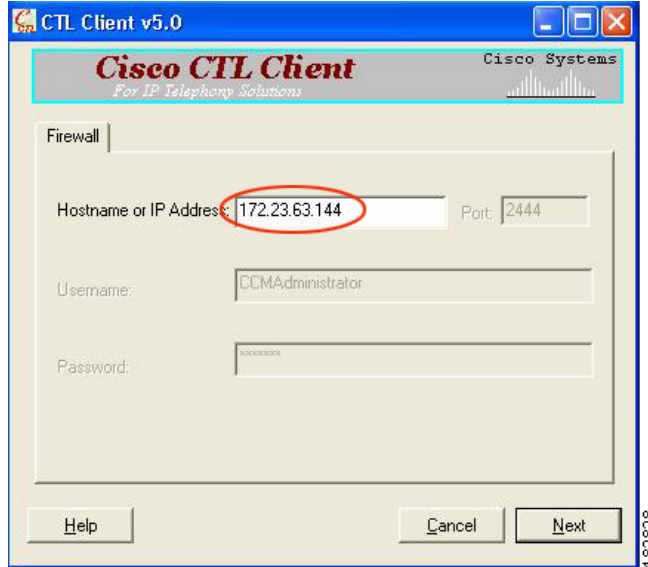


Figure 14-2 shows support for entering the security appliance IP address or domain name in the CTL Client.

**Figure 14-3** CTL Client TLS Proxy Features – CTL Entry for ASA

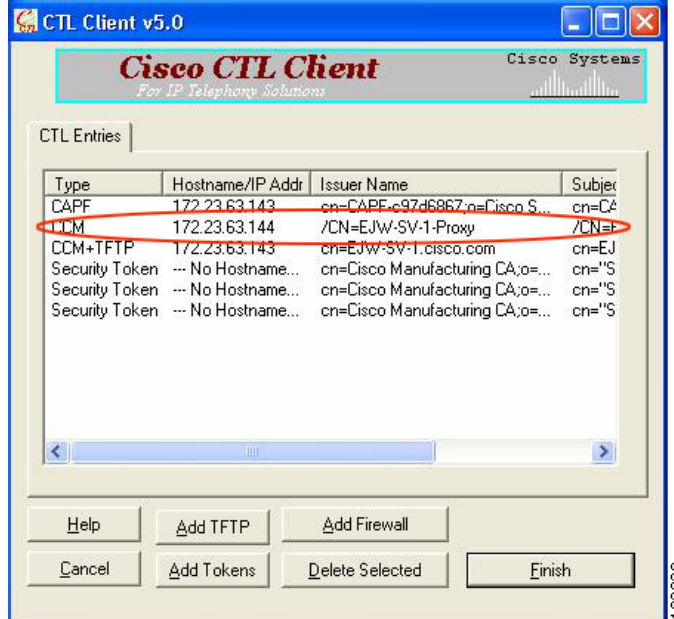
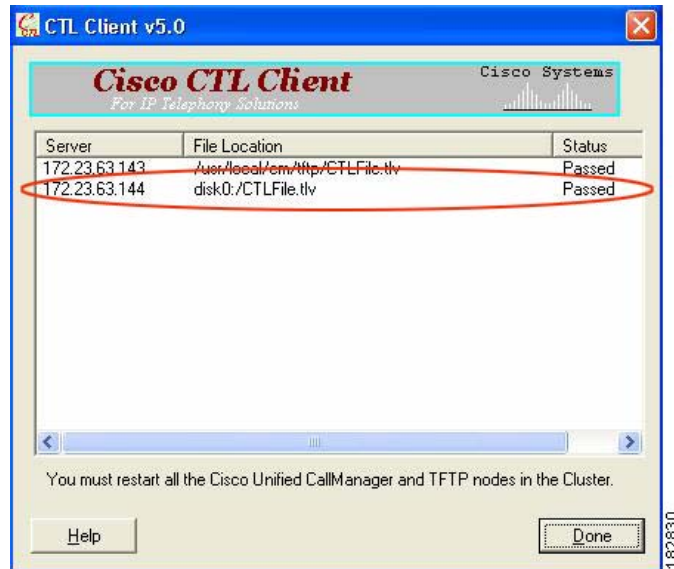


Figure 14-3 shows that the CTL entry for the security appliance as the TLS proxy has been added. The CTL entry is added after the CTL Client connects to the CTL Provider service on the security appliance and retrieves the proxy certificate.



Figure 14-4 CTL Client TLS Proxy Features – CTL File Installed on the ASA



The security appliance does not store the raw CTL file in the flash, rather, it parses the CTL file and installs appropriate trustpoints. Figure 14-4 indicates the installation was successful.

## Licensing for the TLS Proxy

The TLS proxy for encrypted voice inspection feature supported by the ASA require a Unified Communications Proxy license.

The following table shows the Unified Communications Proxy license details by platform:



**Note**

This feature is not available on No Payload Encryption models.

| Model      | License Requirement <sup>1</sup>                                                                                   |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASA 5505   | Base License and Security Plus License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional license: 24 sessions.</i>                       |
| ASA 5512-X | Base License or Security Plus License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, or 500 sessions.</i> |
| ASA 5515-X | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, or 500 sessions.</i>                          |
| ASA 5525-X | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, or 1000 sessions.</i>               |
| ASA 5545-X | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, or 2000 sessions.</i>         |

| Model                               | License Requirement <sup>1</sup>                                                                                               |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASA 5555-X                          | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, or 3000 sessions.</i>               |
| ASA 5585-X with SSP-10              | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, or 3000 sessions.</i>               |
| ASA 5585-X with SSP-20, -40, or -60 | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, 3000, 5000, or 10,000 sessions.</i> |
| ASASM                               | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, 3000, 5000, or 10,000 sessions.</i> |
| ASAv with 1 Virtual CPU             | Standard and Premium Licenses: 250 sessions.                                                                                   |
| ASAv with 4 Virtual CPUs            | Standard and Premium Licenses: 1000 sessions.                                                                                  |

1. The following applications use TLS proxy sessions for their connections. Each TLS proxy session used by these applications (and only these applications) is counted against the UC license limit:

- Phone Proxy
- Presence Federation Proxy
- Encrypted Voice Inspection

Other applications that use TLS proxy sessions do not count towards the UC limit, for example, Mobility Advantage Proxy (which does not require a license) and IME (which requires a separate IME license).

Some UC applications might use multiple sessions for a connection. For example, if you configure a phone with a primary and backup Cisco Unified Communications Manager, there are 2 TLS proxy connections, so 2 UC Proxy sessions are used.

You independently set the TLS proxy limit using the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions** command. To view the limits of your model, enter the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions ?** command. When you apply a UC license that is higher than the default TLS proxy limit, the ASA automatically sets the TLS proxy limit to match the UC limit. The TLS proxy limit takes precedence over the UC license limit; if you set the TLS proxy limit to be less than the UC license, then you cannot use all of the sessions in your UC license.

**Note:** For license part numbers ending in “K8” (for example, licenses under 250 users), TLS proxy sessions are limited to 1000. For license part numbers ending in “K9” (for example, licenses 250 users or larger), the TLS proxy limit depends on the configuration, up to the model limit. K8 and K9 refer to whether the license is restricted for export: K8 is unrestricted, and K9 is restricted.

**Note:** If you clear the configuration (using the **clear configure all** command, for example), then the TLS proxy limit is set to the default for your model; if this default is lower than the UC license limit, then you see an error message to use the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions** command to raise the limit again. If you use failover and enter the **write standby** command on the primary unit to force a configuration synchronization, the **clear configure all** command is generated on the secondary unit automatically, so you may see the warning message on the secondary unit. Because the configuration synchronization restores the TLS proxy limit set on the primary unit, you can ignore the warning.

You might also use SRTP encryption sessions for your connections:

- For K8 licenses, SRTP sessions are limited to 250.
- For K9 licenses, there is not limit.

**Note:** Only calls that require encryption/decryption for media are counted towards the SRTP limit; if passthrough is set for the call, even if both legs are SRTP, they do not count towards the limit.

Table 14-1 shows the default and maximum TLS session details by platform.

**Table 14-1 Default and Maximum TLS Sessions on the Security Appliance**

| Security Appliance Platform | Default TLS Sessions | Maximum TLS Sessions |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| ASA 5505                    | 10                   | 80                   |

For more information about licensing, see the general operations configuration guide.

# Prerequisites for the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection

Before configuring TLS proxy, the following prerequisites are required:

- You must set clock on the security appliance before configuring TLS proxy. To set the clock manually and display clock, use the **clock set** and **show clock** commands. We recommend that the security appliance use the same NTP server as the Cisco Unified CallManager cluster. TLS handshake may fail due to certificate validation failure if clock is out of sync between the security appliance and the Cisco Unified CallManager server.
- 3DES-AES license is needed to interoperate with the Cisco Unified CallManager. AES is the default cipher used by the Cisco Unified CallManager and Cisco IP Phone.
- Import the following certificates which are stored on the Cisco UCM. These certificates are required by the ASA for the phone proxy.
  - Cisco\_Manufacturing\_CA
  - CAP-RTP-001
  - CAP-RTP-002
  - CAPF certificate (Optional)

If LSC provisioning is required or you have LSC enabled IP phones, you must import the CAPF certificate from the Cisco UCM. If the Cisco UCM has more than one CAPF certificate, you must import all of them to the ASA.

See [Chapter 13, “Cisco Phone Proxy.”](#) For example, the CA Manufacturer certificate is required by the phone proxy to validate the IP phone certificate.

## Configuring the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection

This section includes the following topics:

- [Task flow for Configuring the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection, page 14-7](#)
- [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 14-8](#)
- [Creating an Internal CA, page 14-10](#)
- [Creating a CTL Provider Instance, page 14-11](#)
- [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance, page 14-12](#)
- [Enabling the TLS Proxy Instance for Skinny or SIP Inspection, page 14-13](#)

## Task flow for Configuring the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection

To configure the security appliance for TLS proxy, perform the following steps:

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- Step 1** (Optional) Set the maximum number of TLS proxy sessions to be supported by the security appliance using the following command, for example:

```
hostname(config)# tls-proxy maximum-sessions 1200
```



**Note** The `tls-proxy maximum-sessions` command controls the memory size reserved for cryptographic applications such as TLS proxy. Crypto memory is reserved at the time of system boot. You may need to reboot the security appliance for the configuration to take effect if the configured maximum sessions number is greater than the currently reserved.

- Step 2** Create trustpoints and generate certificates for the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection. See [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 14-8](#).
- Step 3** Create the internal CA to sign the LDC for Cisco IP Phones. See [Creating an Internal CA, page 14-10](#).
- Step 4** Create the CTL provider instance. See [Creating a CTL Provider Instance, page 14-11](#).
- Step 5** Create the TLS proxy instance. See [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance, page 14-12](#).
- Step 6** Enable the TLS proxy with SIP and Skinny inspection. See [Enabling the TLS Proxy Instance for Skinny or SIP Inspection, page 14-13](#).
- Step 7** Export the local CA certificate (`ldc_server`) and install it as a trusted certificate on the Cisco UCM server.

- a. Use the following command to export the certificate if a trust-point with `proxy-ldc-issuer` is used as the signer of the dynamic certificates, for example:

```
hostname(config)# crypto ca export ldc_server identity-certificate
```

- b. For the embedded local CA server LOCAL-CA-SERVER, use the following command to export its certificate, for example:

```
hostname(config)# show crypto ca server certificate
```

Save the output to a file and import the certificate on the Cisco UCM. For more information, see the Cisco Unified CallManager document:

[http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/voice/c\\_callmg/5\\_0/iptp\\_adm/504/iptpch6.htm#wp1040848](http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/voice/c_callmg/5_0/iptp_adm/504/iptpch6.htm#wp1040848)

After this step, you may use the Display Certificates function on the Cisco Unified CallManager GUI to verify the installed certificate:

[http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/voice/c\\_callmg/5\\_0/iptp\\_adm/504/iptpch6.htm#wp1040354](http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/voice/c_callmg/5_0/iptp_adm/504/iptpch6.htm#wp1040354)

- Step 8** Run the CTL Client application to add the server proxy certificate (`ccm_proxy`) to the CTL file and install the CTL file on the security appliance. See the Cisco Unified CallManager document for information on how to configure and use CTL Client:

[http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/voice/c\\_callmg/5\\_1/nci/p08/secuauth.htm](http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/voice/c_callmg/5_1/nci/p08/secuauth.htm)




**Note** You will need the CTL Client that is released with Cisco Unified CallManager Release 5.1 to interoperate with the security appliance. See [CTL Client Overview, page 14-3](#) for more information regarding TLS proxy support.

## Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates

The Cisco UCM proxy certificate could be self-signed or issued by a third-party CA. The certificate is exported to the CTL client.

**Prerequisites**

Import the required certificates, which are stored on the Cisco UCM. See [Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-6](#) and the [Importing Certificates from the Cisco UCM, page 13-15](#).

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# crypto key generate rsa label key-pair-label modulus size</pre> <p><b>Examples:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# crypto key generate rsa label ccm_proxy_key modulus 1024</pre> <pre>hostname(config)# crypto key generate rsa label ldc_signer_key modulus 1024</pre> <pre>hostname(config)# crypto key generate rsa label phone_common modulus 1024</pre> | <p>Creates the RSA keypair that can be used for the trustpoints.</p> <p>The keypair is used by the self-signed certificate presented to the local domain containing the Cisco UP (proxy for the remote entity).</p> <p><b>Note</b> We recommend that you create a different key pair for each role.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint trustpoint_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# ! for self-signed CCM proxy certificate</pre> <pre>hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint ccm_proxy</pre>                                                                                                                                                        | <p>Enters the trustpoint configuration mode for the specified trustpoint so that you can create the trustpoint for the Cisco UMA server.</p> <p>A trustpoint represents a CA identity and possibly a device identity, based on a certificate issued by the CA.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# enrollment self</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Generates a self-signed certificate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# fqdn none</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Specifies not to include a fully qualified domain name (FQDN) in the Subject Alternative Name extension of the certificate during enrollment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# subject-name X.500_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# subject-name cn=EJW-SV-1-Proxy</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <p>Includes the indicated subject DN in the certificate during enrollment</p> <p>Cisco IP Phones require certain fields from the X.509v3 certificate to be present to validate the certificate via consulting the CTL file. Consequently, the <b>subject-name</b> entry must be configured for a proxy certificate trustpoint. The subject name must be composed of the ordered concatenation of the CN, OU and O fields. The CN field is mandatory; the others are optional.</p> <p> <b>Note</b> Each of the concatenated fields (when present) are separated by a semicolon, yielding one of the following forms:<br/> CN=xxx;OU=yyy;O=zzz<br/> CN=xxx;OU=yyy<br/> CN=xxx;O=zzz<br/> CN=xxx</p> |
| <b>Step 6</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# keypair keyname</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# keypair ccm_proxy_key</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Specifies the key pair whose public key is to be certified.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

|        | Command                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                            |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 7 | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                    | Exits from the CA Trustpoint configuration mode.                                                   |
| Step 8 | hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca enroll trustpoint</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca enroll ccm_proxy</b> | Starts the enrollment process with the CA and specifies the name of the trustpoint to enroll with. |

### What to Do Next

Once you have created the trustpoints and generated the certificates, create the internal CA to sign the LDC for Cisco IP Phones. See [Creating an Internal CA, page 14-10](#).

## Creating an Internal CA

Create an internal local CA to sign the LDC for Cisco IP Phones.

This local CA is created as a regular self-signed trustpoint with **proxy-ldc-issuer** enabled. You can use the embedded local CA LOCAL-CA-SERVER on the ASA to issue the LDC.

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b><br><i>trustpoint_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>! for the internal local LDC issuer</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint ldc_server</b> | Enters the trustpoint configuration mode for the specified trustpoint so that you can create the trustpoint for the LDC issuer.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Step 2 | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enrollment self</b>                                                                                                                                                                 | Generates a self-signed certificate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Step 3 | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>proxy-ldc-issuer</b>                                                                                                                                                                | Issues TLS proxy local dynamic certificates. The <b>proxy-ldc-issuer</b> command grants a crypto trustpoint the role as local CA to issue the LDC and can be accessed from crypto ca trustpoint configuration mode.<br><br>The <b>proxy-ldc-issuer</b> command defines the local CA role for the trustpoint to issue dynamic certificates for TLS proxy. This command can only be configured under a trustpoint with "enrollment self." |
| Step 4 | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>fqdn fqdn</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>fqdn my-ldc-ca.example.com</b>                                                                               | Includes the indicated FQDN in the Subject Alternative Name extension of the certificate during enrollment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Step 5 | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>subject-name</b><br><i>X.500_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>subject-name cn=FW_LDC_SIGNER_172_23_45_200</b>                                      | Includes the indicated subject DN in the certificate during enrollment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Step 6 | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>keypair keyname</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>keypair ldc_signer_key</b>                                                                             | Specifies the key pair whose public key is to be certified.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

|        | Command                                                                                                                         | Purpose                                                                                            |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 7 | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                     | Exits from the CA Trustpoint configuration mode.                                                   |
| Step 8 | hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca enroll trustpoint</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca enroll ldc_server</b> | Starts the enrollment process with the CA and specifies the name of the trustpoint to enroll with. |

### What to Do Next

Once you have created the internal CA, create the CTL provider instance. See [Creating a CTL Provider Instance](#), page 14-11.

## Creating a CTL Provider Instance

Create a CTL Provider instance in preparation for a connection from the CTL Client.

The default port number listened by the CTL Provider is TCP 2444, which is the default CTL port on the Cisco UCM. Use the **service port** command to change the port number if a different port is used by the Cisco UCM cluster.

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| Step 1 | hostname(config)# <b>ctl-provider</b> <i>ctl_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>ctl-provider my_ctl</b>                                                                                                                                                   | Enters the CTL provider configuration mode so that you can create the Certificate Trust List provider instance.                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Step 2 | hostname(config-ctl-provider)# <b>client interface</b> <i>if_name</i> <i>ipv4_addr</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ctl-provider)# <b>client interface</b> <b>inside</b> <b>address</b> <b>172.23.45.1</b>                                                        | Specifies clients allowed to connect to the Certificate Trust List provider.<br><br>Where <b>interface</b> <i>if_name</i> specifies the interface allowed to connect and <i>ipv4_addr</i> specifies the IP address of the client.<br><br>More than one command may be issued to define multiple clients. |
| Step 3 | hostname(config-ctl-provider)# <b>client username</b> <i>user_name</i> <b>password</b> <i>password</i> <b>encrypted</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ctl-provider)# <b>client username</b> <b>CCMAdministrator</b> <b>password</b> <b>XXXXXX</b> <b>encrypted</b> | Specifies the username and password for client authentication.<br><br>The username and password must match the username and password for Cisco UCM administration.                                                                                                                                       |
| Step 4 | hostname(config-ctl-provider)# <b>export certificate</b> <i>trustpoint_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ctl-provider)# <b>export certificate</b>                                                                                                             | Specifies the certificate to be exported to the client. The certificate will be added to the Certificate Trust List file composed by the CTL client.<br><br>The trustpoint name in the <b>export</b> command is the proxy certificate for the Cisco UCM server.                                          |
| Step 5 | hostname(config-ctl-provider)# <b>ctl install</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Enables the CTL provider to parse the CTL file from the CTL client and install trustpoints for entries from the CTL file. Trustpoints installed by this command have names prefixed with "_internal_CTL_<ctl_name>."                                                                                     |

**What to Do Next**

Once you have created the CTL provider instance, create the TLS proxy instance. See [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance, page 14-12](#).

## Creating the TLS Proxy Instance

Create the TLS proxy instance to handle the encrypted signaling.

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy</b> <i>proxy_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# tls-proxy my_proxy                                                | Creates the TLS proxy instance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Step 2</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>server trust-point</b> <i>proxy_trustpoint</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# server trust-point ccm_proxy             | Specifies the proxy trustpoint certificate to present during TLS handshake.<br><br>The <b>server</b> command configures the proxy parameters for the original TLS server. In other words, the parameters for the ASA to act as the server during a TLS handshake, or facing the original TLS client.                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 3</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client ldc issuer</b> <i>ca_tp_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client ldc issuer ldc_server                    | Sets the local dynamic certificate issuer. The local CA to issue client dynamic certificates is defined by the <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b> command and the trustpoint must have <b>proxy-ldc-issuer</b> configured, or the default local CA server (LOCAL-CA-SERVER).<br><br>Where <b>ldc issuer ca_tp_name</b> specifies the local CA trustpoint to issue client dynamic certificates. |
| <b>Step 4</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client ldc key-pair</b> <i>key_label</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client ldc key-pair phone_common               | Sets the keypair.<br><br>The keypair value must have been generated with the <b>crypto key generate</b> command.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Step 5</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client cipher-suite</b> <i>cipher_suite</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 | Sets the user-defined cipher suite.<br><br>For client proxy (the proxy acts as a TLS client to the server), the user-defined cipher suite replaces the default cipher suite, or the one defined by the <b>ssl encryption</b> command. You can use this command to achieve difference ciphers between the two TLS sessions. You should use AES ciphers with the CallManager server.      |

**What to Do Next**

Once you have created TLS proxy instance, enable the TLS proxy instance for Skinny and SIP inspection. See [Enabling the TLS Proxy Instance for Skinny or SIP Inspection, page 14-13](#).



## Enabling the TLS Proxy Instance for Skinny or SIP Inspection

Enable TLS proxy for the Cisco IP Phones and Cisco UCMs in Skinny or SIP inspection. The following procedure shows how to enable the TLS proxy instance for Skinny inspection.

|         | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1  | hostname(config)# <b>class-map</b> <i>class_map_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>class-map</b> <b>sec_skinny</b>                                                                                             | Configures the secure Skinny class of traffic to inspect.<br><br>Where <i>class_map_name</i> is the name of the Skinny class map.                                                                                                   |
| Step 2  | hostname(config-cmap)# <b>match port tcp eq 2443</b>                                                                                                                                                                            | Matches the TCP port 2443 to which you want to apply actions for secure Skinny inspection                                                                                                                                           |
| Step 3  | hostname(config-cmap)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Step 4  | hostname(config)# <b>policy-map type inspect skinny</b> <i>policy_map_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>policy-map type inspect skinny</b> <b>skinny_inspect</b>                                              | Defines special actions for Skinny inspection application traffic.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Step 5  | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>parameters</b><br>hostname(config-pmap-p)# ! Skinny inspection parameters                                                                                                                             | Specifies the parameters for Skinny inspection. Parameters affect the behavior of the inspection engine.<br><br>The commands available in parameters configuration mode depend on the application.                                  |
| Step 6  | hostname(config-pmap-p)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                                                            | Exits from Policy Map configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Step 7  | hostname(config)# <b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>policy-map</b> <b>global_policy</b>                                                                                                  | Configure the policy map and attach the action to the class of traffic.                                                                                                                                                             |
| Step 8  | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>class inspection_default</b>                                                                                                                                                                          | Specifies the default class map.<br><br>The configuration includes a default Layer 3/4 class map that the ASA uses in the default global policy. It is called <b>inspection_default</b> and matches the default inspection traffic, |
| Step 9  | hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>inspect skinny</b> <i>skinny_map</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>inspect skinny</b> <b>skinny_inspect</b>                                                                     | Enables SCCP (Skinny) application inspection.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Step 10 | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>class</b> <i>classmap_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# <b>class</b> <b>sec_skinny</b>                                                                                            | Assigns a class map to the policy map where you can assign actions to the class map traffic.                                                                                                                                        |
| Step 11 | hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>inspect skinny</b> <i>skinny_map</i> <b>tls-proxy</b> <i>proxy_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>inspect skinny</b> <b>skinny_inspect</b> <b>tls-proxy</b> <b>my_proxy</b> | Enables TLS proxy for the specified inspection session.                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Step 12 | hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                                                            | Exits from the Policy Map configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Step 13 | hostname(config)# <b>service-policy</b> <i>polycymap_name</i> <b>global</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>service-policy</b> <b>global_policy</b> <b>global</b>                                                    | Enables the service policy on all interfaces.                                                                                                                                                                                       |

## Monitoring the TLS Proxy

You can enable TLS proxy debug flags along with SSL syslogs to debug TLS proxy connection problems. For example, using the following commands to enable TLS proxy-related debug and syslog output only:

```
hostname(config)# debug inspect tls-proxy events
hostname(config)# debug inspect tls-proxy errors
hostname(config)# logging enable
hostname(config)# logging timestamp
hostname(config)# logging list loglist message 711001
hostname(config)# logging list loglist message 725001-725014
hostname(config)# logging list loglist message 717001-717038
hostname(config)# logging buffer-size 1000000
hostname(config)# logging buffered loglist
hostname(config)# logging debug-trace
```

The following is sample output reflecting a successful TLS proxy session setup for a SIP phone:

```
hostname(config)# show log

Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-6-725001: Starting SSL handshake with client
outside:133.9.0.218/49159 for TLSv1 session.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-711001: TLSP cbad5120: Set up proxy for Client
outside:133.9.0.218/49159 <-> Server inside:195.168.2.201/5061
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-711001: TLSP cbad5120: Using trust point 'local_ccm' with the
Client, RT proxy cbael538
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-711001: TLSP cbad5120: Waiting for SSL handshake from Client
outside:133.9.0.218/49159.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725010: Device supports the following 4 cipher(s).
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725011: Cipher[1] : RC4-SHA
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725011: Cipher[2] : AES128-SHA
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725011: Cipher[3] : AES256-SHA
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725011: Cipher[4] : DES-CBC3-SHA
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725008: SSL client outside:133.9.0.218/49159 proposes the
following 2 cipher(s).
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725011: Cipher[1] : AES256-SHA
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725011: Cipher[2] : AES128-SHA
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725012: Device chooses cipher : AES128-SHA for the SSL
session with client outside:133.9.0.218/49159
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725014: SSL lib error. Function: SSL23_READ Reason: ssl
handshake failure
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-717025: Validating certificate chain containing 1
certificate(s).
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-717029: Identified client certificate within certificate
chain. serial number: 01, subject name: cn=SEP0017593F50A8.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-717030: Found a suitable trustpoint
_internal_ejw-sv-2_cn=CAPF-08a91c01 to validate certificate.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-6-717022: Certificate was successfully validated. serial
number: 01, subject name: cn=SEP0017593F50A8.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-6-717028: Certificate chain was successfully validated with
warning, revocation status was not checked.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-6-725002: Device completed SSL handshake with client
outside:133.9.0.218/49159
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-6-725001: Starting SSL handshake with server
inside:195.168.2.201/5061 for TLSv1 session.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725009: Device proposes the following 2 cipher(s) to server
inside:195.168.2.201/5061
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725011: Cipher[1] : AES128-SHA
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725011: Cipher[2] : AES256-SHA
```

```

Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-711001: TLSP cbad5120: Generating LDC for client
'cn=SEP0017593F50A8', key-pair 'phone_common', issuer 'LOCAL-CA-SERVER', RT proxy cbae1538
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-711001: TLSP cbad5120: Started SSL handshake with Server
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-711001: TLSP cbad5120: Data channel ready for the Client
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-725013: SSL Server inside:195.168.2.201/5061 choose cipher :
AES128-SHA
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-717025: Validating certificate chain containing 1
certificate(s).
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-717029: Identified client certificate within certificate
chain. serial number: 76022D3D9314743A, subject name: cn=EJW-SV-2.inside.com.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-6-717022: Certificate was successfully validated. Certificate
is resident and trusted, serial number: 76022D3D9314743A, subject name:
cn=EJW-SV-2.inside.com.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-6-717028: Certificate chain was successfully validated with
revocation status check.
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-6-725002: Device completed SSL handshake with server
inside:195.168.2.201/5061
Apr 17 2007 23:13:47: %ASA-7-711001: TLSP cbad5120: Data channel ready for the Server

```

Use the **show tls-proxy** commands with different options to check the active TLS proxy sessions. The following are some sample outputs:

```

hostname(config-tlsp)# show tls-proxy
Maximum number of sessions: 1200

TLS-Proxy 'sip_proxy': ref_cnt 1, seq# 3
  Server proxy:
    Trust-point: local_ccm
  Client proxy:
    Local dynamic certificate issuer: LOCAL-CA-SERVER
    Local dynamic certificate key-pair: phone_common
    Cipher suite: aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1
  Run-time proxies:
    Proxy 0xcbae1538: Class-map: sip_ssl, Inspect: sip
    Active sess 1, most sess 3, byte 3456043

TLS-Proxy 'proxy': ref_cnt 1, seq# 1
  Server proxy:
    Trust-point: local_ccm
  Client proxy:
    Local dynamic certificate issuer: ldc_signer
    Local dynamic certificate key-pair: phone_common
    Cipher-suite: <unconfigured>
  Run-time proxies:
    Proxy 0xcbadf720: Class-map: skinny_ssl, Inspect: skinny
    Active sess 1, most sess 1, byte 42916

hostname(config-tlsp)# show tls-proxy session count
2 in use, 4 most used

hostname(config-tlsp)# show tls-proxy session
2 in use, 4 most used
outside 133.9.0.211:50437 inside 195.168.2.200:2443 P:0xcbadf720(proxy) S:0xcbc48a08 byte
42940
outside 133.9.0.218:49159 inside 195.168.2.201:5061 P:0xcbae1538(sip_proxy) S:0xcbad5120
byte 8786

hostname(config-tlsp)# show tls-proxy session detail
2 in use, 4 most used
outside 133.9.0.211:50437 inside 195.168.2.200:2443 P:0xcbadf720(proxy) S:0xcbc48a08 byte
42940
  Client: State SSLOK Cipher AES128-SHA Ch 0xca55e498 TxQSize 0 LastTxLeft 0 Flags 0x1
  Server: State SSLOK Cipher AES128-SHA Ch 0xca55e478 TxQSize 0 LastTxLeft 0 Flags 0x9
Local Dynamic Certificate

```

```

Status: Available
Certificate Serial Number: 29
Certificate Usage: General Purpose
Public Key Type: RSA (1024 bits)
Issuer Name:
  cn=TLS-Proxy-Signer
Subject Name:
  cn=SEP0002B9EB0AAD
  o=Cisco Systems Inc
  c=US
Validity Date:
  start date: 09:25:41 PDT Apr 16 2007
  end   date: 09:25:41 PDT Apr 15 2008
Associated Trustpoints:

outside 133.9.0.218:49159 inside 195.168.2.201:5061 P:0xcbae1538(sip_proxy) S:0xcbad5120
byte 8786
  Client: State SSLOK  Cipher AES128-SHA Ch 0xca55e398 TxQSize 0 LastTxLeft 0 Flags 0x1
  Server: State SSLOK  Cipher AES128-SHA Ch 0xca55e378 TxQSize 0 LastTxLeft 0 Flags 0x9
Local Dynamic Certificate
Status: Available
Certificate Serial Number: 2b
Certificate Usage: General Purpose
Public Key Type: RSA (1024 bits)
Issuer Name:
  cn=F1-ASA.default.domain.invalid
Subject Name:
  cn=SEP0017593F50A8
Validity Date:
  start date: 23:13:47 PDT Apr 16 2007
  end   date: 23:13:47 PDT Apr 15 2008
Associated Trustpoints:

```

## Feature History for the TLS Proxy for Encrypted Voice Inspection

Table 14-2 lists the release history for this feature.

**Table 14-2** Feature History for Cisco Phone Proxy

| Feature Name | Releases | Feature Information                   |
|--------------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| TLS Proxy    | 8.0(2)   | The TLS proxy feature was introduced. |



## ASA and Cisco Mobility Advantage

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This chapter describes how to configure the ASA for Cisco Unified Communications Mobility Advantage Proxy features.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Information about the Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy Feature, page 15-1](#)
- [Licensing for the Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy Feature, page 15-6](#)
- [Configuring Cisco Mobility Advantage, page 15-7](#)
- [Monitoring for Cisco Mobility Advantage, page 15-11](#)
- [Configuration Examples for Cisco Mobility Advantage, page 15-12](#)
- [Feature History for Cisco Mobility Advantage, page 15-15](#)

### Information about the Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy Feature

This section contains the following topics:

- [Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy Functionality, page 15-1](#)
- [Mobility Advantage Proxy Deployment Scenarios, page 15-2](#)
- [Trust Relationships for Cisco UMA Deployments, page 15-5](#)

### Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy Functionality

To support Cisco UMA for the Cisco Mobility Advantage solution, the mobility advantage proxy (implemented as a TLS proxy) includes the following functionality:

- The ability to allow no client authentication during the handshake with clients.
- Allowing an imported PKCS-12 certificate to server as a proxy certificate.

The ASA includes an inspection engine to validate the Cisco UMA Mobile Multiplexing Protocol (MMP).

MMP is a data transport protocol for transmitting data entities between Cisco UMA clients and servers. MMP must be run on top of a connection-oriented protocol (the underlying transport) and is intended to be run on top of a secure transport protocol such as TLS. The Orative Markup Language (OML) protocol is intended to be run on top of MMP for the purposes of data synchronization, as well as the HTTP protocol for uploading and downloading large files.

The TCP/TLS default port is 5443. There are no embedded NAT or secondary connections.

Cisco UMA client and server communications can be proxied via TLS, which decrypts the data, passes it to the inspect MMP module, and re-encrypt the data before forwarding it to the endpoint. The inspect MMP module verifies the integrity of the MMP headers and passes the OML/HTTP to an appropriate handler. The ASA takes the following actions on the MMP headers and data:

- Verifies that client MMP headers are well-formed. Upon detection of a malformed header, the TCP session is terminated.
- Verifies that client to server MMP header lengths are not exceeded. If an MMP header length is exceeded (4096), then the TCP session is terminated.
- Verifies that client to server MMP content lengths are not exceeded. If an entity content length is exceeded (4096), the TCP session is terminated.

**Note**


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4096 is the value currently used in MMP implementations.

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Because MMP headers and entities can be split across packets, the ASA buffers data to ensure consistent inspection. The SAPI (stream API) handles data buffering for pending inspection opportunities. MMP header text is treated as case insensitive and a space is present between header text and values. Reclaiming of MMP state is performed by monitoring the state of the TCP connection.

## Mobility Advantage Proxy Deployment Scenarios

[Figure 15-1](#) and [Figure 15-2](#) show the two deployment scenarios for the TLS proxy used by the Cisco Mobility Advantage solution. In scenario 1 (the recommended deployment architecture), the ASA functions as both the firewall and TLS proxy. In scenario 2, the ASA functions as the TLS proxy only and works with an existing firewall. In both scenarios, the clients connect from the Internet.

In the scenario 1 deployment, the ASA is between a Cisco UMA client and a Cisco UMA server. The Cisco UMA client is an executable that is downloaded to each smartphone. The Cisco UMA client applications establishes a data connection, which is a TLS connection, to the corporate Cisco UMA server. The ASA intercepts the connections and inspects the data that the client sends to the Cisco UMA server.

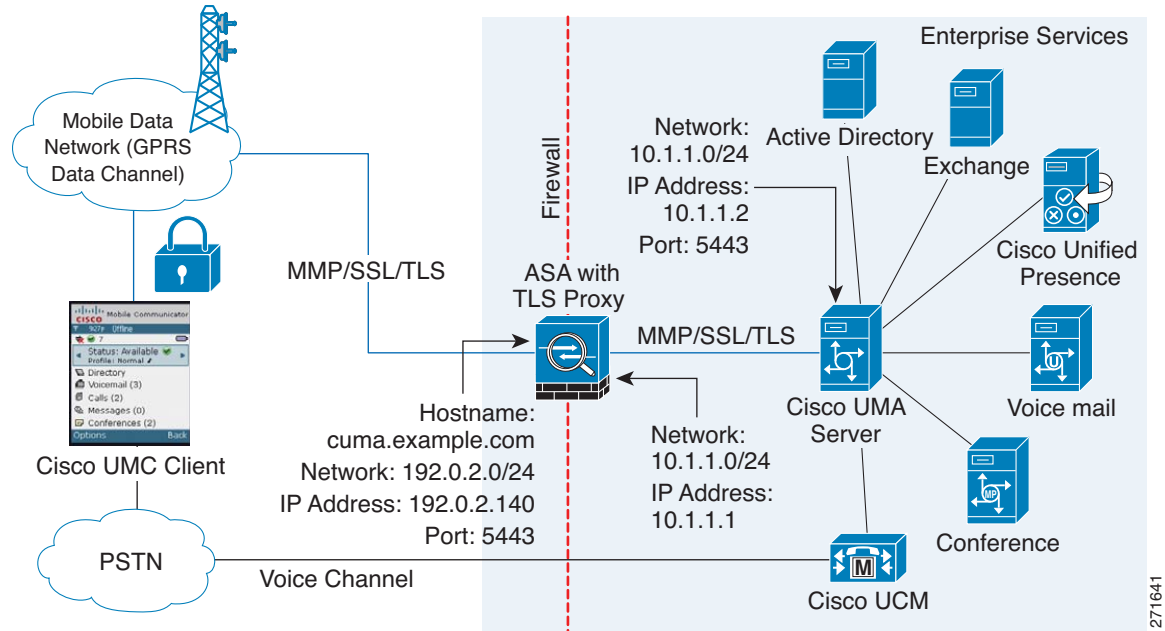
**Note**


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The TLS proxy for the Cisco Mobility Advantage solution does not support client authentication because the Cisco UMA client cannot present a certificate. The following commands can be used to disable authentication during the TLS handshake.

```
hostname(config)# tls-proxy my_proxy
hostname(config-tlsp)# no server authenticate-client
```

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**Figure 15-1 Security Appliance as Firewall with Mobility Advantage Proxy and MMP Inspection**

In [Figure 15-1](#), the ASA performs static NAT by translating the Cisco UMA server 10.1.1.2 IP address to 192.0.2.140.

[Figure 15-2](#) shows deployment scenario 2, where the ASA functions as the TLS proxy only and does not function as the corporate firewall. In this scenario, the ASA and the corporate firewall are performing NAT. The corporate firewall will not be able to predict which client from the Internet needs to connect to the corporate Cisco UMA server. Therefore, to support this deployment, you can take the following actions:

- Set up a NAT rule for inbound traffic that translates the destination IP address 192.0.2.41 to 172.16.27.41.
- Set up an interface PAT rule for inbound traffic translating the source IP address of every packet so that the corporate firewall does not need to open up a wildcard pinhole. The Cisco UMA server receives packets with the source IP address 192.0.12.183.

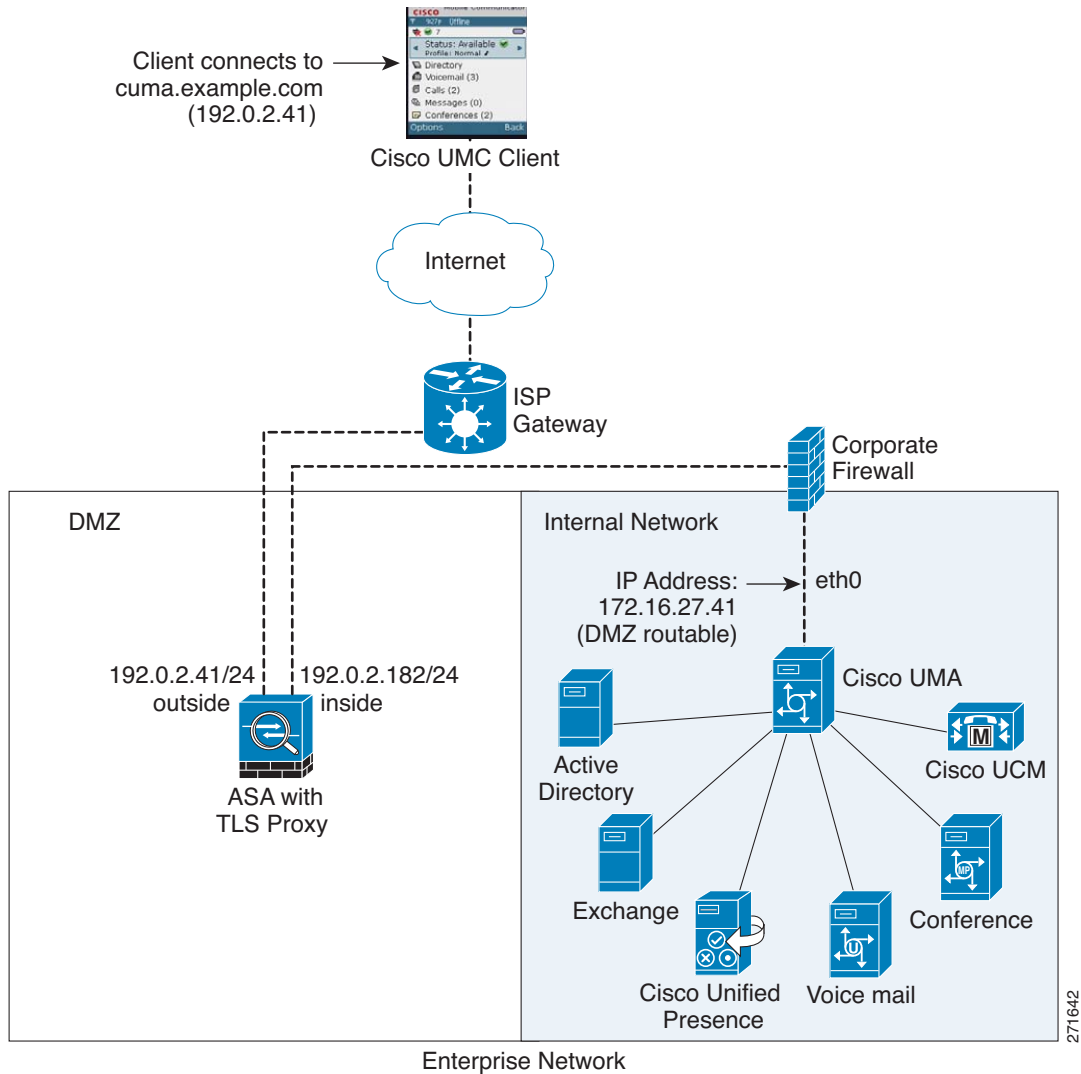
```
hostname(config)# object network obj-0.0.0.0-01
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (outside,inside) dynamic 192.0.2.183
```

See [Chapter 5, “Network Object NAT”](#) and [Chapter 6, “Twice NAT”](#) for information.

**Note**

This interface PAT rule converges the Cisco UMA client IP addresses on the outside interface of the ASA into a single IP address on the inside interface by using different source ports. Performing this action is often referred to as “outside PAT”. “Outside PAT” is not recommended when TLS proxy for Cisco Mobility Advantage is enabled on the same interface of the ASA with phone proxy, Cisco Unified Presence, or any other features involving application inspection. “Outside PAT” is not supported completely by application inspection when embedded address translation is needed.

**Figure 15-2 Cisco UMC/Cisco UMA Architecture – Scenario 2: Security Appliance as Mobility Advantage Proxy Only**



## Mobility Advantage Proxy Using NAT/PAT

In both scenarios (Figure 15-1 and Figure 15-2), NAT can be used to hide the private address of the Cisco UMA servers.

In scenario 2 (Figure 15-2), PAT can be used to converge all client traffic into one source IP, so that the firewall does not have to open up a wildcard pinhole for inbound traffic.

```
hostname(config)# access-list cumc extended permit tcp any host 172.16.27.41 eq 5443
```

versus

```
hostname(config)# access-list cumc extended permit tcp host 192.0.2.183 host 172.16.27.41 eq 5443
```



## Trust Relationships for Cisco UMA Deployments

To establish a trust relationship between the Cisco UMC client and the ASA, the ASA uses the Cisco UMA server certificate and keypair or the ASA obtains a certificate with the Cisco UMA server FQDN (certificate impersonation). Between the ASA and the Cisco UMA server, the ASA and Cisco UMA server use self-signed certificates or certificates issued by a local certificate authority.

Figure 15-3 shows how you can import the Cisco UMA server certificate onto the ASA. When the Cisco UMA server has already enrolled with a third-party CA, you can import the certificate with the private key onto the ASA. Then, the ASA has the full credentials of the Cisco UMA server. When a Cisco UMA client connects to the Cisco UMA server, the ASA intercepts the handshake and uses the Cisco UMA server certificate to perform the handshake with the client. The ASA also performs a handshake with the server.

**Figure 15-3** How the Security Appliance Represents Cisco UMA – Private Key Sharing

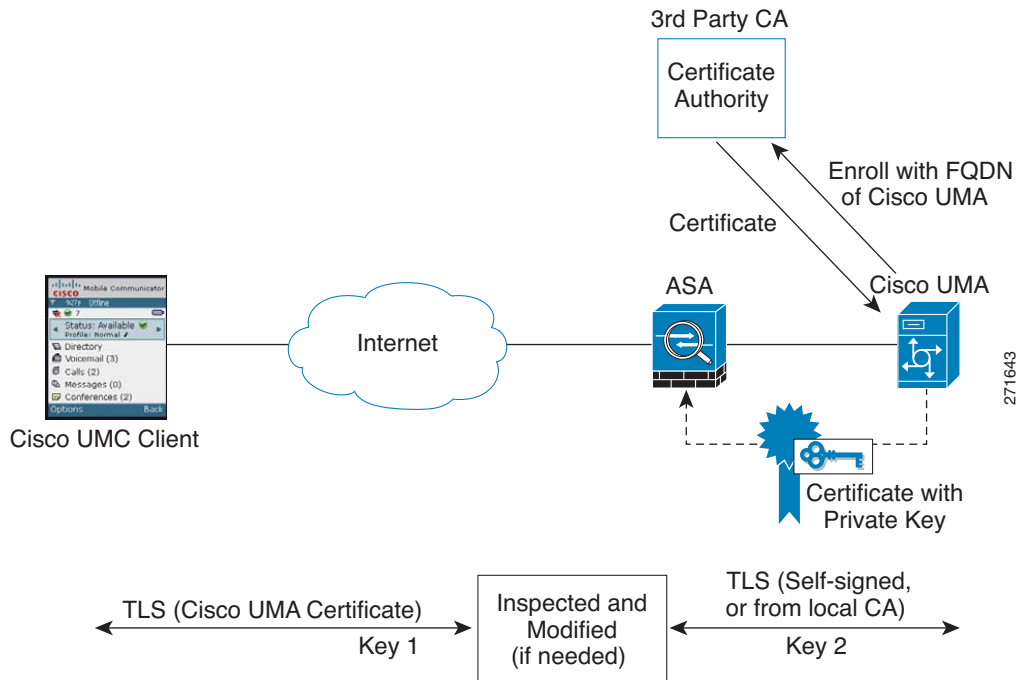
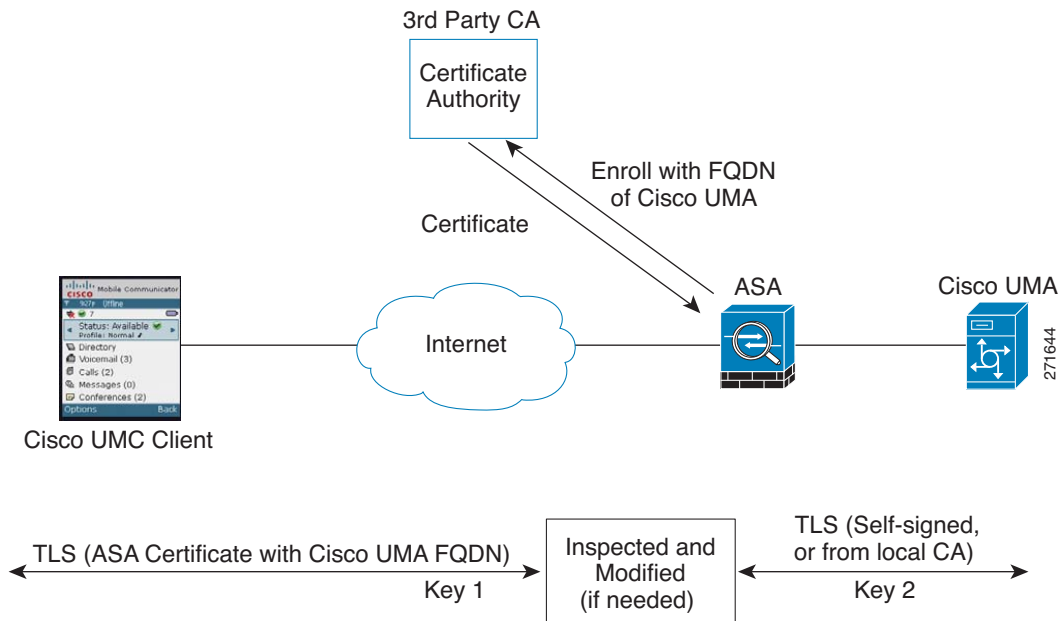


Figure 15-4 shows another way to establish the trust relationship. Figure 15-4 shows a green field deployment, because each component of the deployment has been newly installed. The ASA enrolls with the third-party CA by using the Cisco UMA server FQDN as if the ASA is the Cisco UMA server. When the Cisco UMA client connects to the ASA, the ASA presents the certificate that has the Cisco UMA server FQDN. The Cisco UMA client believes it is communicating to with the Cisco UMA server.

Figure 15-4 How the Security Appliance Represents Cisco UMA – Certificate Impersonation



A trusted relationship between the ASA and the Cisco UMA server can be established with self-signed certificates. The ASA's identity certificate is exported, and then uploaded on the Cisco UMA server truststore. The Cisco UMA server certificate is downloaded, and then uploaded on the ASA truststore by creating a trustpoint and using the **crypto ca authenticate** command.

## Licensing for the Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy Feature



### Note

This feature is not available on No Payload Encryption models.

| Model      | License Requirement <sup>1</sup>                                                                                   |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASA 5505   | Base License and Security Plus License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional license: 24 sessions.</i>                       |
| ASA 5512-X | Base License or Security Plus License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, or 500 sessions.</i> |
| ASA 5515-X | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, or 500 sessions.</i>                          |
| ASA 5525-X | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, or 1000 sessions.</i>               |
| ASA 5545-X | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, or 2000 sessions.</i>         |

| Model                               | License Requirement <sup>1</sup>                                                                                               |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASA 5555-X                          | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, or 3000 sessions.</i>               |
| ASA 5585-X with SSP-10              | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, or 3000 sessions.</i>               |
| ASA 5585-X with SSP-20, -40, or -60 | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, 3000, 5000, or 10,000 sessions.</i> |
| ASASM                               | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, 3000, 5000, or 10,000 sessions.</i> |
| ASAv with 1 Virtual CPU             | Standard and Premium Licenses: 250 sessions.                                                                                   |
| ASAv with 4 Virtual CPUs            | Standard and Premium Licenses: 1000 sessions.                                                                                  |

- The following applications use TLS proxy sessions for their connections. Each TLS proxy session used by these applications (and only these applications) is counted against the UC license limit:
  - Phone Proxy
  - Presence Federation Proxy
  - Encrypted Voice Inspection

Other applications that use TLS proxy sessions do not count towards the UC limit, for example, Mobility Advantage Proxy (which does not require a license) and IME (which requires a separate IME license).

Some UC applications might use multiple sessions for a connection. For example, if you configure a phone with a primary and backup Cisco Unified Communications Manager, there are 2 TLS proxy connections, so 2 UC Proxy sessions are used.

You independently set the TLS proxy limit using the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions** command. To view the limits of your model, enter the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions ?** command. When you apply a UC license that is higher than the default TLS proxy limit, the ASA automatically sets the TLS proxy limit to match the UC limit. The TLS proxy limit takes precedence over the UC license limit; if you set the TLS proxy limit to be less than the UC license, then you cannot use all of the sessions in your UC license.

**Note:** For license part numbers ending in “K8” (for example, licenses under 250 users), TLS proxy sessions are limited to 1000. For license part numbers ending in “K9” (for example, licenses 250 users or larger), the TLS proxy limit depends on the configuration, up to the model limit. K8 and K9 refer to whether the license is restricted for export: K8 is unrestricted, and K9 is restricted.

**Note:** If you clear the configuration (using the **clear configure all** command, for example), then the TLS proxy limit is set to the default for your model; if this default is lower than the UC license limit, then you see an error message to use the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions** command to raise the limit again. If you use failover and enter the **write standby** command on the primary unit to force a configuration synchronization, the **clear configure all** command is generated on the secondary unit automatically, so you may see the warning message on the secondary unit. Because the configuration synchronization restores the TLS proxy limit set on the primary unit, you can ignore the warning.

You might also use SRTP encryption sessions for your connections:

- For K8 licenses, SRTP sessions are limited to 250.
- For K9 licenses, there is not limit.

**Note:** Only calls that require encryption/decryption for media are counted towards the SRTP limit; if passthrough is set for the call, even if both legs are SRTP, they do not count towards the limit.

## Configuring Cisco Mobility Advantage

This section includes the following topics:

- [Task Flow for Configuring Cisco Mobility Advantage, page 15-8](#)
- [Installing the Cisco UMA Server Certificate, page 15-8](#)
- [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance, page 15-9](#)

- [Enabling the TLS Proxy for MMP Inspection, page 15-10](#)

## Task Flow for Configuring Cisco Mobility Advantage

To configure for the ASA to perform TLS proxy and MMP inspection as shown in [Figure 15-1](#) and [Figure 15-2](#), perform the following tasks.

It is assumed that self-signed certificates are used between the ASA and the Cisco UMA server.

### Prerequisites

Export the Cisco UMA server certificate and keypair in PKCS-12 format so that you can import it onto the ASA. The certificate will be used during the handshake with the Cisco UMA clients.

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- Step 1** Create the static NAT for the Cisco UMA server by entering the following commands:
- ```
hostname(config)# object network name
hostname(config-network-object)# host real_ip
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (real_ifc,mapped_ifc) static mapped_ip
```
- Step 2** Import the Cisco UMA server certificate onto the ASA by entering the following commands:
- ```
hostname(config)# crypto ca import trustpoint pkcs12 passphrase
[paste base 64 encoded pkcs12]
hostname(config)# quit
```
- Step 3** Install the Cisco UMA server certificate on the ASA. See [Installing the Cisco UMA Server Certificate, page 15-8](#).
- Step 4** Create the TLS proxy instance for the Cisco UMA clients connecting to the Cisco UMA server. See [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance, page 15-9](#).
- Step 5** Enable the TLS proxy for MMP inspection. See [Enabling the TLS Proxy for MMP Inspection, page 15-10](#).
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## Installing the Cisco UMA Server Certificate

Install the Cisco UMA server self-signed certificate in the ASA truststore. This task is necessary for the ASA to authenticate the Cisco UMA server during the handshake between the ASA proxy and Cisco UMA server.

### Prerequisites

Export the Cisco UMA server certificate and keypair in PKCS-12 format so that you can import it onto the ASA.

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b> trustpoint_name <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint cuma_server</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <p>Enters the trustpoint configuration mode for the specified trustpoint so that you can create the trustpoint for the Cisco UMA server.</p> <p>A trustpoint represents a CA identity and possibly a device identity, based on a certificate issued by the CA.</p>                                                                                       |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enrollment terminal</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <p>Specifies cut and paste enrollment with this trustpoint (also known as manual enrollment).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p>Exits from the CA Trustpoint configuration mode.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca authenticate</b> trustpoint <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca authenticate cuma_server Enter the base 64 encoded CA certificate. End with a blank line or the word "quit" on a line by itself  [ certificate data omitted ]  Certificate has the following attributes: Fingerprint: 21B598D5 4A81F3E5 0B24D12E 3F89C2E4 % Do you accept this certificate? [yes/no]: yes Trustpoint CA certificate accepted. % Certificate successfully imported hostname(config)#</pre> | <p>Installs and authenticates the CA certificates associated with a trustpoint created for the Cisco UMA server.</p> <p>Where <i>trustpoint</i> specifies the trustpoint from which to obtain the CA certificate. Maximum name length is 128 characters.</p> <p>The ASA prompts you to paste the base-64 formatted CA certificate onto the terminal.</p> |

### What to Do Next

Once you have created the trustpoints and installed the Cisco UMA certificate on the ASA, create the TLS proxy instance. See [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance, page 15-9](#).

## Creating the TLS Proxy Instance

Create a TLS proxy instance for the Cisco UMA clients connecting to the Cisco UMA server.

### Prerequisites

Before you can create the TLS proxy instance, you must have installed the Cisco UMA server self-signed certificate in the ASA truststore.

|               | Command                                                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                                                   |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy</b> proxy_name <b>Example:</b> tls-proxy cuma_tlsproxy</pre>                                            | <p>Creates the TLS proxy instance.</p>                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>server trust-point</b> proxy_name <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# server trust-point cuma_proxy</pre> | <p>Specifies the proxy trustpoint certificate presented during TLS handshake.</p> <p>The certificate must be owned by the ASA (identity certificate).</p> |

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 3</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client trust-point</b> <i>proxy_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client trust-point cuma_proxy                  | Specifies the trustpoint and associated certificate that the ASA uses in the TLS handshake when the ASA assumes the role of the TLS client.<br><br>The certificate must be owned by the ASA (identity certificate).                |
| <b>Step 4</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>no server authenticate-client</b>                                                                                                    | Disables client authentication.<br><br>Disabling TLS client authentication is required when the ASA must interoperate with a Cisco UMA client or clients such as a Web browser that are incapable of sending a client certificate. |
| <b>Step 5</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client cipher-suite</b> <i>cipher_suite</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 | Specifies cipher suite configuration.<br><br>For client proxy (the proxy acts as a TLS client to the server), the user-defined cipher suite replaces the default cipher suite.                                                     |

**What to Do Next**

Once you have created the TLS proxy instance, enable it for MMP inspection. See [Enabling the TLS Proxy for MMP Inspection, page 15-10](#).

## Enabling the TLS Proxy for MMP Inspection

Cisco UMA client and server communications can be proxied via TLS, which decrypts the data, passes it to the inspect MMP module, and re-encrypt the data before forwarding it to the endpoint. The inspect MMP module verifies the integrity of the MMP headers and passes the OML/HTTP to an appropriate handler.

|               | Command                                                                                                                         | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | hostname(config)# <b>class-map</b> <i>class_map_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map cuma_tlspoxy         | Configures the class of traffic to inspect. Traffic between the Cisco UMA server and client uses MMP and is handled by MMP inspection.<br><br>Where <i>class_map_name</i> is the name of the MMP class map. |
| <b>Step 2</b> | hostname(config-cmap)# <b>match port tcp eq</b> <i>port</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp eq 5443 | Matches the TCP port to which you want to apply actions for MMP inspection.<br><br>The TCP/TLS default port for MMP inspection is 5443.                                                                     |
| <b>Step 3</b> | hostname(config-cmap)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                              | Exits from the Class Map configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Step 4</b> | hostname(config)# <b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map global_policy                | Configures the policy map and attaches the action to the class of traffic.                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Step 5</b> | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>class</b> <i>classmap_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class cuma_proxy          | Assigns a class map to the policy map so that you can assign actions to the class map traffic.<br><br>Where <i>classmap_name</i> is the name of the Skinny class map.                                       |

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                        |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 6</b> | hostname(config-pmap) # <b>inspect mmp tls-proxy</b><br><i>proxy_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap) # inspect mmp tls-proxy<br>cuma_proxy | Enables SCCP (Skinny) application inspection and enables the phone proxy for the specified inspection session. |
| <b>Step 7</b> | hostname(config-pmap) # <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                         | Exits from the Policy Map configuration mode.                                                                  |
| <b>Step 8</b> | hostname(config) # <b>service-policy</b> <i>policy_map_name</i><br><b>global</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>service-policy global_policy global                  | Enables the service policy on all interfaces.                                                                  |

## Monitoring for Cisco Mobility Advantage

Mobility advantage proxy can be debugged the same way as IP Telephony. You can enable TLS proxy debug flags along with SSL syslogs to debug TLS proxy connection problems.

For example, using the following commands to enable TLS proxy-related debugging and syslog output only:

```
hostname# debug inspect tls-proxy events
hostname# debug inspect tls-proxy errors
hostname# config terminal
hostname(config)# logging enable
hostname(config)# logging timestamp
hostname(config)# logging list loglist message 711001
hostname(config)# logging list loglist message 725001-725014
hostname(config)# logging list loglist message 717001-717038
hostname(config)# logging buffer-size 1000000
hostname(config)# logging buffered loglist
hostname(config)# logging debug-trace
```

For information about TLS proxy debugging techniques and sample output, see the [Monitoring the TLS Proxy, page 14-14](#).

Enable the **debug mmp** command for MMP inspection engine debugging:

```
MMP:: received 60 bytes from outside:1.1.1.1/2000 to inside:2.2.2.2/5443
MMP:: version OLWP-2.0
MMP:: forward 60/60 bytes from outside:1.1.1.1/2000 to inside:2.2.2.2/5443
MMP:: received 100 bytes from inside:2.2.2.2/5443 to outside:1.1.1.1/2000
MMP:: session-id: ABCD_1234
MMP:: status: 201
MMP:: forward 100/100 bytes from inside:2.2.2.2/5443 to outside 1.1.1.1/2000
MMP:: received 80 bytes from outside:1.1.1.1/2000 to inside:2.2.2.2/5443
MMP:: content-type: http/1.1
MMP:: content-length: 40
```

You can also capture the raw and decrypted data by the TLS proxy by entering the following commands:

```
hostname# capture mycap interface outside (capturing raw packets)
hostname# capture mycap-dec type tls-proxy interface outside (capturing decrypted data)
hostname# show capture capture_name
hostname# copy /pcap capture:capture_name tftp://tftp_location
```

# Configuration Examples for Cisco Mobility Advantage

- [Example 1: Cisco UMC/Cisco UMA Architecture – Security Appliance as Firewall with TLS Proxy and MMP Inspection, page 15-12](#)
- [Example 2: Cisco UMC/Cisco UMA Architecture – Security Appliance as TLS Proxy Only, page 15-13](#)

This section describes sample configurations that apply to two deployment scenarios for the TLS proxy used by the Cisco Mobility Advantage solution—scenario 1 where the ASA functions as both the firewall and TLS proxy and scenario 2 where the ASA functions as the TLS proxy only. In both scenarios, the clients connect from the Internet.

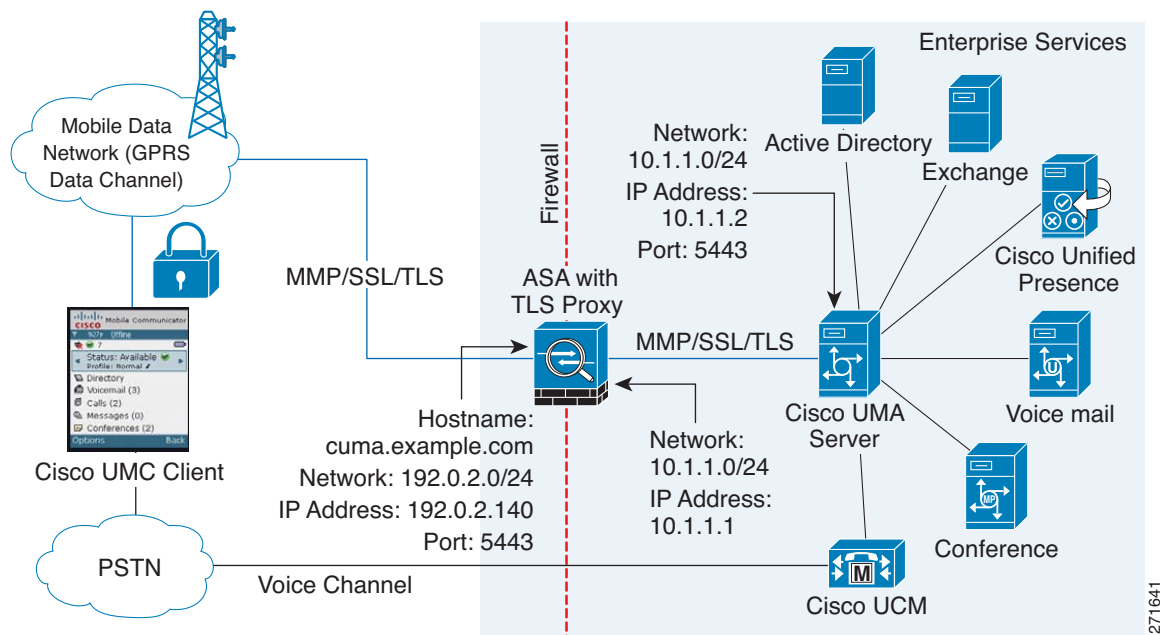
In the samples, you export the Cisco UMA server certificate and key-pair in PKCS-12 format and import it to the ASA. The certificate will be used during handshake with the Cisco UMA clients.

Installing the Cisco UMA server self-signed certificate in the ASA truststore is necessary for the ASA to authenticate the Cisco UMA server during handshake between the ASA proxy and Cisco UMA server. You create a TLS proxy instance for the Cisco UMA clients connecting to the Cisco UMA server. Lastly, you must enable TLS proxy for MMP inspection.

## Example 1: Cisco UMC/Cisco UMA Architecture – Security Appliance as Firewall with TLS Proxy and MMP Inspection

As shown in [Figure 15-5](#) (scenario 1—the recommended architecture), the ASA functions as both the firewall and TLS proxy. In the scenario 1 deployment, the ASA is between a Cisco UMA client and a Cisco UMA server. In this scenario, the ASA performs static NAT by translating the Cisco UMA server 10.1.1.2 IP address to 192.0.2.140.

**Figure 15-5** Cisco UMC/Cisco UMA Architecture – Scenario 1: Security Appliance as Firewall with TLS Proxy and MMP Inspection



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```

object network obj-10.1.1.2-01
  host 10.1.1.2
  nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.140
crypto ca import cuma_proxy pkcs12 sample_passphrase
  <cut-paste base 64 encoded pkcs12 here>
  quit
! for CUMA server's self-signed certificate
crypto ca trustpoint cuma_server
  enrollment terminal
crypto ca authenticate cuma_server
Enter the base 64 encoded CA certificate.
End with a blank line or the word "quit" on a line by itself
MIIDRTCCAu+gAwIBAgIQKVcQp/KW74VP0NZzL+JbRTANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQUFADCB
  [ certificate data omitted ]
/7QEM8izy0EOTSErKu7Nd76jwf5e4qttkQ==
quit
tls-proxy cuma_proxy
  server trust-point cuma_proxy
  no server authenticate-client
  client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1
class-map cuma_proxy
  match port tcp eq 5443
policy-map global_policy
  class cuma_proxy
    inspect mmp tls-proxy cuma_proxy
service-policy global_policy global

```

## Example 2: Cisco UMC/Cisco UMA Architecture – Security Appliance as TLS Proxy Only

As shown in [Figure 15-6](#) (scenario 2), the ASA functions as the TLS proxy only and works with an existing firewall. The ASA and the corporate firewall are performing NAT. The corporate firewall will not be able to predict which client from the Internet needs to connect to the corporate Cisco UMA server. Therefore, to support this deployment, you can take the following actions:

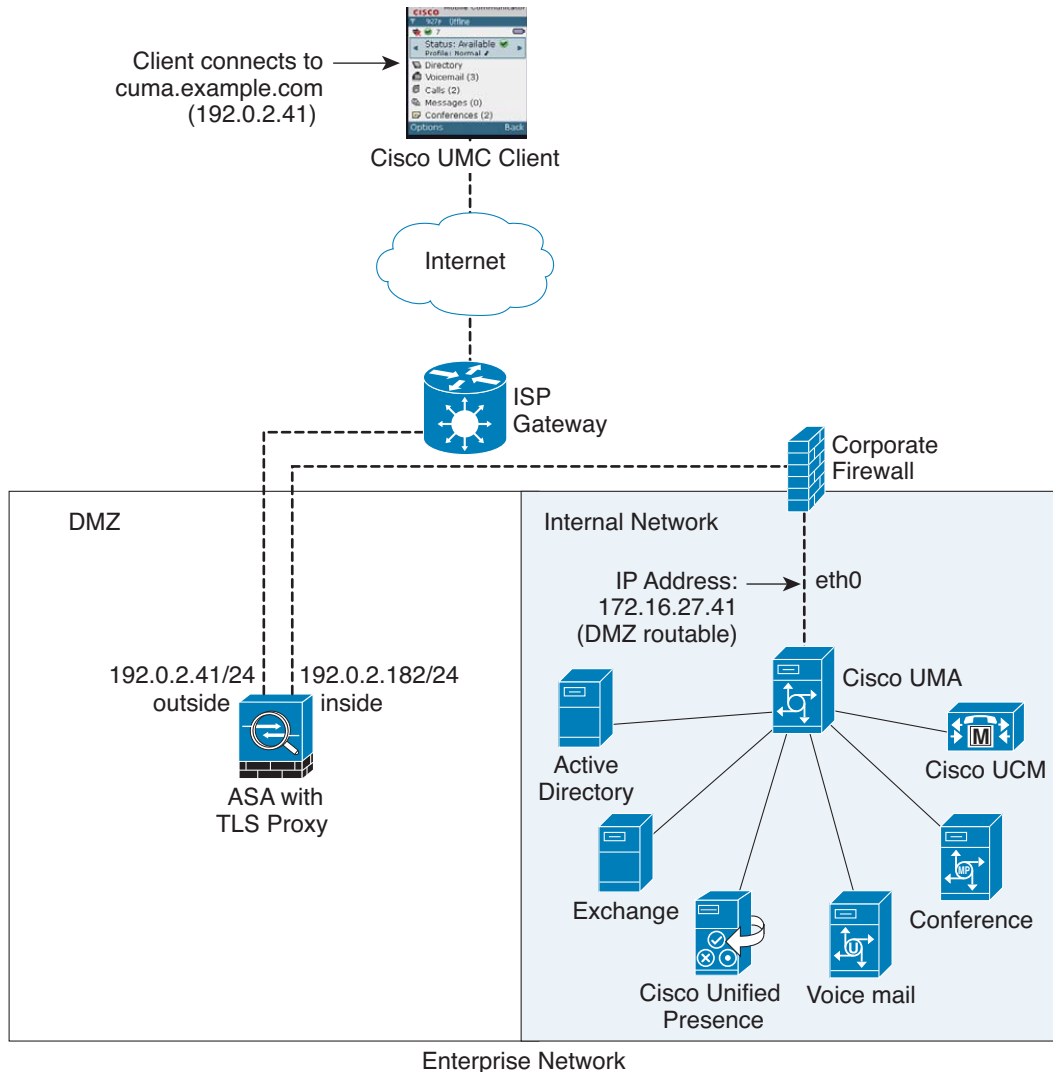
- Set up a NAT rule for inbound traffic that translates the destination IP address 192.0.2.41 to 172.16.27.41.
- Set up an interface PAT rule for inbound traffic translating the source IP address of every packet so that the corporate firewall does not need to open up a wildcard pinhole. The Cisco UMA server receives packets with the source IP address 192.0.2.183.

```

hostname(config)# object network obj-0.0.0.0-01
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (outside,inside) dynamic 192.0.2.183

```

**Figure 15-6 Cisco UMC/Cisco UMA Architecture – Scenario 2: Security Appliance as TLS Proxy Only**



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```

object network obj-172.16.27.41-01
  host 172.16.27.41
  nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.140
object network obj-0.0.0.0-01
  subnet 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0
  nat (outside,inside) dynamic 192.0.2.183
crypto ca import cuma_proxy pkcs12 sample_passphrase
  <cut-paste base 64 encoded pkcs12 here>
  quit
! for CUMA server's self-signed certificate
crypto ca trustpoint cuma_server
  enrollment terminal
crypto ca authenticate cuma_server
Enter the base 64 encoded CA certificate.
End with a blank line or the word "quit" on a line by itself
MIIDRTCCAu+gAwIBAgIQKVCqP/KW74VP0NZzL+JbRTANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQUFADCBC
  [ certificate data omitted ]
/7QEM8izy0EOTSErKu7Nd76jwf5e4qttkQ==
quit

```

```
tls-proxy cuma_proxy
  server trust-point cuma_proxy
  no server authenticate-client
  client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1
class-map cuma_proxy
  match port tcp eq 5443
policy-map global_policy
  class cuma_proxy
    inspect mmp tls-proxy cuma_proxy
service-policy global_policy global
```

## Feature History for Cisco Mobility Advantage

Table 15-1 lists the release history for this feature.

**Table 15-1** Feature History for Cisco Phone Proxy

| Feature Name                   | Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                             |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy | 8.0(4)   | The Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy feature was introduced.                                                                      |
| Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy | 8.3(1)   | The Unified Communications Wizard was added to ASDM. By using the wizard, you can configure the Cisco Mobility Advantage Proxy. |





## ASA and Cisco Unified Presence

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This chapter describes how to configure the ASA for Cisco Unified Presence.

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### Information About Cisco Unified Presence

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- [Security Certificate Exchange Between Cisco UP and the Security Appliance, page 16-5](#)
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### Architecture for Cisco Unified Presence for SIP Federation Deployments

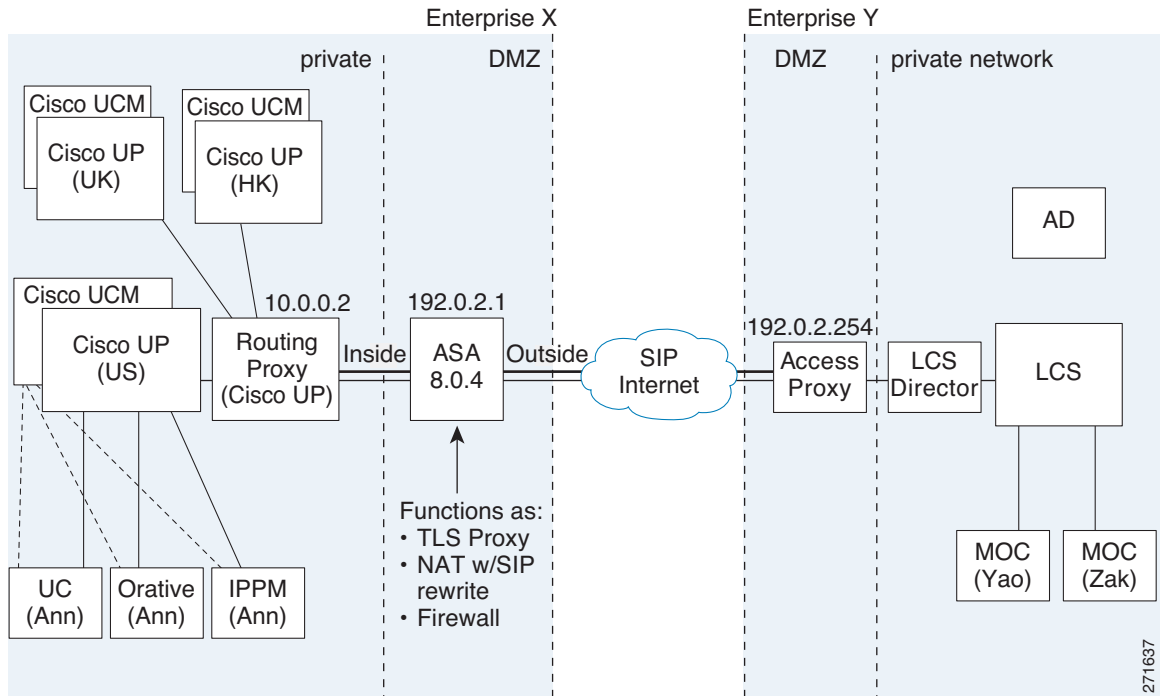
[Figure 16-1](#) depicts a Cisco Unified Presence/LCS Federation scenario with the ASA as the presence federation proxy (implemented as a TLS proxy). The two entities with a TLS connection are the “Routing Proxy” (a dedicated Cisco UP) in Enterprise X and the Microsoft Access Proxy in Enterprise Y. However, the deployment is not limited to this scenario. Any Cisco UP or Cisco UP cluster could be deployed on the left side of the ASA; the remote entity could be any server (an LCS, an OCS, or another Cisco UP).

The following architecture is generic for two servers using SIP (or other ASA inspected protocols) with a TLS connection.

Entity X: Cisco UP/Routing Proxy in Enterprise X

Entity Y: Microsoft Access Proxy/Edge server for LCS/OCS in Enterprise Y

Figure 16-1 Typical Cisco Unified Presence/LCS Federation Scenario



In the above architecture, the ASA functions as a firewall, NAT, and TLS proxy, which is the recommended architecture. However, the ASA can also function as NAT and the TLS proxy alone, working with an existing firewall.

Either server can initiate the TLS handshake (unlike IP Telephony or Cisco Unified Mobility, where only the clients initiate the TLS handshake). There are bi-directional TLS proxy rules and configuration. Each enterprise can have an ASA as the TLS proxy.

In Figure 16-1, NAT or PAT can be used to hide the private address of Entity X. In this situation, static NAT or PAT must be configured for foreign server (Entity Y) initiated connections or the TLS handshake (inbound). Typically, the public port should be 5061. The following static PAT command is required for the Cisco UP that accepts inbound connections:

```
hostname(config)# object network obj-10.0.0.2-01
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.0.0.2
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5061
5061
```

The following static PAT must be configured for each Cisco UP that could initiate a connection (by sending SIP SUBSCRIBE) to the foreign server.

For Cisco UP with the address 10.0.0.2, enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# object network obj-10.0.0.2-02
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.0.0.2
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5062
5062
hostname(config)# object network obj-10.0.0.2-03
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.0.0.2
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service udp 5070
5070
hostname(config)# object network obj-10.0.0.2-04
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.0.0.2
```

```
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5060
5060
```

For another Cisco UP with the address 10.0.0.3, you must use a different set of PAT ports, such as 45062 or 45070:

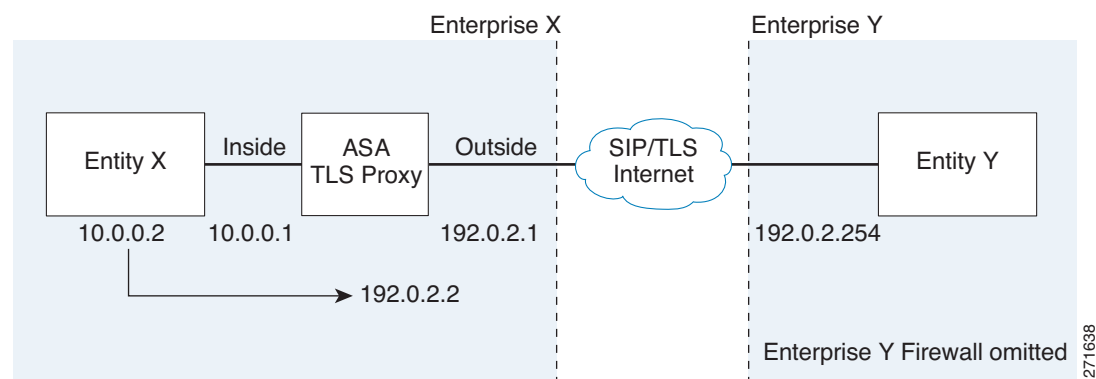
```
hostname(config)# object network obj-10.0.0.3-01
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.0.0.3
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5061
45061
hostname(config)# object network obj-10.0.0.3-02
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.0.0.3
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5062
45062
hostname(config)# object network obj-10.0.0.3-03
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.0.0.3
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service udp 5070
5070
hostname(config)# object network obj-10.0.0.2-03
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.0.0.2
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5070
45070
hostname(config)# object network obj-10.0.0.3-04
hostname(config-network-object)# host 10.0.0.3
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5060
45060
```

Dynamic NAT or PAT can be used for the rest of the outbound connections or the TLS handshake. The ASA SIP inspection engine takes care of the necessary translation (fixup).

```
hostname(config)# object network obj-0.0.0.0-01
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (inside,outside) dynamic 192.0.2.1
```

Figure 16-2 illustrates an abstracted scenario with Entity X connected to Entity Y through the presence federation proxy on the ASA. The proxy is in the same administrative domain as Entity X. Entity Y could have another ASA as the proxy but this is omitted for simplicity.

**Figure 16-2** Abstracted Presence Federation Proxy Scenario between Two Server Entities



For the Entity X domain name to be resolved correctly when the ASA holds its credential, the ASA could be configured to perform NAT for Entity X, and the domain name is resolved as the Entity X public address for which the ASA provides proxy service.

For further information about configuring Cisco Unified Presence Federation for SIP Federation, see the Integration Guide for Configuring Cisco Unified Presence for Interdomain Federation.:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps6837/products\\_installation\\_and\\_configuration\\_guides\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps6837/products_installation_and_configuration_guides_list.html)

## Trust Relationship in the Presence Federation

Within an enterprise, setting up a trust relationship is achievable by using self-signed certificates or you can set it up on an internal CA.

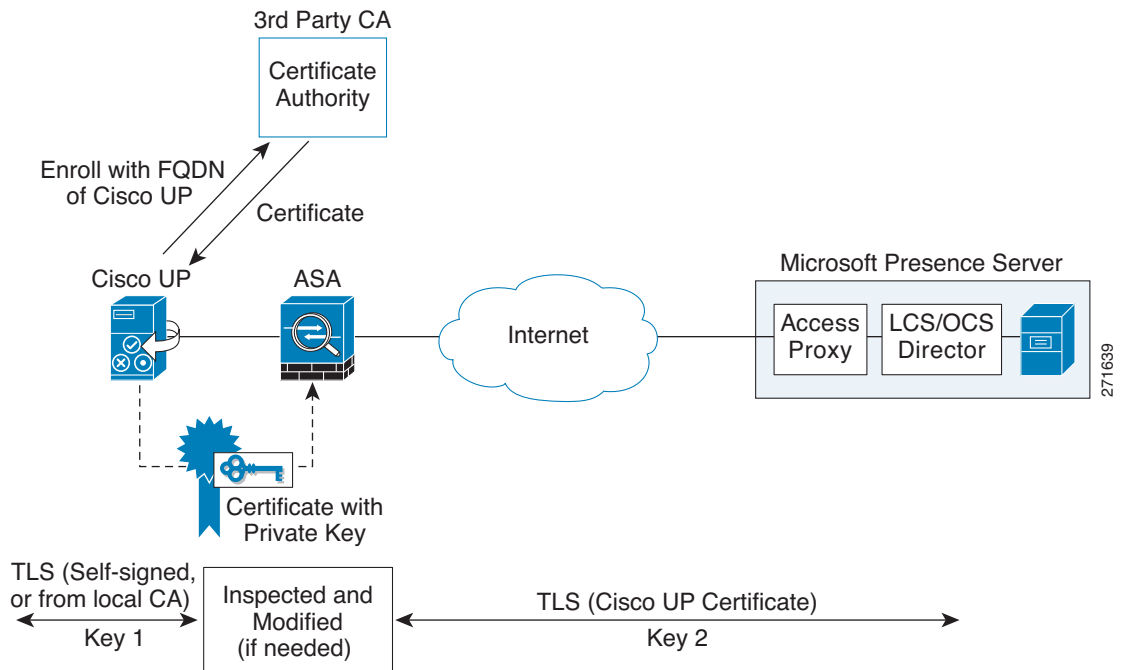
Establishing a trust relationship cross enterprises or across administrative domains is key for federation. Cross enterprises you must use a trusted third-party CA (such as, VeriSign). The ASA obtains a certificate with the FQDN of the Cisco UP (certificate impersonation).

For the TLS handshake, the two entities could validate the peer certificate via a certificate chain to trusted third-party certificate authorities. Both entities enroll with the CAs. The ASA as the TLS proxy must be trusted by both entities. The ASA is always associated with one of the enterprises. Within that enterprise (Enterprise X in Figure 16-1), the entity and the ASA could authenticate each other via a local CA, or by using self-signed certificates.

To establish a trusted relationship between the ASA and the remote entity (Entity Y), the ASA can enroll with the CA on behalf of Entity X (Cisco UP). In the enrollment request, the Entity X identity (domain name) is used.

Figure 16-3 shows the way to establish the trust relationship. The ASA enrolls with the third party CA by using the Cisco UP FQDN as if the ASA is the Cisco UP.

**Figure 16-3** How the Security Appliance Represents Cisco Unified Presence – Certificate Impersonate



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## Security Certificate Exchange Between Cisco UP and the Security Appliance

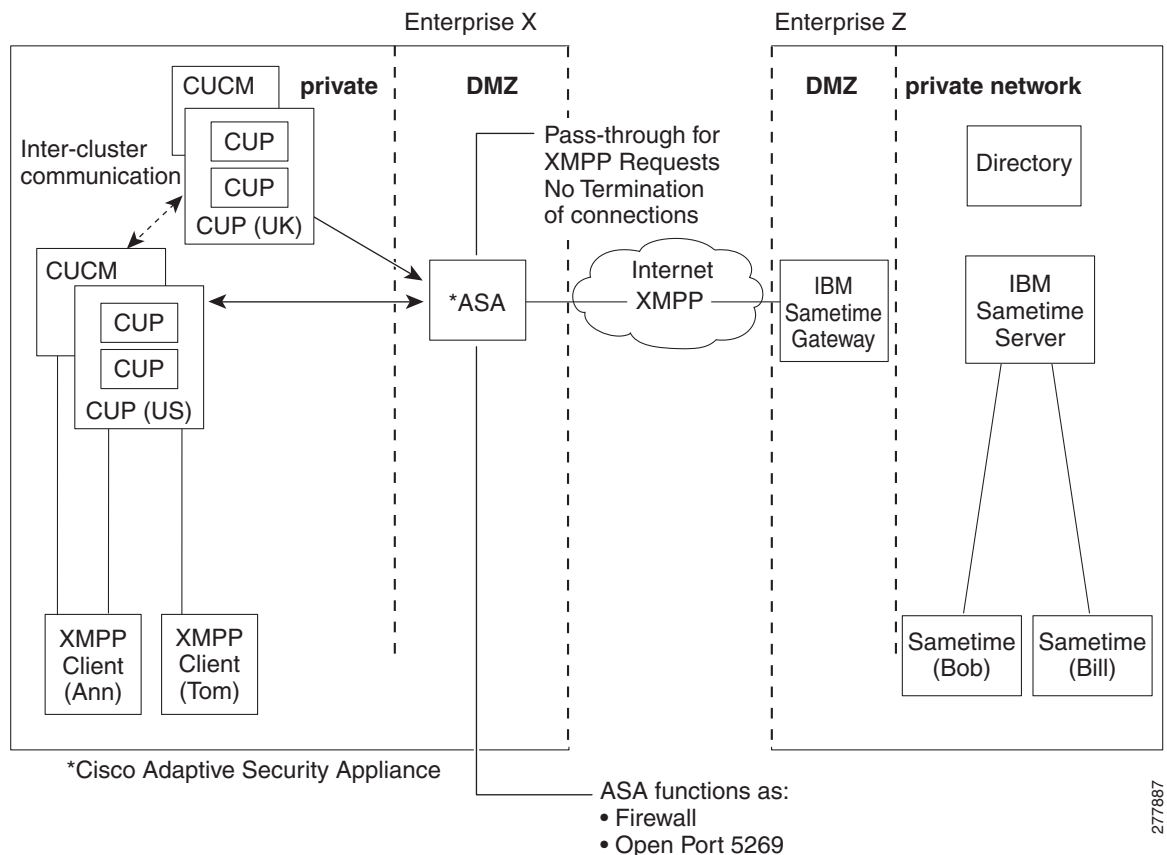
You need to generate the keypair for the certificate (such as `cup_proxy_key`) used by the ASA, and configure a trustpoint to identify the self-signed certificate sent by the ASA to Cisco UP (such as `cup_proxy`) in the TLS handshake.

For the ASA to trust the Cisco UP certificate, you need to create a trustpoint to identify the certificate from the Cisco UP (such as `cert_from_cup`), and specify the enrollment type as terminal to indicate that you will paste the certificate received from the Cisco UP into the terminal.

## XMPP Federation Deployments

Figure 16-4 provides an example of an XMPP federated network between Cisco Unified Presence enterprise deployment and an IBM Sametime enterprise deployment. TLS is optional for XMPP federation. ASA acts only as a firewall for XMPP federation; it does not provide TLS proxy functionality or PAT for XMPP federation.

**Figure 16-4 Basic XMPP Federated Network between Cisco Unified Presence and IBM Sametime**



There are two DNS servers within the internal Cisco Unified Presence enterprise deployment. One DNS server hosts the Cisco Unified Presence private address. The other DNS server hosts the Cisco Unified Presence public address and a DNS SRV records for SIP federation (`_sipfederationtls`), and XMPP federation (`_xmpp-server`) with Cisco Unified Presence. The DNS server that hosts the Cisco Unified Presence public address is located in the local DMZ.

For further information about configuring Cisco Unified Presence Federation for XMPP Federation, see the *Integration Guide for Configuring Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 for Interdomain Federation*: [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps6837/products\\_installation\\_and\\_configuration\\_guides\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps6837/products_installation_and_configuration_guides_list.html)

## Configuration Requirements for XMPP Federation

For XMPP Federation, ASA acts as a firewall only. You must open port 5269 for both incoming and outgoing XMPP federated traffic on ASA.

These are sample ACLs to open port 5269 on ASA.

Allow traffic from any address to any address on port 5269:

```
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp any any eq 5269
```

Allow traffic from any address to any single node on port 5269:

```
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp any host <private cup IP address> eq 5269
```

If you do not configure the ACL above, and you publish additional XMPP federation nodes in DNS, you must configure access to each of these nodes, for example:

```
object network obj_host_<private cup ip address>
#host <private cup ip address>
object network obj_host_<private cup2 ip address>
#host <private cup2 ip address>
object network obj_host_<public cup ip address>
#host <public cup ip address>
....
```

Configure the following NAT commands:

```
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup1 IP> obj_host_<public cup IP>
service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_5269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup1 IP> obj_host_<public cup IP>
service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_5269
```

If you publish a single public IP address in DNS, and use arbitrary ports, configure the following:

(This example is for two additional XMPP federation nodes)

```
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup2 ip> obj_host_<public cup IP>
service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_25269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup2 ip> obj_host_<public cup IP>
service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_25269
```

```
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup3 ip> obj_host_<public cup IP>
service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_35269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup3 ip> obj_host_<public cup IP>
service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_35269
```

If you publish multiple public IP addresses in DNS all using port 5269, configure the following:

(This example is for two additional XMPP federation nodes)

```

nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup2 ip> obj_host_<public cup2 IP>
service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_5269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup2 ip> obj_host_<public cup2 IP>
service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_5269

nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup3 ip> obj_host_<public cup3 IP>
service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_5269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_<private cup3 ip> obj_host_<public cup IP>
service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_5269

```

## Licensing for Cisco Unified Presence

The Cisco Unified Presence feature supported by the ASA require a Unified Communications Proxy license.

The following table shows the Unified Communications Proxy license details by platform:



### Note

This feature is not available on No Payload Encryption models.

| Model                               | License Requirement <sup>1</sup>                                                                                               |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASA 5505                            | Base License and Security Plus License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional license: 24 sessions.</i>                                   |
| ASA 5512-X                          | Base License or Security Plus License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, or 500 sessions.</i>             |
| ASA 5515-X                          | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, or 500 sessions.</i>                                      |
| ASA 5525-X                          | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, or 1000 sessions.</i>                           |
| ASA 5545-X                          | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, or 2000 sessions.</i>                     |
| ASA 5555-X                          | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, or 3000 sessions.</i>               |
| ASA 5585-X with SSP-10              | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, or 3000 sessions.</i>               |
| ASA 5585-X with SSP-20, -40, or -60 | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, 3000, 5000, or 10,000 sessions.</i> |
| ASASM                               | Base License: 2 sessions.<br><i>Optional licenses: 24, 50, 100, 250, 500, 750, 1000, 2000, 3000, 5000, or 10,000 sessions.</i> |

| Model                    | License Requirement <sup>1</sup>              |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| ASAv with 1 Virtual CPU  | Standard and Premium Licenses: 250 sessions.  |
| ASAv with 4 Virtual CPUs | Standard and Premium Licenses: 1000 sessions. |

- The following applications use TLS proxy sessions for their connections. Each TLS proxy session used by these applications (and only these applications) is counted against the UC license limit:
  - Phone Proxy
  - Presence Federation Proxy
  - Encrypted Voice Inspection

Other applications that use TLS proxy sessions do not count towards the UC limit, for example, Mobility Advantage Proxy (which does not require a license) and IME (which requires a separate IME license).

Some UC applications might use multiple sessions for a connection. For example, if you configure a phone with a primary and backup Cisco Unified Communications Manager, there are 2 TLS proxy connections, so 2 UC Proxy sessions are used.

You independently set the TLS proxy limit using the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions** command. To view the limits of your model, enter the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions ?** command. When you apply a UC license that is higher than the default TLS proxy limit, the ASA automatically sets the TLS proxy limit to match the UC limit. The TLS proxy limit takes precedence over the UC license limit; if you set the TLS proxy limit to be less than the UC license, then you cannot use all of the sessions in your UC license.

**Note:** For license part numbers ending in “K8” (for example, licenses under 250 users), TLS proxy sessions are limited to 1000. For license part numbers ending in “K9” (for example, licenses 250 users or larger), the TLS proxy limit depends on the configuration, up to the model limit. K8 and K9 refer to whether the license is restricted for export: K8 is unrestricted, and K9 is restricted.

**Note:** If you clear the configuration (using the **clear configure all** command, for example), then the TLS proxy limit is set to the default for your model; if this default is lower than the UC license limit, then you see an error message to use the **tls-proxy maximum-sessions** command to raise the limit again. If you use failover and enter the **write standby** command on the primary unit to force a configuration synchronization, the **clear configure all** command is generated on the secondary unit automatically, so you may see the warning message on the secondary unit. Because the configuration synchronization restores the TLS proxy limit set on the primary unit, you can ignore the warning.

You might also use SRTP encryption sessions for your connections:

- For K8 licenses, SRTP sessions are limited to 250.
- For K9 licenses, there is not limit.

**Note:** Only calls that require encryption/decryption for media are counted towards the SRTP limit; if passthrough is set for the call, even if both legs are SRTP, they do not count towards the limit.

## Configuring Cisco Unified Presence Proxy for SIP Federation

This section contains the following topics:

- [Task Flow for Configuring Cisco Unified Presence Federation Proxy for SIP Federation, page 16-8](#)
- [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 16-9](#)
- [Installing Certificates, page 16-10](#)
- [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance, page 16-12](#)
- [Enabling the TLS Proxy for SIP Inspection, page 16-13](#)

### Task Flow for Configuring Cisco Unified Presence Federation Proxy for SIP Federation

To configure a Cisco Unified Presence/LCS Federation scenario with the ASA as the TLS proxy where there is a single Cisco UP that is in the local domain and self-signed certificates are used between the Cisco UP and the ASA (like the scenario shown in [Figure 16-1](#)), perform the following tasks.

**Step 1** Create the following static NAT for the local domain containing the Cisco UP.

For the inbound connection to the local domain containing the Cisco UP, create static PAT by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config)# object network name
hostname(config-network-object)# host real_ip
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (real_ifc,mapped_ifc) static mapped_ip service {tcp |
udp} real_port mapped_port
```



**Note** For each Cisco UP that could initiate a connection (by sending SIP SUBSCRIBE) to the foreign server, you must also configure static PAT by using a different set of PAT ports.

For outbound connections or the TLS handshake, use dynamic NAT or PAT. The ASA SIP inspection engine takes care of the necessary translation (fixup).

```
hostname(config)# object network name
hostname(config-network-object)# subnet real_ip netmask
hostname(config-network-object)# nat (real_ifc,mapped_ifc) dynamic mapped_ip
```

For information about configuring NAT and PAT for the Cisco Presence Federation proxy, see [Chapter 5, “Network Object NAT”](#) and [Chapter 6, “Twice NAT”](#).

**Step 2** Create the necessary RSA keypairs and proxy certificate, which is a self-signed certificate, for the remote entity. See [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 16-9](#).

**Step 3** Install the certificates. See [Installing Certificates, page 16-10](#).

**Step 4** Create the TLS proxy instance for the Cisco UP clients connecting to the Cisco UP server. See [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance, page 16-12](#).

**Step 5** Enable the TLS proxy for SIP inspection. See [Enabling the TLS Proxy for SIP Inspection, page 16-13](#).

## Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates

You need to generate the keypair for the certificate (such as `cup_proxy_key`) used by the ASA, and configure a trustpoint to identify the self-signed certificate sent by the ASA to Cisco UP (such as `cup_proxy`) in the TLS handshake.

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto key generate rsa label</b> key-pair-label <b>modulus size</b> <b>Example:</b> crypto key generate rsa label ent_y_proxy_key modulus 1024 INFO: The name for the keys will be: ent_y_proxy_key Keypair generation process begin. Please wait... hostname(config)#</pre> | <p>Creates the RSA keypair that can be used for the trustpoints.</p> <p>The keypair is used by the self-signed certificate presented to the local domain containing the Cisco UP (proxy for the remote entity).</p>                                             |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b> trustpoint_name <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint ent_y_proxy</pre>                                                                                                                                                             | <p>Enters the trustpoint configuration mode for the specified trustpoint so that you can create the trustpoint for the remote entity.</p> <p>A trustpoint represents a CA identity and possibly a device identity, based on a certificate issued by the CA.</p> |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enrollment self</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Generates a self-signed certificate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>fqdn none</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Specifies not to include a fully qualified domain name (FQDN) in the Subject Alternative Name extension of the certificate during enrollment.                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>subject-name</b> X.500_name <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# subject-name cn=Ent-Y-Proxy</pre>                                                                                                                                                   | Includes the indicated subject DN in the certificate during enrollment                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Step 6</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>keypair</b> keyname <b>Example:</b> hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# keypair ent_y_proxy_key</pre>                                                                                                                                                               | Specifies the key pair whose public key is to be certified.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Step 7</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Exits from the CA Trustpoint configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca enroll</b> trustpoint <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca enroll ent_y_proxy</pre>                                                                                                                                                                          | Starts the enrollment process with the CA and specifies the name of the trustpoint to enroll with.                                                                                                                                                              |

### What to Do Next

Install the certificate on the local entity truststore. You could also enroll the certificate with a local CA trusted by the local entity. See [Installing Certificates, page 16-10](#).

## Installing Certificates

Export the self-signed certificate for the ASA created in the [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 16-9](#) and install it as a trusted certificate on the local entity. This task is necessary for local entity to authenticate the ASA.

### Prerequisites

To create a proxy certificate on the ASA that is trusted by the remote entity, obtain a certificate from a trusted CA. For information about obtaining a certificate from a trusted CA, see the general operations configuration guide.

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca export trustpoint identity-certificate</b> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca export ent_y_proxy identity-certificate</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Export the ASA self-signed (identity) certificate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint trustpoint_name</b> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint ent_x_cert ! for Entity X's self-signed certificate</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <p>Enters the trustpoint configuration mode for the specified trustpoint so that you can create the trustpoint for the local entity.</p> <p>A trustpoint represents a CA identity and possibly a device identity, based on a certificate issued by the CA.</p>                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enrollment terminal</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p>Specifies cut and paste enrollment with this trustpoint (also known as manual enrollment).</p> <p>If the local entity uses a self-signed certificate, the self-signed certificate must be installed; if the local entity uses a CA-issued certificate, the CA certificate needs to be installed. This configuration shows the commands for using a self-signed certificate.</p> |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Exits from the CA Trustpoint configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca authenticate trustpoint</b> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca authenticate ent_x_cert Enter the base 64 encoded CA certificate. End with a blank line or the word "quit" on a line by itself     [ certificate data omitted ] Certificate has the following attributes: Fingerprint: 21B598D5 4A81F3E5 0B24D12E 3F89C2E4 % Do you accept this certificate? [yes/no]: yes Trustpoint CA certificate accepted. % Certificate successfully imported</pre> | <p>Installs and authenticates the CA certificates associated with a trustpoint created for the local entity.</p> <p>Where <i>trustpoint</i> specifies the trustpoint from which to obtain the CA certificate. Maximum name length is 128 characters.</p> <p>The ASA prompts you to paste the base-64 formatted CA certificate onto the terminal.</p>                               |
| <b>Step 6</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint trustpoint_name</b> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint ent_y_ca ! for Entity Y's CA certificate</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Install the CA certificate that signs the remote entity certificate on the ASA by entering the following commands. This step is necessary for the ASA to authenticate the remote entity.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Step 7</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enrollment terminal</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Specifies cut and paste enrollment with this trustpoint (also known as manual enrollment).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Exits from the CA Trustpoint configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Step 9</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca authenticate trustpoint</b> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca authenticate ent_y_ca Enter the base 64 encoded CA certificate. End with a blank line or the word "quit" on a line by itself MIIDRTCCAu+gAwIBAgIQKVcqP/KW74VP0NZzL+JbRTANBgqhkiG 9w0BAQUFADCB     [ certificate data omitted ] /7QEM8izy0EOTSErKu7Nd76jwf5e4qttkQ==</pre>                                                                                                                | <p>Installs and authenticates the CA certificates associated with a trustpoint created for the local entity.</p> <p>The ASA prompts you to paste the base-64 formatted CA certificate onto the terminal.</p>                                                                                                                                                                       |

**What to Do Next**

Once you have created the trustpoints and installed the certificates for the local and remote entities on the ASA, create the TLS proxy instance. See [Creating the TLS Proxy Instance, page 16-12](#).

**Creating the TLS Proxy Instance**

Because either server can initiate the TLS handshake (unlike IP Telephony or Cisco Unified Mobility, where only the clients initiate the TLS handshake), you must configure by-directional TLS proxy rules. Each enterprise can have an ASA as the TLS proxy.

Create TLS proxy instances for the local and remote entity initiated connections respectively. The entity that initiates the TLS connection is in the role of “TLS client”. Because the TLS proxy has a strict definition of “client” and “server” proxy, two TLS proxy instances must be defined if either of the entities could initiate the connection.

|               | <b>Command</b>                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Purpose</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | ! Local entity to remote entity<br>hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy</b> proxy_name<br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# tls-proxy ent_x_to_y                               | Creates the TLS proxy instance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>server trust-point</b> proxy_name<br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# server trust-point ent_y_proxy                                     | Specifies the proxy trustpoint certificate presented during TLS handshake.<br><br>The certificate must be owned by the ASA (identity certificate).<br><br>Where the <i>proxy_name</i> for the <b>server trust-point</b> command is the remote entity proxy name.                                                                  |
| <b>Step 3</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client trust-point</b> proxy_trustpoint<br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client trust-point ent_x_cert                                | Specifies the trustpoint and associated certificate that the ASA uses in the TLS handshake when the ASA assumes the role of the TLS client.<br><br>The certificate must be owned by the ASA (identity certificate).<br><br>Where the <i>proxy_trustpoint</i> for the <b>client trust-point</b> command is the local entity proxy. |
| <b>Step 4</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client cipher-suite</b> cipher_suite<br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1 | Specifies cipher suite configuration.<br><br>For client proxy (the proxy acts as a TLS client to the server), the user-defined cipher suite replaces the default cipher suite.                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 5</b> | ! Remote entity to local entity<br>hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy</b> proxy_name<br><b>Example:</b><br>tls-proxy ent_y_to_x                                                 | Creates the TLS proxy instance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Step 6</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>server trust-point</b> proxy_name<br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# server trust-point ent_x_cert                                      | Specifies the proxy trustpoint certificate presented during TLS handshake.<br><br>Where the <i>proxy_name</i> for the <b>server trust-point</b> command is the local entity proxy name                                                                                                                                            |



|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                  | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 7</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client trust-point</b><br><i>proxy_trustpoint</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client trust-point<br>ent_y_proxy                               | Specifies the trustpoint and associated certificate that the ASA uses in the TLS handshake when the ASA assumes the role of the TLS client.<br><br>Where the <i>proxy_trustpoint</i> for the <b>client trust-point</b> command is the remote entity proxy. |
| <b>Step 8</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client cipher-suite</b><br><i>cipher_suite</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client cipher-suite<br>aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1 | Specifies cipher suite configuration.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

### What to Do Next

Once you have created the TLS proxy instance, enable it for SIP inspection. See [Enabling the TLS Proxy for SIP Inspection](#), page 16-13.

## Enabling the TLS Proxy for SIP Inspection

Enable the TLS proxy for SIP inspection and define policies for both entities that could initiate the connection.

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | hostname(config)# <b>access-list id extended permit tcp</b><br><b>host src_ip host dest_ip eq port</b><br><b>Examples:</b><br>access-list ent_x_to_y extended permit tcp host<br>10.0.0.2 host 192.0.2.254 eq 5061<br>access-list ent_y_to_x extended permit tcp host<br>192.0.2.254 host 192.0.2.1 eq 5061 | Adds an Access Control Entry. The ACL is used to specify the class of traffic to inspect.                                                                                                       |
| <b>Step 2</b> | hostname(config)# <b>class-map class_map_name</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map ent_x_to_y                                                                                                                                                                                              | Configures the secure SIP class of traffic to inspect.<br><br>Where <i>class_map_name</i> is the name of the SIP class map.                                                                     |
| <b>Step 3</b> | hostname(config-cmap)# <b>match access-list</b><br><i>access_list_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ent_x_to_y                                                                                                                                                        | Identifies the traffic to inspect.                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Step 4</b> | hostname(config-cmap)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Exits from Class Map configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Step 5</b> | hostname(config)# <b>policy-map type inspect sip</b><br><i>policy_map_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect sip<br>sip_inspect                                                                                                                                           | Defines special actions for SIP inspection application traffic.                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Step 6</b> | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>parameters</b><br>! SIP inspection parameters                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Specifies the parameters for SIP inspection. Parameters affect the behavior of the inspection engine.<br><br>The commands available in parameters configuration mode depend on the application. |
| <b>Step 7</b> | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Exits from Policy Map configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                       |

|                | Command                                                                                                                                                 | Purpose                                                                                                                                                            |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 8</b>  | hostname(config)# <b>policy-map</b> name<br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map global_policy                                               | Configure the policy map and attach the action to the class of traffic.                                                                                            |
| <b>Step 9</b>  | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>class</b> classmap_name<br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class ent_x_to_y                                         | Assigns a class map to the policy map so that you can assign actions to the class map traffic.<br><br>Where <i>classmap_name</i> is the name of the SIP class map. |
| <b>Step 10</b> | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>inspect sip</b> sip_map <b>tls-proxy</b> proxy_name<br>hostname(config-pmap)# inspect sip sip_inspect<br>tls-proxy ent_x_to_y | Enables TLS proxy for the specified SIP inspection session.                                                                                                        |
| <b>Step 11</b> | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                      | Exits from Policy Map configuration mode.                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Step 12</b> | hostname(config)# <b>service-policy</b> policy_map_name <b>global</b><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# service-policy global_policy<br>global    | Enables the service policy for SIP inspection for all interfaces.<br><br>Where name for the policy-map command is the name of the global policy map.               |

## Monitoring Cisco Unified Presence

Debugging is similar to debugging TLS proxy for IP Telephony. You can enable TLS proxy debug flags along with SSL syslogs to debug TLS proxy connection problems.

For example, use the following commands to enable TLS proxy-related debug and syslog output only:

```
hostname(config)# debug inspect tls-proxy events
hostname(config)# debug inspect tls-proxy errors
hostname(config)# logging enable
hostname(config)# logging timestamp
hostname(config)# logging list loglist message 711001
hostname(config)# logging list loglist message 725001-725014
hostname(config)# logging list loglist message 717001-717038
hostname(config)# logging buffer-size 1000000
hostname(config)# logging buffered loglist
hostname(config)# logging debug-trace
```

For information about TLS proxy debugging techniques and sample output, see [Monitoring the TLS Proxy, page 14-14](#).

Enable the **debug sip** command for SIP inspection engine debugging. See the command reference.

Additionally, you can capture the raw and decrypted data by the TLS proxy by entering the following commands:

```
hostname# capture mycap interface outside (capturing raw packets)
hostname# capture mycap-dec type tls-proxy interface outside (capturing decrypted data)
hostname# show capture capture_name
hostname# copy /pcap capture:capture_name tftp://tftp_location
```

## Configuration Example for Cisco Unified Presence

This section contains the following topics:

- [Example Configuration for SIP Federation Deployments, page 16-15](#)

- [Example ACL Configuration for XMPP Federation, page 16-17](#)
- [Example NAT Configuration for XMPP Federation, page 16-18](#)

## Example Configuration for SIP Federation Deployments

The following sample illustrates the necessary configuration for the ASA to perform TLS proxy for Cisco Unified Presence as shown in [Figure 16-5](#). It is assumed that a single Cisco UP (Entity X) is in the local domain and self-signed certificates are used between Entity X and the ASA.

For each Cisco UP that could initiate a connection (by sending SIP SUBSCRIBE) to the foreign server, you must also configure static PAT and if you have another Cisco UP with the address (10.0.0.3 in this sample), it must use a different set of PAT ports (such as 45062 or 45070). Dynamic NAT or PAT can be used for outbound connections or TLS handshake. The ASA SIP inspection engine takes care of the necessary translation (fixup).

When you create the necessary RSA key pairs, a key pair is used by the self-signed certificate presented to Entity X (proxy for Entity Y). When you create a proxy certificate for Entity Y, the certificate is installed on the Entity X truststore. It could also be enrolled with a local CA trusted by Entity X.

Exporting the ASA self-signed certificate (ent\_y\_proxy) and installing it as a trusted certificate on Entity X is necessary for Entity X to authenticate the ASA. Exporting the Entity X certificate and installing it on the ASA is needed for the ASA to authenticate Entity X during handshake with X. If Entity X uses a self-signed certificate, the self-signed certificate must be installed; if Entity X uses a CA issued the certificate, the CA's certificated needs to be installed.

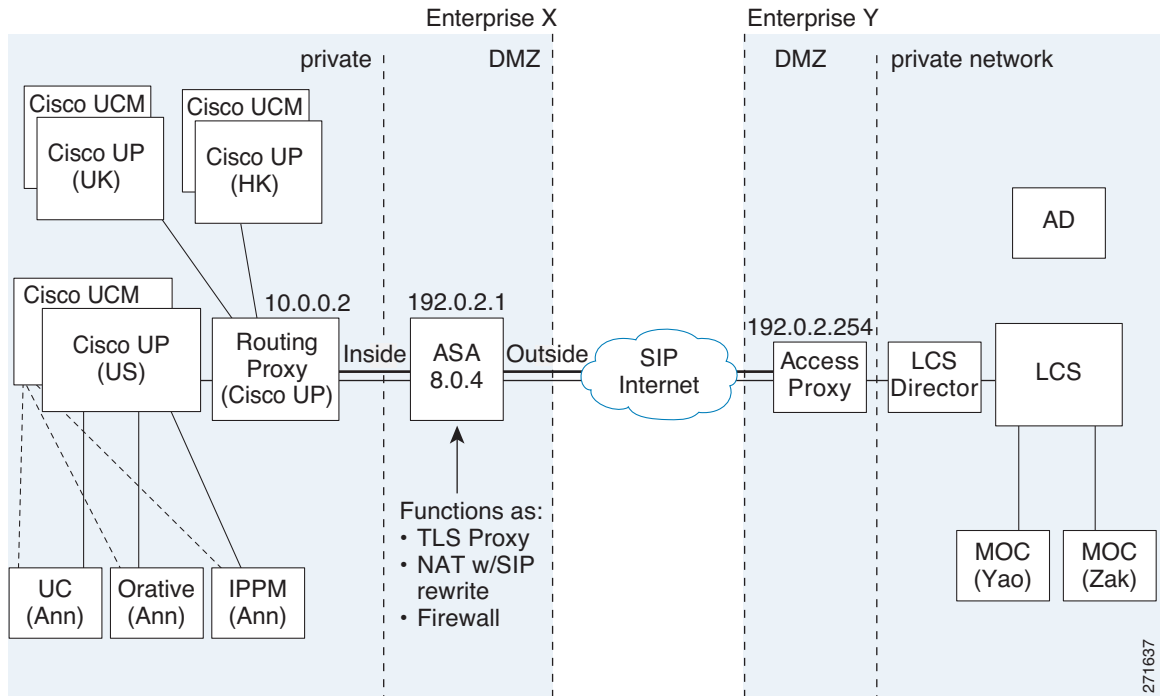
For about obtaining a certificate from a trusted CA, see the general operations configuration guide.

Installing the CA certificate that signs the Entity Y certificate on the ASA is necessary for the ASA to authenticate Entity Y.

When creating TLS proxy instances for Entity X and Entity Y, the entity that initiates the TLS connection is in the role of "TLS client". Because the TLS proxy has strict definition of "client" and "server" proxy, two TLS proxy instances must be defined if either of the entities could initiate the connection.

When enabling the TLS proxy for SIP inspection, policies must be defined for both entities that could initiate the connection.

Figure 16-5 Typical Cisco Unified Presence/LCS Federation Scenario



```

object network obj-10.0.0.2-01
  host 10.0.0.2
  nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5061 5061
object network obj-10.0.0.2-02
  host 10.0.0.2
  nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5062 5062
object network obj-10.0.0.2-03
  host 10.0.0.2
  nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service udp 5070 5070
object network obj-10.0.0.3-01
  host 10.0.0.3
  nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service tcp 5062 45062
object network obj-10.0.0.3-02
  host 10.0.0.3
  nat (inside,outside) static 192.0.2.1 service udp 5070 45070
object network obj-0.0.0.0-01
  subnet 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0
  nat (inside,outside) dynamic 192.0.2.1
crypto key generate rsa label ent_y_proxy_key modulus 1024
! for self-signed Entity Y proxy certificate
crypto ca trustpoint ent_y_proxy
  enrollment self
  fqdn none
  subject-name cn=Ent-Y-Proxy
  keypair ent_y_proxy_key
crypto ca enroll ent_y_proxy
crypto ca export ent_y_proxy identity-certificate
! for Entity X's self-signed certificate
crypto ca trustpoint ent_x_cert
  enrollment terminal
crypto ca authenticate ent_x_cert
Enter the base 64 encoded CA certificate.
End with a blank line or the word "quit" on a line by itself
[ certificate data omitted ]

```

```

quit
! for Entity Y's CA certificate
crypto ca trustpoint ent_y_ca
  enrollment terminal
crypto ca authenticate ent_y_ca
Enter the base 64 encoded CA certificate.
End with a blank line or the word "quit" on a line by itself
MIIDRTCCAu+gAwIBAgIQKVCqP/KW74VP0NZzL+JbRTANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQUFADCB
  [ certificate data omitted ]
/7QEM8izy0EOTSErKu7Nd76jwf5e4qttkQ==
quit
! Entity X to Entity Y
tls-proxy ent_x_to_y
  server trust-point ent_y_proxy
  client trust-point ent_x_cert
  client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1
! Entity Y to Entity X
tls-proxy ent_y_to_x
  server trust-point ent_x_cert
  client trust-point ent_y_proxy
  client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1
access-list ent_x_to_y extended permit tcp host 10.0.0.2 host 192.0.2.254 eq 5061
access-list ent_y_to_x extended permit tcp host 192.0.2.254 host 192.0.2.1 eq 5061
class-map ent_x_to_y
  match access-list ent_x_to_y
class-map ent_y_to_x
  match access-list ent_y_to_x
policy-map type inspect sip sip_inspect
  parameters
    ! SIP inspection parameters
policy-map global_policy
  class ent_x_to_y
    inspect sip sip_inspect tls-proxy ent_x_to_y
  class ent_y_to_x
    inspect sip sip_inspect tls-proxy ent_y_to_x
service-policy global_policy global

```

## Example ACL Configuration for XMPP Federation

**Example 1:** This example ACL configuration allows from any address to any address on port 5269:

```
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp any any eq 5269
```

**Example 2:** This example ACL configuration allows from any address to any single XMPP federation node on port 5269. The following values are used in this example:

- Private XMPP federation Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 1.1.1.1
- XMPP federation listening port = 5269

```
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp any host 1.1.1.1 eq 5269
```

**Example 3:** This example ACL configuration allows from any address to specific XMPP federation nodes published in DNS.



### Note

The public addresses are published in DNS, but the private addresses are configured in the access-list command.

The following values are used in this sample configuration:

- Private XMPP federation Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 1.1.1.1
- Private second Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 2.2.2.2
- Private third Cisco Unified Presence Release 7.x IP address = 3.3.3.3
- XMPP federation listening port = 5269

```
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp any host 1.1.1.1 eq 5269
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp any host 2.2.2.2 eq 5269
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp any host 3.3.3.3 eq 5269
```

**Example 4:** This example ACL configuration allows only from a specific federated domain interface to specific XMPP federation nodes published in DNS.



**Note**

The public addresses are published in DNS, but the private addresses are configured in the access-list command.

The following values are used in this sample configuration:

- Private XMPP federation Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 1.1.1.1
- Private second Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 2.2.2.2
- Private third Cisco Unified Presence Release 7.x IP address = 3.3.3.3
- XMPP federation listening port = 5269
- External interface of the foreign XMPP enterprise = 100.100.100.100

```
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp host 100.100.100.100 host 1.1.1.1 eq 5269
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp host 100.100.100.100 host 2.2.2.2 eq 5269
access-list ALLOW-ALL extended permit tcp host 100.100.100.100 host 3.3.3.3 eq 5269
```

## Example NAT Configuration for XMPP Federation

**Example 1:** Single node with XMPP federation enabled

The following values are used in this sample configuration:

- Public Cisco Unified Presence IP address = 10.10.10.10
- Private XMPP federation Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 1.1.1.1
- XMPP federation listening port = 5269

```
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_1.1.1.1 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_5269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_1.1.1.1 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_5269
```

**Example 2:** Multiple nodes with XMPP federation, each with a public IP address in DNS

The following values are used in this sample configuration:

- Public Cisco Unified Presence IP addresses = 10.10.10.10, 20.20.20.20, 30.30.30.30
- Private XMPP federation Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 1.1.1.1
- Private second Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 2.2.2.2

- Private third Cisco Unified Presence Release 7.x IP address = 3.3.3.3
- XMPP federation listening port = 5269

```

nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_1.1.1.1 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_5269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_1.1.1.1 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_5269

nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_2.2.2.2 obj_host_20.20.20.20 service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_5269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_2.2.2.2 obj_host_20.20.20.20 service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_5269

nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_3.3.3.3 obj_host_30.30.30.30 service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_5269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_3.3.3.3 obj_host_30.30.30.30 service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_5269

```

**Example 3:** Multiple nodes with XMPP federation, but a single public IP address in DNS with arbitrary ports published in DNS (PAT).

The following values are used in this sample configuration:

- Public Cisco Unified Presence IP Address = 10.10.10.10
- Private XMPP federation Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 1.1.1.1, port 5269
- Private second Cisco Unified Presence Release 8.0 IP address = 2.2.2.2, arbitrary port 25269
- Private third Cisco Unified Presence Release 7.x IP address = 3.3.3.3, arbitrary port 35269

```

nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_1.1.1.1 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_5269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_1.1.1.1 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_5269

nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_2.2.2.2 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_25269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_2.2.2.2 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_25269

nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_3.3.3.3 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_udp_source_eq_5269 obj_udp_source_eq_35269
nat (inside,outside) source static obj_host_3.3.3.3 obj_host_10.10.10.10 service
obj_tcp_source_eq_5269 obj_tcp_source_eq_35269

```

# Feature History for Cisco Unified Presence

Table 16-1 lists the release history for this feature.

**Table 16-1** Feature History for Cisco Unified Presence

| Feature Name                    | Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cisco Presence Federation Proxy | 8.0(4)   | The Cisco Unified Presence proxy feature was introduced.                                                                                                                        |
| Cisco Presence Federation Proxy | 8.3(1)   | The Unified Communications Wizard was added to ASDM. By using the wizard, you can configure the Cisco Presence Federation Proxy.<br>Support for XMPP Federation was introduced. |





# ASA and Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy

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This chapter describes how to configure the ASA for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.

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- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 17-8](#)
- [Configuring Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, page 17-10](#)
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- [How the UC-IME Works with the PSTN and the Internet, page 17-2](#)
- [Tickets and Passwords, page 17-3](#)
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## Features of Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy

Cisco Intercompany Media Engine enables companies to interconnect on-demand, over the Internet with advanced features made available by VoIP technologies. Cisco Intercompany Media Engine allows for business-to-business federation between Cisco Unified Communications Manager clusters in different enterprises by utilizing peer-to-peer, security, and SIP protocols to create dynamic SIP trunks between businesses. A collection of enterprises work together to end up looking like one large business with inter-cluster trunks between them.

The adaptive security appliance applies its existing TLS proxy, SIP Application Layer Gateway (ALG), and SIP verification features to the functioning of Cisco Intercompany Media Engine.

Cisco Intercompany Media Engine has the following key features:

- Works with existing phone numbers: Cisco Intercompany Media Engine works with the phone numbers an enterprise currently has and does not require an enterprise to learn new numbers or change providers to use Cisco Intercompany Media Engine.
- Works with existing IP phones: Cisco Intercompany Media Engine works with the existing IP phones within an enterprise. However, the feature set in business-to-business calls is limited to the capabilities of the IP phones.
- Does not require purchasing new services: Cisco Intercompany Media Engine does not require any new services from any service providers. Customers continue to use the PSTN connectivity they have and the Internet connectivity they have today. Cisco Intercompany Media Engine gradually moves calls off the PSTN and onto the Internet.
- Provides a full Cisco Unified Communications experience: Because Cisco Intercompany Media Engine creates inter-cluster SIP trunks between enterprises, any Unified Communication features that work over the SIP trunk and only require a SIP trunk work with the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine, thus providing a Unified Communication experience across enterprises.
- Works on the Internet: Cisco Intercompany Media Engine was designed to work on the Internet. It can also work on managed extranets.
- Provides worldwide reach: Cisco Intercompany Media Engine can connect to any enterprise anywhere in the world, as long as the enterprise is running Cisco Intercompany Media Engine technology. There are no regional limitations. This is because Cisco Intercompany Media Engine utilizes two networks that both have worldwide reach—the Internet and the PSTN.
- Allows for unlimited scale: Cisco Intercompany Media Engine can work with any number of enterprises.
- Is self-learning: The system is primarily self-learning. Customers do not have to enter information about other businesses: no phone prefixes, no IP address, no ports, no domain names, nor certificates. Customers need to configure information about their own networks, and provide policy information if they want to limit the scope of Cisco Intercompany Media Engine.
- Is secure: Cisco Intercompany Media Engine is secure, utilizing a large number of different technologies to accomplish this security.
- Includes anti-spam: Cisco Intercompany Media Engine prevents people from setting up software on the Internet that spams enterprises with phone calls. It provides an extremely high barrier to entry.
- Provides for QoS management: Cisco Intercompany Media Engine provides features that help customers manage the QoS on the Internet, such as the ability to monitor QoS of the RTP traffic in real-time and fallback to PSTN automatically if problems arise.

## How the UC-IME Works with the PSTN and the Internet

The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine utilizes two networks that both have worldwide reach—the Internet and the PSTN. Customers continue to use the PSTN connectivity they have. The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine gradually moves calls off the PSTN and onto the Internet. However, if QoS problems arise, the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy monitors QoS of the RTP traffic in real-time and fallbacks to PSTN automatically.

The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine uses information from PSTN calls to validate that the terminating side owns the number that the originated side had called. After the PSTN call terminates, the enterprises involved in the call send information about the call to their Cisco IME server. The Cisco IME server on the originating side validates the call.

On successful verification, the terminating side creates a ticket that grants permission to the call originator to make a Cisco IME call to a specific number. See [Tickets and Passwords, page 17-3](#) for information.

## Tickets and Passwords

Cisco Intercompany Media Engine utilizes tickets and passwords to provide enterprise verification. Verification through the creation of tickets ensures an enterprise is not subject to denial-of-service (DOS) attacks from the Internet or endless VoIP spam calls. Ticket verification prevents spam and DOS attacks because it introduces a cost to the VoIP caller; namely, the cost of a PSTN call. A malicious user cannot set up just an open source asterisk PBX on the Internet and begin launching SIP calls into an enterprise running Cisco Intercompany Media Engine. Having the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy verify tickets allows incoming calls from a particular enterprise to a particular number only when that particular enterprise has previously called that phone number on the PSTN.

To send a spam VoIP call to every phone within an enterprise, an organization would have to purchase the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine and Cisco Unified Communications Manager and have called each phone number within the enterprise over the PSTN and completed each call successfully. Only then can it launch a VoIP call to each number.

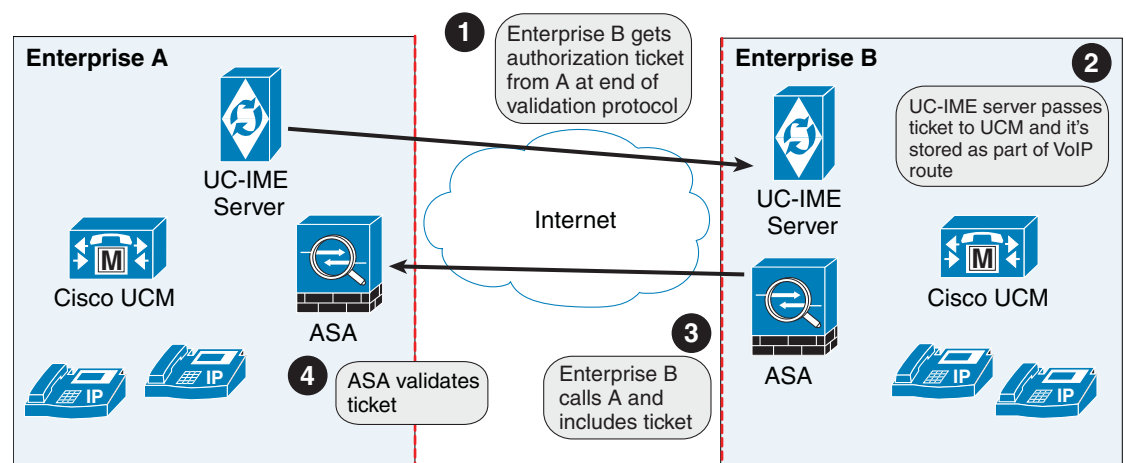
The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server creates tickets and the ASA validates them. The ASA and Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server share a password that is configured so that the ASA detects the ticket was created by a trusted Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server. The ticket contains information that indicates that the enterprise is authorized to call specific phone numbers at the target enterprise. See [Figure 17-1](#) for the ticket verification process and how it operates between the originating and terminating-call enterprises.



### Note

Because the initial calls are over the PSTN, they are subject to any national regulations regarding telemarketing calling. For example, within the United States, they would be subject to the national do-not-call registry.

**Figure 17-1** Ticket Verification Process with Cisco Intercompany Media Engine



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As illustrated in [Figure 17-1](#), Enterprise B makes a PSTN call to enterprise A. That call completes successfully. Later, Enterprise B Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server initiates validation procedures with Enterprise A. These validation procedures succeed. During the validation handshake, Enterprise B sends Enterprise A its domain name. Enterprise A verifies that this domain name is not on the blacklisted set of domains. Assuming it is not, Enterprise A creates a ticket.

Subsequently, someone in Enterprise B calls that number again. That call setup message from Enterprise B to Enterprise A includes the ticket in the X-Cisco-UC-IME-Ticket header field in the SIP INVITE message. This message arrives at the Enterprise A ASA. The ASA verifies the signature and computes several checks on the ticket to make sure it is valid. If the ticket is valid, the ASA forwards the request to Cisco UCM (including the ticket). Because the ASA drops requests that lack a valid ticket, unauthorized calls are never received by Cisco UCM.

The ticket password is a 128 bit random key, which can be thought of as a shared password between the adaptive security appliance and the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server. This password is generated by the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server and is used by a Cisco Intercompany Media Engine SIP trunk to generate a ticket to allow a call to be made between Cisco Intercompany Media Engine SIP trunks. A ticket is a signed object that contains a number of fields that grant permission to the calling domain to make a Cisco Intercompany Media Engine call to a specific number. The ticket is signed by the ticket password.

The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine also required that you configure an epoch for the password. The epoch contains an integer that updates each time that the password is changed. When the proxy is configured the first time and a password entered for the first time, enter 1 for the epoch integer. Each time you change the password, increment the epoch to indicate the new password. You must increment the epoch value each time your change the password.

Typically, you increment the epoch sequentially; however, the ASA allows you to choose any value when you update the epoch. If you change the epoch value, the tickets in use at remote enterprises become invalid. The incoming calls from the remote enterprises fallback to the PSTN until the terminating enterprise reissues tickets with the new epoch value and password.

The epoch and password that you configure on the ASA must match the epoch and password configured on the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server. If you change the password or epoch on the ASA, you must update them on the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server. See the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server documentation for information.

## Call Fallback to the PSTN

Cisco Intercompany Media Engine provides features that manage the QoS on the Internet, such as the ability to monitor QoS of the RTP traffic in real-time and fallback to PSTN automatically if problems arise. Call fallback from Internet VoIP calls to the public switched telephone network (PSTN) can occur for two reasons changes in connection quality and signal failure for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine.

Internet connections can vary wildly in their quality and vary over time. Therefore, even if a call is sent over VoIP because the quality of the connection was good, the connection quality might worsen mid-call. To ensure an overall good experience for the end user, Cisco Intercompany Media Engine attempts to perform a mid-call fallback.

Performing a mid-call fallback requires the adaptive security appliance to monitor the RTP packets coming from the Internet and send information into an RTP Monitoring Algorithm (RMA) API, which will indicate to the adaptive security appliance whether fallback is required. If fallback is required, the adaptive security appliance sends a REFER message to Cisco UCM to tell it that it needs to fallback the call to PSTN.

The TLS signaling connections from the Cisco UCM are terminated on the adaptive security appliance and a TCP or TLS connection is initiated to the Cisco UCM. SRTP (media) sent from external IP phones to the internal network IP phone via the adaptive security appliance is converted to RTP. The adaptive security appliance inserts itself into the media path by modifying the SIP signaling messages that are sent over the SIP trunk between Cisco UCMs. TLS (signaling) and SRTP are always terminated on the adaptive security appliance.

If signaling problems occur, the call falls back to the PSTN; however, the Cisco UCM initiates the PSTN fall back and the adaptive security appliance does not send REFER message.

## Architecture and Deployment Scenarios for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine

This section includes the following topics:

- [Architecture, page 17-5](#)
- [Basic Deployment, page 17-6](#)
- [Off Path Deployment, page 17-7](#)

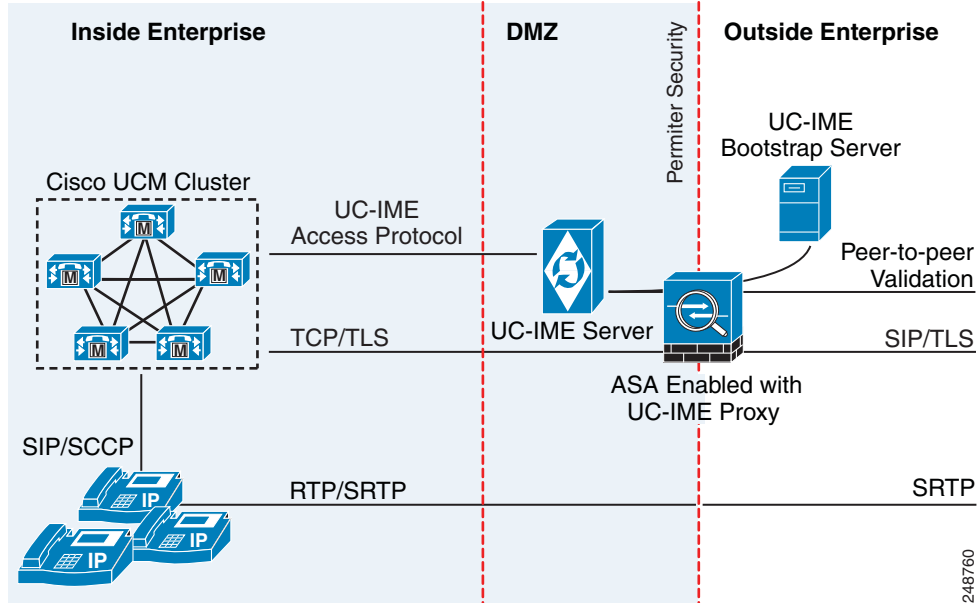
### Architecture

Within the enterprise, Cisco Intercompany Media Engine is deployed with the following components for the following purposes:

- The adaptive security appliance—Enabled with the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, provides perimeter security functions and inspects SIP signaling between SIP trunks.
- Cisco Intercompany Media Engine (UC-IME) server— Located in the DMZ, provides an automated provisioning service by learning new VoIP routes to particular phone numbers, and recording those routes in Cisco UCM. The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server does not perform call control.
- Cisco Unified Communications Manager (Cisco UCM)—Responsible for call control and processing. Cisco UCM connects to the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server by using the Access Protocol to publish and exchange updates. The architecture can consist of a single Cisco UCM or a Cisco UCM cluster within the enterprise.
- Cisco Intercompany Media Engine (UC-IME) Bootstrap server—Provides a certificate required admission onto the public peer-to-peer network for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine.

[Figure 17-2](#) illustrates the components of the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine in a basic deployment.

Figure 17-2 Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Architecture in a Basic Deployment

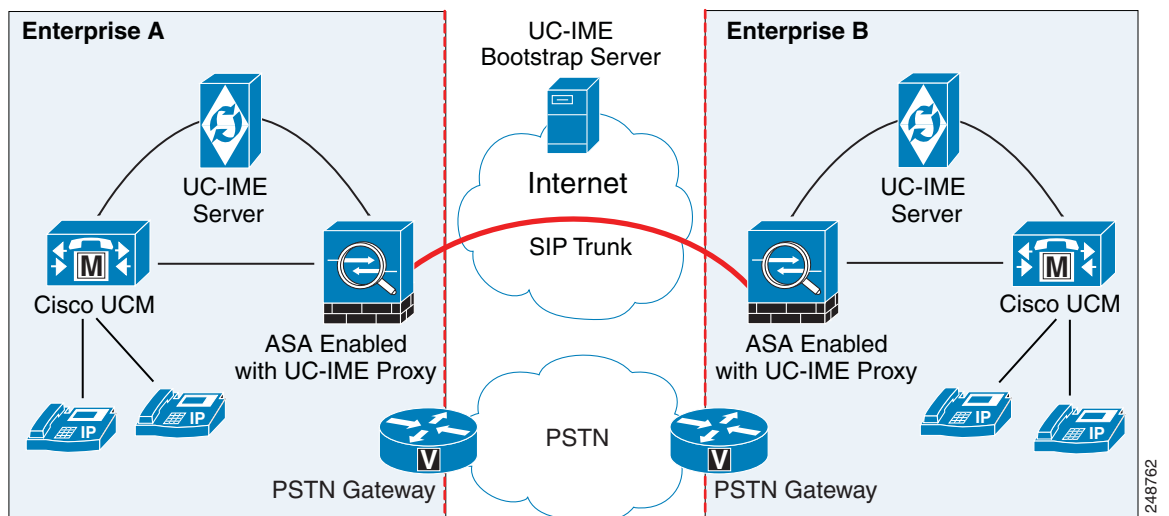


## Basic Deployment

In a basic deployment, the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy sits in-line with the Internet firewall such that all Internet traffic traverses the adaptive security appliance. In this deployment, a single Cisco UCM or a Cisco UCM cluster is centrally deployed within the enterprise, along with a Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server (and perhaps a backup).

As shown in Figure 17-3, the adaptive security appliance sits on the edge of the enterprise and inspects SIP signaling by creating dynamic SIP trunks between enterprises.

Figure 17-3 Basic Deployment Scenario



## Off Path Deployment

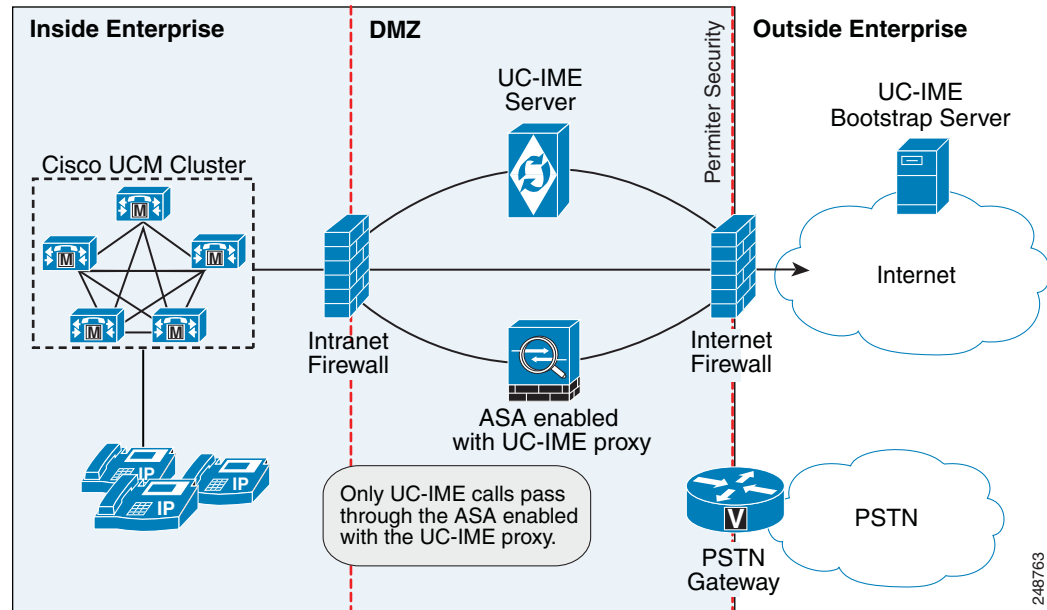
In an off path deployment, inbound and outbound Cisco Intercompany Media Engine calls pass through an adaptive security appliance enabled with the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. The adaptive security appliance is located in the DMZ and is configured to support only the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine traffic (SIP signaling and RTP traffic). Normal Internet facing traffic does not flow through this adaptive security appliance.

For all inbound calls, the signaling is directed to the adaptive security appliance because destined Cisco UCMs are configured with the global IP address on the adaptive security appliance. For outbound calls, the called party could be any IP address on the Internet; therefore, the adaptive security appliance is configured with a mapping service that dynamically provides an internal IP address on the adaptive security appliance for each global IP address of the called party on the Internet.

Cisco UCM sends all outbound calls directly to the mapped internal IP address on the adaptive security appliance instead of the global IP address of the called party on the Internet. The adaptive security appliance then forwards the calls to the global IP address of the called party.

Figure 17-4 illustrates the architecture of the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine in an off path deployment.

**Figure 17-4 Off Path Deployment of the Adaptive Security Appliance**



## Licensing for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine

The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine feature supported by the ASA require a Unified Communications Proxy license.

The following table shows the details of the Unified Communications Proxy license:



**Note**

This feature is not available on No Payload Encryption models.

| Model      | License Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| All models | <p>Intercompany Media Engine license.</p> <p>When you enable the Intercompany Media Engine (IME) license, you can use TLS proxy sessions up to the configured TLS proxy limit. If you also have a Unified Communications (UC) license installed that is higher than the default TLS proxy limit, then the ASA sets the limit to be the UC license limit plus an additional number of sessions depending on your model. You can manually configure the TLS proxy limit using the <b>tls-proxy maximum-sessions</b> command. To view the limits of your model, enter the <b>tls-proxy maximum-sessions ?</b> command. If you also install the UC license, then the TLS proxy sessions available for UC are also available for IME sessions. For example, if the configured limit is 1000 TLS proxy sessions, and you purchase a 750-session UC license, then the first 250 IME sessions do not affect the sessions available for UC. If you need more than 250 sessions for IME, then the remaining 750 sessions of the platform limit are used on a first-come, first-served basis by UC and IME.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For a license part number ending in “K8”, TLS proxy sessions are limited to 1000.</li> <li>• For a license part number ending in “K9”, the TLS proxy limit depends on your configuration and the platform model.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> K8 and K9 refer to whether the license is restricted for export: K8 is unrestricted, and K9 is restricted.</p> <p>You might also use SRTP encryption sessions for your connections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For a K8 license, SRTP sessions are limited to 250.</li> <li>• For a K9 license, there is no limit.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> Only calls that require encryption/decryption for media are counted toward the SRTP limit; if passthrough is set for the call, even if both legs are SRTP, they do not count toward the limit.</p> |

## Guidelines and Limitations

### Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single context mode only.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed firewall mode only.

### IPv6 Guidelines

Does not support IPv6 addresses.

### Additional Guidelines and Limitations

Cisco Intercompany Media Engine has the following limitations:

- Fax is not supported. Fax capability needs to be disabled on the SIP trunk.
- Stateful failover of Cisco Unified Intercompany Media Engine is not supported. During failover, existing calls traversing the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy disconnect; however, new calls successfully traverse the proxy after the failover completes.



- Having Cisco UCMs on more than one of the ASA interfaces is not supported with the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. Having the Cisco UCMs on one trusted interface is especially necessary in an off path deployment because the ASA requires that you specify the listening interface for the mapping service and the Cisco UCMs must be connected on one trusted interface.
- Multipart MIME is not supported.
- Only existing SIP features and messages are supported.
- H.264 is not supported.
- RTCP is not supported. The ASA drops any RTCP traffic sent from the inside interface to the outside interface. The ASA does not convert RTCP traffic from the inside interface into SRTP traffic.
- The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy configured on the ASA creates a dynamic SIP trunk for each connection to a remote enterprise. However, you cannot configure a unique subject name for each SIP trunk. The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy can have only one subject name configured for the proxy.

Additionally, the subject DN you configure for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy match the domain name that has been set for the local Cisco UCM.

- If a service policy rule for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy is removed (by using the no service policy command) and reconfigured, the first call traversing the ASA will fail. The call fails over to the PSTN because the Cisco UCM does not know the connections are cleared and tries to use the recently cleared IME SIP trunk for the signaling.

To resolve this issue, you must additionally enter the **clear connection all** command and restart the ASA. If the failure is due to failover, the connections from the primary ASA are not synchronized to the standby ASA.

- After the **clear connection all** command is issued on an ASA enabled with a UC-IME Proxy and the IME call fails over to the PSTN, the next IME call between an originating and terminating SCCP IP phone completes but does not have audio and is dropped after the signaling session is established.

An IME call between SCCP IP phones use the IME SIP trunk in both directions. Namely, the signaling from the calling to called party uses the IME SIP trunk. Then, the called party uses the reverse IME SIP trunk for the return signaling and media exchange. However, this connection is already cleared on the ASA, which causes the IME call to fail.

The next IME call (the third call after the **clear connection all** command is issued), will be completely successful.




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**Note** This limitation does not apply when the originating and terminating IP phones are configured with SIP.

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- The ASA must be licensed and configured with enough TLS proxy sessions to handle the IME call volume. See [Licensing for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine, page 17-7](#) for information about the licensing requirements for TLS proxy sessions.

This limitation occurs because an IME call cannot fall back to the PSTN when there are not enough TLS proxy sessions left to complete the IME call. An IME call between two SCCP IP phones requires the ASA to use two TLS proxy sessions to successfully complete the TLS handshake.

Assume for example, the ASA is configured to have a maximum of 100 TLS proxy sessions and IME calls between SCCP IP phones establish 101 TLS proxy sessions. In this example, the next IME call is initiated successfully by the originating SCCP IP phone but fails after the call is accepted by the terminating SCCP IP phone. The terminating IP phone rings and on answering the call, the call hangs due to an incomplete TLS handshake. The call does not fall back to the PSTN.

# Configuring Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy

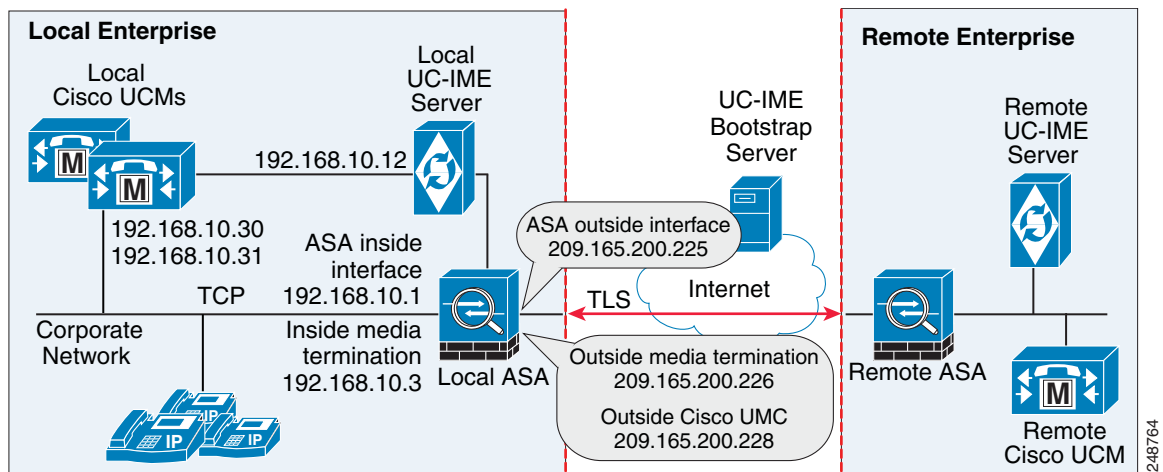
This section contains the following topics:

- [Task Flow for Configuring Cisco Intercompany Media Engine](#), page 17-10
- [Configuring NAT for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy](#), page 17-11
- [Configuring PAT for the Cisco UCM Server](#), page 17-13
- [Creating ACLs for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy](#), page 17-15
- [Creating the Media Termination Instance](#), page 17-16
- [Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy](#), page 17-18
- [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates](#), page 17-21
- [Creating the TLS Proxy](#), page 17-24
- [Enabling SIP Inspection for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy](#), page 17-25
- [\(Optional\) Configuring TLS within the Local Enterprise](#), page 17-27
- [\(Optional\) Configuring Off Path Signaling](#), page 17-30

## Task Flow for Configuring Cisco Intercompany Media Engine

Figure 17-5 provides an example for a basic deployment of the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine. The following tasks include command line examples based on Figure 17-5.

**Figure 17-5 Example for Basic (in-line) Deployment Tasks**



### Note

Step 1 through Step 8 apply to both basic (in-line) and off path deployments and Step 9 applies only to off path deployment.

To configure a Cisco Intercompany Media Engine for a basic deployment, perform the following tasks.

- Step 1** Configure static NAT for Cisco UCM. See [Configuring NAT for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy](#), page 17-11.

Or

Configure PAT for the UCM server. See [Configuring PAT for the Cisco UCM Server, page 17-13](#).

- Step 2** Create ACLs for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See [Creating ACLs for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, page 17-15](#).
- Step 3** Create the media termination address instance for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See [Creating the Media Termination Instance, page 17-16](#).
- Step 4** Create the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See [Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, page 17-18](#).
- Step 5** Create trustpoints and generate certificates for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See [Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 17-21](#).
- Step 6** Create the TLS proxy. See [Creating the TLS Proxy, page 17-24](#).
- Step 7** Configure SIP inspection for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See [Enabling SIP Inspection for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, page 17-25](#).
- Step 8** (Optional) Configure TLS within the enterprise. See [\(Optional\) Configuring TLS within the Local Enterprise, page 17-27](#).
- Step 9** (Optional) Configure off path signaling. See [\(Optional\) Configuring Off Path Signaling, page 17-30](#).



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**Note** You only perform [Step 9](#) when you are configuring the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy in an off path deployment.

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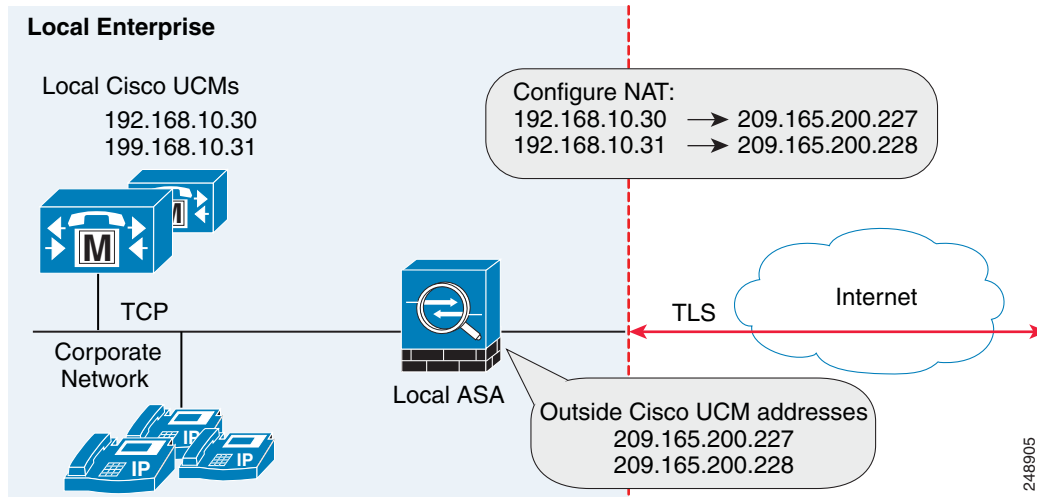
## Configuring NAT for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy

To configure auto NAT, you first configure an object; then use the **nat** command in the object configuration mode.

The example command lines in this task are based on a basic (in-line) deployment. See [Figure 17-5 on page 17-10](#) for an illustration explaining the example command lines in this task.

Alternatively, you can configure PAT for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See [Configuring PAT for the Cisco UCM Server, page 17-13](#).

Figure 17-6 Example for Configuring NAT for a Deployment



To configure auto NAT rules for the Cisco UCM server, perform the following steps:

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                               | Purpose                                                                                   |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# object network name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network ucm_real_192.168.10.30 hostname(config)# object network ucm_real_192.168.10.31</pre>    | Configures a network object for the real address of Cisco UCM that you want to translate. |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# host ip_address</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# host 192.168.10.30 hostname(config-network-object)# host 192.168.10.31</pre> | Specifies the real IP address of the Cisco UCM host for the network object.               |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <p>(Optional)</p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# description string</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# description "Cisco UCM Real Address"</pre>              | Provides a description of the network object.                                             |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# exit</pre>                                                                                                                                                      | Exits from the objects configuration mode.                                                |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# object network name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network ucm_map_209.165.200.228</pre>                                                           | Configures a network object for the mapped address of the Cisco UCM.                      |

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 6</b> | <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# host ip_address</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# host 209.165.200.228</pre>                                                                                                                                                                   | Specifies the mapped IP address of the Cisco UCM host for the network object.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 7</b> | <p>(Optional)</p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# description string</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# description "Cisco UCM Mapped Address"</pre>                                                                                                                            | Provides a description of the network object.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# exit</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Exits from the objects configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Step 9</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source static real_obj mapped_obj</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source static ucm_real_192.168.10.30 ucm_209.165.200.228 hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source static ucm_real_192.168.10.31 ucm_209.165.200.228</pre> | <p>Specifies the address translation on the network objects created in this procedure.</p> <p>Where <i>real_obj</i> is the name that you created in <a href="#">Step 1</a> in this task.</p> <p>Where <i>mapped_obj</i> is the name that you created in <a href="#">Step 5</a> in this task.</p> |

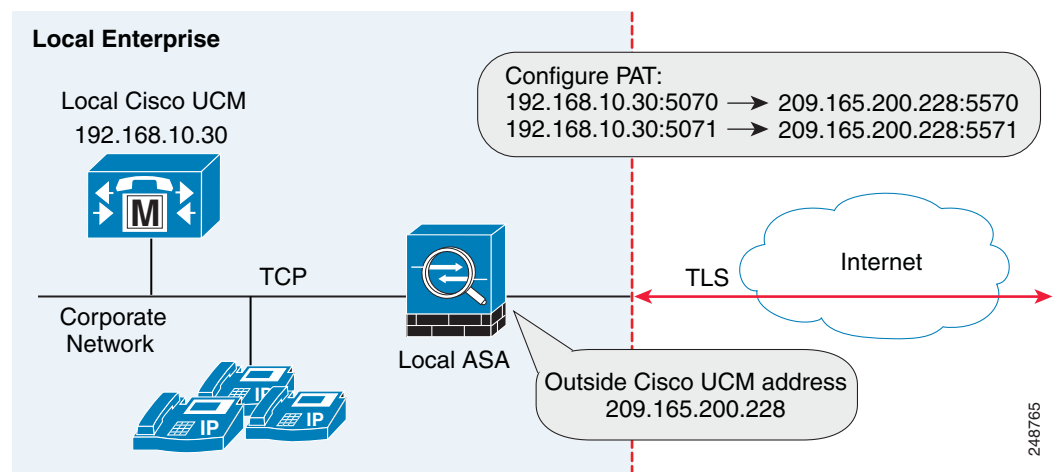
### What to Do Next

Create the ACLs for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See [Creating ACLs for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy](#), page 17-15.

## Configuring PAT for the Cisco UCM Server

Perform this task as an alternative to configuring NAT for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.

**Figure 17-7** Example for Configuring PAT for a Deployment



**Note**

You only perform this step when NAT is not configured for the Cisco UCM server.

To configure PAT for the Cisco UCM server, perform the following steps:

|                | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                | Purpose                                                                                         |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b>  | hostname(config)# <b>object network</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# object network<br>ucm-pat-209.165.200.228                                                              | Configures a network object for the outside IP address of Cisco UCM that you want to translate. |
| <b>Step 2</b>  | hostname(config-network-object)# <b>host</b> <i>ip_address</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-network-object)# host<br>209.165.200.228                                                      | Specifies the real IP address of the Cisco UCM host for the network object.                     |
| <b>Step 3</b>  | hostname(config-network-object)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                           | Exits from the objects configuration mode.                                                      |
| <b>Step 4</b>  | hostname(config)# <b>object service</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# object service tcp_5070<br>hostname(config)# object service tcp_5071                                   | Creates a service object for the outside Cisco Intercompany Media Engine port.                  |
| <b>Step 5</b>  | hostname(config-service-object)# <b>tcp source eq</b> <i>port</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-service-object)# tcp source eq 5070<br>hostname(config-service-object)# tcp source eq 5071 | Specifies the port number.                                                                      |
| <b>Step 6</b>  | hostname(config-service-object)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                           | Exits from the objects configuration mode.                                                      |
| <b>Step 7</b>  | hostname(config)# <b>object network</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# object network<br>ucm-real-192.168.10.30<br>hostname(config)# object network<br>ucm-real-192.168.10.31 | Configures a network object to represent the real IP address of Cisco UCM.                      |
| <b>Step 8</b>  | hostname(config-network-object)# <b>host</b> <i>ip_address</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-network-object)# host 192.168.10.30<br>hostname(config-network-object)# host 192.168.10.31    | Specifies the real IP address of the Cisco UCM host for the network object.                     |
| <b>Step 9</b>  | hostname(config-network-object)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                           | Exits from the objects configuration mode.                                                      |
| <b>Step 10</b> | hostname(config)# <b>object service</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# object service tcp_5570<br>hostname(config)# object service tcp_5571                                   | Creates a service objects for Cisco UCM SIP port.                                               |

|                | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| <b>Step 11</b> | <pre>hostname(config-service-object)# tcp source eq port</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-service-object)# tcp source eq 5570 hostname(config-service-object)# tcp source eq 5571</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Specifies the port number.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Step 12</b> | <pre>hostname(config-service-object)# exit</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Exits from the objects configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Step 13</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source static real_obj mapped_obj service real_port mapped_port</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source static ucm-real-192.168.10.30 ucm-pat-209.165.200.228 service tcp_5070 tcp_5570 hostname(config)# nat (inside,outside) source static ucm-real-192.168.10.31 ucm-pat-128.106.254.5 service tcp_5071 tcp_5571</pre> | <p>Creates a static mapping for Cisco UCM.</p> <p>Where <i>real_obj</i> is the name that you created in <a href="#">Step 1</a> in this task.</p> <p>Where <i>mapped_obj</i> is the name that you created in <a href="#">Step 7</a> in this task.</p> <p>Where <i>real_port</i> is the name that you created in <a href="#">Step 4</a> in this task.</p> <p>Where <i>mapped_obj</i> is the name that you created in <a href="#">Step 10</a> in this task.</p> |

## Creating ACLs for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy

To configure ACLs for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy to reach the Cisco UCM server, perform the following steps.

The example command lines in this task are based on a basic (in-line) deployment. See [Figure 17-5 on page 17-10](#) for an illustration explaining the example command lines in this task.

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# access-list id extended permit tcp any host ip_address eq port</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# access-list incoming extended permit tcp any host 192.168.10.30 eq 5070</pre> | <p>Adds an Access Control Entry (ACE). An ACL is made up of one or more ACEs with the same ACL ID. This ACE provides access control by allowing incoming access for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine connections on the specified port.</p> <p>In the <i>ip_address</i> argument, provide the real IP address of Cisco UCM.</p> |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# access-group access-list in interface interface_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# access-group incoming in interface outside</pre>                                        | Binds the ACL to an interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <b>Step 3</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# access-list id extended permit tcp any host ip_address eq port</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# access-list ime-inbound-sip extended permit tcp any host 192.168.10.30 eq 5070</pre>                         | <p>Adds an ACE. This ACE allows the ASA to allow inbound SIP traffic for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine. This entry is used to classify traffic for the class and policy map.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The port that you configure here must match the trunk settings configured on Cisco UCM. See the Cisco Unified Communications Manager documentation for information about this configuration setting.</p>                                                                              |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# access-list id extended permit tcp ip_address mask any range range</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# access-list ime-outbound-sip extended permit tcp 192.168.10.30 255.255.255.255 any range 5000 6000</pre> | <p>Adds an ACE. This ACE allows the ASA to allow outbound SIP traffic for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine (in the example, any TCP traffic with source as 192.168.10.30 and destination port range between 5000 and 6000). This entry is used to classify traffic for the class and policy map.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Ensure that TCP traffic between Cisco UCM and the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server does not use this port range (if that connection goes through the ASA).</p> |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# access-list id permit tcp any host ip_address eq 6084</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# access-list ime-traffic permit tcp any host 192.168.10.12 eq 6084</pre>                                               | <p>Adds an ACE. This ACE allows the ASA to allow traffic from the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server to remote Cisco Intercompany Media Engine servers.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Step 6</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# access-list id permit tcp any host ip_address eq 8470</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# access-list ime-bootserver-traffic permit tcp any host 192.168.10.12 eq 8470</pre>                                    | <p>Adds an ACE. This ACE allows the ASA to allow traffic from the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server to the Bootstrap server for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

### What to Do Next

Create the media termination instance on the ASA for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See [Creating the Media Termination Instance, page 17-16](#).

## Creating the Media Termination Instance

### Guidelines

The media termination address you configure must meet these requirements:

- If you decide to configure a media-termination address on interfaces (rather than using a global interface), you must configure a media-termination address on at least two interfaces (the inside and an outside interface) before applying the service policy for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. Otherwise, you will receive an error message when enabling the proxy with SIP inspection.





**Note** Cisco recommends that you configure the media-termination address for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy on interfaces rather than configuring a global media-termination address.

- The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy can use only one type of media termination instance at a time; for example, you can configure a global media-termination address for all interfaces or configure a media-termination address for different interfaces. However, you cannot use a global media-termination address and media-termination addresses configured for each interface at the same time.

**Note** If you change any Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy settings after you create the media-termination address for the proxy, you must reconfigure the media-termination address by using the **no media-termination** command, and then reconfiguring it as described in this procedure.

### Procedure

Create the media termination instance to use with the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.

The example command lines in this task are based on a basic (in-line) deployment. See [Figure 17-5 on page 17-10](#) for an illustration explaining the example command lines in this task.

To create the media termination instance for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, perform the following steps:

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                             | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <b>Step 1</b> | hostname(config)# <b>media-termination</b> <i>instance_name</i><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# <b>media-termination</b><br><i>uc-ime-media-term</i>                                        | Creates the media termination instance that you attach to the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Step 2</b> | hostname(config-media-termination)# <b>address</b><br><i>ip_address interface intf_name</i><br><b>Examples:</b><br>hostname(config-media-termination)# address<br>209.165.200.228 interface outside | Configures the media-termination address used by the outside interface of the ASA.<br><br>The outside IP address must be a publicly routable address that is an unused IP address within the address range on that interface.<br><br>See <a href="#">Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, page 17-18</a> for information about the UC-IME proxy settings. See CLI configuration guide for information about the <b>no service-policy</b> command. |

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <b>Step 3</b> | <pre>hostname(config-media-termination)# <b>address</b> ip_address interface intf_name</pre> <p><b>Examples:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-media-termination)# address 192.168.10.3 interface inside</pre>                     | <p>Configures a media termination address used by the inside interface of the ASA.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The IP address must be an unused IP address within the same subnet on that interface.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <p>(Optional)</p> <pre>hostname(config-media-termination)# <b>rtp-min-port</b> port1 <b>rtp-maxport</b> port2</pre> <p><b>Examples:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-media-termination)# rtp-min-port 1000 rtp-maxport 2000</pre> | <p>Configures the rtp-min-port and rtp-max-port limits for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. Configure the RTP port range for the media termination point when you need to scale the number of calls that the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine supports.</p> <p>Where <i>port1</i> specifies the minimum value for the RTP port range for the media termination point, where port1 can be a value from 1024 to 65535. By default, the value for <i>port1</i> is 16384.</p> <p>Where <i>port2</i> specifies the maximum value for the RTP port range for the media termination point, where port2 can be a value from 1024 to 65535. By default, the value for <i>port2</i> is 32767.</p> |

**What To Do Next**

Once you have created the media termination instance, create the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See [Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, page 17-18](#).

## Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy

To create the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, perform the following steps.

The example command lines in this task are based on a basic (in-line) deployment. See [Figure 17-5 on page 17-10](#) for an illustration explaining the example command lines in this task.

**Note** You cannot change any of the configuration settings for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy described in this procedure when the proxy is enabled for SIP inspection. Remove the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy from SIP inspection before changing any of the settings described in this procedure.

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>uc-ime</b> uc_ime_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# uc-ime local-ent-ime</pre>                                                                                                | <p>Configures the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.</p> <p>Where <i>uc_ime_name</i> is the name of the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. The name is limited to 64 characters.</p> <p>Only one Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy can be configured on the ASA.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# <b>media-termination</b> mta_instance_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# media-termination ime-media-term</pre>                                                     | <p>Specifies the media termination instance used by the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You must create the media termination instance before you specify it in the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.</p> <p>Where <i>mta_instance_name</i> is the <i>instance_name</i> that you created in <a href="#">Step 1 of Creating the Media Termination Instance</a>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Creating the Media Termination Instance, page 17-16</a> for the steps to create the media termination instance.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# <b>ucm address</b> ip_address trunk-security-mode [nonsecure   secure]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# ucm address 192.168.10.30 trunk-security-mode non-secure</pre> | <p>Specifies the Cisco UCM server in the enterprise. You must specify the real IP address of the Cisco UCM server. Do not specify a mapped IP address for the server.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You must include an entry for each Cisco UCM in the cluster with Cisco Intercompany Media Engine that has a SIP trunk enabled.</p> <p>Where the <b>nonsecure</b> and <b>secure</b> options specify the security mode of the Cisco UCM or cluster of Cisco UCMs.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Specifying <b>secure</b> for Cisco UCM or Cisco UCM cluster indicates that Cisco UCM or Cisco UCM cluster is initiating TLS; therefore, you must configure TLS for components. See <a href="#">(Optional) Configuring TLS within the Local Enterprise, page 17-27</a>.</p> <p>You can specify the <b>secure</b> option in this task or you can update it later while configuring TLS for the enterprise. See <a href="#">Step 11 in (Optional) Configuring TLS within the Local Enterprise, page 17-27</a>.</p> |

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                            | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| Step 4 | <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# ticket epoch <i>n</i> password <i>password</i></pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# ticket epoch 1 password password1234</pre> | <p>Configures the ticket epoch and password for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine.</p> <p>Where <i>n</i> is an integer from 1-255. The epoch contains an integer that updates each time that the password is changed. When the proxy is configured the first time and a password entered for the first time, enter 1 for the epoch integer. Each time you change the password, increment the epoch to indicate the new password. You must increment the epoch value each time you change the password.</p> <p>Typically, you increment the epoch sequentially; however, the ASA allows you to choose any value when you update the epoch.</p> <p>If you change the epoch value, the current password is invalidated and you must enter a new password.</p> <p>Where <i>password</i> contains a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 64 printable character from the US-ASCII character set. The allowed characters include 0x21 to 0x73 inclusive, and exclude the space character.</p> <p>We recommend a password of at least 20 characters. Only one password can be configured at a time.</p> <p>The ticket password is stored onto flash. The output of the <b>show running-config uc-ime</b> command displays ***** instead of the password string.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The epoch and password that you configure on the ASA must match the epoch and password configured on the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server. See the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server documentation for information.</p> |

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| <b>Step 5</b> | <p>(Optional)</p> <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# <b>fallback monitoring timer</b> timer_millisecond   <b>hold-down timer</b> timer_sec</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# fallback monitoring timer 120 hostname(config-uc-ime)# fallback hold-down timer 30</pre> | <p>Specifies the fallback timers for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine.</p> <p>Specifying <b>monitoring timer</b> sets the time between which the ASA samples the RTP packets received from the Internet. The ASA uses the data sample to determine if fallback to the PSTN is needed for a call.</p> <p>Where <i>timer_millisecond</i> specifies the length of the monitoring timer. By default, the length is 100 milliseconds for the monitoring timer and the allowed range is 10-600 ms.</p> <p>Specifying <b>hold-down timer</b> sets the amount of time that ASA waits before notifying Cisco UCM whether to fall back to PSTN.</p> <p>Where <i>timer_sec</i> specifies the length of the hold-down timer. By default, the length is 20 seconds for the hold-down timer and the allowed range is 10-360 seconds.</p> <p>If you do not use this command to specify fallback timers, the ASA uses the default settings for the fallback timers.</p> |
| <b>Step 6</b> | <p>(Optional)</p> <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# <b>fallback sensitivity-file</b> file_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-uc-ime)# fallback sensitivity-file ime-fallback-sensitivity.fbs</pre>                                                                        | <p>Specifies the file to use for mid-call PSTN fallback.</p> <p>Where <i>file_name</i> must be the name of a file on disk that includes the .fbs file extension.</p> <p>The fallback file is used to determine whether the QoS of the call is poor enough for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine to move the call to the PSTN.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

### What to Do Next

Install the certificate on the local entity truststore. You could also enroll the certificate with a local CA trusted by the local entity.

## Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates

You need to generate the keypair for the certificate used by the ASA, and configure a trustpoint to identify the certificate sent by the ASA in the TLS handshake.

The example command lines in this task are based on a basic (in-line) deployment. See [Figure 17-5 on page 17-10](#) for an illustration explaining the example command lines in this task.



### Note

This task instructs you on how to create trustpoints for the local enterprise and the remote enterprise and how to exchange certificates between these two enterprises. This task does not provide steps for creating trustpoints and exchanging certificates between the local Cisco UCM and the local ASA. However, if you require additional security within the local enterprise, you must perform the optional task ([Optional Configuring TLS within the Local Enterprise, page 17-27](#)). Performing that task allows for secure TLS

connections between the local Cisco UCM and the local ASA. The instructions in that task describe how to create trustpoints between the local Cisco UCM and the local ASA.

### Prerequisites for Installing Certificates

To create a proxy certificate on the ASA that is trusted by the remote entity, obtain a certificate from a trusted CA or export it from the remote enterprise ASA.

To export the certificate from the remote enterprise, you enter the following command on the remote ASA:

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hostname(config)# crypto ca export trustpoint identity-certificate
```

The ASA prompts displays the certificate in the terminal screen. Copy the certificate from the terminal screen. You will need the certificate text in [Step 5](#) of this task.

### Procedure

To create the trustpoints and generate certificates, perform the following steps:

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                             | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| Step 1 | <pre>hostname(config)# crypto key generate rsa label key-pair-label modulus size</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# crypto key generate rsa label local-ent-key modulus 2048</pre> | <p>On the local ASA, creates the RSA keypair that can be used for the trustpoints. This is the keypair and trustpoint for the local entities signed certificate.</p> <p>The modulus key size that you select depends on the level of security that you want to configure and on any limitations imposed by the CA from which you are obtaining the certificate. The larger the number that you select, the higher the security level will be for the certificate. Most CAs recommend 2048 for the key modulus size; however,</p> <p><b>Note</b> GoDaddy requires a key modulus size of 2048.</p> |
| Step 2 | <pre>hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint trustpoint_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint local_ent</pre>                                                | <p>Enters the trustpoint configuration mode for the specified trustpoint so that you can create the trustpoint for the local entity.</p> <p>A trustpoint represents a CA identity and possibly a device identity, based on a certificate issued by the CA. Maximum name length is 128 characters.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Step 3 | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# subject-name X.500_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# subject-name cn=Ent-local-domain-name**</pre>                        | <p>Includes the indicated subject DN in the certificate during enrollment.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The domain name that you enter here must match the domain name that has been set for the local Cisco UCM. For information about how to configure the domain name for Cisco UCM, see the Cisco Unified Communications Manager documentation for information.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <b>Step 4</b> | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>keypair</b> <i>keyname</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# keypair local-ent-key                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Specifies the key pair whose public key is to be certified.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Step 5</b> | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enroll terminal</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Specifies that you will use the “copy and paste” method of enrollment with this trustpoint (also known as manual enrollment).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Step 6</b> | hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Exits from the CA Trustpoint configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Step 7</b> | hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca enroll</b> <i>trustpoint</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# crypto ca enroll remote-ent<br>%<br>% Start certificate enrollment ...<br>% The subject name in the certificate will be:<br>% cn=enterpriseA<br>% The fully-qualified domain name in the certificate will<br>@ be: ciscoasa<br>% Include the device serial number in the subject name?<br>[yes/no]: no<br>Display Certificate Request to terminal? [yes/no]: yes | Starts the enrollment process with the CA.<br><br>Where <i>trustpoint</i> is the same as the value you entered for <i>trustpoint_name</i> in <a href="#">Step 2</a> .<br><br>When the trustpoint is configured for manual enrollment ( <b>enroll terminal</b> command), the ASA writes a base-64-encoded PKCS10 certification request to the console and then displays the CLI prompt. Copy the text from the prompt.<br><br>Submit the certificate request to the CA, for example, by pasting the text displayed at the prompt into the certificate signing request enrollment page on the CA website.<br><br>When the CA returns the signed identity certificate, proceed to <a href="#">Step 8</a> in this procedure. |
| <b>Step 8</b> | hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca import</b> <i>trustpoint certificate</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# crypto ca import remote-ent certificate                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Imports the signed certificate received from the CA in response to a manual enrollment request.<br><br>Where <i>trustpoint</i> specifies the trustpoint you created in <a href="#">Step 2</a> .<br><br>The ASA prompts you to paste the base-64 formatted signed certificate onto the terminal.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Step 9</b> | hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca authenticate</b> <i>trustpoint</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# crypto ca authenticate remote-ent                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Authenticates the third-party identity certificate received from the CA. The identity certificate is associated with a trustpoint created for the remote enterprise.<br><br>The ASA prompts you to paste the base-64 formatted identity certificate from the CA onto the terminal.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

**What to Do Next**

Create the TLS proxy for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine. See [Creating the TLS Proxy, page 17-24](#).

## Creating the TLS Proxy

Because either enterprise, namely the local or remote Cisco UCM servers, can initiate the TLS handshake (unlike IP Telephony or Cisco Mobility Advantage, where only the clients initiate the TLS handshake), you must configure by-directional TLS proxy rules. Each enterprise can have an ASA as the TLS proxy.

Create TLS proxy instances for the local and remote entity initiated connections respectively. The entity that initiates the TLS connection is in the role of “TLS client.” Because the TLS proxy has a strict definition of “client” and “server” proxy, two TLS proxy instances must be defined if either of the entities could initiate the connection.

The example command lines in this task are based on a basic (in-line) deployment. See [Figure 17-5 on page 17-10](#) for an illustration explaining the example command lines in this task.

To create the TLS proxy, perform the following steps:

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                         | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| <b>Step 1</b> | hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy</b> proxy_name<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# tls-proxy local_to_remote-ent                                                         | Creates the TLS proxy for the outbound connections.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Step 2</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client trust-point</b> proxy_trustpoint<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client trust-point local-ent                                 | For <b>outbound</b> connections, specifies the trustpoint and associated certificate that the adaptive security appliance uses in the TLS handshake when the adaptive security appliance assumes the role of the TLS client. The certificate must be owned by the adaptive security appliance (identity certificate).<br><br>Where <i>proxy_trustpoint</i> specifies the trustpoint defined by the <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b> command in <a href="#">Step 2 in Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 17-21</a> . |
| <b>Step 3</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client cipher-suite</b> cipher_suite<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-tlsp)# client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1 | For outbound connections, controls the TLS handshake parameter for the cipher suite.<br><br>Where <i>cipher_suite</i> includes des-sha1, 3des-sha1, aes128-sha1, aes256-sha1, or null-sha1.<br><br>For client proxy (the proxy acts as a TLS client to the server), the user-defined cipher suite replaces the default cipher suite, or the one defined by the <b>ssl encryption</b> command. Use this command to achieve difference ciphers between the two TLS sessions. You should use AES ciphers with the Cisco UCM server.   |
| <b>Step 4</b> | hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                              | Exits from the TLS proxy configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Step 5</b> | hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy</b> proxy_name<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# tls-proxy remote_to_local-ent                                                         | Create the TLS proxy for inbound connections.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |



|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                       | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| <b>Step 6</b> | <pre>hostname(config-tlsp) # server trust-point proxy_trustpoint</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-tlsp) # server trust-point local-ent</pre>                                 | <p>For <b>inbound</b> connections, specifies the proxy trustpoint certificate presented during TLS handshake. The certificate must be owned by the adaptive security appliance (identity certificate).</p> <p>Where <i>proxy_trustpoint</i> specifies the trustpoint defined by the <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b> command in <a href="#">Step 2 in Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates, page 17-21</a>.</p> <p>Because the TLS proxy has strict definition of client proxy and server proxy, two TLS proxy instances must be defined if either of the entities could initiate the connection.</p> |
| <b>Step 7</b> | <pre>hostname(config-tlsp) # client cipher-suite cipher_suite</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-tlsp) # client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1</pre> | <p>For inbound connections, controls the TLS handshake parameter for the cipher suite.</p> <p>Where <i>cipher_suite</i> includes des-sha1, 3des-sha1, aes128-sha1, aes256-sha1, or null-sha1.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <pre>hostname(config-tlsp) # exit</pre>                                                                                                                                                       | Exits from the TSL proxy configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Step 9</b> | <pre>hostname(config) # ssl encryption 3des-sha1 aes128-sha1 [algorithms]</pre>                                                                                                               | <p>Specifies the encryption algorithms that the SSL/TLS protocol uses. Specifying the 3des-sha1 and aes128-sha1 is required. Specifying other algorithms is optional.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy requires that you use strong encryption. You must specify this command when the proxy is licensed using a K9 license.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

**What to Do Next**

Once you have created the TLS proxy, enable it for SIP inspection.

## Enabling SIP Inspection for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy

Enable the TLS proxy for SIP inspection and define policies for both entities that could initiate the connection.

The example command lines in this task are based on a basic (in-line) deployment. See [Figure 17-5 on page 17-10](#) for an illustration explaining the example command lines in this task.

**Note**

If you want to change any Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy settings after you enable SIP inspection, you must enter the **no service-policy** command, and then reconfigure the service policy as described in this procedure. Removing and reconfiguring the service policy does not affect existing calls; however, the first call traversing the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy will fail. Enter the **clear connection** command and restart the ASA.

To enable SIP inspection for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, perform the following steps:

|                | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <b>Step 1</b>  | hostname(config)# <b>class-map</b> <i>class_map_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map ime-inbound-sip                                                                                                                         | Defines a class for the inbound Cisco Intercompany Media Engine SIP traffic.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Step 2</b>  | hostname(config-cmap)# <b>match access-list</b> <i>access_list_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ime-inbound-sip                                                                                             | Identifies the SIP traffic to inspect.<br><br>Where the <i>access_list_name</i> is the ACL you created in <a href="#">Step 3, page 17-16</a> of the task <a href="#">Creating ACLs for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy</a> .            |
| <b>Step 3</b>  | hostname(config-cmap)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Exits from the class map configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Step 4</b>  | hostname(config)# <b>class-map</b> <i>class_map_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map ime-outbound-sip                                                                                                                        | Defines a class for the outbound SIP traffic from Cisco Intercompany Media Engine.                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Step 5</b>  | hostname(config)# <b>match access-list</b> <i>access_list_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ime-outbound-sip                                                                                                 | Identifies which outbound SIP traffic to inspect.<br><br>Where the <i>access_list_name</i> is the ACL you created in <a href="#">Step 4, page 17-16</a> of the task <a href="#">Creating ACLs for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy</a> . |
| <b>Step 6</b>  | hostname(config-cmap)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Exits from the class map configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Step 7</b>  | hostname(config)# <b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map ime-policy                                                                                                                                      | Defines the policy map to which to attach the actions for the class of traffic.                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Step 8</b>  | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>class</b> <i>classmap_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class ime-outbound-sip                                                                                                                       | Assigns a class map to the policy map so that you can assign actions to the class map traffic.<br><br>Where <i>classmap_name</i> is the name of the SIP class map that you created in <a href="#">Step 1</a> in this task.                    |
| <b>Step 9</b>  | hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>inspect sip</b> [ <i>sip_map</i> ]<br><b>tls-proxy</b> <i>proxy_name</i> <b>uc-ime</b> <i>uc_ime_map</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect sip tls-proxy local_to_remote-ent uc-ime local-ent-ime | Enables the TLS proxy and Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy for the specified SIP inspection session.                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Step 10</b> | hostname(config-cmap-c)# <b>exit</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Exits from the policy map class configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Step 11</b> | hostname(config-pmap)# <b>class</b> <i>class_map_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class ime-inbound-sip                                                                                                                       | Assigns a class map to the policy map so that you can assign actions to the class map traffic.<br><br>Where <i>classmap_name</i> is the name of the SIP class map that you created in <a href="#">Step 4</a> in this task.                    |

|                | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <b>Step 12</b> | <pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect sip [sip_map] tls-proxy proxy_name uc-ime uc_ime_map</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect sip tls-proxy remote-to-local-ent uc-ime local-ent-ime</pre> | Enables the TLS proxy and Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy for the specified SIP inspection session.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Step 13</b> | <pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# exit</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                   | Exits from the policy map class configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Step 14</b> | <pre>hostname(config-pmap)# exit</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                     | Exits from the policy map configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 15</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# service-policy policymap_name global</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# service-policy ime-policy global</pre>                                                                     | <p>Enables the service policy for SIP inspection for all interfaces.</p> <p>Where <i>policymap_name</i> is the name of the policy map you created in <a href="#">Step 7</a> of this task.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, page 17-18</a> for information about the UC-IME proxy settings. See CLI configuration guide for information about the <b>no service-policy</b> command.</p> |

**What to Do Next**

Once you have enabled the TLS proxy for SIP inspection, if necessary, configure TLS within the enterprise. See [\(Optional\) Configuring TLS within the Local Enterprise, page 17-27](#).

**(Optional) Configuring TLS within the Local Enterprise**

This task is not required if TCP is allowable within the inside network.

TLS within the enterprise refers to the security status of the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine trunk as seen by the ASA.

**Note**

If the transport security for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine trunk changes on Cisco UCM, it must be changed on the ASA as well. A mismatch will result in call failure. The ASA does not support SRTP with non-secure IME trunks. The ASA assumes SRTP is allowed with secure trunks. So 'SRTP Allowed' must be checked for IME trunks if TLS is used. The ASA supports SRTP fallback to RTP for secure IME trunk calls.

**Prerequisites**

On the local Cisco UCM, download the Cisco UCM certificate. See the Cisco Unified Communications Manager documentation for information. You will need this certificate when performing [Step 6](#) of this procedure.

**Procedure**

To configure TLS within the local enterprise, perform the following steps on the local ASA:

|               | Commands                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto key generate rsa label</b> key-pair-label hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b> trustpoint_name hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enroll self</b> hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>keypair</b> keyname hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>subject-name</b> x.500_name <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto key generate rsa label local-ent-key hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint local-asa hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# enroll self hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# keypair key-local-asa hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# subject-name cn=Ent-local-domain-name**, o="Example Corp"</pre> | <p>Creates an RSA key and trustpoint for the self-signed certificate.</p> <p>Where <i>key-pair-label</i> is the RSA key for the local ASA.</p> <p>Where <i>trustpoint_name</i> is the trustpoint for the local ASA.</p> <p>Where <i>keyname</i> is key pair for the local ASA.</p> <p>Where <i>x.500_name</i> includes the X.500 distinguished name of the local ASA; for example,<br/><i>cn=Ent-local-domain-name**</i>.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The domain name that you enter here must match the domain name that has been set for the local Cisco UCM. For information about how to configure the domain name for Cisco UCM, see the Cisco Unified Communications Manager documentation for information.</p>                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Exits from Trustpoint Configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca export trustpoint</b> identity-certificate <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca export local-asa identity-certificate</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <p>Exports the certificate you created in <a href="#">Step 1</a>. The certificate contents appear on the terminal screen.</p> <p>Copy the certificate from the terminal screen. This certificate enables Cisco UCM to validate the certificate that the ASA sends in the TLS handshake.</p> <p>On the local Cisco UCM, upload the certificate into the Cisco UCM trust store. See the Cisco Unified Communications Manager documentation for information.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The subject name you enter while uploading the certificate to the local Cisco UCM is compared with the X.509 Subject Name field entered on the SIP Trunk Security Profile on Cisco UCM. For example, “Ent-local-domain-name” was entered in <a href="#">Step 1</a> of this task; therefore, “Ent-local-domain-name” should be entered in the Cisco UCM configuration.</p> |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca trustpoint</b> trustpoint_name hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>enroll terminal</b> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca trustpoint local-ent-ucm hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# enroll terminal</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p>Creates a trustpoint for local Cisco UCM.</p> <p>Where <i>trustpoint_name</i> is the trustpoint for the local Cisco UCM.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <pre>hostname(config-ca-trustpoint)# <b>exit</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Exits from Trustpoint Configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

|                | Commands                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| <b>Step 6</b>  | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>crypto ca authenticate trustpoint</b> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# crypto ca authenticate local-ent-ucm</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p>Imports the certificate from local Cisco UCM.</p> <p>Where <i>trustpoint</i> is the trustpoint for the local Cisco UCM.</p> <p>Paste the certificate downloaded from the local Cisco UCM. This certificate enables the ASA to validate the certificate that Cisco UCM sends in the TLS handshake.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Step 7</b>  | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy proxy_name</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>server trust-point</b> <b>proxy_trustpoint</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client trust-point</b> <b>proxy_trustpoint</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client cipher-suite</b> aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1 <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# tls-proxy local_to_remote-ent hostname(config-tlsp)# server trust-point local-ent-ucm hostname(config-tlsp)# client trust-point local-ent hostname(config-tlsp)# client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1</pre> | <p>Updates the TLS proxy for <b>outbound</b> connections.</p> <p>Where <i>proxy_name</i> is the name you entered in <a href="#">Step 1</a> of the task <a href="#">Creating the TLS Proxy</a>.</p> <p>Where <i>proxy_trustpoint</i> for the <b>server trust-point</b> command is the name you entered in <a href="#">Step 4</a> of this procedure.</p> <p>Where <i>proxy_trustpoint</i> for the <b>client trust-point</b> command is the name you entered in <a href="#">Step 2</a> of the task <a href="#">Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates</a>.</p> <p><b>Note</b> In this step, you are creating different trustpoints for the client and the server.</p> |
| <b>Step 8</b>  | <pre>hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>exit</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Exits from TLS Proxy Configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Step 9</b>  | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>tls-proxy proxy_name</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>server trust-point</b> <b>proxy_trustpoint</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client trust-point</b> <b>proxy_trustpoint</b> hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>client cipher-suite</b> aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1 <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# tls-proxy remote_to_local-ent hostname(config-tlsp)# server trust-point local-ent hostname(config-tlsp)# client trust-point local-ent-ucm hostname(config-tlsp)# client cipher-suite aes128-sha1 aes256-sha1 3des-sha1 null-sha1</pre> | <p>Updates the TLS proxy for <b>inbound</b> connections.</p> <p>Where <i>proxy_name</i> is the name you entered in <a href="#">Step 5</a> of the task <a href="#">Creating the TLS Proxy</a>.</p> <p>Where <i>proxy_trustpoint</i> for the <b>server trust-point</b> command is the name you entered in <a href="#">Step 2</a> of the task <a href="#">Creating Trustpoints and Generating Certificates</a>.</p> <p>Where <i>proxy_trustpoint</i> for the <b>client trust-point</b> command is the name you entered in <a href="#">Step 4</a> of this procedure.</p>                                                                                                         |
| <b>Step 10</b> | <pre>hostname(config-tlsp)# <b>exit</b></pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Exits from TLS Proxy Configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Step 11</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# <b>uc-ime uc_ime_name</b> hostname(config-uc-ime)# <b>ucm address ip_address</b> <b>trunk-security-mode secure</b> <b>Example:</b> hostname(config)# uc-ime local-ent-ime hostname(config-uc-ime)# ucm address 192.168.10.30 trunk-security-mode secure</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <p>Updates the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy for trunk-security-mode.</p> <p>Where <i>uc_ime_name</i> is the name you entered in <a href="#">Step 1</a> of the task <a href="#">Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy</a>.</p> <p>Only perform this step if you entered nonsecure in <a href="#">Step 3</a> of the task <a href="#">Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

### What to Do Next

Once you have configured the TLS within the enterprise, if necessary, configure off path signaling for an off path deployment. See [\(Optional\) Configuring Off Path Signaling](#), page 17-30.

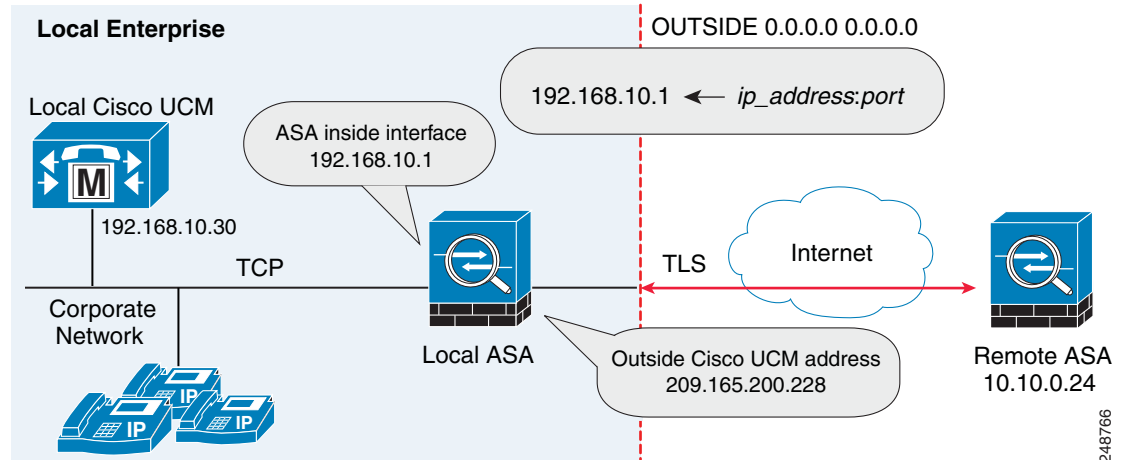
## (Optional) Configuring Off Path Signaling

Perform this task only when you are configuring the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy as part of an off path deployment. You might choose to have an off path deployment when you want to use the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine but do not want to replace your existing Internet firewall with an ASA enabled with the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.

In an off path deployment, the existing firewall that you have deployed in your environment is not capable of transmitting Cisco Intercompany Media Engine traffic.

Off path signaling requires that outside IP addresses translate to an inside IP address. The inside interface address can be used for this mapping service configuration. For the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, the ASA creates dynamic mappings for external addresses to the internal IP address; therefore, using the dynamic NAT configuration on outbound calls, Cisco UCM sends SIP traffic to this internal IP address, and the ASA uses that mapping to determine the real destination on inbound calls. The static NAT or PAT mapping is used for inbound calls in an off path configuration.

**Figure 17-8 Example for Configuring Off Path Signaling in an Off Path Deployment**



After you configure off path signaling, the ASA mapping service listens on interface “inside” for requests. When it receives a request, it creates a dynamic mapping for the “outside” as the destination interface.

To configure off path signaling for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, perform the following steps:

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                 | Purpose                                                                            |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>hostname(config)# object network name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network outside-any</pre>                         | For the off path ASA, creates a network object to represent all outside addresses. |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# subnet ip_address</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-network-object)# subnet 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0</pre> | Specifies the IP address of the subnet.                                            |

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| Step 3 | <code>hostname(config-network-object) # nat (outside,inside) dynamic interface inside</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Creates a mapping for the Cisco UCM of remote enterprises.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Step 4 | <code>hostname(config-network-object) # exit</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Exits from the objects configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Step 5 | <code>hostname(config) # uc-ime uc_ime_name</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config) # uc-ime local-ent-ime</code>                                                                                                                                                                        | Specifies the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy that you created in the task <a href="#">Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, page 17-18</a> .<br><br>Where <i>uc_ime_name</i> is the name you specified in <a href="#">Step 1 of Creating the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, page 17-18</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Step 6 | <code>hostname(config) # mapping-service listening-interface interface_name [listening-port port] uc-ime-interface uc-ime-interface_name</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config-uc-ime) # mapping-service listening-interface inside listening-port 8060 uc-ime-interface outside</code> | For the off path ASA, adds the mapping service to the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.<br><br>Specifies the interface and listening port for the ASA mapping service.<br><br>You can only configure one mapping server for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.<br><br>Where <i>interface_name</i> is the name of the interface on which the ASA listens for the mapping requests.<br><br>Where <i>port</i> is the TCP port on which the ASA listens for the mapping requests. The port number must be between 1024 and 65535 to avoid conflicts with other services on the device, such as Telnet or SSH. By default, the port number is TCP 8060.<br><br>Where <i>uc-ime-interface_name</i> is the name of the interface that connects to the remote Cisco UCM. |

This section contains the following sections:

- [Configuring the Cisco UC-IMC Proxy by using the UC-IME Proxy Pane, page 17-31](#)
- [Configuring the Cisco UC-IMC Proxy by using the Unified Communications Wizard, page 17-33](#)

## Configuring the Cisco UC-IMC Proxy by using the UC-IME Proxy Pane

Use the Configure Cisco Intercompany Media Engine (UC-IME) proxy pane to add or edit a Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy instance.



### Note

The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy does not appear as an option under the Unified Communications section of the navigation pane unless the license required for this proxy is installed on the ASA.

Use this pane to create the proxy instance; however, for the UC-IME proxy to be fully functional, you must complete additional tasks, such as create the required NAT statements, ACLs, and MTA, set up the certificates, create the TLS Proxy, and enable SIP inspection.

Depending on whether the UC-IME proxy is deployed off path or in-line of Internet traffic, you must create the appropriate network objects with embedded NAT/PAT statements for the Cisco UCMs.

This pane is available from the Configuration > Firewall > Unified Communications > UC-IME Proxy.

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- Step 1** Open the Configuration > Firewall > Unified Communications > UC-IME Proxy pane.
- Step 2** Check the Enable Cisco UC-IME proxy check box to enable the feature.
- Step 3** In the Unified CM Servers area, enter an IP address or hostname for the Cisco Unified Communications Manager (Cisco UCM) or click the ellipsis to open a dialog and browse for an IP address or hostname.
- Step 4** In the Trunk Security Mode field, click a security option. Specifying **secure** for Cisco UCM or Cisco UCM cluster indicates that Cisco UCM or Cisco UCM cluster is initiating TLS.
- Step 5** Click **Add** to add the Cisco UCM for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. You must include an entry for each Cisco UCM in the cluster with Cisco Intercompany Media Engine that has a SIP trunk enabled.
- Step 6** In the Ticket Epoch field, enter an integer from 1-255.

The epoch contains an integer that updates each time that the password is changed. When the proxy is configured the first time and a password entered for the first time, enter 1 for the epoch integer. Each time you change the password, increment the epoch to indicate the new password. You must increment the epoch value each time your change the password.

Typically, you increment the epoch sequentially; however, the ASA allows you to choose any value when you update the epoch.

If you change the epoch value, the current password is invalidated and you must enter a new password.




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**Note** The epoch and password that you configure in this step on the ASA must match the epoch and password that you configure on the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server. See the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine server documentation for information.

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- Step 7** In the Ticket Password field, enter a minimum of 10 printable character from the US-ASCII character set. The allowed characters include 0x21 to 0x73 inclusive, and exclude the space character. The ticket password can be up to 64 characters. Confirm the password you entered. Only one password can be configured at a time.
- Step 8** Check the Apply MTA to UC-IME Link proxy check box to associate the media termination address with the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.




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**Note** You must create the media termination instance before you associate it with the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. If necessary, click the Configure MTA button to configure a media termination address instance.

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- Step 9** If the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy is being configured as part of off path deployment, check the Enable off path address mapping service checkbox and configure the off path deployment settings:
- a. From the Listening Interface field, select an ASA interface. This is the interface on which the ASA listens for the mapping requests.
  - b. In the Port field, enter a number between 1024 and 65535 as the TCP port on which the ASA listens for the mapping requests. The port number must be 1024 or higher to avoid conflicts with other services on the device, such as Telnet or SSH. By default, the port number is TCP 8060.
  - c. From the UC-IME Interface field, select an interface from the list. This is the interface that the ASA uses to connect to the remote Cisco UCM.



**Note**

In an off path deployment any existing ASA that you have deployed in your environment are not capable of transmitting Cisco Intercompany Media Engine traffic. Off-path signaling requires that outside addresses are translated (using NAT) to an inside IP address. The inside interface address can be used for this mapping service configuration. For the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, the ASA creates dynamic mappings for external addresses to the internal IP address.

- Step 10** In the Fallback area, configure the fallback timer for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine by specifying the following settings:
- In the Fallback Sensitivity File field, enter the path to a file in flash memory that the ASA uses for mid-call PSTN fallback. The file name that you enter must be the name of a file on disk that includes the .fbs file extension. Alternatively, click the Browse Flash button to locate and select the file from flash memory.
  - In the Call Quality Evaluation Interval field, enter a number between 10-600 (in milliseconds). This number controls the frequency at which the ASA samples the RTP packets received from the Internet. The ASA uses the data sample to determine if fallback to the PSTN is needed for a call. By default, the length is 100 milliseconds for the timer.
  - In the Notification Interval field, enter a number between 10-360 (in seconds). This number controls the amount of time that the ASA waits before notifying Cisco UCM whether to fall back to PSTN. By default, the length is 20 seconds for this timer.

**Note**

When you change the fallback timer for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, ASDM automatically removes the proxy from SIP inspection and then reapplies SIP inspection when the proxy is re-enabled.

- Step 11** Click Apply to save the configuration changes for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy.

## Configuring the Cisco UC-IMC Proxy by using the Unified Communications Wizard

To configure the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy by using ASDM, choose Wizards > Unified Communications Wizard from the menu. The Unified Communications Wizard opens. From the first page, select the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy option under the Business-to-Business section.

The wizard automatically creates the necessary TLS proxy, then guides you through creating the Intercompany Media Engine proxy, importing and installing the required certificates, and finally enables the SIP inspection for the Intercompany Media Engine traffic automatically.

The wizard guides you through these steps to create the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy:

- Step 1** Select the Intercompany Media Engine Proxy option.
- Step 2** Select the topology of the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, namely whether the ASA is an edge firewall with all Internet traffic flowing through it or whether the ASA is off the path of the main Internet traffic (referred to as an off path deployment).
- Step 3** Specify private network settings such as the Cisco UCM IP addresses and the ticket settings.

- Step 4** Specify the public network settings.
- Step 5** Specify the media termination address settings of Cisco UCM.
- Step 6** Configure the local-side certificate management, namely the certificates that are exchanged between the local Cisco Unified Communications Manager servers and the ASA. The identity certificate that the wizard generates in this step needs to be installed on each Cisco Unified Communications Manager (UCM) server in the cluster with the proxy and each identity certificate from the Cisco UCMs need to be installed on the ASA. The certificates are used by the ASA and the Cisco UCMs to authenticate each other, respectively, during TLS handshakes. The wizard only supports self-signed certificates for this step.
- Step 7** Configure the remote-side certificate management, namely the certificates that are exchanged between the remote server and the ASA. In this step, the wizard generates a certificate signing request (CSR). After successfully generating the identity certificate request for the proxy, the wizard prompts you to save the file.

You must send the CSR text file to a certificate authority (CA), for example, by pasting the text file into the CSR enrollment page on the CA website. When the CA returns the Identity Certificate, you must install it on the ASA. This certificate is presented to remote servers so that they can authenticate the ASA as a trusted server.

Finally, this step of the wizard assists you in installing the root certificates of the CA from the remote servers so that the ASA can determine that the remote servers are trusted.

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The wizard completes by displaying a summary of the configuration created for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine. See the Unified Communications Wizard section in this documentation for more information.

## Troubleshooting Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy

This section describes how to certain options of the **show uc-ime** command to obtain troubleshooting information for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. See the command reference for detailed information about the syntax for these commands.

### **show uc-ime signaling-sessions**

Displays the corresponding SIP signaling sessions stored by the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. Use this command to troubleshoot media or signaling failure. The command also displays the fallback parameters extracted from the SIP message headers, whether RTP monitoring is enabled or disabled, and whether SRTP keys are set.

Through the use of the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy, not only signaling but also media is secured for communication. It provides signaling encryption and SRTP/RTP conversion with SRTP enforced on the Internet side. The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy inserts itself into the media path by modifying the SIP signaling messages from Cisco UCMs. The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy sits on the edge of the enterprise and inspects SIP signaling between SIP trunks created between enterprises. It terminates TLS signaling from the Internet and initiates TCP or TLS to the local Cisco UCM.

```
hostname# show uc-ime signaling-sessions
 1 in use, 3 most used
inside 192.168.10.30:39608 outside 10.194.108.118:5070
  Local Media (audio) conn: 10.194.108.119/29824 to 10.194.108.109/21558
```

```

Local SRTP key set : Remote SRTP key set
Remote Media (audio) conn: 192.168.10.51/19520 to 192.168.10.3/30930
Call-ID: ab6d7980-a7d11b08-50-1e0aa8c0@192.168.10.30
FB Sensitivity: 3
Session ID: 2948-32325449-0@81a985c9-f3a1-55a0-3b19-96549a027259
SIP Trunk URI: 81a985c9-f3a1-55a0-3b19-9654@UCM-30;maddr=192.168.10.30
Codec-name: G722
Payload type: 9

```



**Note** If calls are not going through the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine, you can also use the **show tls-proxy session** command to troubleshoot the success of the TLS handshake between the components in the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine system. See the command reference for information about this command.

### show uc-ime signaling-sessions statistics

Displays statistical information about corresponding signaling sessions stored by Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. Failure of signaling sessions in the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine can occur for different call-related reasons; such as failure of ticket verification or domain name verification, or offering RTP over the Internet.

```

hostname# show uc-ime signaling-sessions statistics
10 in use, 20 most used
15 terminated
Ticket integrity check failed: 2
Ticket decode failed: 1
Ticket epoch mismatch: 1
Ticket DID mismatch: 0
Ticket timestamp invalid: 4
Ticket domain check failed: 2
Ticket not found: 0
Route domain name check failed: 1
RTP over UC-IME: 2

```



**Note** Call-related failures, for example, can be due to the service policy rule being reconfigured or the primary ASA operating in failover mode. If a service policy rule for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy is removed (by using the **no service policy** command) and reconfigured, the first call traversing the ASA will fail. To resolve this issue, you must additionally enter the **clear connection** command and restart the ASA. If the failure is due to failover, the connections from the primary ASA are not synchronized to the standby ASA.

### show uc-ime media-sessions detail

Displays the details about all active media sessions (calls) stored for the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy. Use this command to display output from successful calls. Additionally, use this command to troubleshoot problems with IP phone audio, such as one-way audio. If no calls are currently up, this output will be blank.

```

hostname(config)# show uc-ime media-sessions detail
2 in use, 5 most used
Media-session: 10.194.108.109/21558 :: client ip 192.168.10.51/19520
Call ID: ab6d7980-a7d11b08-50-1e0aa8c0@192.168.10.30
Session ID: 2948-32325449-0@81a985c9-f3a1-55a0-3b19-96549a027259
Lcl SRTP conn 10.194.108.109/21558 to 10.194.108.119/29824 tx_pkts 20203 rx_pkts 20200
refcnt 3 : created by Inspect SIP, passthrough not set
RTP monitoring is enabled
Failover_state : 0

```

```

Sum_all_packets           : 20196
Codec_payload_format     : 9
RTP_ptime_ms             : 20
Max_RBLR_pct_x100        : 0
Max_ITE_count_in_8_sec   : 0
Max_BLS_ms               : 0
Max_PDV_usec             : 1000
Min_PDV_usec             : 0
Mov_avg_PDV_usec         : 109
Total_ITE_count          : 0
Total_sec_count          : 403
Concealed_sec_count      : 0
Severely_concealed_sec_count : 0
Max_call_interval_ms     : 118
Total_SequenceNumber_Resets : 0
Media-session: 192.168.10.3/30930 :: client ip 10.194.108.119/29824
Call ID: N/A
Lcl RTP conn 192.168.10.3/30930 to 192.168.10.51/19520 tx_pkts 20201 rx_pkts 20203

```

### show uc-ime fallback-notification statistics

Displays statistics about the PSTN fallback notifications to the Cisco UMC. Even if a call is sent over VoIP because the quality of the connection was good, the connection quality might worsen mid-call. To ensure an overall good experience for the end user, Cisco Intercompany Media Engine attempts to perform a mid-call fallback. Performing a mid-call fallback requires the adaptive security appliance to monitor the RTP packets coming from the Internet. If fallback is required, the adaptive security appliance sends a REFER message to Cisco UCM to tell it that it needs to fallback the call to PSTN.

Cisco Intercompany Media Engine uses a configurable hold-down timer to set the amount of time that adaptive security appliance waits before notifying Cisco UCM whether to fall back to PSTN.

```

hostname# show uc-ime fallback-notification statistics
UCM address: 172.23.32.37
Total Notifications Sent: 10

```

### show uc-ime mapping-service-sessions

When the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy is configured for an off path deployment, displays mapping-service requests and replies between the proxy and the local Cisco UMC. A TCP port on the ASA is configured to listen for mapping requests.

The port number must be 1024 or higher to avoid conflicts with other services on the device, such as Telnet or SSH. By default, the port number is TCP 8060.

```

Hostname# show uc-b2blink mapping-service-sessions
Total active sessions: 2
Session client (IP:Port)      Idle time
192.168.1.10:2001             0:01:01
192.168.1.20:3001             0:10:20

```

### show uc-ime mapping-service-sessions statistics

Displays statistical information about the Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy mapping service used in off path signaling.

```

Hostname# show uc-ime mapping-service-sessions statistics
Total active sessions: 2
Session client      Total      Responses  Failed    Pending   Idle
(IP:Port)          requests  sent       requests  responses time
192.168.1.10:2001  10       9          1         0         0:01:01
192.168.1.20:3001  19       19         0         0         0:10:20

```

# Feature History for Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy

Table 17-1 lists the release history for this feature.

**Table 17-1** Feature History for Cisco Phone Proxy

| Feature Name                          | Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy | 8.3(1)   | <p>The Cisco Intercompany Media Engine Proxy was introduced.</p> <p>The following commands were added to the CLI to support configuration of this new feature.</p> <p>[no] <b>uc-ime</b> <i>uc_ime_name</i></p> <p>[no] <b>fallback hold-down</b>   <b>monitoring timer</b> <i>value</i></p> <p>[no] <b>fallback sensitivity-file</b> <i>filename</i></p> <p>[no] <b>mapping-service listening-interface</b> <i>ifc_name</i><br/> <b>[listening-port</b> <i>port</i>] <b>uc-ime-interface</b> <i>b2b-ifc</i></p> <p>[no] <b>ticket epoch</b> <i>epoch</i> <b>password</b> <i>pwd</i></p> <p>[no] <b>ucm address</b> <i>ip_addr</i> <b>trunk-security-mode</b><br/> <b>nonsecure</b>   <b>secure</b></p> <p><b>clear configure uc-ime</b> [<i>uc_ime_name</i>]</p> <p>[no] <b>debug uc-ime</b> [<b>mapping-service</b>   <b>media</b>  <br/> <b>notification</b>   <b>rma</b>   <b>signaling</b>] [<b>errors</b>   <b>events</b>]</p> <p><b>show uc-ime</b></p> <p><b>show running-config</b> [<b>all</b>] <b>uc-ime</b> [<i>uc_ime_map</i>]</p> <p>The following command was updated by adding options for the UC-IME proxy.</p> <p><b>inspect sip uc-ime</b> <i>uc-ime-name</i> <b>tls-proxy</b> <i>tls-proxy-name</i></p> |





## **PART 5**

# **Connection Settings and Quality of Service**







## Connection Settings

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This chapter describes how to configure connection settings for connections that go through the ASA, or for management connections, that go to the ASA. Connection settings include:

- Maximum connections (TCP and UDP connections, embryonic connections, per-client connections)
- Connection timeouts
- Dead connection detection
- TCP sequence randomization
- TCP normalization customization
- TCP state bypass
- Global timeouts

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Information About Connection Settings, page 18-1](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for Connection Settings, page 18-4](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 18-5](#)
- [Default Settings, page 18-6](#)
- [Configuring Connection Settings, page 18-6](#)
- [Monitoring Connection Settings, page 18-15](#)
- [Configuration Examples for Connection Settings, page 18-15](#)
- [Feature History for Connection Settings, page 18-17](#)

## Information About Connection Settings

This section describes why you might want to limit connections and includes the following topics:

- [TCP Intercept and Limiting Embryonic Connections, page 18-2](#)
- [Disabling TCP Intercept for Management Packets for Clientless SSL Compatibility, page 18-2](#)
- [Dead Connection Detection \(DCD\), page 18-2](#)
- [TCP Sequence Randomization, page 18-3](#)
- [TCP Normalization, page 18-3](#)
- [TCP State Bypass, page 18-3](#)

## TCP Intercept and Limiting Embryonic Connections

Limiting the number of embryonic connections protects you from a DoS attack. The ASA uses the per-client limits and the embryonic connection limit to trigger TCP Intercept, which protects inside systems from a DoS attack perpetrated by flooding an interface with TCP SYN packets. An embryonic connection is a connection request that has not finished the necessary handshake between source and destination. TCP Intercept uses the SYN cookies algorithm to prevent TCP SYN-flooding attacks. A SYN-flooding attack consists of a series of SYN packets usually originating from spoofed IP addresses. The constant flood of SYN packets keeps the server SYN queue full, which prevents it from servicing connection requests. When the embryonic connection threshold of a connection is crossed, the ASA acts as a proxy for the server and generates a SYN-ACK response to the client SYN request. When the ASA receives an ACK back from the client, it can then authenticate the client and allow the connection to the server.

**Note**

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When you use TCP SYN cookie protection to protect servers from SYN attacks, you must set the embryonic connection limit lower than the TCP SYN backlog queue on the server that you want to protect. Otherwise, valid clients can no longer access the server during a SYN attack.

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To view TCP Intercept statistics, including the top 10 servers under attack, see [Chapter 23, “Threat Detection.”](#)

## Disabling TCP Intercept for Management Packets for Clientless SSL Compatibility

By default, TCP management connections have TCP Intercept always enabled. When TCP Intercept is enabled, it intercepts the 3-way TCP connection establishment handshake packets and thus deprives the ASA from processing the packets for clientless SSL. Clientless SSL requires the ability to process the 3-way handshake packets to provide selective ACK and other TCP options for clientless SSL connections. To disable TCP Intercept for management traffic, you can set the embryonic connection limit; only after the embryonic connection limit is reached is TCP Intercept enabled.

## Dead Connection Detection (DCD)

DCD detects a dead connection and allows it to expire, without expiring connections that can still handle traffic. You configure DCD when you want idle, but valid connections to persist.

When you enable DCD, idle timeout behavior changes. With idle timeout, DCD probes are sent to each of the two end-hosts to determine the validity of the connection. If an end-host fails to respond after probes are sent at the configured intervals, the connection is freed, and reset values, if configured, are sent to each of the end-hosts. If both end-hosts respond that the connection is valid, the activity timeout is updated to the current time and the idle timeout is rescheduled accordingly.

Enabling DCD changes the behavior of idle-timeout handling in the TCP normalizer. DCD probing resets the idle timeout on the connections seen in the **show conn** command. To determine when a connection that has exceeded the configured timeout value in the timeout command but is kept alive due to DCD probing, the **show service-policy** command includes counters to show the amount of activity from DCD.

## TCP Sequence Randomization

Each TCP connection has two ISNs: one generated by the client and one generated by the server. The ASA randomizes the ISN of the TCP SYN passing in both the inbound and outbound directions.

Randomizing the ISN of the protected host prevents an attacker from predicting the next ISN for a new connection and potentially hijacking the new session.

TCP initial sequence number randomization can be disabled if required. For example:

- If another in-line firewall is also randomizing the initial sequence numbers, there is no need for both firewalls to be performing this action, even though this action does not affect the traffic.
- If you use eBGP multi-hop through the ASA, and the eBGP peers are using MD5. Randomization breaks the MD5 checksum.
- You use a WAAS device that requires the ASA not to randomize the sequence numbers of connections.

## TCP Normalization

The TCP normalization feature identifies abnormal packets that the ASA can act on when they are detected; for example, the ASA can allow, drop, or clear the packets. TCP normalization helps protect the ASA from attacks. TCP normalization is always enabled, but you can customize how some features behave.

The TCP normalizer includes non-configurable actions and configurable actions. Typically, non-configurable actions that drop or clear connections apply to packets that are always bad. Configurable actions (as detailed in [Customizing the TCP Normalizer with a TCP Map, page 18-6](#)) might need to be customized depending on your network needs.

See the following guidelines for TCP normalization:

- The normalizer does not protect from SYN floods. The ASA includes SYN flood protection in other ways.
- The normalizer always sees the SYN packet as the first packet in a flow unless the ASA is in loose mode due to failover.

## TCP State Bypass

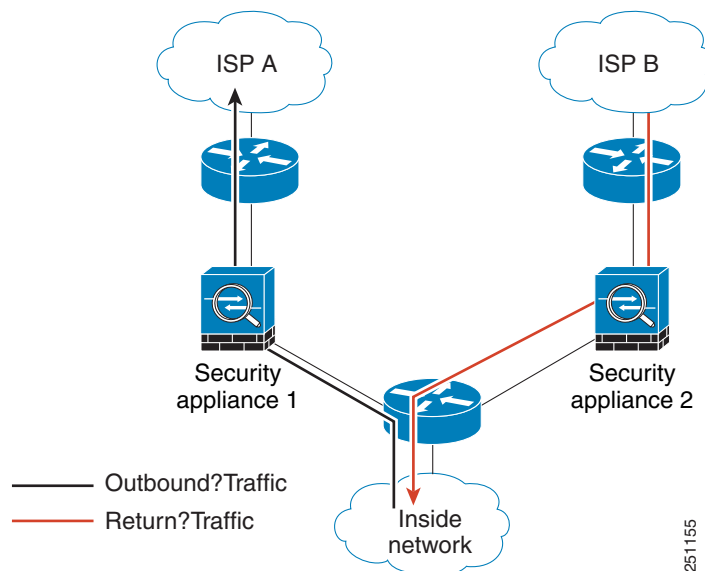
By default, all traffic that goes through the ASA is inspected using the Adaptive Security Algorithm and is either allowed through or dropped based on the security policy. The ASA maximizes the firewall performance by checking the state of each packet (is this a new connection or an established

connection?) and assigning it to either the session management path (a new connection SYN packet), the fast path (an established connection), or the control plane path (advanced inspection). See the general operations configuration guide for more detailed information about the stateful firewall.

TCP packets that match existing connections in the fast path can pass through the ASA without rechecking every aspect of the security policy. This feature maximizes performance. However, the method of establishing the session in the fast path using the SYN packet, and the checks that occur in the fast path (such as TCP sequence number), can stand in the way of asymmetrical routing solutions: both the outbound and inbound flow of a connection must pass through the same ASA.

For example, a new connection goes to ASA 1. The SYN packet goes through the session management path, and an entry for the connection is added to the fast path table. If subsequent packets of this connection go through ASA 1, then the packets will match the entry in the fast path, and are passed through. But if subsequent packets go to ASA 2, where there was not a SYN packet that went through the session management path, then there is no entry in the fast path for the connection, and the packets are dropped. [Figure 18-1](#) shows an asymmetric routing example where the outbound traffic goes through a different ASA than the inbound traffic:

**Figure 18-1** Asymmetric Routing



If you have asymmetric routing configured on upstream routers, and traffic alternates between two ASAs, then you can configure TCP state bypass for specific traffic. TCP state bypass alters the way sessions are established in the fast path and disables the fast path checks. This feature treats TCP traffic much as it treats a UDP connection: when a non-SYN packet matching the specified networks enters the ASA, and there is not an fast path entry, then the packet goes through the session management path to establish the connection in the fast path. Once in the fast path, the traffic bypasses the fast path checks.

## Licensing Requirements for Connection Settings

| Model            | License Requirement          |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| ASAv             | Standard or Premium License. |
| All other models | Base License.                |

## Guidelines and Limitations

### Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single and multiple context mode.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent mode.

### Failover Guidelines

Failover is supported.

### TCP State Bypass Unsupported Features

The following features are not supported when you use TCP state bypass:

- Application inspection—Application inspection requires both inbound and outbound traffic to go through the same ASA, so application inspection is not supported with TCP state bypass.
- AAA authenticated sessions—When a user authenticates with one ASA, traffic returning via the other ASA will be denied because the user did not authenticate with that ASA.
- TCP Intercept, maximum embryonic connection limit, TCP sequence number randomization—The ASA does not keep track of the state of the connection, so these features are not applied.
- TCP normalization—The TCP normalizer is disabled.
- SSM and SSC functionality—You cannot use TCP state bypass and any application running on an SSM or SSC, such as IPS or CSC.

### TCP State Bypass NAT Guidelines

Because the translation session is established separately for each ASA, be sure to configure static NAT on both ASAs for TCP state bypass traffic; if you use dynamic NAT, the address chosen for the session on ASA 1 will differ from the address chosen for the session on ASA 2.

### Maximum Concurrent and Embryonic Connection Guidelines

Depending on the number of CPU cores on your ASA model, the maximum concurrent and embryonic connections may exceed the configured numbers due to the way each core manages connections. In the worst case scenario, the ASA allows up to  $n-1$  extra connections and embryonic connections, where  $n$  is the number of cores. For example, if your model has 4 cores, if you configure 6 concurrent connections and 4 embryonic connections, you could have an additional 3 of each type. To determine the number of cores for your model, enter the **show cpu core** command.

# Default Settings

## TCP State Bypass

TCP state bypass is disabled by default.

## TCP Normalizer

The default configuration includes the following settings:

```
no check-retransmission
no checksum-verification
exceed-mss allow
queue-limit 0 timeout 4
reserved-bits allow
syn-data allow
synack-data drop
invalid-ack drop
seq-past-window drop
tcp-options range 6 7 clear
tcp-options range 9 255 clear
tcp-options selective-ack allow
tcp-options timestamp allow
tcp-options window-scale allow
ttl-evasion-protection
urgent-flag clear
window-variation allow-connection
```

# Configuring Connection Settings

This section includes the following topics:

- [Customizing the TCP Normalizer with a TCP Map, page 18-6](#)
- [Configuring Connection Settings, page 18-11](#)

## Task Flow For Configuring Connection Settings

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- |               |                                                                                                                                                      |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | For TCP normalization customization, create a TCP map according to the <a href="#">Customizing the TCP Normalizer with a TCP Map, page 18-6</a> .    |
| <b>Step 2</b> | For all connection settings, configure a service policy according to <a href="#">Chapter 1, “Service Policy Using the Modular Policy Framework.”</a> |
| <b>Step 3</b> | Configure connection settings according to the <a href="#">Configuring Connection Settings, page 18-11</a> .                                         |
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## Customizing the TCP Normalizer with a TCP Map

To customize the TCP normalizer, first define the settings using a TCP map.

## Detailed Steps

- Step 1** To specify the TCP normalization criteria that you want to look for, create a TCP map by entering the following command:

```
hostname(config)# tcp-map tcp-map-name
```

For each TCP map, you can customize one or more settings.

- Step 2** (Optional) Configure the TCP map criteria by entering one or more of the following commands (see [Table 18-1](#)). If you want to customize some settings, then the defaults are used for any commands you do not enter.

Table 18-1 tcp-map Commands

| Command                           | Notes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>check-retransmission</b>       | Prevents inconsistent TCP retransmissions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>checksum-verification</b>      | Verifies the checksum.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>exceed-mss {allow   drop}</b>  | <p>Sets the action for packets whose data length exceeds the TCP maximum segment size.</p> <p>(Default) The <b>allow</b> keyword allows packets whose data length exceeds the TCP maximum segment size.</p> <p>The <b>drop</b> keyword drops packets whose data length exceeds the TCP maximum segment size.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>invalid-ack {allow   drop}</b> | <p>Sets the action for packets with an invalid ACK. You might see invalid ACKs in the following instances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the TCP connection SYN-ACK-received status, if the ACK number of a received TCP packet is not exactly same as the sequence number of the next TCP packet sending out, it is an invalid ACK.</li> <li>• Whenever the ACK number of a received TCP packet is greater than the sequence number of the next TCP packet sending out, it is an invalid ACK.</li> </ul> <p>The <b>allow</b> keyword allows packets with an invalid ACK.</p> <p>(Default) The <b>drop</b> keyword drops packets with an invalid ACK.</p> <p><b>Note</b> TCP packets with an invalid ACK are automatically allowed for WAAS connections.</p> |



Table 18-1 *tcp-map Commands (continued)*

| Command                                                                | Notes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <b>queue-limit</b> <i>pkt_num</i><br>[ <b>timeout</b> <i>seconds</i> ] | <p>Sets the maximum number of out-of-order packets that can be buffered and put in order for a TCP connection, between 1 and 250 packets. The default is 0, which means this setting is disabled and the default system queue limit is used depending on the type of traffic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connections for application inspection (the <b>inspect</b> command), IPS (the <b>ips</b> command), and TCP check-retransmission (the TCP map <b>check-retransmission</b> command) have a queue limit of 3 packets. If the ASA receives a TCP packet with a different window size, then the queue limit is dynamically changed to match the advertised setting.</li> <li>• For other TCP connections, out-of-order packets are passed through untouched.</li> </ul> <p>If you set the <b>queue-limit</b> command to be 1 or above, then the number of out-of-order packets allowed for all TCP traffic matches this setting. For example, for application inspection, IPS, and TCP check-retransmission traffic, any advertised settings from TCP packets are ignored in favor of the <b>queue-limit</b> setting. For other TCP traffic, out-of-order packets are now buffered and put in order instead of passed through untouched.</p> <p>The <b>timeout</b> <i>seconds</i> argument sets the maximum amount of time that out-of-order packets can remain in the buffer, between 1 and 20 seconds; if they are not put in order and passed on within the timeout period, then they are dropped. The default is 4 seconds. You cannot change the timeout for any traffic if the <i>pkt_num</i> argument is set to 0; you need to set the limit to be 1 or above for the <b>timeout</b> keyword to take effect.</p> |
| <b>reserved-bits</b> { <b>allow</b>   <b>clear</b>   <b>drop</b> }     | <p>Sets the action for reserved bits in the TCP header.</p> <p>(Default) The <b>allow</b> keyword allows packets with the reserved bits in the TCP header.</p> <p>The <b>clear</b> keyword clears the reserved bits in the TCP header and allows the packet.</p> <p>The <b>drop</b> keyword drops the packet with the reserved bits in the TCP header.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>seq-past-window</b> { <b>allow</b>   <b>drop</b> }                  | <p>Sets the action for packets that have past-window sequence numbers, namely the sequence number of a received TCP packet is greater than the right edge of the TCP receiving window.</p> <p>The <b>allow</b> keyword allows packets that have past-window sequence numbers. This action is only allowed if the <b>queue-limit</b> command is set to 0 (disabled).</p> <p>(Default) The <b>drop</b> keyword drops packets that have past-window sequence numbers.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

Table 18-1 tcp-map Commands (continued)

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Notes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| <b>synack-data</b> { <b>allow</b>   <b>drop</b> }                                                                                                                                                                             | Sets the action for TCP SYNACK packets that contain data.<br>The <b>allow</b> keyword allows TCP SYNACK packets that contain data.<br>(Default) The <b>drop</b> keyword drops TCP SYNACK packets that contain data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>syn-data</b> { <b>allow</b>   <b>drop</b> }                                                                                                                                                                                | Sets the action for SYN packets with data.<br>(Default) The <b>allow</b> keyword allows SYN packets with data.<br>The <b>drop</b> keyword drops SYN packets with data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>tcp-options</b> { <b>selective-ack</b>   <b>timestamp</b>   <b>window-scale</b> }<br>{ <b>allow</b>   <b>clear</b> }<br>Or<br><b>tcp-options range</b> <i>lower upper</i><br>{ <b>allow</b>   <b>clear</b>   <b>drop</b> } | Sets the action for packets with TCP options, including the selective-ack, timestamp, or window-scale TCP options.<br>(Default) The <b>allow</b> keyword allows packets with the specified option.<br>(Default for <b>range</b> ) The <b>clear</b> keyword clears the option and allows the packet.<br>The <b>drop</b> keyword drops the packet with the specified option.<br>The <b>selective-ack</b> keyword sets the action for the SACK option.<br>The <b>timestamp</b> keyword sets the action for the timestamp option. Clearing the timestamp option disables PAWS and RTT.<br>The <b>window-scale</b> keyword sets the action for the window scale mechanism option.<br>The <b>range</b> keyword specifies a range of options. The <i>lower</i> argument sets the lower end of the range as 6, 7, or 9 through 255.<br>The <i>upper</i> argument sets the upper end of the range as 6, 7, or 9 through 255. |
| <b>ttl-evasion-protection</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Disables the TTL evasion protection. Do not enter this command if you want to prevent attacks that attempt to evade security policy.<br>For example, an attacker can send a packet that passes policy with a very short TTL. When the TTL goes to zero, a router between the ASA and the endpoint drops the packet. It is at this point that the attacker can send a malicious packet with a long TTL that appears to the ASA to be a retransmission and is passed. To the endpoint host, however, it is the first packet that has been received by the attacker. In this case, an attacker is able to succeed without security preventing the attack.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

Table 18-1 tcp-map Commands (continued)

| Command                                                | Notes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <b>urgent-flag</b> { <b>allow</b>   <b>clear</b> }     | <p>Sets the action for packets with the URG flag. The URG flag is used to indicate that the packet contains information that is of higher priority than other data within the stream. The TCP RFC is vague about the exact interpretation of the URG flag, therefore end systems handle urgent offsets in different ways, which may make the end system vulnerable to attacks.</p> <p>The <b>allow</b> keyword allows packets with the URG flag.</p> <p>(Default) The <b>clear</b> keyword clears the URG flag and allows the packet.</p>                      |
| <b>window-variation</b> { <b>allow</b>   <b>drop</b> } | <p>Sets the action for a connection that has changed its window size unexpectedly. The window size mechanism allows TCP to advertise a large window and to subsequently advertise a much smaller window without having accepted too much data. From the TCP specification, “shrinking the window” is strongly discouraged. When this condition is detected, the connection can be dropped.</p> <p>(Default) The <b>allow</b> keyword allows connections with a window variation.</p> <p>The <b>drop</b> keyword drops connections with a window variation.</p> |


## Configuring Connection Settings


To set connection settings, perform the following steps.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                            | Purpose                                                                                                                                  |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>class-map</b> <i>name</i>                                       | Creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to disable stateful firewall inspection.                                  |
|        | <b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map bypass_traffic      |                                                                                                                                          |
| Step 2 | <b>match</b> <i>parameter</i>                                      | Specifies the traffic in the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a> , page 1-12 for more information. |
|        | <b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list bypass |                                                                                                                                          |

|        | Command                                                                                                  | Purpose                                                                              |
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| Step 3 | <code>policy-map name</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map<br>tcp_bypass_policy | Adds or edits a policy map that sets the actions to take with the class map traffic. |
| Step 4 | <code>class name</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class<br>bypass_traffic         | Identifies the class map created in <a href="#">Step 1</a>                           |
| Step 5 | Do one or more of the following:                                                                         |                                                                                      |

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| <pre>set connection {[conn-max n] [embryonic-conn-max n] [per-client-embryonic-max n] [per-client-max n] [random-sequence-number {enable   disable}]}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection conn-max 256 random-sequence-number disable</pre> | <p>Sets maximum connection limits or whether TCP sequence randomization is enabled.</p> <p>The <b>conn-max</b> <i>n</i> argument sets the maximum number of simultaneous TCP and/or UDP connections that are allowed, between 0 and 2000000. The default is 0, which allows unlimited connections.</p> <p>If two servers are configured to allow simultaneous TCP and/or UDP connections, the connection limit is applied to each configured server separately.</p> <p>When configured under a class, this argument restricts the maximum number of simultaneous connections that are allowed for the entire class. In this case, one attack host can consume all the connections and leave none of the rest of the hosts matched in the ACL under the class.</p> <p>The <b>embryonic-conn-max</b> <i>n</i> argument sets the maximum number of simultaneous embryonic connections allowed, between 0 and 2000000. The default is 0, which allows unlimited connections.</p> <p>The <b>per-client-embryonic-max</b> <i>n</i> argument sets the maximum number of simultaneous embryonic connections allowed per client, between 0 and 2000000. The default is 0, which allows unlimited connections.</p> <p>The <b>per-client-max</b> <i>n</i> argument sets the maximum number of simultaneous connections allowed per client, between 0 and 2000000. The default is 0, which allows unlimited connections. When configured under a class, this argument restricts the maximum number of simultaneous connections that are allowed for each host that is matched through an ACL under the class.</p> <p>The <b>random-sequence-number</b> {<b>enable</b>   <b>disable</b>} keyword enables or disables TCP sequence number randomization. See <a href="#">TCP Sequence Randomization, page 18-3</a> section for more information.</p> <p>You can enter this command all on one line (in any order), or you can enter each attribute as a separate command. The ASA combines the command into one line in the running configuration.</p> <p> <b>Note</b> For management traffic, you can only set the <b>conn-max</b> and <b>embryonic-conn-max</b> keywords.</p> |

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <pre>set connection timeout {[embryonic hh:mm:ss] {idle hh:mm:ss [reset]] [half-closed hh:mm:ss] [dcd hh:mm:ss [max_retries]]}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection timeout idle 2:0:0 embryonic 0:40:0 half-closed 0:20:0 dcd</pre> | <p>Sets connection timeouts. For global timeouts, see the <b>timeout</b> command in the command reference.</p> <p>The <b>embryonic</b> <i>hh:mm:ss</i> keyword sets the timeout period until a TCP embryonic (half-open) connection is closed, between 0:0:5 and 1193:00:00. The default is 0:0:30. You can also set this value to 0, which means the connection never times out.</p> <p>The <b>idle</b> <i>hh:mm:ss</i> keyword sets the idle timeout period after which an established connection of any protocol closes, between 0:0:1 and 1193:0:0. The default is 1:0:0. You can also set this value to 0, which means the connection never times out. For TCP traffic, the <b>reset</b> keyword sends a reset to TCP endpoints when the connection times out.</p> <p>The <b>half-closed</b> <i>hh:mm:ss</i> keyword sets the idle timeout period until a half-closed connection is closed, between 0:5:0 (for 9.1(1) and earlier) or 0:0:30 (for 9.1(2) and later) and 1193:0:0. The default is 0:10:0. Half-closed connections are not affected by DCD. Also, the ASA does not send a reset when taking down half-closed connections.</p> <p>The <b>dcd</b> keyword enables DCD. DCD detects a dead connection and allows it to expire, without expiring connections that can still handle traffic. You configure DCD when you want idle, but valid connections to persist. After a TCP connection times out, the ASA sends DCD probes to the end hosts to determine the validity of the connection. If one of the end hosts fails to respond after the maximum retries are exhausted, the ASA frees the connection. If both end hosts respond that the connection is valid, the ASA updates the activity timeout to the current time and reschedules the idle timeout accordingly. The <i>retry-interval</i> sets the time duration in <i>hh:mm:ss</i> format to wait after each unresponsive DCD probe before sending another probe, between 0:0:1 and 24:0:0. The default is 0:0:15. The <i>max-retries</i> sets the number of consecutive failed retries for DCD before declaring the connection as dead. The minimum value is 1 and the maximum value is 255. The default is 5.</p> <p>The default <b>tcp</b> idle timeout is 1 hour.</p> <p>The default <b>udp</b> idle timeout is 2 minutes.</p> <p>The default <b>icmp</b> idle timeout is 2 seconds.</p> <p>The default <b>esp</b> and <b>ha</b> idle timeout is 30 seconds.</p> <p>For all other protocols, the default idle timeout is 2 minutes.</p> <p>To never time out, enter 0:0:0.</p> <p>You can enter this command all on one line (in any order), or you can enter each attribute as a separate command. The command is combined onto one line in the running configuration.</p> <p> <b>Note</b> This command is not available for management traffic.</p> |

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <pre>set connection advanced-options tcp-map-name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection advanced-options tcp_map1</pre>                                                                | Customizes the TCP normalizer. See <a href="#">Customizing the TCP Normalizer with a TCP Map, page 18-6</a> to create a TCP map.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <pre>set connection advanced-options tcp-state-bypass</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection advanced-options tcp-state-bypass</pre>                                                    | Enables TCP state bypass.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <p><b>Step 6</b></p> <pre>service-policy <i>polycymap_name</i> {<b>global</b>   <b>interface</b> <i>interface_name</i>}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# service-policy tcp_bypass_policy outside</pre> | Activates the policy map on one or more interfaces. <b>global</b> applies the policy map to all interfaces, and <b>interface</b> applies the policy to one interface. Only one global policy is allowed. You can override the global policy on an interface by applying a service policy to that interface. You can only apply one policy map to each interface. |

## Monitoring Connection Settings

To monitor TCP state bypass, perform one of the following tasks:

| Command                | Purpose                                                                                                                     |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>show conn</code> | If you use the <code>show conn</code> command, the display for connections that use TCP state bypass includes the flag “b.” |

## Configuration Examples for Connection Settings

This section includes the following topics:

- [Configuration Examples for Connection Limits and Timeouts, page 18-15](#)
- [Configuration Examples for TCP State Bypass, page 18-16](#)
- [Configuration Examples for TCP Normalization, page 18-16](#)

## Configuration Examples for Connection Limits and Timeouts

The following example sets the connection limits and timeouts for all traffic:

```
hostname(config)# class-map CONNS
hostname(config-cmap)# match any
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map CONNS
hostname(config-pmap)# class CONNS
```

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection conn-max 1000 embryonic-conn-max 3000
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection timeout idle 2:0:0 embryonic 0:40:0 half-closed
0:20:0 dcd
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy CONNS interface outside
```

You can enter **set connection** commands with multiple parameters or you can enter each parameter as a separate command. The ASA combines the commands into one line in the running configuration. For example, if you entered the following two commands in class configuration mode:

```
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection conn-max 600
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection embryonic-conn-max 50
```

the output of the **show running-config policy-map** command would display the result of the two commands in a single, combined command:

```
set connection conn-max 600 embryonic-conn-max 50
```

## Configuration Examples for TCP State Bypass

The following is a sample configuration for TCP state bypass:

```
hostname(config)# access-list tcp_bypass extended permit tcp 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.224 any

hostname(config)# class-map tcp_bypass
hostname(config-cmap)# description "TCP traffic that bypasses stateful firewall"
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list tcp_bypass

hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map tcp_bypass_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class tcp_bypass
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection advanced-options tcp-state-bypass

hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy tcp_bypass_policy outside

hostname(config-pmap-c)# static (inside,outside) 209.165.200.224 10.1.1.0 netmask
255.255.255.224
```

## Configuration Examples for TCP Normalization

For example, to allow urgent flag and urgent offset packets for all traffic sent to the range of TCP ports between the well known FTP data port and the Telnet port, enter the following commands:

```
hostname(config)# tcp-map tmap
hostname(config-tcp-map)# urgent-flag allow
hostname(config-tcp-map)# class-map urg-class
hostname(config-cmap)# match port tcp range ftp-data telnet
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map pmap
hostname(config-pmap)# class urg-class
hostname(config-pmap-c)# set connection advanced-options tmap
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy pmap global
```



# Feature History for Connection Settings

Table 18-2 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 18-2** Feature History for Connection Settings

| Feature Name                                        | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| TCP state bypass                                    | 8.2(1)            | This feature was introduced. The following command was introduced: <b>set connection advanced-options tcp-state-bypass</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Connection timeout for all protocols                | 8.2(2)            | The idle timeout was changed to apply to all protocols, not just TCP.<br><br>The following command was modified: <b>set connection timeout</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Timeout for connections using a backup static route | 8.2(5)/8.4(2)     | When multiple static routes exist to a network with different metrics, the ASA uses the one with the best metric at the time of connection creation. If a better route becomes available, then this timeout lets connections be closed so a connection can be reestablished to use the better route. The default is 0 (the connection never times out). To take advantage of this feature, change the timeout to a new value.<br><br>We modified the following command: <b>timeout floating-conn</b> . |
| Configurable timeout for PAT xlate                  | 8.4(3)            | When a PAT xlate times out (by default after 30 seconds), and the ASA reuses the port for a new translation, some upstream routers might reject the new connection because the previous connection might still be open on the upstream device. The PAT xlate timeout is now configurable, to a value between 30 seconds and 5 minutes.<br><br>We introduced the following command: <b>timeout pat-xlate</b> .<br><i>This feature is not available in 8.5(1) or 8.6(1).</i>                             |

Table 18-2 Feature History for Connection Settings (continued)

| Feature Name                                                  | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| Increased maximum connection limits for service policy rules  | 9.0(1)            | <p>The maximum number of connections for service policy rules was increased from 65535 to 2000000.</p> <p>We modified the following commands: <b>set connection conn-max</b>, <b>set connection embryonic-conn-max</b>, <b>set connection per-client-embryonic-max</b>, <b>set connection per-client-max</b>.</p> |
| Decreased the half-closed timeout minimum value to 30 seconds | 9.1(2)            | <p>The half-closed timeout minimum value for both the global timeout and connection timeout was lowered from 5 minutes to 30 seconds to provide better DoS protection.</p> <p>We modified the following commands: <b>set connection timeout half-closed</b>, <b>timeout half-closed</b>.</p>                      |



## Quality of Service

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Have you ever participated in a long-distance phone call that involved a satellite connection? The conversation might be interrupted with brief, but perceptible, gaps at odd intervals. Those gaps are the time, called the latency, between the arrival of packets being transmitted over the network. Some network traffic, such as voice and video, cannot tolerate long latency times. Quality of service (QoS) is a feature that lets you give priority to critical traffic, prevent bandwidth hogging, and manage network bottlenecks to prevent packet drops.



### Note

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For the ASASM, we suggest performing QoS on the switch instead of the ASASM. Switches have more capability in this area.

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This chapter describes how to apply QoS policies and includes the following sections:

- [Information About QoS, page 19-1](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for QoS, page 19-5](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 19-5](#)
- [Configuring QoS, page 19-6](#)
- [Monitoring QoS, page 19-16](#)
- [Feature History for QoS, page 19-19](#)

## Information About QoS

You should consider that in an ever-changing network environment, QoS is not a one-time deployment, but an ongoing, essential part of network design.

This section describes the QoS features supported by the ASA and includes the following topics:

- [Supported QoS Features, page 19-2](#)
- [What is a Token Bucket?, page 19-2](#)
- [Information About Policing, page 19-3](#)
- [Information About Priority Queuing, page 19-3](#)
- [Information About Traffic Shaping, page 19-4](#)
- [DSCP and DiffServ Preservation, page 19-5](#)

## Supported QoS Features

The ASA supports the following QoS features:

- Policing—To prevent individual flows from hogging the network bandwidth, you can limit the maximum bandwidth used per flow. See [Information About Policing, page 19-3](#) for more information.
- Priority queuing—For critical traffic that cannot tolerate latency, such as Voice over IP (VoIP), you can identify traffic for Low Latency Queuing (LLQ) so that it is always transmitted ahead of other traffic. See [Information About Priority Queuing, page 19-3](#) for more information.
- Traffic shaping—If you have a device that transmits packets at a high speed, such as a ASA with Fast Ethernet, and it is connected to a low speed device such as a cable modem, then the cable modem is a bottleneck at which packets are frequently dropped. To manage networks with differing line speeds, you can configure the ASA to transmit packets at a fixed slower rate. See [Information About Traffic Shaping, page 19-4](#) for more information.

## What is a Token Bucket?

A token bucket is used to manage a device that regulates the data in a flow. For example, the regulator might be a traffic policer or a traffic shaper. A token bucket itself has no discard or priority policy. Rather, a token bucket discards tokens and leaves to the flow the problem of managing its transmission queue if the flow overdrives the regulator.

A token bucket is a formal definition of a rate of transfer. It has three components: a burst size, an average rate, and a time interval. Although the average rate is generally represented as bits per second, any two values may be derived from the third by the relation shown as follows:

average rate = burst size / time interval

Here are some definitions of these terms:

- Average rate—Also called the committed information rate (CIR), it specifies how much data can be sent or forwarded per unit time on average.
- Burst size—Also called the Committed Burst (Bc) size, it specifies in bits or bytes per burst how much traffic can be sent within a given unit of time to not create scheduling concerns. (For traffic shaping, it specifies bits per burst; for policing, it specifies bytes per burst.)
- Time interval—Also called the measurement interval, it specifies the time quantum in seconds per burst.

In the token bucket metaphor, tokens are put into the bucket at a certain rate. The bucket itself has a specified capacity. If the bucket fills to capacity, newly arriving tokens are discarded. Each token is permission for the source to send a certain number of bits into the network. To send a packet, the regulator must remove from the bucket a number of tokens equal in representation to the packet size.

If not enough tokens are in the bucket to send a packet, the packet either waits until the bucket has enough tokens (in the case of traffic shaping) or the packet is discarded or marked down (in the case of policing). If the bucket is already full of tokens, incoming tokens overflow and are not available to future packets. Thus, at any time, the largest burst a source can send into the network is roughly proportional to the size of the bucket.

Note that the token bucket mechanism used for traffic shaping has both a token bucket and a data buffer, or queue; if it did not have a data buffer, it would be a policer. For traffic shaping, packets that arrive that cannot be sent immediately are delayed in the data buffer.

For traffic shaping, a token bucket permits burstiness but bounds it. It guarantees that the burstiness is bounded so that the flow will never send faster than the token bucket capacity, divided by the time interval, plus the established rate at which tokens are placed in the token bucket. See the following formula:

$$(\text{token bucket capacity in bits} / \text{time interval in seconds}) + \text{established rate in bps} = \text{maximum flow speed in bps}$$

This method of bounding burstiness also guarantees that the long-term transmission rate will not exceed the established rate at which tokens are placed in the bucket.

## Information About Policing

Policing is a way of ensuring that no traffic exceeds the maximum rate (in bits/second) that you configure, thus ensuring that no one traffic flow or class can take over the entire resource. When traffic exceeds the maximum rate, the ASA drops the excess traffic. Policing also sets the largest single burst of traffic allowed.

## Information About Priority Queuing

LLQ priority queuing lets you prioritize certain traffic flows (such as latency-sensitive traffic like voice and video) ahead of other traffic.

The ASA supports two types of priority queuing:

- Standard priority queuing—Standard priority queuing uses an LLQ priority queue on an interface (see [Configuring the Standard Priority Queue for an Interface, page 19-8](#)), while all other traffic goes into the “best effort” queue. Because queues are not of infinite size, they can fill and overflow. When a queue is full, any additional packets cannot get into the queue and are dropped. This is called *tail drop*. To avoid having the queue fill up, you can increase the queue buffer size. You can also fine-tune the maximum number of packets allowed into the transmit queue. These options let you control the latency and robustness of the priority queuing. Packets in the LLQ queue are always transmitted before packets in the best effort queue.
- Hierarchical priority queuing—Hierarchical priority queuing is used on interfaces on which you enable a traffic shaping queue. A subset of the shaped traffic can be prioritized. The standard priority queue is not used. See the following guidelines about hierarchical priority queuing:
  - Priority packets are always queued at the head of the shape queue so they are always transmitted ahead of other non-priority queued packets.
  - Priority packets are never dropped from the shape queue unless the sustained rate of priority traffic exceeds the shape rate.
  - For IPsec-encrypted packets, you can only match traffic based on the DSCP or precedence setting.
  - IPsec-over-TCP is not supported for priority traffic classification.

## Information About Traffic Shaping

Traffic shaping is used to match device and link speeds, thereby controlling packet loss, variable delay, and link saturation, which can cause jitter and delay.

**Note**

Traffic shaping is only supported on the ASA 5505.

- Traffic shaping must be applied to all outgoing traffic on a physical interface or in the case of the ASA 5505, on a VLAN. You cannot configure traffic shaping for specific types of traffic.
- Traffic shaping is implemented when packets are ready to be transmitted on an interface, so the rate calculation is performed based on the actual size of a packet to be transmitted, including all the possible overhead such as the IPsec header and L2 header.
- The shaped traffic includes both through-the-box and from-the-box traffic.
- The shape rate calculation is based on the standard token bucket algorithm. The token bucket size is twice the Burst Size value. See [What is a Token Bucket?](#), page 19-2.
- When bursty traffic exceeds the specified shape rate, packets are queued and transmitted later. Following are some characteristics regarding the shape queue (for information about hierarchical priority queuing, see [Information About Priority Queuing](#), page 19-3):
  - The queue size is calculated based on the shape rate. The queue can hold the equivalent of 200-milliseconds worth of shape rate traffic, assuming a 1500-byte packet. The minimum queue size is 64.
  - When the queue limit is reached, packets are tail-dropped.
  - Certain critical keep-alive packets such as OSPF Hello packets are never dropped.
  - The time interval is derived by  $time\_interval = burst\_size / average\_rate$ . The larger the time interval is, the burstier the shaped traffic might be, and the longer the link might be idle. The effect can be best understood using the following exaggerated example:

Average Rate = 1000000

Burst Size = 1000000

In the above example, the time interval is 1 second, which means, 1 Mbps of traffic can be bursted out within the first 10 milliseconds of the 1-second interval on a 100 Mbps FE link and leave the remaining 990 milliseconds idle without being able to send any packets until the next time interval. So if there is delay-sensitive traffic such as voice traffic, the Burst Size should be reduced compared to the average rate so the time interval is reduced.

## How QoS Features Interact

You can configure each of the QoS features alone if desired for the ASA. Often, though, you configure multiple QoS features on the ASA so you can prioritize some traffic, for example, and prevent other traffic from causing bandwidth problems.

See the following supported feature combinations per interface:

- Standard priority queuing (for specific traffic) + Policing (for the rest of the traffic).

You cannot configure priority queuing and policing for the same set of traffic.

- Traffic shaping (for all traffic on an interface) + Hierarchical priority queuing (for a subset of traffic).

You cannot configure traffic shaping and standard priority queuing for the same interface; only hierarchical priority queuing is allowed. For example, if you configure standard priority queuing for the global policy, and then configure traffic shaping for a specific interface, the feature you configured last is rejected because the global policy overlaps the interface policy.

Typically, if you enable traffic shaping, you do not also enable policing for the same traffic, although the ASA does not restrict you from configuring this.

## DSCP and DiffServ Preservation

- DSCP markings are preserved on all traffic passing through the ASA.
- The ASA does not locally mark/remark any classified traffic, but it honors the Expedited Forwarding (EF) DSCP bits of every packet to determine if it requires “priority” handling and will direct those packets to the LLQ.
- DiffServ marking is preserved on packets when they traverse the service provider backbone so that QoS can be applied in transit (QoS tunnel pre-classification).

## Licensing Requirements for QoS

The following table shows the licensing requirements for this feature:

| Model            | License Requirement          |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| ASAv             | Standard or Premium License. |
| All other models | Base License.                |

## Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature.

### Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single context mode only. Does not support multiple context mode.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed firewall mode only. Does not support transparent firewall mode.

### IPv6 Guidelines

Does not support IPv6.

### Model Guidelines

- Traffic shaping is only supported on the ASA 5505. Multi-core models (such as the ASA 5500-X) do not support shaping.
- (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Priority queuing is not supported on the Management 0/0 interface.

- (ASASM) Only policing is supported.

#### Additional Guidelines and Limitations

- QoS is applied unidirectionally; only traffic that enters (or exits, depending on the QoS feature) the interface to which you apply the policy map is affected. See [Feature Directionality, page 1-2](#) for more information.
- For traffic shaping, you can only use the **class-default** class map, which is automatically created by the ASA, and which matches all traffic.
- For priority traffic, you cannot use the **class-default** class map.
- For hierarchical priority queuing, for encrypted VPN traffic, you can only match traffic based on the DSCP or precedence setting; you cannot match a tunnel group.
- For hierarchical priority queuing, IPsec-over-TCP traffic is not supported.
- You cannot configure traffic shaping and standard priority queuing for the same interface; only hierarchical priority queuing is allowed.
- For standard priority queuing, the queue must be configured for a physical interface or, for the ASA 5505 or ASASM, a VLAN.
- For policing, to-the-box traffic is not supported.
- For policing, traffic to and from a VPN tunnel bypass interface is not supported.
- For policing, when you match a tunnel group class map, only outbound policing is supported.

## Configuring QoS

This section includes the following topics:

- [Determining the Queue and TX Ring Limits for a Standard Priority Queue, page 19-7](#)
- [Configuring the Standard Priority Queue for an Interface, page 19-8](#)
- [Configuring a Service Rule for Standard Priority Queuing and Policing, page 19-9](#)
- [Configuring a Service Rule for Traffic Shaping and Hierarchical Priority Queuing, page 19-13](#)



## Determining the Queue and TX Ring Limits for a Standard Priority Queue

To determine the priority queue and TX ring limits, use the worksheets below.

Table 19-1 shows how to calculate the priority queue size. Because queues are not of infinite size, they can fill and overflow. When a queue is full, any additional packets cannot get into the queue and are dropped (called *tail drop*). To avoid having the queue fill up, you can adjust the queue buffer size according to the [Configuring the Standard Priority Queue for an Interface](#), page 19-8.

**Table 19-1** Queue Limit Worksheet

|               |                                                      |                                                |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | _____ Mbps × 125 = _____                             |                                                |
|               | <i>Outbound bandwidth (Mbps or Kbps)<sup>1</sup></i> | <i># of bytes/ms</i>                           |
|               | _____ Kbps × .125 = _____                            |                                                |
|               |                                                      | <i># of bytes/ms</i>                           |
| <b>Step 2</b> | _____ ÷ _____ × _____ = _____                        |                                                |
|               | <i># of bytes/ms from Step 1</i>                     | <i>Average packet size (bytes)<sup>2</sup></i> |
|               |                                                      | <i>Delay (ms)<sup>3</sup></i>                  |
|               |                                                      | <i>Queue limit (# of packets)</i>              |

1. For example, DSL might have an uplink speed of 768 Kbps. Check with your provider.
2. Determine this value from a codec or sampling size. For example, for VoIP over VPN, you might use 160 bytes. We recommend 256 bytes if you do not know what size to use.
3. The delay depends on your application. For example, the recommended maximum delay for VoIP is 200 ms. We recommend 500 ms if you do not know what delay to use.

Table 19-2 shows how to calculate the TX ring limit. This limit determines the maximum number of packets allowed into the Ethernet transmit driver before the driver pushes back to the queues on the interface to let them buffer packets until the congestion clears. This setting guarantees that the hardware-based transmit ring imposes a limited amount of extra latency for a high-priority packet.

**Table 19-2** TX Ring Limit Worksheet

|               |                                                      |                                                |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | _____ Mbps × 125 = _____                             |                                                |
|               | <i>Outbound bandwidth (Mbps or Kbps)<sup>1</sup></i> | <i># of bytes/ms</i>                           |
|               | _____ Kbps × 0.125 = _____                           |                                                |
|               |                                                      | <i># of bytes/ms</i>                           |
| <b>Step 2</b> | _____ ÷ _____ × _____ = _____                        |                                                |
|               | <i># of bytes/ms from Step 1</i>                     | <i>Maximum packet size (bytes)<sup>2</sup></i> |
|               |                                                      | <i>Delay (ms)<sup>3</sup></i>                  |
|               |                                                      | <i>TX ring limit (# of packets)</i>            |

1. For example, DSL might have an uplink speed of 768 Kbps. Check with your provider.

2. Typically, the maximum size is 1538 bytes, or 1542 bytes for tagged Ethernet. If you allow jumbo frames (if supported for your platform), then the packet size might be larger.
3. The delay depends on your application. For example, to control jitter for VoIP, you should use 20 ms.

## Configuring the Standard Priority Queue for an Interface

If you enable standard priority queuing for traffic on a physical interface, then you need to also create the priority queue on each interface. Each physical interface uses two queues: one for priority traffic, and the other for all other traffic. For the other traffic, you can optionally configure policing.



### Note

The standard priority queue is not required for hierarchical priority queuing with traffic shaping; see [Information About Priority Queuing, page 19-3](#) for more information.

### Restrictions

- (ASASM) The ASASM does not support priority queuing.
- (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Priority queuing is not supported on the Management 0/0 interface.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                               | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <p><b>priority-queue</b> <i>interface_name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config)# priority-queue inside</p> | <p>Create the priority queue, where the <i>interface_name</i> argument specifies the physical interface name on which you want to enable the priority queue, or for the ASA 5505 or ASASM, the VLAN interface name.</p> |

| Command                                                                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| <p><b>Step 2</b></p> <p><b>queue-limit</b> <i>number_of_packets</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config-priority-queue)#<br/> queue-limit 260</p>   | <p>Changes the size of the priority queues. The default queue limit is 1024 packets. Because queues are not of infinite size, they can fill and overflow. When a queue is full, any additional packets cannot get into the queue and are dropped (called <i>tail drop</i>). To avoid having the queue fill up, you can use the <b>queue-limit</b> command to increase the queue buffer size.</p> <p>The upper limit of the range of values for the <b>queue-limit</b> command is determined dynamically at run time. To view this limit, enter <b>queue-limit ?</b> on the command line. The key determinants are the memory needed to support the queues and the memory available on the device.</p> <p>The <b>queue-limit</b> that you specify affects both the higher priority low-latency queue and the best effort queue.</p>                                                                                     |
| <p><b>Step 3</b></p> <p><b>tx-ring-limit</b> <i>number_of_packets</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config-priority-queue)#<br/> tx-ring-limit 3</p> | <p>Specifies the depth of the priority queues. The default tx-ring-limit is 128 packets. This command sets the maximum number of low-latency or normal priority packets allowed into the Ethernet transmit driver before the driver pushes back to the queues on the interface to let them buffer packets until the congestion clears. This setting guarantees that the hardware-based transmit ring imposes a limited amount of extra latency for a high-priority packet.</p> <p>The upper limit of the range of values for the <b>tx-ring-limit</b> command is determined dynamically at run time. To view this limit, enter <b>tx-ring-limit ?</b> on the command line. The key determinants are the memory needed to support the queues and the memory available on the device.</p> <p>The <b>tx-ring-limit</b> that you specify affects both the higher priority low-latency queue and the best-effort queue.</p> |

## Examples

The following example establishes a priority queue on interface “outside” (the GigabitEthernet0/1 interface), with the default queue-limit and tx-ring-limit:

```
hostname(config)# priority-queue outside
```

The following example establishes a priority queue on the interface “outside” (the GigabitEthernet0/1 interface), sets the queue-limit to 260 packets, and sets the tx-ring-limit to 3:

```
hostname(config)# priority-queue outside
hostname(config-priority-queue)# queue-limit 260
hostname(config-priority-queue)# tx-ring-limit 3
```

## Configuring a Service Rule for Standard Priority Queuing and Policing

You can configure standard priority queuing and policing for different class maps within the same policy map. See [How QoS Features Interact, page 19-4](#) for information about valid QoS configurations.

To create a policy map, perform the following steps.

## Restrictions

- You cannot use the **class-default** class map for priority traffic.
- You cannot configure traffic shaping and standard priority queuing for the same interface; only hierarchical priority queuing is allowed.
- (ASASM) The ASASM only supports policing.
- For policing, to-the-box traffic is not supported.
- For policing, traffic to and from a VPN tunnel bypass interface is not supported.
- For policing, when you match a tunnel group class map, only outbound policing is supported.

## Guidelines

- For priority traffic, identify only latency-sensitive traffic.
- For policing traffic, you can choose to police all other traffic, or you can limit the traffic to certain types.

## Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                             | Purpose                                                                                                                                  |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>class-map</b> <i>priority_map_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map<br>priority_traffic | For priority traffic, creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to perform priority queuing.                        |
| Step 2 | <b>match</b> <i>parameter</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list<br>priority        | Specifies the traffic in the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a> , page 1-12 for more information. |
| Step 3 | <b>class-map</b> <i>policing_map_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map<br>policing_traffic | For policing traffic, creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to perform policing.                                |
| Step 4 | <b>match</b> <i>parameter</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list<br>policing        | Specifies the traffic in the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a> , page 1-12 for more information. |
| Step 5 | <b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map QoS_policy                     | Adds or edits a policy map.                                                                                                              |

|         | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| Step 6  | <pre>class priority_map_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-pmap)# class<br/>priority_class </p>                                                                                                                      | Identifies the class map you created for prioritized traffic in <a href="#">Step 1</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Step 7  | <pre>priority</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-pmap-c)# priority </p>                                                                                                                                                   | Configures priority queuing for the class.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Step 8  | <pre>class policing_map_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-pmap)# class<br/>policing_class </p>                                                                                                                      | Identifies the class map you created for policed traffic in <a href="#">Step 3</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Step 9  | <pre>police {output   input} conform-rate<br/>[conform-burst] [conform-action [drop  <br/>transmit]] [exceed-action [drop  <br/>transmit]]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-pmap-c)# police output<br/>56000 10500 </p> | <p>Configures policing for the class. See the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>conform-burst</i> argument—Specifies the maximum number of instantaneous bytes allowed in a sustained burst before throttling to the conforming rate value, between 1000 and 512000000 bytes.</li> <li>• <b>conform-action</b>—Sets the action to take when the rate is less than the <i>conform_burst</i> value.</li> <li>• <i>conform-rate</i>—Sets the rate limit for this traffic flow; between 8000 and 2000000000 bits per second.]</li> <li>• <b>drop</b>—Drops the packet.</li> <li>• <b>exceed-action</b>—Sets the action to take when the rate is between the <i>conform-rate</i> value and the <i>conform-burst</i> value.</li> <li>• <b>input</b>—Enables policing of traffic flowing in the input direction.</li> <li>• <b>output</b>—Enables policing of traffic flowing in the output direction.</li> <li>• <b>transmit</b>—Transmits the packet.</li> </ul> |
| Step 10 | <pre>service-policy policymap_name {global  <br/>interface interface_name}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config)# service-policy<br/>QoS_policy interface inside </p>                                                       | Activates the policy map on one or more interfaces. <b>global</b> applies the policy map to all interfaces, and <b>interface</b> applies the policy to one interface. Only one global policy is allowed. You can override the global policy on an interface by applying a service policy to that interface. You can only apply one policy map to each interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

## Examples

### Example 19-1 Class Map Examples for VPN Traffic

In the following example, the **class-map** command classifies all non-tunneled TCP traffic, using an ACL named `tcp_traffic`:

```
hostname(config)# access-list tcp_traffic permit tcp any any
```

```
hostname(config)# class-map tcp_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list tcp_traffic
```

In the following example, other, more specific match criteria are used for classifying traffic for specific, security-related tunnel groups. These specific match criteria stipulate that a match on tunnel-group (in this case, the previously-defined Tunnel-Group-1) is required as the first match characteristic to classify traffic for a specific tunnel, and it allows for an additional match line to classify the traffic (IP differential services code point, expedited forwarding).

```
hostname(config)# class-map TG1-voice
hostname(config-cmap)# match tunnel-group tunnel-grp1
hostname(config-cmap)# match dscp ef
```

In the following example, the **class-map** command classifies both tunneled and non-tunneled traffic according to the traffic type:

```
hostname(config)# access-list tunneled extended permit ip 10.10.34.0 255.255.255.0
192.168.10.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config)# access-list non-tunneled extended permit tcp any any
hostname(config)# tunnel-group tunnel-grp1 type IPsec_L2L

hostname(config)# class-map browse
hostname(config-cmap)# description "This class-map matches all non-tunneled tcp traffic."
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list non-tunneled

hostname(config-cmap)# class-map TG1-voice
hostname(config-cmap)# description "This class-map matches all dscp ef traffic for
tunnel-grp 1."
hostname(config-cmap)# match dscp ef
hostname(config-cmap)# match tunnel-group tunnel-grp1

hostname(config-cmap)# class-map TG1-BestEffort
hostname(config-cmap)# description "This class-map matches all best-effort traffic for
tunnel-grp1."
hostname(config-cmap)# match tunnel-group tunnel-grp1
hostname(config-cmap)# match flow ip destination-address
```

The following example shows a way of policing a flow within a tunnel, provided the classed traffic is not specified as a tunnel, but does go *through* the tunnel. In this example, 192.168.10.10 is the address of the host machine on the private side of the remote tunnel, and the ACL is named “host-over-121”. By creating a class-map (named “host-specific”), you can then police the “host-specific” class before the LAN-to-LAN connection polices the tunnel. In this example, the “host-specific” traffic is rate-limited before the tunnel, then the tunnel is rate-limited:

```
hostname(config)# access-list host-over-121 extended permit ip any host 192.168.10.10
hostname(config)# class-map host-specific
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list host-over-121
```

The following example builds on the configuration developed in the previous section. As in the previous example, there are two named class-maps: tcp\_traffic and TG1-voice.

```
hostname(config)# class-map TG1-best-effort
hostname(config-cmap)# match tunnel-group Tunnel-Group-1
hostname(config-cmap)# match flow ip destination-address
```

Adding a third class map provides a basis for defining a tunneled and non-tunneled QoS policy, as follows, which creates a simple QoS policy for tunneled and non-tunneled traffic, assigning packets of the class TG1-voice to the low latency queue and setting rate limits on the tcp\_traffic and TG1-best-effort traffic flows.

**Example 19-2 Priority and Policing Example**

In this example, the maximum rate for traffic of the `tcp_traffic` class is 56,000 bits/second and a maximum burst size of 10,500 bytes per second. For the `TC1-BestEffort` class, the maximum rate is 200,000 bits/second, with a maximum burst of 37,500 bytes/second. Traffic in the `TC1-voice` class has no policed maximum speed or burst rate because it belongs to a priority class.

```
hostname(config)# access-list tcp_traffic permit tcp any any
hostname(config)# class-map tcp_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list tcp_traffic

hostname(config)# class-map TG1-voice
hostname(config-cmap)# match tunnel-group tunnel-grp1
hostname(config-cmap)# match dscp ef

hostname(config-cmap)# class-map TG1-BestEffort
hostname(config-cmap)# match tunnel-group tunnel-grp1
hostname(config-cmap)# match flow ip destination-address

hostname(config)# policy-map qos
hostname(config-pmap)# class tcp_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# police output 56000 10500

hostname(config-pmap-c)# class TG1-voice
hostname(config-pmap-c)# priority

hostname(config-pmap-c)# class TG1-best-effort
hostname(config-pmap-c)# police output 200000 37500

hostname(config-pmap-c)# class class-default
hostname(config-pmap-c)# police output 1000000 37500

hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy qos global
```

## Configuring a Service Rule for Traffic Shaping and Hierarchical Priority Queuing

You can configure traffic shaping for all traffic on an interface, and optionally hierarchical priority queuing for a subset of latency-sensitive traffic.

This section includes the following topics:

- [\(Optional\) Configuring the Hierarchical Priority Queuing Policy, page 19-13](#)
- [Configuring the Service Rule, page 19-14](#)

### (Optional) Configuring the Hierarchical Priority Queuing Policy

You can optionally configure priority queuing for a subset of latency-sensitive traffic.

#### Guidelines

- One side-effect of priority queuing is packet re-ordering. For IPsec packets, out-of-order packets that are not within the anti-replay window generate warning syslog messages. These warnings are false alarms in the case of priority queuing. You can configure the IPsec anti-replay window size to avoid possible false alarms. See the `crypto ipsec security-association replay` command in the command reference.

- For hierarchical priority queuing, you do not need to create a priority queue on an interface.

### Restrictions

- For hierarchical priority queuing, for encrypted VPN traffic, you can only match traffic based on the DSCP or precedence setting; you cannot match a tunnel group.
- For hierarchical priority queuing, IPsec-over-TCP traffic is not supported.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                  | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>class-map</b> <i>priority_map_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map<br>priority_traffic      | For hierarchical priority queuing, creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to perform priority queuing.                                                                                                                                           |
| Step 2 | <b>match</b> <i>parameter</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list<br>priority             | Specifies the traffic in the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a> , page 1-12 for more information. For encrypted VPN traffic, you can only match traffic based on the DSCP or precedence setting; you cannot match a tunnel group. |
| Step 3 | <b>policy-map</b> <i>priority_map_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map<br>priority-sub-policy | Creates a policy map.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Step 4 | <b>class</b> <i>priority_map_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class<br>priority-sub-map         | Specifies the class map you created in <a href="#">Step 1</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Step 5 | <b>priority</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap-c)# priority                                              | Applies the priority queuing action to a class map.<br><br><b>Note</b> This policy has not yet been activated. You must activate it as part of the shaping policy. See <a href="#">Configuring the Service Rule</a> , page 19-14.                                        |

## Configuring the Service Rule

To configure traffic shaping and optional hierarchical priority queuing, perform the following steps.

### Restrictions

- Traffic shaping is only supported on the ASA 5505. Multi-core models (such as the ASA 5500-X) do not support shaping.
- For traffic shaping, you can only use the **class-default** class map, which is automatically created by the ASA, and which matches all traffic.



- You cannot configure traffic shaping and standard priority queuing for the same interface; only hierarchical priority queuing is allowed. See [How QoS Features Interact, page 19-4](#) for information about valid QoS configurations.
- You cannot configure traffic shaping in the global policy.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <p><b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config)# <b>policy-map</b> <i>shape_policy</i></p>                                                                                                 | Adds or edits a policy map. This policy map must be different from the hierarchical priority-queuing map.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Step 2 | <p><b>class</b> <b>class-default</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-pmap)# <b>class</b> <b>class-default</b></p>                                                                                            | Identifies all traffic for traffic shaping; you can only use the <b>class-default</b> class map, which is defined as <b>match any</b> , because the ASA requires all traffic to be matched for traffic shaping.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Step 3 | <p><b>shape</b> <b>average</b> <i>rate</i> [<i>burst_size</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>shape</b> <b>average</b><br/>70000 4000</p>                                                       | <p>Enables traffic shaping, where the <b>average rate</b> argument sets the average rate of traffic in bits per second over a given fixed time period, between 64000 and 154400000. Specify a value that is a multiple of 8000. See <a href="#">Information About Traffic Shaping, page 19-4</a> for more information about how the time period is calculated.</p> <p>The <i>burst_size</i> argument sets the average burst size in bits that can be transmitted over a given fixed time period, between 2048 and 154400000. Specify a value that is a multiple of 128. If you do not specify the <i>burst_size</i>, the default value is equivalent to 4-milliseconds of traffic at the specified average rate. For example, if the average rate is 1000000 bits per second, 4 ms worth = <math>1000000 * 4/1000 = 4000</math>.</p> |
| Step 4 | <p>(Optional)</p> <p><b>service-policy</b> <i>priority_policy_map_name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-pmap-c)# <b>service-policy</b><br/><b>priority-sub-policy</b></p>                                 | Configures hierarchical priority queuing, where the <i>priority_policy_map_name</i> is the policy map you created for prioritized traffic in the <a href="#">(Optional) Configuring the Hierarchical Priority Queuing Policy, page 19-13</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Step 5 | <p><b>service-policy</b> <i>polycymap_name</i> <b>interface</b><br/><i>interface_name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config)# <b>service-policy</b><br/><b>shape-policy</b> <b>interface</b> <i>inside</i></p> | Activates the shaping policy map on an interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

### Examples

The following example enables traffic shaping on the outside interface, and limits traffic to 2 Mbps; priority queuing is enabled for VoIP traffic that is tagged with DSCP EF and AF13 and for IKE traffic:

```
hostname(config)# access-list ike permit udp any any eq 500
hostname(config)# class-map ike
```

```
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ike

hostname(config-cmap)# class-map voice_traffic
hostname(config-cmap)# match dscp EF AF13

hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map qos_class_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class voice_traffic
hostname(config-pmap-c)# priority
hostname(config-pmap-c)# class ike
hostname(config-pmap-c)# priority

hostname(config-pmap-c)# policy-map qos_outside_policy
hostname(config-pmap-c)# class class-default
hostname(config-pmap-c)# shape average 2000000 16000
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy qos_class_policy

hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy qos_outside_policy interface outside
```

## Monitoring QoS

This section includes the following topics:

- [Viewing QoS Police Statistics, page 19-16](#)
- [Viewing QoS Standard Priority Statistics, page 19-17](#)
- [Viewing QoS Shaping Statistics, page 19-17](#)
- [Viewing QoS Standard Priority Queue Statistics, page 19-18](#)

## Viewing QoS Police Statistics

To view the QoS statistics for traffic policing, use the **show service-policy** command with the **police** keyword:

```
hostname# show service-policy police
```

The following is sample output for the **show service-policy police** command:

```
hostname# show service-policy police
```

```
Global policy:
```

```
Service-policy: global_fw_policy
```

```
Interface outside:
```

```
Service-policy: qos
```

```
Class-map: browse
```

```
police Interface outside:
```

```
cir 56000 bps, bc 10500 bytes
```

```
conformed 10065 packets, 12621510 bytes; actions: transmit
```

```
exceeded 499 packets, 625146 bytes; actions: drop
```

```
conformed 5600 bps, exceed 5016 bps
```

```
Class-map: cmap2
```

```
police Interface outside:
```

```
cir 200000 bps, bc 37500 bytes
```

```
conformed 17179 packets, 20614800 bytes; actions: transmit
```

```
exceeded 617 packets, 770718 bytes; actions: drop
```

```
conformed 198785 bps, exceed 2303 bps
```

## Viewing QoS Standard Priority Statistics

To view statistics for service policies implementing the **priority** command, use the **show service-policy** command with the **priority** keyword:

```
hostname# show service-policy priority
```

The following is sample output for the **show service-policy priority** command:

```
hostname# show service-policy priority
Global policy:
  Service-policy: global_fw_policy
Interface outside:
  Service-policy: qos
  Class-map: TGI-voice
  Priority:
    Interface outside: aggregate drop 0, aggregate transmit 9383
```



### Note

“Aggregate drop” denotes the aggregated drop in this interface; “aggregate transmit” denotes the aggregated number of transmitted packets in this interface.

## Viewing QoS Shaping Statistics

To view statistics for service policies implementing the **shape** command, use the **show service-policy** command with the **shape** keyword:

```
hostname# show service-policy shape
```

The following is sample output for the **show service-policy shape** command:

```
hostname# show service-policy shape
Interface outside
  Service-policy: shape
  Class-map: class-default

  Queueing
  queue limit 64 packets
  (queue depth/total drops/no-buffer drops) 0/0/0
  (pkts output/bytes output) 0/0

  shape (average) cir 2000000, bc 8000, be 8000
```

The following is sample output of the **show service policy shape** command, which includes service policies that include the **shape** command and the **service-policy** command that calls the hierarchical priority policy and the related statistics:

```
hostname# show service-policy shape

Interface outside:
  Service-policy: shape
  Class-map: class-default

  Queueing
  queue limit 64 packets
  (queue depth/total drops/no-buffer drops) 0/0/0
  (pkts output/bytes output) 0/0

  shape (average) cir 2000000, bc 16000, be 16000
```

```
Service-policy: voip
Class-map: voip

  Queueing
  queue limit 64 packets
  (queue depth/total drops/no-buffer drops) 0/0/0
  (pkts output/bytes output) 0/0
Class-map: class-default

  queue limit 64 packets
  (queue depth/total drops/no-buffer drops) 0/0/0
  (pkts output/bytes output) 0/0
```

## Viewing QoS Standard Priority Queue Statistics

To display the priority-queue statistics for an interface, use the **show priority-queue statistics** command in privileged EXEC mode. The results show the statistics for both the best-effort (BE) queue and the low-latency queue (LLQ). The following example shows the use of the **show priority-queue statistics** command for the interface named test, and the command output.

```
hostname# show priority-queue statistics test

Priority-Queue Statistics interface test

Queue Type          = BE
Packets Dropped     = 0
Packets Transmit    = 0
Packets Enqueued    = 0
Current Q Length    = 0
Max Q Length        = 0

Queue Type          = LLQ
Packets Dropped     = 0
Packets Transmit    = 0
Packets Enqueued    = 0
Current Q Length    = 0
Max Q Length        = 0
hostname#
```

In this statistical report, the meaning of the line items is as follows:

- “Packets Dropped” denotes the overall number of packets that have been dropped in this queue.
- “Packets Transmit” denotes the overall number of packets that have been transmitted in this queue.
- “Packets Enqueued” denotes the overall number of packets that have been queued in this queue.
- “Current Q Length” denotes the current depth of this queue.
- “Max Q Length” denotes the maximum depth that ever occurred in this queue.

# Feature History for QoS

Table 19-3 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 19-3** Feature History for QoS

| Feature Name                                                                 | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Priority queuing and policing                                                | 7.0(1)            | We introduced QoS priority queuing and policing.<br>We introduced the following commands: <b>priority-queue</b> , <b>queue-limit</b> , <b>tx-ring-limit</b> , <b>priority</b> , <b>police</b> , <b>show priority-queue statistics</b> , <b>show service-policy police</b> , <b>show service-policy priority</b> , <b>show running-config priority-queue</b> , <b>clear configure priority-queue</b> . |
| Shaping and hierarchical priority queuing                                    | 7.2(4)/8.0(4)     | We introduced QoS shaping and hierarchical priority queuing.<br>We introduced the following commands: <b>shape</b> , <b>show service-policy shape</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Ten Gigabit Ethernet support for a standard priority queue on the ASA 5585-X | 8.2(3)/8.4(1)     | We added support for a standard priority queue on Ten Gigabit Ethernet interfaces for the ASA 5585-X.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |





## Troubleshooting Connections and Resources

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This chapter describes how to troubleshoot the ASA and includes the following sections:

- [Testing Your Configuration, page 20-1](#)
- [Monitoring Per-Process CPU Usage, page 20-7](#)

### Testing Your Configuration

This section describes how to test connectivity for the single mode ASA or for each security context, how to ping the ASA interfaces, and how to allow hosts on one interface to ping through to hosts on another interface.

We recommend that you only enable pinging and debugging messages during troubleshooting. When you are done testing the ASA, follow the steps in the [Disabling the Test Configuration, page 20-6](#).


This section includes the following topics:

- [Enabling ICMP Debugging Messages and Syslog Messages, page 20-2](#)
- [Pinging ASA Interfaces, page 20-3](#)
- [Passing Traffic Through the ASA, page 20-5](#)
- [Disabling the Test Configuration, page 20-6](#)
- [Determining Packet Routing with Traceroute, page 20-7](#)
- [Tracing Packets with Packet Tracer, page 20-7](#)

## Enabling ICMP Debugging Messages and Syslog Messages

Debugging messages and syslog messages can help you troubleshoot why your pings are not successful. The ASA only shows ICMP debugging messages for pings to the ASA interfaces, and not for pings through the ASA to other hosts.

To enable debugging and syslog messages, perform the following steps:

|        | Command                                                                                                           | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <code>debug icmp trace</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# debug icmp trace</code>           | Shows ICMP packet information for pings to the ASA interfaces.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Step 2 | <code>logging monitor debug</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# logging monitor debug</code> | Sets syslog messages to be sent to Telnet or SSH sessions.<br><br> <b>Note</b> You can alternately use the <b>logging buffer debug</b> command to send log messages to a buffer, and then view them later using the <b>show logging</b> command. |
| Step 3 | <code>terminal monitor</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# terminal monitor</code>           | Sends the syslog messages to a Telnet or SSH session.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Step 4 | <code>logging on</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# logging on</code>                       | Enables syslog message generation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

### Examples

The following example shows a successful ping from an external host (209.165.201.2) to the ASA outside interface (209.165.201.1):

```
hostname(config)# debug icmp trace
Inbound ICMP echo reply (len 32 id 1 seq 256) 209.165.201.1 > 209.165.201.2
Outbound ICMP echo request (len 32 id 1 seq 512) 209.165.201.2 > 209.165.201.1
Inbound ICMP echo reply (len 32 id 1 seq 512) 209.165.201.1 > 209.165.201.2
Outbound ICMP echo request (len 32 id 1 seq 768) 209.165.201.2 > 209.165.201.1
Inbound ICMP echo reply (len 32 id 1 seq 768) 209.165.201.1 > 209.165.201.2
Outbound ICMP echo request (len 32 id 1 seq 1024) 209.165.201.2 > 209.165.201.1
Inbound ICMP echo reply (len 32 id 1 seq 1024) 209.165.201.1 > 209.165.201.2
```

The output shows the ICMP packet length (32 bytes), the ICMP packet identifier (1), and the ICMP sequence number (the ICMP sequence number starts at 0, and is incremented each time that a request is sent).



## Pinging ASA Interfaces

To test whether the ASA interfaces are up and running and that the ASA and connected routers are operating correctly, you can ping the ASA interfaces.

To ping the ASA interfaces, perform the following steps:

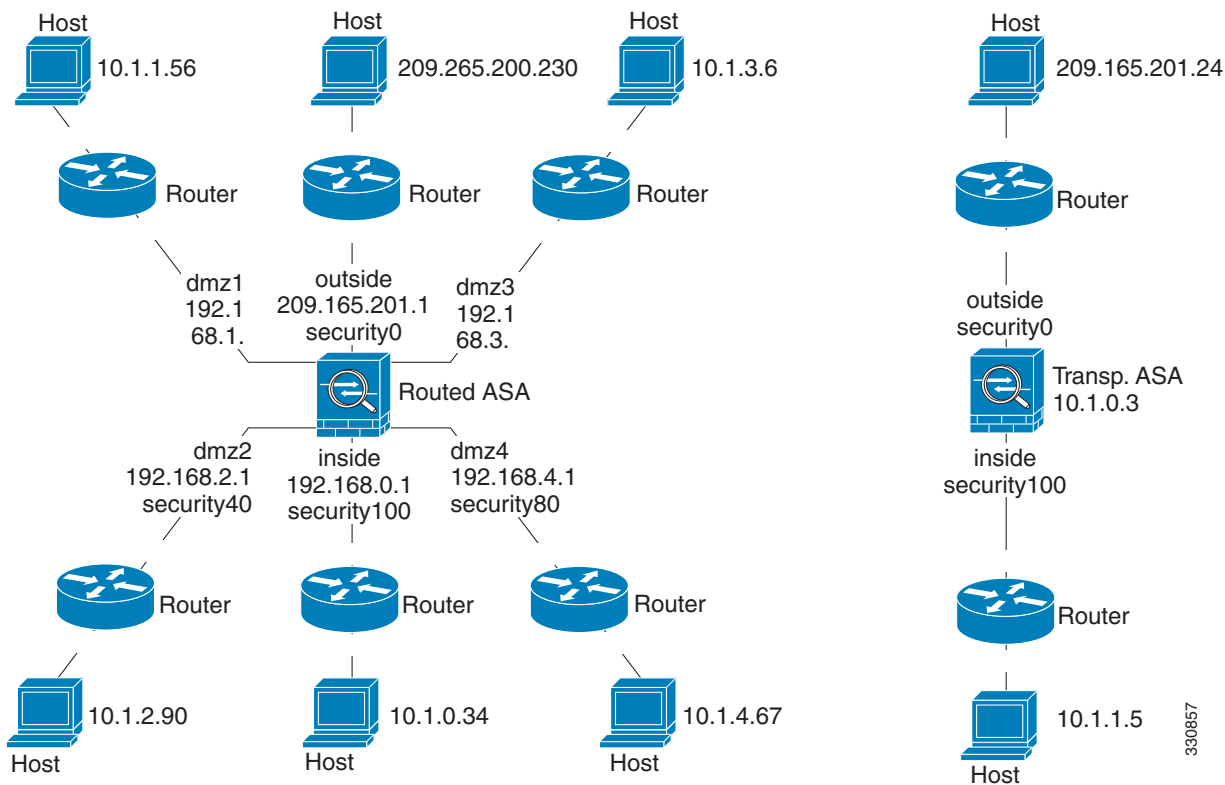
- Step 1** Draw a diagram of your single-mode ASA or security context that shows the interface names, security levels, and IP addresses.



**Note** Although this procedure uses IP addresses, the **ping** command also supports DNS names and names that are assigned to a local IP address with the **name** command.

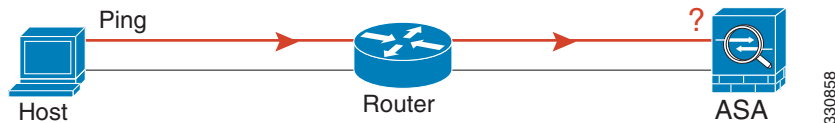
The diagram should also include any directly connected routers and a host on the other side of the router from which you will ping the ASA. You will use this information in this procedure and in the procedure in the [Passing Traffic Through the ASA, page 20-5](#). (See [Figure 20-1](#).)

**Figure 20-1** Network Diagram with Interfaces, Routers, and Hosts



- Step 2** Ping each ASA interface from the directly connected routers. For transparent mode, ping the management IP address. This test ensures that the ASA interfaces are active and that the interface configuration is correct.

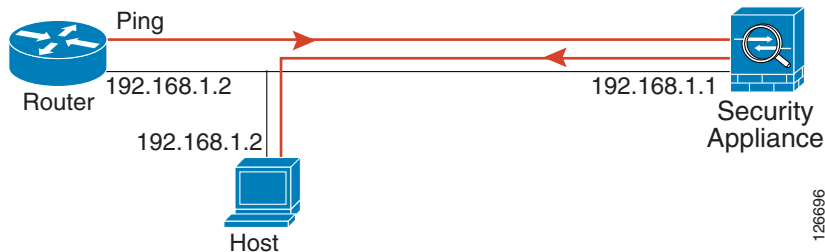
A ping might fail if the ASA interface is not active, the interface configuration is incorrect, or if a switch between the ASA and a router is down (see [Figure 20-2](#)). In this case, no debugging messages or syslog messages appear, because the packet never reaches the ASA.

**Figure 20-2 Ping Failure at the ASA Interface**

If the ping reaches the ASA, and it responds, debugging messages similar to the following appear:

```
ICMP echo reply (len 32 id 1 seq 256) 209.165.201.1 > 209.165.201.2
ICMP echo request (len 32 id 1 seq 512) 209.165.201.2 > 209.165.201.1
```

If the ping reply does not return to the router, then a switch loop or redundant IP addresses may exist (see [Figure 20-3](#)).

**Figure 20-3 Ping Failure Because of IP Addressing Problems**

- Step 3** Ping each ASA interface from a remote host. For transparent mode, ping the management IP address. This test checks whether the directly connected router can route the packet between the host and the ASA, and whether the ASA can correctly route the packet back to the host.

A ping might fail if the ASA does not have a return route to the host through the intermediate router (see [Figure 20-4](#)). In this case, the debugging messages show that the ping was successful, but syslog message 110001 appears, indicating a routing failure has occurred.

**Figure 20-4 Ping Failure Because the ASA Has No Return Route**

## Passing Traffic Through the ASA

After you successfully ping the ASA interfaces, make sure that traffic can pass successfully through the ASA. By default, you can ping from a high security interface to a low security interface. You just need to enable ICMP inspection to allow returning traffic through. If you want to ping from high to low, then you need to apply an ACL to allow traffic. If you use NAT, this test shows that NAT is operating correctly.

Ping from the host or router through the source interface to another host or router on another interface. Repeat this step for as many interface pairs as you want to check.

If the ping succeeds, a syslog message appears to confirm the address translation for routed mode (305009 or 305011) and that an ICMP connection was established (302020). You can also enter either the **show xlate** or **show conns** command to view this information.

The ping might fail because NAT is not configured correctly. In this case, a syslog message appears, showing that the NAT failed (305005 or 305006). If the ping is from an outside host to an inside host, and you do not have a static translation, the following syslog message appears:

```
%ASA-3-106010: deny inbound icmp.
```



### Note

The ASA only shows ICMP debugging messages for pings to the ASA interfaces, and not for pings through the ASA to other hosts.

**Figure 20-5 Ping Failure Because the ASA is Not Translating Addresses**



### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                               | Purpose                                                                                                                                         |
|--------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <code>policy-map global_policy</code> | Edits the default global policy and enters policy-map configuration mode.                                                                       |
| Step 2 | <code>class inspection_default</code> | Edits the default class map, which matches application traffic for standard protocols and ports. For ICMP, this class matches all ICMP traffic. |
| Step 3 | <code>inspect icmp</code>             | Enables the ICMP inspection engine and ensures that ICMP responses can return to the source host.                                               |

|               |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 4</b> | (Optional, for low security interfaces)<br><code>access-list ICMPACL extended permit icmp any any</code> | Adds an ACL to allow ICMP traffic from any source host.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <code>access-group ICMPACL in interface outside</code>                                                   | <p>Assigns the ACL to the outside interface. Replace “outside” with your interface name if it is different. Repeat the command for each interface that you want to allow ICMP traffic from high to low.</p> <p><b>Note</b> After you apply this ACL to an interface that is not the lowest security interface, only ICMP traffic is allowed; the implicit permit from high to low is removed. For example, to allow a DMZ interface (level 50) to ping the inside interface (level 100), you need to apply this ACL. However, now traffic from DMZ to outside (level 0) is limited to ICMP traffic only, as opposed to all traffic that the implicit permit allowed before. After testing ping, be sure to remove this ACL from your interfaces, especially interfaces to which you want to restore the implicit permit (<b>no access-list ICMPACL</b>).</p> |

## Disabling the Test Configuration

After you complete your testing, disable the test configuration that allows ICMP to and through the ASA and that prints debugging messages. If you leave this configuration in place, it can pose a serious security risk. Debugging messages also slow ASA performance.

To disable the test configuration, perform the following steps:

|               | <b>Command</b>                                                                         | <b>Purpose</b>                                                                 |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <code>no debug icmp trace</code>                                                       | Disables ICMP debugging messages.                                              |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <code>no logging on</code>                                                             | Disables logging.                                                              |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <code>no access-list ICMPACL</code>                                                    | Removes the ICMPACL ACL, and deletes the related <b>access-group</b> commands. |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <code>policy-map global_policy<br/>class inspection_default<br/>no inspect icmp</code> | (Optional) Disables the ICMP inspection engine.                                |

## Determining Packet Routing with Traceroute

You can trace the route of a packet using the traceroute feature, which is accessed with the **traceroute** command. A traceroute works by sending UDP packets to a destination on an invalid port. Because the port is not valid, the routers along the way to the destination respond with an ICMP Time Exceeded Message, and report that error to the ASA.

## Tracing Packets with Packet Tracer

The packet tracer tool provides packet tracing for packet sniffing and network fault isolation, as well as detailed information about the packets and how they are processed by the ASA. If a configuration command did not cause the packet to drop, the packet tracer tool can provide information about the cause in an easily readable format.

In addition, you can trace the lifespan of a packet through the ASA to see whether the packet is operating correctly with the packet tracer tool. This tool enables you to do the following:

- Debug all packet drops in a production network.
- Verify the configuration is working as intended.
- Show all rules applicable to a packet, along with the CLI commands that caused the rule addition.
- Show a time line of packet changes in a data path.
- Inject tracer packets into the data path.
- Search for an IPv4 or IPv6 address based on the user identity and the FQDN.

To trace packets, enter the following command:

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>packet-tracer input [ifc_name] [icmp [sip   user username   fqdn fqdn-string] type code ident [dip   fqdn fqdn-string]]   [tcp [sip   user username   fqdn fqdn-string] sport [dip   fqdn fqdn-string] dport]   [udp [sip   user username   fqdn fqdn- string] sport [dip   fqdn fqdn-string] dport]   [rawip [sip   user username   fqdn fqdn-string] [dip   fqdn fqdn-string]] [detailed] [xml]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname# packet-tracer input inside tcp 10.2.25.3 www 209.165.202.158 aol detailed</p> | <p>Provides detailed information about the packets and how they are processed by the ASA. The example shows how to enable packet tracing from inside host 10.2.25.3 to external host 209.165.202.158, including detailed information.</p> |

## Monitoring Per-Process CPU Usage

You can monitor the processes that run on the CPU. You can obtain information about the percentage of CPU that is used by a certain process. CPU usage statistics are sorted in descending order to display the highest consumer at the top. Also included is information about the load on the CPU per process, at 5 seconds, 1 minute, and 5 minutes before the log time. This information is updated automatically every 5 seconds to provide real-time statistics.

You can use the **show process cpu-usage sorted** command to find a breakdown of the process-related load-to-CPU that is consumed by any configured contexts.





## **PART 6**

# **Advanced Network Protection**







## ASA and Cisco Cloud Web Security

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Cisco Cloud Web Security provides web security and web filtering services through the Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) model. Enterprises with the ASA in their network can use Cloud Web Security services without having to install additional hardware.

When Cloud Web Security is enabled on the ASA, the ASA transparently redirects selected HTTP and HTTPS traffic to the Cloud Web Security proxy servers. The Cloud Web Security proxy servers then scan the content and allow, block, or send a warning about the traffic based on the policy configured in Cisco ScanCenter to enforce acceptable use and to protect users from malware.

The ASA can optionally authenticate and identify users with Identity Firewall (IDFW) and AAA rules. The ASA encrypts and includes the user credentials (including usernames and/or user groups) in the traffic it redirects to Cloud Web Security. The Cloud Web Security service then uses the user credentials to match the traffic to the policy. It also uses these credentials for user-based reporting. Without user authentication, the ASA can supply an (optional) default username and/or group, although usernames and groups are not required for the Cloud Web Security service to apply policy.

You can customize the traffic you want to send to Cloud Web Security when you create your service policy rules. You can also configure a “whitelist” so that a subset of web traffic that matches the service policy rule instead goes directly to the originally requested web server and is not scanned by Cloud Web Security.

You can configure a primary and a backup Cloud Web Security proxy server, each of which the ASA polls regularly to check for availability.



**Note**

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This feature is also called “ScanSafe,” so the ScanSafe name appears in some commands.

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This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Information About Cisco Cloud Web Security, page 21-2](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for Cisco Cloud Web Security, page 21-6](#)
- [Prerequisites for Cloud Web Security, page 21-7](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 21-7](#)
- [Default Settings, page 21-8](#)
- [Configuring Cisco Cloud Web Security, page 21-8](#)
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## Information About Cisco Cloud Web Security

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- [Redirection of Web Traffic to Cloud Web Security, page 21-2](#)
- [User Authentication and Cloud Web Security, page 21-2](#)
- [Authentication Keys, page 21-3](#)
- [ScanCenter Policy, page 21-4](#)
- [Cloud Web Security Actions, page 21-5](#)
- [Bypassing Scanning with Whitelists, page 21-5](#)
- [IPv4 and IPv6 Support, page 21-6](#)
- [Failover from Primary to Backup Proxy Server, page 21-6](#)

## Redirection of Web Traffic to Cloud Web Security

When an end user sends an HTTP or HTTPS request, the ASA receives it and optionally retrieves the user and/or group information. If the traffic matches an ASA service policy rule for Cloud Web Security, then the ASA redirects the request to the Cloud Web Security proxy servers. The ASA acts as an intermediary between the end user and the Cloud Web Security proxy server by redirecting the connection to the proxy server. The ASA changes the destination IP address and port in the client requests and adds Cloud Web Security-specific HTTP headers and then sends the modified request to the Cloud Web Security proxy server. The Cloud Web Security HTTP headers include various kinds of information, including the username and user group (if available).

## User Authentication and Cloud Web Security

User identity can be used to apply policy in Cloud Web Security. User identity is also useful for Cloud Web Security reporting. User identity is not required to use Cloud Web Security. There are other methods to identify traffic for Cloud Web Security policy.

The ASA supports the following methods of determining the identity of a user, or of providing a default identity:

- AAA rules—When the ASA performs user authentication using a AAA rule, the username is retrieved from the AAA server or local database. Identity from AAA rules does not include group information. If configured, the default group is used. For information about configuring AAA rules, see the legacy feature guide.
- IDFW—When the ASA uses IDFW with the Active Directory (AD), the username and group is retrieved from the AD agent when you activate a user and/or group by using an ACL in a feature such as an access rule or in your service policy, or by configuring the user identity monitor to download user identity information directly.

For information about configuring IDFW, see the general operations configuration guide.

- Default username and group—Without user authentication, the ASA uses an optional default username and/or group for all users that match a service policy rule for Cloud Web Security.

## Authentication Keys

Each ASA must use an authentication key that you obtain from Cloud Web Security. The authentication key lets Cloud Web Security identify the company associated with web requests and ensures that the ASA is associated with valid customer.

You can use one of two types of authentication keys for your ASA: the company key or the group key.

- [Company Authentication Key, page 21-3](#)
- [Group Authentication Key, page 21-3](#)

### Company Authentication Key

A Company authentication key can be used on multiple ASAs within the same company. This key simply enables the Cloud Web Security service for your ASAs. The administrator generates this key in ScanCenter (<https://scancenter.scansafe.com/portal/admin/login.jsp>); you have the opportunity to e-mail the key for later use. You cannot look up this key later in ScanCenter; only the last 4 digits are shown in ScanCenter. For more information, see the Cloud Web Security documentation: [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11720/products\\_installation\\_and\\_configuration\\_guides\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11720/products_installation_and_configuration_guides_list.html).

### Group Authentication Key

A Group authentication key is a special key unique to each ASA that performs two functions:

- Enables the Cloud Web Security service for one ASA.
- Identifies all traffic from the ASA so you can create ScanCenter policy per ASA.

For information about using the Group authentication key for policy, see [ScanCenter Policy, page 21-4](#)).

The administrator generates this key in ScanCenter (<https://scancenter.scansafe.com/portal/admin/login.jsp>); you have the opportunity to e-mail the key for later use. You cannot look up this key later in ScanCenter; only the last 4 digits are shown in ScanCenter. For more information, see the Cloud Web Security documentation: [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11720/products\\_installation\\_and\\_configuration\\_guides\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11720/products_installation_and_configuration_guides_list.html).

## ScanCenter Policy

In ScanCenter, traffic is matched against policy rules in order until a rule is matched. Cloud Web Security then applies the configured action for the rule. User traffic can match a policy rule in ScanCenter based on group association: a *directory group* or a *custom group*.

- [Directory Groups, page 21-4](#)
- [Custom Groups, page 21-4](#)
- [How Groups and the Authentication Key Interoperate, page 21-5](#)

## Directory Groups

Directory groups define the group to which traffic belongs. The group, if present, is included in the HTTP header of the client request. The ASA includes the group in the HTTP header when you configure IDFW. If you do not use IDFW, you can configure a default group for traffic matching an ASA rule for Cloud Web Security inspection.

When you configure a directory group, you must enter the group name exactly.

- IDFW group names are sent in the following format:

*domain-name\group-name*

When the ASA learns the IDFW group name, the format on the ASA is *domain-name\group-name*. However, the ASA modifies the name to use only one backslash (\) to conform to typical ScanCenter notation.

- The default group name is sent in the following format:

*[domain\]group-name*

On the ASA, you need to configure the optional domain name to be followed by 2 backslashes (\\); however, the ASA modifies the name to use only one backslash (\) to conform to typical ScanCenter notation. For example, if you specify “Cisco\\Boulder1,” the ASA modifies the group name to be “Cisco\Boulder1” with only one backslash (\) when sending the group name to Cloud Web Security.

## Custom Groups

Custom groups are defined using one or more of the following criteria:

- ScanCenter Group authentication key—You can generate a Group authentication key for a custom group. Then, if you identify this group key when you configure the ASA, all traffic from the ASA is tagged with the Group key.
- Source IP address—You can identify source IP addresses in the custom group. Note that the ASA service policy is based on source IP address, so you might want to configure any IP address-based policy on the ASA instead.
- Username—You can identify usernames in the custom group.
  - IDFW usernames are sent in the following format:  
*domain-name\username*
  - AAA usernames, when using RADIUS or TACACS+, are sent in the following format:  
*LOCAL\username*
  - AAA usernames, when using LDAP, are sent in the following format:  
*domain-name\username*

- For the default username, it is sent in the following format:

*[domain-name]\username*

For example, if you configure the default username to be “Guest,” then the ASA sends “Guest.”  
If you configure the default username to be “Cisco\Guest,” then the ASA sends “Cisco\Guest.”

## How Groups and the Authentication Key Interoperate

Unless you need the per-ASA policy that a custom group+group key provides, you will likely use a company key. Note that not all custom groups are associated with a group key. Non-keyed custom groups can be used to identify IP addresses or usernames, and can be used in your policy along with rules that use directory groups.

Even if you do want per-ASA policy and are using a group key, you can also use the matching capability provided by directory groups and non-keyed custom groups. In this case, you might want an ASA-based policy, with some exceptions based on group membership, IP address, or username. For example, if you want to exempt users in the America\Management group across all ASAs:

1. Add a directory group for America\Management.
2. Add an exempt rule for this group.
3. Add rules for each custom group+group key after the exempt rule to apply policy per-ASA.
4. Traffic from users in America\Management will match the exempt rule, while all other traffic will match the rule for the ASA from which it originated.

Many combinations of keys, groups, and policy rules are possible.

## Cloud Web Security Actions

After applying the configured policies, Cloud Web Security either blocks, allows, or sends a warning about the user request:

- **Allows**—When Cloud Web Security allows the client request, it contacts the originally requested server and retrieves the data. It forwards the server response to the ASA, which then forwards it to the user.
- **Blocks**—When Cloud Web Security blocks the client request, it notifies the user that access has been blocked. It sends an HTTP 302 “Moved Temporarily” response that redirects the client application to a web page hosted by the Cloud Web Security proxy server showing the blocked error message. The ASA forwards the 302 response to the client.
- **Warns**—When the Cloud Web Security proxy server determines that a site may be in breach of the acceptable use policy, it displays a warning page about the site. You can choose to heed the warning and drop the request to connect, or you can click through the warning and proceed to the requested site.

You can also choose how the ASA handles web traffic when it cannot reach either the primary or backup Cloud Web Security proxy server. It can block or allow all web traffic. By default, it blocks web traffic.

## Bypassing Scanning with Whitelists

If you use AAA rules or IDFW, you can configure the ASA so that web traffic from specific users or groups that otherwise match the service policy rule is not redirected to the Cloud Web Security proxy server for scanning. When you bypass Cloud Web Security scanning, the ASA retrieves the content

directly from the originally requested web server without contacting the proxy server. When it receives the response from the web server, it sends the data to the client. This process is called “whitelisting” traffic.

Although you can achieve the same results of exempting traffic based on user or group when you configure the class of traffic using ACLs to send to Cloud Web Security, you might find it more straightforward to use a whitelist instead. Note that the whitelist feature is only based on user and group, not on IP address.

## IPv4 and IPv6 Support

Cloud Web Security currently supports only IPv4 addresses. If you use IPv6 internally, NAT 64 must be performed for any IPv6 flows that need to be sent to Cloud Web Security.

The following table shows the class map traffic that is supported by Cloud Web Security redirection:

| Class Map Traffic               | Cloud Web Security Inspection |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| From IPv4 to IPv4               | Supported                     |
| From IPv6 to IPv4 (using NAT64) | Supported                     |
| From IPv4 to IPv6               | Not Supported                 |
| From IPv6 to IPv6               | Not Supported                 |

## Failover from Primary to Backup Proxy Server

When you subscribe to the Cisco Cloud Web Security service, you are assigned a primary Cloud Web Security proxy server and backup proxy server.

If any client is unable to reach the primary server, then the ASA starts polling the tower to determine availability. (If there is no client activity, the ASA polls every 15 minutes.) If the proxy server is unavailable after a configured number of retries (the default is 5; this setting is configurable), the server is declared unreachable, and the backup proxy server becomes active.

If a client or the ASA can reach the server at least twice consecutively before the retry count is reached, the polling stops and the tower is determined to be reachable.

After a failover to the backup server, the ASA continues to poll the primary server. If the primary server becomes reachable, then the ASA returns to using the primary server.

## Licensing Requirements for Cisco Cloud Web Security

| Model            | License Requirement                                                                                                       |
|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASAv             | Standard or Premium License.                                                                                              |
| All other models | Strong Encryption (3DES/AES) License to encrypt traffic between the security appliance and the Cloud Web Security server. |

On the Cloud Web Security side, you must purchase a Cisco Cloud Web Security license and identify the number of users that the ASA handles. Then log into ScanCenter, and generate your authentication keys.

## Prerequisites for Cloud Web Security

### (Optional) User Authentication Prerequisites

To send user identity information to Cloud Web Security, configure one of the following on the ASA:

- AAA rules (username only)—See the legacy feature guide.
- IDFW (username and group)—See the general operations configuration guide.

### (Optional) Fully Qualified Domain Name Prerequisites

If you use FQDNs in ACLs for your service policy rule, or for the Cloud Web Security server, you must configure a DNS server for the ASA according to the general operations configuration guide.

## Guidelines and Limitations

### Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single and multiple context modes.

In multiple context mode, the server configuration is allowed only in the system, and the service policy rule configuration is allowed only in the security contexts.

Each context can have its own authentication key, if desired.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed firewall mode only. Does not support transparent firewall mode.

### IPv6 Guidelines

Does not support IPv6. See [IPv4 and IPv6 Support, page 21-6](#).

### Additional Guidelines

- Cloud Web Security is not supported with ASA clustering.
- Clientless SSL VPN is not supported with Cloud Web Security; be sure to exempt any clientless SSL VPN traffic from the ASA service policy for Cloud Web Security.
- When an interface to the Cloud Web Security proxy servers goes down, output from the **show scansafe server** command shows both servers up for approximately 15-25 minutes. This condition may occur because the polling mechanism is based on the active connection, and because that interface is down, it shows zero connection, and it takes the longest poll time approach.
- Cloud Web Security is not supported with the ASA CX module. If you configure both the ASA CX action and Cloud Web Security inspection for the same traffic, the ASA only performs the ASA CX action.
- Cloud Web Security inspection is compatible with HTTP inspection for the same traffic. HTTP inspection is enabled by default as part of the default global policy.

- Cloud Web Security is not supported with extended PAT or any application that can potentially use the same source port and IP address for separate connections. For example, if two different connections (targeted to separate servers) use extended PAT, the ASA might reuse the same source IP and source port for both connection translations because they are differentiated by the separate destinations. When the ASA redirects these connections to the Cloud Web Security server, it replaces the destination with the Cloud Web Security server IP address and port (8080 by default). As a result, both connections now appear to belong to the same flow (same source IP/port and destination IP/port), and return traffic cannot be untranslated properly.
- The **match default-inspection-traffic** command does not include the default ports for the Cloud Web Security inspection (80 and 443).

## Default Settings

By default, Cisco Cloud Web Security is not enabled.

## Configuring Cisco Cloud Web Security

- [Configuring Communication with the Cloud Web Security Proxy Server, page 21-8](#)
- [\(Multiple Context Mode\) Allowing Cloud Web Security Per Security Context, page 21-9](#)
- [Configuring a Service Policy to Send Traffic to Cloud Web Security, page 21-10](#)
- [\(Optional\) Configuring Whitelisted Traffic, page 21-14](#)
- [Configuring the Cloud Web Security Policy, page 21-16](#)

## Configuring Communication with the Cloud Web Security Proxy Server

### Guidelines

The public key is embedded in the ASA software, so there is no need for you to configure it.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                       | Purpose                                                                                                                                            |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>scansafe general-options</b>                                               | Enters scansafe general-options configuration mode.                                                                                                |
|        | <b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# scansafe general-options                 |                                                                                                                                                    |
| Step 2 | <b>server primary</b> {ip ip_address   fqdn fqdn}<br>[port port]              | Configures the fully qualified domain name or IP address of the primary Cloud Web Security proxy server.                                           |
|        | <b>Example:</b><br>hostname(cfg-scansafe)# server primary ip<br>192.168.43.10 | By default, the Cloud Web Security proxy server uses port 8080 for both HTTP and HTTPS traffic; do not change this value unless directed to do so. |



|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                           | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 3 | <b>server backup</b> {ip <i>ip_address</i>   fqdn <i>fqdn</i> }<br>[port <i>port</i> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(cfg-scansafe)# server backup fqdn<br>server.example.com | (Optional) Configures the fully qualified domain name or IP address of the backup Cloud Web Security proxy server.<br><br>By default, the Cloud Web Security proxy server uses port 8080 for both HTTP and HTTPS traffic; do not change this value unless directed to do so.                                                                     |
| Step 4 | <b>retry-count</b> <i>value</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(cfg-scansafe)# retry-count 2                                                                                   | (Optional) Enters the value for the number of consecutive polling failures to the Cloud Web Security proxy server before determining the server is unreachable. Polls are performed every 30 seconds. Valid values are from 2 to 100, and the default is 5.<br><br>See <a href="#">Failover from Primary to Backup Proxy Server, page 21-6</a> . |
| Step 5 | <b>license</b> <i>hex_key</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(cfg-scansafe)#<br>license F12A588FE5A0A4AE86C10D222FC658F3                                                       | Configures the authentication key that the ASA sends to the Cloud Web Security proxy servers to indicate from which organization the request comes. The authentication key is a 16-byte hexadecimal number.<br><br>See <a href="#">Authentication Keys, page 21-3</a> .                                                                          |

## Examples

The following example configures a primary and backup server:

```
scansafe general-options
 server primary ip 10.24.0.62 port 8080
 server backup ip 10.10.0.7 port 8080
 retry-count 7
 license 366C1D3F5CE67D33D3E9ACEC265261E5
```

## (Multiple Context Mode) Allowing Cloud Web Security Per Security Context

In multiple context mode, you must allow Cloud Web Security per context. For more information, see the general operations configuration guide.



### Note

You must configure a route pointing to the Scansafe towers in both; the admin context and the specific context. This ensures that the Scansafe tower does not become unreachable in the Active/Active failover scenario.

The following sample configuration enables Cloud Web Security in context one with the default license and in context two with the license key override:

```
! System Context
!
scansafe general-options
 server primary ip 180.24.0.62 port 8080
 retry-count 5
 license 366C1D3F5CE67D33D3E9ACEC265261E5
!
context one
 allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/0.1
 allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/1.1
 allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/3.1
```

```

scansafe
config-url disk0:/one_ctx.cfg
!
context two
allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/0.2
allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/1.2
allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/3.2
scansafe license 366C1D3F5CE67D33D3E9ACEC26789534
config-url disk0:/two_ctx.cfg
!

```

## Configuring a Service Policy to Send Traffic to Cloud Web Security

See [Chapter 1, “Service Policy Using the Modular Policy Framework,”](#) for more information about service policy rules.

### Prerequisites

(Optional) If you need to use a whitelist to exempt some traffic from being sent to Cloud Web Security, first create the whitelist according to the [\(Optional\) Configuring Whitelisted Traffic, page 21-14](#) so you can refer to the whitelist in your service policy rule.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <p><b>policy-map type inspect scansafe <i>name1</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect scansafe cws_inspect_pmap1</p>                   | <p>Creates an inspection policy map so you can configure essential parameters for the rule and also optionally identify the whitelist. An inspection policy map is required for each class of traffic that you want to send to Cloud Web Security.</p> <p>The <i>policy_map_name</i> argument can be up to 40 characters in length.</p> <p>You enter policy-map configuration mode.</p> |
| Step 2 | <p><b>parameters</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config-pmap)# parameters</p>                                                                                         | <p>Parameters lets you configure the protocol and the default user or group. You enter parameters configuration mode.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Step 3 | <p><b>{http   https}</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config-pmap-p)# http</p>                                                                                         | <p>You can only specify one service type for this inspection policy map, either <b>http</b> or <b>https</b>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Step 4 | <p>(Optional)</p> <p><b>default {[user <i>username</i>]<br/>[group <i>groupname</i>]}</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config-pmap-p)# default group default_group</p> | <p>Specifies that if the ASA cannot determine the identity of the user coming into the ASA, then the default user and/or group is included in the HTTP header.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 5 | <p>(Optional, for a Whitelist)</p> <pre>class whitelist_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap-p)# class whitelist1</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Identifies the whitelist class map name that you created in the <a href="#">(Optional) Configuring Whitelisted Traffic, page 21-14</a> .                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Step 6 | <pre>whitelist</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap-p)# class whitelist1 hostname(config-pmap-c)# whitelist</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Performs the whitelist action on the class of traffic.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Step 7 | <pre>policy-map type inspect scansafe name2   parameters     default {[user user] [group group]}   class whitelist_name2     whitelist</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect scansafe cws_inspect_pmap2 hostname(config-pmap)# parameters hostname(config-pmap-p)# default group2 default_group2 hostname(config-pmap-p)# class whitelist2 hostname(config-pmap-c)# whitelist</pre> | Repeat <a href="#">Step 1</a> to <a href="#">Step 6</a> to create a separate class map for HTTPS traffic (for example). You can create an inspection class map for each class of traffic you want to send to Cloud Web Security. You can reuse an inspection class map for multiple classes of traffic if desired. |

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <p><b>Step 8</b></p> <pre>access-list access_list_name [line line_number] extended {deny   permit} tcp [user_argument] [security_group_argument] source_address_argument [port_argument] dest_address_argument [port_argument]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# object network cisco1 hostname(config-object-network)# fqdn www.cisco.com  hostname(config)# object network cisco2 hostname(config-object-network)# fqdn tools.cisco.com  hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTP extended deny tcp any4 object cisco1 eq 80 hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTP extended deny tcp any4 object cisco2 eq 80 hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTP extended permit tcp any4 any4 eq 80</pre> | <p>Identifies the class of traffic you want to send to Cloud Web Security. Create an ACL consisting of one or more access control entries (ACEs). For detailed information about ACLs, see the general operations configuration guide.</p> <p>Cloud Web Security only operates on HTTP and HTTPS traffic. Each type of traffic is treated separately by the ASA. Therefore, you need to create HTTP-only ACLs and HTTPS-only ACLs. Create as many ACLs as needed for your policy.</p> <p>A <b>permit</b> ACE sends matching traffic to Cloud Web Security. A <b>deny</b> ACE exempts traffic from the service policy rule, so it is not sent to Cloud Web Security.</p> <p>When creating your ACLs, consider how you can match appropriate traffic that is destined for the Internet, but not match traffic that is destined for other internal networks. For example, to prevent inside traffic from being sent to Cloud Web Security when the destination is an internal server on the DMZ, be sure to add a deny ACE to the ACL that exempts traffic to the DMZ.</p> <p>FQDN network objects might be useful in exempting traffic to specific servers.</p> <p>The <i>user_argument</i> lets you specify the IDFW username or group, either inline or by referring to an object group.</p> <p>The <i>security_group_argument</i> lets you specify the TrustSec security group, either inline or by referring to an object group. Note that although you can match traffic to send to Cloud Web Security by security group, the ASA does not send security group information to Cloud Web Security in the HTTP header; Cloud Web Security cannot create policy based on the security group.</p> |
| <p><b>Step 9</b></p> <pre>class-map name1</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# class-map cws_class1</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <p>Creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to enable Cloud Web Security filtering.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <p><b>Step 10</b></p> <pre>match access-list acl1</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list SCANSAFE_HTTP</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <p>Specifies an ACL created in <a href="#">Step 8</a>.</p> <p>Although you can use other match statements for this rule, we recommend using the <b>match access-list</b> command because it is the most versatile for identifying HTTP or HTTPS-only traffic. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps), page 1-12</a> for more information.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <p><b>Step 11</b></p> <pre>class-map name2 match access-list acl2</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# class-map cws_class2 hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list SCANSAFE_HTTPS</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <p>(Optional) Creates an additional class map, for example for HTTPS traffic. You can create as many classes as needed for this service policy rule.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

|         | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| Step 12 | <b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map cws_policy                                                                                                                                                                             | Adds or edits a policy map that sets the actions to take with the class map traffic. The policy map in the default global policy is called <code>global_policy</code> . You can edit this policy, or create a new one. You can only apply one policy to each interface or globally.                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Step 13 | <b>class</b> <i>name1</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class cws_class1                                                                                                                                                                                 | Identifies the class map created in <a href="#">Step 9</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Step 14 | <b>inspect scansafe</b> <i>scansafe_policy_name1</i><br>[ <b>fail-open</b>   <b>fail-close</b> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect scansafe<br>cws_inspect_pmap1 fail-open                                                                         | Enables Cloud Web Security inspection on the traffic in this class. Specify the inspection class map name that you created in <a href="#">Step 1</a> .<br><br>Specify <b>fail-open</b> to allow traffic to pass through the ASA if the Cloud Web Security servers are unavailable.<br><br>Specify <b>fail-close</b> to drop all traffic if the Cloud Web Security servers are unavailable. <b>fail-close</b> is the default.                                             |
| Step 15 | <b>class</b> <i>name2</i><br><b>inspect scansafe</b> <i>scansafe_policy_name2</i><br>[ <b>fail-open</b>   <b>fail-close</b> ]<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class cws_class2<br>hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect scansafe<br>cws_inspect_pmap2 fail-open | (Optional) Identifies a second class map that you created in <a href="#">Step 11</a> , and enables Cloud Web Security inspection for it.<br><br>You can configure multiple class maps as needed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Step 16 | <b>service-policy</b> <i>polycymap_name</i> { <b>global</b>   <b>interface</b> <i>interface_name</i> }<br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# service-policy<br>cws_policy inside                                                                                      | Activates the policy map on one or more interfaces. <b>global</b> applies the policy map to all interfaces, and <b>interface</b> applies the policy to one interface. Only one global policy is allowed. You can override the global policy on an interface by applying a service policy to that interface. You can only apply one policy map to each interface. See <a href="#">Applying Actions to an Interface (Service Policy)</a> , page 1-17 for more information. |

## Examples

The following example configures two classes: one for HTTP and one for HTTPS. Each ACL exempts traffic to `www.cisco.com` and to `tools.cisco.com`, and to the DMZ network, for both HTTP and HTTPS. All other traffic is sent to Cloud Web Security, except for traffic from several whitelisted users and groups. The policy is then applied to the inside interface.

```
hostname(config)# class-map type inspect scansafe match-any whitelist1
hostname(config-cmap)# match user user1 group cisco
hostname(config-cmap)# match user user2
hostname(config-cmap)# match group group1
hostname(config-cmap)# match user user3 group group3
```

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect scansafe cws_inspect_pmap1
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# http
hostname(config-pmap-p)# default group default_group
hostname(config-pmap-p)# class whitelist1
hostname(config-pmap-c)# whitelist
```

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect scansafe cws_inspect_pmap2
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
```

```

hostname(config-pmap-p)# https
hostname(config-pmap-p)# default group2 default_group2
hostname(config-pmap-p)# class whitelist1
hostname(config-pmap-c)# whitelist

hostname(config)# object network cisco1
hostname(config-object-network)# fqdn www.cisco.com
hostname(config)# object network cisco2
hostname(config-object-network)# fqdn tools.cisco.com
hostname(config)# object network dmz_network
hostname(config-object-network)# subnet 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0

hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTP extended deny tcp any4 object cisco1 eq 80
hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTP extended deny tcp any4 object cisco2 eq 80
hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTP extended deny tcp any4 object dmz_network eq
80
hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTP extended permit tcp any4 any4 eq 80

hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTPS extended deny tcp any4 object cisco1 eq 443
hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTPS extended deny tcp any4 object cisco2 eq 443
hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTPS extended deny tcp any4 object dmz_network eq
443
hostname(config)# access-list SCANSAFE_HTTPS extended permit tcp any4 any4 eq 443

hostname(config)# class-map cws_class1
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list SCANSAFE_HTTP
hostname(config)# class-map cws_class2
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list SCANSAFE_HTTPS

hostname(config)# policy-map cws_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class cws_class1
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect scansafe cws_inspect_pmap1 fail-open
hostname(config-pmap)# class cws_class2
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect scansafe cws_inspect_pmap2 fail-open
hostname(config)# service-policy cws_policy inside

```

## (Optional) Configuring Whitelisted Traffic

If you use user authentication, you can exempt some traffic from being filtered by Cloud Web Security based on the username and/or groupname. When you configure your Cloud Web Security service policy rule, you can reference the whitelisting inspection class map. Both IDFW and AAA user credentials can be used with this feature.

Although you can achieve the same results of exempting traffic based on user or group when you configure the service policy rule, you might find it more straightforward to use a whitelist instead. Note that the whitelist feature is only based on user and group, not on IP address.

## Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                              | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <p><b>class-map type inspect scansafe</b><br/> <code>[match-all   match-any] name</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config)# class-map type inspect<br/> scansafe match-any whitelist1</p> | <p>Creates an inspection class map for whitelisted users and groups.</p> <p>The <i>class_map_name</i> argument is the name of the class map up to 40 characters in length.</p> <p>The <b>match-all</b> keyword is the default, and specifies that traffic must match all criteria to match the class map.</p> <p>The <b>match-any</b> keyword specifies that the traffic matches the class map if it matches at least one of the criteria.</p> <p>The CLI enters class-map configuration mode, where you can enter one or more <b>match</b> commands.</p> |
| Step 2 | <p><b>match [not] {[user username] [group groupname]}</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config-cmap)# match</p>                                                                               | <p>The <b>match</b> keyword, followed by a specific username or groupname, specifies a user or group to whitelist.</p> <p>The <b>match not</b> keyword specifies that the user and/or group should be filtered using Web Cloud Security. For example, if you whitelist the group “cisco,” but you want to scan traffic from users “johnrichton” and “aerynsun,” you can specify <b>match not</b> for those users. Repeat this command to add as many users and groups as needed.</p>                                                                      |

## Example

The following example whitelists the same users and groups for the HTTP and HTTPS inspection policy maps:

```
hostname(config)# class-map type inspect scansafe match-any whitelist1
hostname(config-cmap)# match user user1 group cisco
hostname(config-cmap)# match user user2
hostname(config-cmap)# match group group1
hostname(config-cmap)# match user user3 group group3

hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect scansafe cws_inspect_pmap1
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# http
hostname(config-pmap-p)# default group default_group
hostname(config-pmap-p)# class whitelist1
hostname(config-pmap-c)# whitelist

hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect scansafe cws_inspect_pmap2
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# https
hostname(config-pmap-p)# default group2 default_group2
hostname(config-pmap-p)# class whitelist1
hostname(config-pmap-c)# whitelist
```

## (Optional) Configuring the User Identity Monitor

When you use IDFW, the ASA only downloads user identity information from the AD server for users and groups included in active ACLs; the ACL must be used in a feature such as an access rule, AAA rule, service policy rule, or other feature to be considered active. Because Cloud Web Security can base its policy on user identity, you may need to download groups that are not part of an active ACL to get full IDFW coverage for all your users. For example, although you can configure your Cloud Web Security service policy rule to use an ACL with users and groups, thus activating any relevant groups, it is not required; you could use an ACL based entirely on IP addresses. The user identity monitor feature lets you download group information directly from the AD agent.

### Restrictions

The ASA can only monitor a maximum of 512 groups, including those configured for the user identity monitor and those monitored through active ACLs.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre><b>user-identity monitor</b> {<b>user-group</b> [<i>domain-name</i>\\]<i>group-name</i>   <b>object-group-user</b> <i>object-group-name</i>}</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config)# user-identity monitor user-group<br/> CISCO\\Engineering</p> | <p>Downloads the specified user or group information from the AD agent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>user-group</b>—Specifies a group name inline. Although you specify 2 backslashes (\) between the domain and the group, the ASA modifies the name to include only one backslash when it sends it to Cloud Web Security, to comply with Cloud Web Security notation conventions.</li> <li>• <b>object-group-user</b>—Specifies an <b>object-group user</b> name. This group can include multiple groups.</li> </ul> |

## Configuring the Cloud Web Security Policy

After you configure the ASA service policy rules, launch the ScanCenter Portal to configure Web content scanning, filtering, malware protection services, and reports.

### Detailed Steps

Go to: <https://scancenter.scansafe.com/portal/admin/login.jsp>.

For more information, see the Cisco ScanSafe Cloud Web Security Configuration Guides:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11720/products\\_installation\\_and\\_configuration\\_guides\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11720/products_installation_and_configuration_guides_list.html)



# Monitoring Cloud Web Security

| Command                                                                                       | Purpose                                                                                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>show scansafe server</code>                                                             | Shows the status of the server, whether it is the current active server, the backup server, or unreachable. |
| <code>show scansafe statistics</code>                                                         | Shows total and current HTTP(S) connections.                                                                |
| <code>show conn scansafe</code>                                                               | Shows all Cloud Web Security connections, as noted by the capitol Z flag.                                   |
| <code>show service policy inspect scansafe</code>                                             | Shows the number of connections that are redirected or white listed by a particular policy.                 |
| See the following URL:<br><a href="http://Whoami.scansafe.net">http://Whoami.scansafe.net</a> | From a client, access this web site to determine if your traffic is going to the Cloud Web Security server. |

The `show scansafe server` command shows whether or not the Cloud Web Security proxy servers are reachable:

```
hostname# show scansafe server
hostname# Primary: proxy197.scansafe.net (72.37.244.115) (REACHABLE)*
hostname# Backup: proxy137.scansafe.net (80.254.152.99)
```

The `show scansafe statistics` command shows information about Cloud Web Security activity, such as the number of connections redirected to the proxy server, the number of current connections being redirected, and the number of whitelisted connections:

```
hostname# show scansafe statistics
Current HTTP sessions : 0
Current HTTPS sessions : 0
Total HTTP Sessions : 0
Total HTTPS Sessions : 0
Total Fail HTTP sessions : 0
Total Fail HTTPS sessions : 0
Total Bytes In : 0 Bytes
Total Bytes Out : 0 Bytes
HTTP session Connect Latency in ms(min/max/avg) : 0/0/0
HTTPS session Connect Latency in ms(min/max/avg) : 0/0/0
```

The `show service policy inspect scansafe` command shows the number of connections that are redirected or whitelisted by a particular policy:

```
hostname(config)# show service-policy inspect scansafe
Global policy:
  Service-policy: global_policy
  Class-map: inspection_default
Interface inside:
  Service-policy: scansafe-pmap
  Class-map: scansafe-cmap
  Inspect: scansafe p-scansafe fail-open, packet 0, drop 0, reset-drop 0,
v6-fail-close 0
Number of whitelisted connections: 0
Number of connections allowed without scansafe inspection because of "fail-open" config: 0
Number of connections dropped because of "fail-close" config: 0
Number of HTTP connections inspected: 0
Number of HTTPS connections inspected: 0
Number of HTTP connections dropped because of errors: 0
Number of HTTPS connections dropped because of errors: 0
```

# Configuration Examples for Cisco Cloud Web Security

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## Single Mode Example

The following example shows a complete configuration for Cisco Cloud Web Security:

### Configure ACLs

We recommend that you split the traffic by creating separate HTTP and HTTPS class maps so that you know how many HTTP and HTTPS packets have gone through.

Then, if you need to troubleshoot you can run debug commands to distinguish how many packets have traversed each class map and find out if you are pushing through more HTTP or HTTPS traffic:

```
hostname(config)# access-list web extended permit tcp any any eq www
hostname(config)# access-list https extended permit tcp any any eq https
```

### Configure Class Maps

```
hostname(config)# class-map cmap-http
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list web

hostname(config)# class-map cmap-https
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list https
```

### Configure Inspection Policy Maps

```
hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect scansafe http-pmap
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# default group httptraffic
hostname(config-pmap-p)# http

hostname(config)# policy-map type inspect scansafe https-pmap
hostname(config-pmap)# parameters
hostname(config-pmap-p)# default group httpstraffic
hostname(config-pmap-p)# https
```

### Configure Policy Maps

```
hostname(config)# policy-map pmap-webtraffic
hostname(config-pmap)# class cmap-http
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect scansafe http-pmap fail-close

hostname(config-pmap)# class cmap-https
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect scansafe https-pmap fail-close
```

### Configure Service Policy

```
hostname(config)# service-policy pmap-webtraffic interface inside
```

### Configure Cloud Web Security on the ASA

```
hostname(config)# scansafe general-options
```

```
hostname(cfg-scansafe)# server primary ip 192.168.115.225 web 8080
hostname(cfg-scansafe)# retry-count 5
hostname(cfg-scansafe)# license 366C1D3F5CE67D33D3E9ACEC265261E5
```

## Multiple Mode Example

The following example enables Cloud Web Security in context one with the default license and in context two with the authentication key override:

```
! System Context
!
hostname(config)#scansafe general-options
hostname(cfg-scansafe)#server primary ip 180.24.0.62 port 8080
hostname(cfg-scansafe)#retry-count 5
hostname(cfg-scansafe)#license FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF
hostname(cfg-scansafe)#publickey <path to public key>
!
context one
  allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/0.1
  allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/1.1
  allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/3.1
  scansafe
  config-url disk0:/one_ctx.cfg
!
context two
  allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/0.2
  allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/1.2
  allocate-interface GigabitEthernet0/3.2
  scansafe license 366C1D3F5CE67D33D3E9ACEC265261E5
!
config-url disk0:/two_ctx.cfg
!
```

## Whitelist Example

Configure what access-list traffic should be sent to Cloud Web Security:

```
access-list 101 extended permit tcp any4 any4 eq www
access-list 102 extended permit tcp any4 any4 eq https

class-map web
  match access-list 101
class-map https
  match access-list 102
```

To configure the whitelist to ensure user1 is in this access-list range to bypass Cloud Web Security:

```
class-map type inspect scansafe match-any whiteListCmap
  match user LOCAL\user1
```

To attach class-maps to the Cloud Web Security Policy map:

```
policy-map type inspect scansafe ss
  parameters
    default user user1 group group1
    http
  class whiteListCmap
    whitelist

policy-map type inspect scansafe ss2
```

```

parameters
  default user user1 group group1
  https
class whiteListCmap
  whitelist

```

After creating this inspect policy, attach it to the policy map to be assigned to the service group:

```

policy-map pmap
  class web
    inspect scansafe ss fail-close
  class https
    inspect scansafe ss2 fail-close

```

Then attach the policy map to a service-policy to make it in effect globally or by ASA interface:

```

service-policy pmap interface inside

```

## Directory Integration Examples

This section contains various example configurations for directory integration.

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### Configuring the Active Directory Server Using LDAP

The following example shows how to configure the Active Directory server on your ASA using LDAP:

```

hostname(config)# aaa-server AD protocol ldap
hostname(config-aaa-server-group)# aaa-server AD (inside) host 192.168.116.220
hostname(config-aaa-server-host)# ldap-base-dn DC=ASASCANLAB,DC=local
hostname(config-aaa-server-host)# ldap-scope subtree
hostname(config-aaa-server-host)# server-type microsoft
hostname(config-aaa-server-host)# server-port 389
hostname(config-aaa-server-host)# ldap-login-dn
cn=adminstrator,cn=Users,dc=asascanlab,dc=local
hostname(config-aaa-server-host)# ldap-login-password Password1

```

### Configuring the Active Directory Agent Using RADIUS

The following example shows how to configure the Active Directory Agent on your ASA using RADIUS:

```
hostname(config)# aaa-server adagent protocol radius
hostname(config-aaa-server-group)# ad-agent-mode
hostname(config-aaa-server-group)# aaa-server adagent (inside) host 192.168.116.220
hostname(config-aaa-server-host)# key cisco123
hostname(config-aaa-server-host)# user-identity ad-agent aaa-server adagent
```

## Creating the ASA as a Client on the AD Agent Server

The following example shows how to create the ASA as a client on the Active Directory agent server:

```
c:\IBF\CLI\adacfg client create -name ASA5520DEVICE -ip 192.168.116.90 -secret cisco123
```

## Creating a Link Between the AD Agent and DCs

The following example shows how to create a link between the Active Directory Agent and all DCs for which you want to monitor logon/logoff events:

```
c:\IBF\CLI\adacfg.exe dc create -name DCSERVER1 -host W2K3DC -domain
W2K3DC.asascanlab.local -user administrator -password Password1
c:\IBF\CLI\adacfg.exe dc list
```

Running the last command should show the status as “UP.”

For the AD\_Agent to monitor logon/logoff events, you need to ensure that these are logged on ALL DCs that are actively being monitored. To do this, choose:

**Start > Administrative Tools > Domain Controller Security Policy**

**Local policies > Audit Policy > Audit account logon events (success and failure)**

## Testing the AD Agent

The following example shows how to configure the test Active Directory Agent so that it can communicate with the ASA:

```
hostname# test aaa-server ad-agent adagent
Server IP Address or name: 192.168.116.220
INFO: Attempting Ad-agent test to IP address <192.168.116.220> (timeout: 12 seconds)
INFO: Ad-agent Successful
```

See also the following command: **show user-identity ad-agent**.

## Configuring the Identity Options on the ASA

The following example shows how to configure the identity options on the ASA:

```
hostname(config)# user-identity domain ASASCANLAB aaa-server AD
hostname(config)# user-identity default-domain ASASCANLAB
```

## Configuring the User Identity Options and Enabling Granular Reporting

The following example shows how to configure the user identity options that send user credentials to the ASA and enable granular user reporting from the proxy server:

```
hostname(config)# user-identity inactive-user-timer minutes 60
hostname(config)# user-identity action netbios-response-fail remove-user-ip
hostname(config)# user-identity user-not-found enable
hostname(config)# user-identity action mac-address-mismatch remove-user-ip
hostname(config)# user-identity ad-agent active-user-database full-download
```

If you are using more than one domain, then enter the following command:

```
hostname(config)# user-identity domain OTHERDOMAINNAME
```

## Monitoring the Active Directory Groups

The following example shows how to configure Active Directory groups to be monitored:

```
hostname(config)# user-identity monitor user-group ASASCANLAB\GROUPNAME1
hostname(config)# user-identity monitor user-group ASASCANLAB\GROUPNAME2
hostname(config)# user-identity monitor user-group ASASCANLAB\GROUPNAME3
```



**Caution**

Remember to save your configuration once the above is completed.

## Downloading the Entire Active-User Database from the Active Directory Server

The following command updates the specified import user group database by querying the Active Directory server immediately without waiting for the expiration of poll-import-user-timer:

```
hostname(config)# user-identity update import-user
```

## Downloading the Database from the AD Agent

The following example shows how to manually start the download of the database from the Active Directory Agent if you think the user database is out of sync with Active Directory:

```
hostname(config)# user-identity update active-user-database
```

## Showing a List of Active Users

The following example shows how to show the Active users:

```
hostname# show user-identity user active list detail
```

There are two download modes with Identify Firewall: Full download and On-demand.

- Full download—Whenever a user logs into the network, the IDFW tells the ASA the User identity immediately (recommended on the ASA 5512-X and above).
- On-demand—Whenever a user logs into the network, the ASA requests the user identity from AD (ADHOC) (recommended on the ASA 5505 due to memory constraints).

## Cloud Web Security with Identity Firewall Example

The following example shows how to configure Cloud Web Security with Identity Firewall on the ASA:

```
hostname# sh run
ASA Version 100.8(24)32
!
hostname QFW-201-QASS
domain-name uk.scansafe.net
enable password liqhNWIOSfzvir2g encrypted
passwd liqhNWIOSfzvir2g encrypted
names
!
```

```

interface Ethernet0/0
 nameif inside
 security-level 100
 ip address 192.168.116.90 255.255.255.0
 !
interface Ethernet0/1
 nameif outside
 security-level 0
 ip address 192.168.114.90 255.255.254.0
 !
interface Ethernet0/2
 shutdown
 no nameif
 no security-level
 no ip address
 !
interface Ethernet0/3
 shutdown
 no nameif
 no security-level
 no ip address
 !
interface Management0/0
 shutdown
 no nameif
 no security-level
 no ip address
 !
boot system disk0:/asa100824-32-k8.bin
ftp mode passive
dns server-group DefaultDNS
 domain-name uk.scansafe.net
object network obj0192.168.116.x
 subnet 192.168.116.0 255.255.255.0
access-list 101 extended permit tcp any any eq www
access-list 101 extended permit tcp any any eq https
access-list web extended permit tcp any any eq www
access-list icmp extended permit icmp any any
access-list https extended permit tcp any any eq https
 !
scansafe general-options
 server primary ip 192.168.115.225 web 8080
 retry-count 5
 license 366C1D3F5CE67D33D3E9ACEC26789534f
 !
pager lines 24
logging buffered debugging
mtu inside 1500
mtu outside 1500
no failover
icmp unreachable rate-limit 1 burst-size 1
no asdm history enable
arp timeout 14400
 !
object network obj0192.168.116.x
 nat (inside,outside) dynamic interface
access-group 101 in interface outside
route outside 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 192.168.114.19 1
timeout xlate 3:00:00
timeout pat-xlate 0:00:30
timeout conn 1:00:00 half-closed 0:10:00 udp 0:02:00 icmp 0:00:02
timeout sunrpc 0:10:00 h323 0:05:00 h225 1:00:00 mgcp 0:05:00 mgcp-pat 0:05:00
timeout sip 0:30:00 sip_media 0:02:00 sip-invite 0:03:00 sip-disconnect 0:02:00
timeout sip-provisional-media 0:02:00 uauth 0:05:00 absolute

```

```

timeout tcp-proxy-reassembly 0:01:00
timeout floating-conn 0:00:00
dynamic-access-policy-record DfltAccessPolicy
aaa-server AD protocol ldap
aaa-server AD (inside) host 192.168.116.220
  server-port 389
  ldap-base-dn DC=ASASCANLAB,DC=local
  ldap-scope subtree
  ldap-login-password *****
  ldap-login-dn cn=administrator,cn=Users,dc=asascanlab,dc=local
  server-type microsoft
aaa-server adagent protocol radius
  ad-agent-mode
aaa-server adagent (inside) host 192.168.116.220
  key *****
user-identity domain ASASCANLAB aaa-server AD
user-identity default-domain ASASCANLAB
user-identity action netbios-response-fail remove-user-ip
user-identity poll-import-user-group-timer hours 1
user-identity ad-agent aaa-server adagent
user-identity user-not-found enable
user-identity monitor user-group ASASCANLAB\\GROUP1
user-identity monitor user-group ASASCANLAB\\GROUPNAME
no snmp-server location
no snmp-server contact
crypto ca trustpool policy
telnet timeout 5
ssh 192.168.0.0 255.255.255.0 inside
ssh 192.168.21.0 255.255.255.0 inside
ssh timeout 30
console timeout 0
threat-detection basic-threat
threat-detection statistics access-list
no threat-detection statistics tcp-intercept
!
class-map cmap-https
  match access-list https
class-map inspection_default
  match default-inspection-traffic
class-map cmap-http
  match access-list web
!
!
policy-map type inspect dns preset_dns_map
  parameters
    message-length maximum client auto
    message-length maximum 512
policy-map type inspect scansafe ss
  parameters
    default user john group qa
    http
policy-map type inspect scansafe https-pmap
  parameters
    https
policy-map global_policy
  class inspection_default
    inspect dns preset_dns_map
    inspect ftp
    inspect h323 h225
    inspect h323 ras
    inspect ip-options
    inspect netbios
    inspect rsh
    inspect rtsp

```



```
inspect skinny
inspect esmtp
inspect sqlnet
inspect sunrpc
inspect tftp
inspect sip
inspect xdmcp
policy-map type inspect scansafe http-pmap
parameters
  default group http-scansafe
  http
policy-map pmap-http
class cmap-http
  inspect scansafe http-pmap fail-open
class cmap-https
  inspect scansafe https-pmap fail-open
!
service-policy pmap-http global
prompt hostname context
no call-home reporting anonymous
call-home
profile CiscoTAC-1
  no active
  destination address http https://tools.cisco.com/its/service/oddce/services/DDCEService
  destination address email callhome@cisco.com
  destination transport-method http
  subscribe-to-alert-group diagnostic
  subscribe-to-alert-group environment
  subscribe-to-alert-group inventory periodic monthly
  subscribe-to-alert-group configuration periodic monthly
  subscribe-to-alert-group telemetry periodic daily
Cryptochecksum:667ba936945b370c394806a63548e7a0
: end
QFW-201-QASS#
```

## Related Documents

| Related Documents                                      | URL                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cisco ScanSafe Cloud Web Security Configuration Guides | <a href="http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11720/products_installation_and_configuration_guides_list.html">http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps11720/products_installation_and_configuration_guides_list.html</a> |

## Feature History for Cisco Cloud Web Security

Table 21-1 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 21-1** Feature History for Cloud Web Security

| Feature Name       | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cloud Web Security | 9.0(1)            | <p>This feature was introduced.</p> <p>Cisco Cloud Web Security provides content scanning and other malware protection service for web traffic. It can also redirect and report about web traffic based on user identity.</p> <p>We introduced or modified the following commands:<br/> <b>class-map type inspect scansafe, default user group, http[s] (parameters), inspect scansafe, license, match user group, policy-map type inspect scansafe, retry-count, scansafe, scansafe general-options, server {primary   backup}, show conn scansafe, show scansafe server, show scansafe statistics, user-identity monitor, whitelist.</b></p> |



## Botnet Traffic Filter

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Malware is malicious software that is installed on an unknowing host. Malware that attempts network activity such as sending private data (passwords, credit card numbers, key strokes, or proprietary data) can be detected by the Botnet Traffic Filter when the malware starts a connection to a known bad IP address. The Botnet Traffic Filter checks incoming and outgoing connections against a dynamic database of known bad domain names and IP addresses (the *blacklist*), and then logs or blocks any suspicious activity.

You can also supplement the Cisco dynamic database with blacklisted addresses of your choosing by adding them to a static blacklist; if the dynamic database includes blacklisted addresses that you think should not be blacklisted, you can manually enter them into a static *whitelist*. Whitelisted addresses still generate syslog messages, but because you are only targeting blacklist syslog messages, they are informational.



### Note

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If you do not want to use the Cisco dynamic database at all, because of internal requirements, you can use the static blacklist alone if you can identify all the malware sites that you want to target.

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This chapter describes how to configure the Botnet Traffic Filter and includes the following sections:

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- [Licensing Requirements for the Botnet Traffic Filter, page 22-6](#)
- [Prerequisites for the Botnet Traffic Filter, page 22-6](#)
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- [Configuring the Botnet Traffic Filter, page 22-7](#)
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## Information About the Botnet Traffic Filter

This section includes information about the Botnet Traffic Filter and includes the following topics:

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- [Botnet Traffic Filter Actions for Known Addresses, page 22-2](#)
- [Botnet Traffic Filter Databases, page 22-2](#)
- [How the Botnet Traffic Filter Works, page 22-5](#)

## Botnet Traffic Filter Address Types

Addresses monitored by the Botnet Traffic Filter include:

- **Known malware addresses**—These addresses are on the blacklist identified by the dynamic database and the static blacklist.
- **Known allowed addresses**—These addresses are on the whitelist. The whitelist is useful when an address is blacklisted by the dynamic database and also identified by the static whitelist.
- **Ambiguous addresses**—These addresses are associated with multiple domain names, but not all of these domain names are on the blacklist. These addresses are on the *greylist*.
- **Unlisted addresses**—These addresses are unknown, and not included on any list.

## Botnet Traffic Filter Actions for Known Addresses

You can configure the Botnet Traffic Filter to log suspicious activity, and you can optionally configure it to block suspicious traffic automatically.

Unlisted addresses do not generate any syslog messages, but addresses on the blacklist, whitelist, and greylist generate syslog messages differentiated by type. See [Botnet Traffic Filter Syslog Messaging, page 22-17](#) for more information.

## Botnet Traffic Filter Databases

The Botnet Traffic Filter uses two databases for known addresses. You can use both databases together, or you can disable use of the dynamic database and use the static database alone. This section includes the following topics:

- [Information About the Dynamic Database, page 22-2](#)
- [Information About the Static Database, page 22-3](#)
- [Information About the DNS Reverse Lookup Cache and DNS Host Cache, page 22-4](#)

### Information About the Dynamic Database

The Botnet Traffic Filter can receive periodic updates for the dynamic database from the Cisco update server. This database lists thousands of known bad domain names and IP addresses.

#### How the ASA Uses the Dynamic Database

The ASA uses the dynamic database as follows:

1. When the domain name in a DNS reply matches a name in the dynamic database, the Botnet Traffic Filter adds the name and IP address to the *DNS reverse lookup cache*.

2. When the infected host starts a connection to the IP address of the malware site, then the ASA sends a syslog message informing you of the suspicious activity and optionally drops the traffic if you configured the ASA to do so.
3. In some cases, the IP address itself is supplied in the dynamic database, and the Botnet Traffic Filter logs or drops any traffic to that IP address without having to inspect DNS requests.

## Database Files

The database files are downloaded from the Cisco update server, and then stored in running memory; they are not stored in flash memory. Be sure to identify a DNS server for the ASA so that it can access the Cisco update server URL. In multiple context mode, the system downloads the database for all contexts using the admin context interface; be sure to identify a DNS server in the admin context.

If you need to delete the database, use the **dynamic-filter database purge** command instead. Be sure to first disable use of the database by entering the **no dynamic-filter use-database** command.



### Note

To filter on the domain names in the dynamic database, you need to enable DNS packet inspection with Botnet Traffic Filter snooping; the ASA looks inside the DNS packets for the domain name and associated IP address.

## Database Traffic Types

The dynamic database includes the following types of addresses:

- **Ads**—These are advertising networks that deliver banner ads, interstitials, rich media ads, pop-ups, and pop-unders for websites, spyware and adware. Some of these networks send ad-oriented HTML emails and email verification services.
- **Data Tracking**—These are sources associated with companies and websites that offer data tracking and metrics services to websites and other online entities. Some of these also run small advertising networks.
- **Spyware**—These are sources that distribute spyware, adware, greyware, and other potentially unwanted advertising software. Some of these also run exploits to install such software.
- **Malware**—These are sources that use various exploits to deliver adware, spyware and other malware to victim computers. Some of these are associated with rogue online vendors and distributors of dialers which deceptively call premium-rate phone numbers.
- **Adult**—These are sources associated with adult networks/services offering web hosting for adult content, advertising, content aggregation, registration & billing, and age verification. These may be tied to distribution of adware, spyware, and dialers.
- **Bot and Threat Networks**—These are rogue systems that control infected computers. They are either systems hosted on threat networks or systems that are part of the botnet itself.

## Information About the Static Database

You can manually enter domain names or IP addresses (host or subnet) that you want to tag as bad names in a blacklist. Static blacklist entries are always designated with a Very High threat level. You can also enter names or IP addresses in a whitelist, so that names or addresses that appear on both the *dynamic* blacklist and the whitelist are identified only as whitelist addresses in syslog messages and reports. Note that you see syslog messages for whitelisted addresses even if the address is not also in the dynamic blacklist.

When you add a domain name to the static database, the ASA waits 1 minute, and then sends a DNS request for that domain name and adds the domain name/IP address pairing to the *DNS host cache*. (This action is a background process, and does not affect your ability to continue configuring the ASA). We recommend also enabling DNS packet inspection with Botnet Traffic Filter snooping. The ASA uses Botnet Traffic Filter snooping instead of the regular DNS lookup to resolve static blacklist domain names in the following circumstances:

- The ASA DNS server is unavailable.
- A connection is initiated during the 1 minute waiting period before the ASA sends the regular DNS request.

If DNS snooping is used, when an infected host sends a DNS request for a name on the static database, the ASA looks inside the DNS packets for the domain name and associated IP address and adds the name and IP address to the DNS reverse lookup cache.

If you do not enable Botnet Traffic Filter snooping, and one of the above circumstances occurs, then that traffic will not be monitored by the Botnet Traffic Filter.

## Information About the DNS Reverse Lookup Cache and DNS Host Cache

When you use the dynamic database with DNS snooping, entries are added to the DNS reverse lookup cache. If you use the static database, entries are added to the DNS host cache (see [Information About the Static Database, page 22-3](#) about using the static database with DNS snooping and the DNS reverse lookup cache).

Entries in the DNS reverse lookup cache and the DNS host cache have a time to live (TTL) value provided by the DNS server. The largest TTL value allowed is 1 day (24 hours); if the DNS server provides a larger TTL, it is truncated to 1 day maximum.

For the DNS reverse lookup cache, after an entry times out, the ASA renews the entry when an infected host initiates a connection to a known address, and DNS snooping occurs.

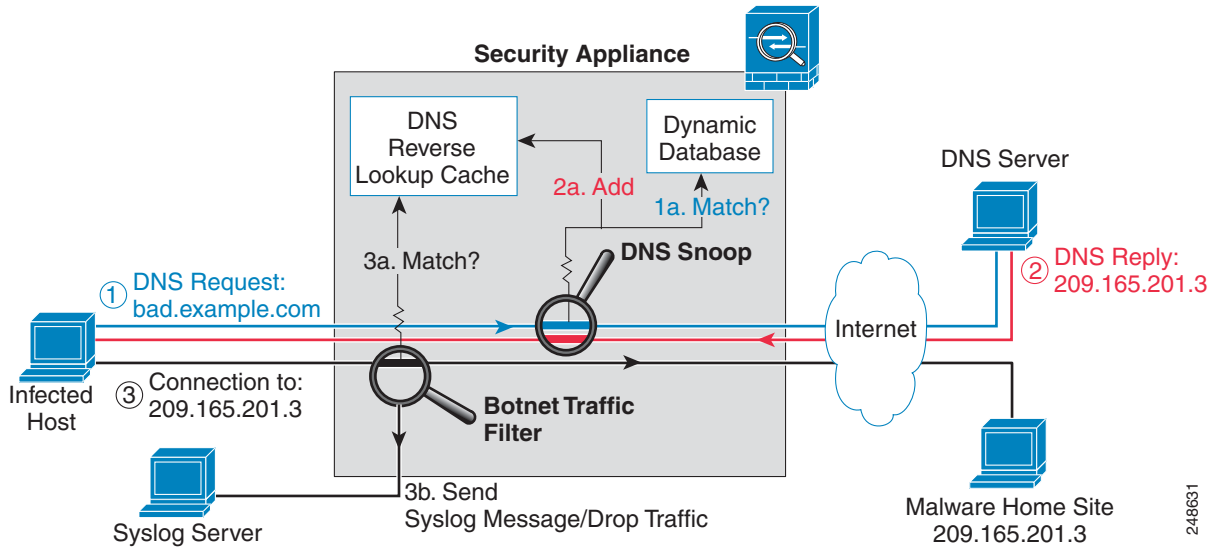
For the DNS host cache, after an entry times out, the ASA periodically requests a refresh for the entry.

For the DNS host cache, the maximum number of blacklist entries and whitelist entries is 1000 each. The number of entries in the DNS reverse lookup cache varies per model.

# How the Botnet Traffic Filter Works

Figure 22-1 shows how the Botnet Traffic Filter works with the dynamic database plus DNS inspection with Botnet Traffic Filter snooping.

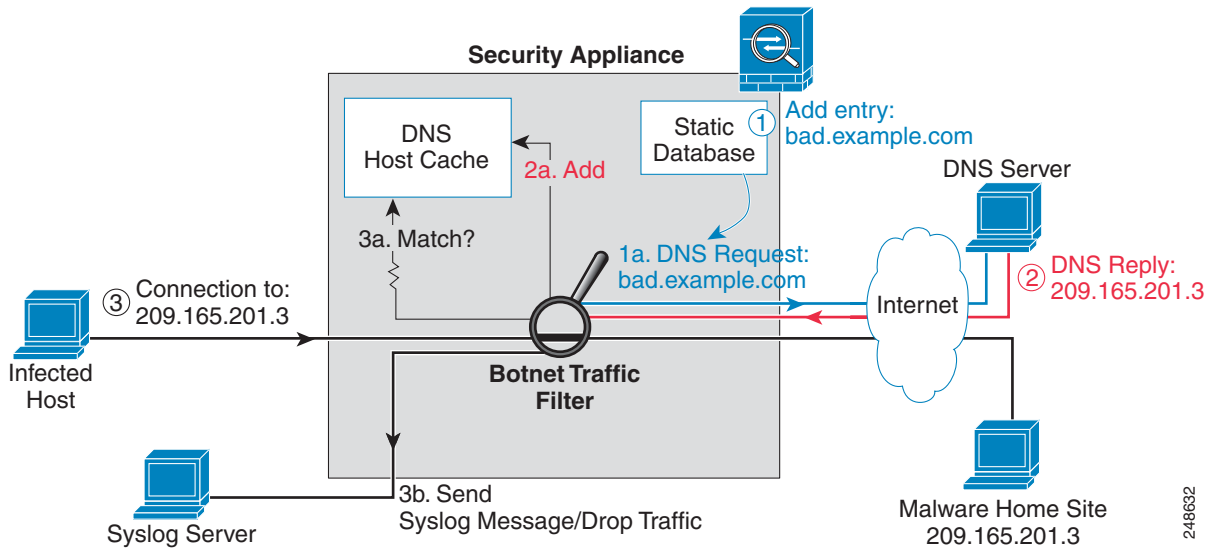
**Figure 22-1** How the Botnet Traffic Filter Works with the Dynamic Database



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Figure 22-2 shows how the Botnet Traffic Filter works with the static database.

**Figure 22-2** How the Botnet Traffic Filter Works with the Static Database



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# Licensing Requirements for the Botnet Traffic Filter

The following table shows the licensing requirements for this feature:

| Model            | License Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASAv             | Standard or Premium License.                                                                                                                                                                          |
| All other models | You need the following licenses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Botnet Traffic Filter License.</li> <li>• Strong Encryption (3DES/AES) License to download the dynamic database.</li> </ul> |

## Prerequisites for the Botnet Traffic Filter

To use the dynamic database, identify a DNS server for the ASA so that it can access the Cisco update server URL. In multiple context mode, the system downloads the database for all contexts using the admin context interface; be sure to identify a DNS server in the admin context.

## Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature.

### Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in single and multiple context mode.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.

### Failover Guidelines

Does not support replication of the DNS reverse lookup cache, DNS host cache, or the dynamic database in Stateful Failover.

### IPv6 Guidelines

Does not support IPv6.

### Additional Guidelines and Limitations

- TCP DNS traffic is not supported.
- You can add up to 1000 blacklist entries and 1000 whitelist entries in the static database.
- The packet tracer is not supported.

## Default Settings

By default, the Botnet Traffic Filter is disabled, as is use of the dynamic database.



For DNS inspection, which is enabled by default, Botnet Traffic Filter snooping is disabled by default.

## Configuring the Botnet Traffic Filter

This section includes the following topics:

- [Task Flow for Configuring the Botnet Traffic Filter, page 22-7](#)
- [Configuring the Dynamic Database, page 22-8](#)
- [Enabling DNS Snooping, page 22-10](#)
- [Adding Entries to the Static Database, page 22-9](#)
- [Enabling Traffic Classification and Actions for the Botnet Traffic Filter, page 22-12](#)
- [Blocking Botnet Traffic Manually, page 22-15](#)
- [Searching the Dynamic Database, page 22-16](#)

## Task Flow for Configuring the Botnet Traffic Filter

To configure the Botnet Traffic Filter, perform the following steps:

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- Step 1** Enable use of the dynamic database. See [Configuring the Dynamic Database, page 22-8](#).
- This procedure enables database updates from the Cisco update server, and also enables use of the downloaded dynamic database by the ASA. Disallowing use of the downloaded database is useful in multiple context mode so you can configure use of the database on a per-context basis.
- Step 2** (Optional) Add static entries to the database. See [Adding Entries to the Static Database, page 22-9](#).
- This procedure lets you augment the dynamic database with domain names or IP addresses that you want to blacklist or whitelist. You might want to use the static database instead of the dynamic database if you do not want to download the dynamic database over the Internet.
- Step 3** Enable DNS snooping. See [Enabling DNS Snooping, page 22-10](#).
- This procedure enables inspection of DNS packets, compares the domain name with those in the dynamic database or the static database (when a DNS server for the ASA is unavailable), and adds the name and IP address to the DNS reverse lookup cache. This cache is then used by the Botnet Traffic Filter when connections are made to the suspicious address.
- Step 4** Enable traffic classification and actions for the Botnet Traffic Filter. See [Enabling Traffic Classification and Actions for the Botnet Traffic Filter, page 22-12](#).
- This procedure enables the Botnet Traffic Filter, which compares the source and destination IP address in each initial connection packet to the IP addresses in the dynamic database, static database, DNS reverse lookup cache, and DNS host cache, and sends a syslog message or drops any matching traffic.
- Step 5** (Optional) Block traffic manually based on syslog message information. See [Blocking Botnet Traffic Manually, page 22-15](#).
- If you choose not to block malware traffic automatically, you can block traffic manually by configuring an access rule to deny traffic, or by using the **shun** command to block all traffic to and from a host.
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## Configuring the Dynamic Database

This procedure enables database updates, and also enables use of the downloaded dynamic database by the ASA. In multiple context mode, the system downloads the database for all contexts using the admin context interface. You can configure *use* of the database on a per-context basis.

By default, downloading and using the dynamic database is disabled.

### Prerequisites

Enable ASA use of a DNS server according to the general operations configuration guide. In multiple context mode, the system downloads the database for all contexts using the admin context interface; be sure to identify a DNS server in the admin context.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                            | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>dynamic-filter updater-client enable</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# dynamic-filter<br>updater-client enable                    | Enables downloading of the dynamic database from the Cisco update server. In multiple context mode, enter this command in the system execution space. If you do not have a database already installed on the ASA, it downloads the database after approximately 2 minutes. The update server determines how often the ASA polls the server for future updates, typically every hour. |
| Step 2 | (Multiple context mode only)<br><b>changeto context context_name</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname# changeto context admin<br>hostname/admin# | Changes to the context so that you can configure use of the database on a per-context basis.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Step 3 | <b>dynamic-filter use-database</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# dynamic-filter<br>use-database                                      | Enables use of the dynamic database. In multiple context mode, enter this command in the context execution space.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

### Examples

The following multiple mode example enables downloading of the dynamic database, and enables use of the database in context1 and context2:

```
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter updater-client enable
hostname(config)# changeto context context1
hostname/context1(config)# dynamic-filter use-database
hostname/context1(config)# changeto context context2
hostname/context2(config)# dynamic-filter use-database
```

The following single mode example enables downloading of the dynamic database, and enables use of the database:

```
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter updater-client enable
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter use-database
```

## What to Do Next

See [Adding Entries to the Static Database, page 22-9](#).

## Adding Entries to the Static Database

The static database lets you augment the dynamic database with domain names or IP addresses that you want to blacklist or whitelist. Static blacklist entries are always designated with a Very High threat level. See [Information About the Static Database, page 22-3](#) for more information.

### Prerequisites

- In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the context execution space.
- Enable ASA use of a DNS server according to the general operations configuration guide.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                      | Purpose                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <code>dynamic-filter blacklist</code>                                                        | Edits the Botnet Traffic Filter blacklist.                                                                                                                     |
|        | <b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# dynamic-filter blacklist</code>                   |                                                                                                                                                                |
| Step 2 | Enter one or both of the following:                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                |
|        | <b>name</b> <i>domain_name</i>                                                               | Adds a name to the blacklist. You can enter this command multiple times for multiple entries. You can add up to 1000 blacklist entries.                        |
|        | <b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config-l1ist)# name bad.example.com</code>                 |                                                                                                                                                                |
|        | <b>address</b> <i>ip_address mask</i>                                                        | Adds an IP address to the blacklist. You can enter this command multiple times for multiple entries. The <i>mask</i> can be for a single host or for a subnet. |
|        | <b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config-l1ist)# address 10.1.1.1<br/>255.255.255.255</code> |                                                                                                                                                                |
| Step 3 | <code>dynamic-filter whitelist</code>                                                        | Edits the Botnet Traffic Filter whitelist.                                                                                                                     |
|        | <b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# dynamic-filter whitelist</code>                   |                                                                                                                                                                |
| Step 4 | Enter one or both of the following:                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                |

| Command                                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>name</b> <i>domain_name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-l1ist)# name good.example.com                      | Adds a name to the whitelist. You can enter this command multiple times for multiple entries. You can add up to 1000 whitelist entries.                        |
| <b>address</b> <i>ip_address mask</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-l1ist)# address 10.1.1.2<br>255.255.255.255 | Adds an IP address to the whitelist. You can enter this command multiple times for multiple entries. The <i>mask</i> can be for a single host or for a subnet. |

## Examples

The following example creates entries for the blacklist and whitelist:

```
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter blacklist
hostname(config-l1ist)# name bad1.example.com
hostname(config-l1ist)# name bad2.example.com
hostname(config-l1ist)# address 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
hostname(config-l1ist)# dynamic-filter whitelist
hostname(config-l1ist)# name good.example.com
hostname(config-l1ist)# name great.example.com
hostname(config-l1ist)# name awesome.example.com
hostname(config-l1ist)# address 10.1.1.2 255.255.255.255
```

## What to Do Next

See [Enabling DNS Snooping, page 22-10](#).

## Enabling DNS Snooping

This procedure enables inspection of DNS packets and enables Botnet Traffic Filter snooping, which compares the domain name with those on the dynamic database or static database, and adds the name and IP address to the Botnet Traffic Filter DNS reverse lookup cache. This cache is then used by the Botnet Traffic Filter when connections are made to the suspicious address.

The following procedure creates an interface-specific service policy for DNS inspection. See [DNS Inspection, page 8-1](#) and [Chapter 1, “Service Policy Using the Modular Policy Framework,”](#) for detailed information about configuring advanced DNS inspection options using the Modular Policy Framework.

## Prerequisites

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the context execution space.

## Restrictions

TCP DNS traffic is not supported.

## Default DNS Inspection Configuration and Recommended Configuration

The default configuration for DNS inspection inspects all UDP DNS traffic on all interfaces, and does not have DNS snooping enabled.

We suggest that you enable DNS snooping only on interfaces where external DNS requests are going. Enabling DNS snooping on all UDP DNS traffic, including that going to an internal DNS server, creates unnecessary load on the ASA.

For example, if the DNS server is on the outside interface, you should enable DNS inspection with snooping for all UDP DNS traffic on the outside interface. See [Examples, page 22-15](#) section for the recommended commands for this configuration.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                             | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>class-map</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map<br>dynamic-filter_snoop_class    | Creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to inspect DNS.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Step 2 | <b>match</b> <i>parameters</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match port udp eq<br>domain         | Specifies traffic for the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps), page 1-12</a> for more information about available parameters. For example, you can specify an ACL for DNS traffic to and from certain addresses, or you can specify all UDP DNS traffic. |
| Step 3 | <b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map<br>dynamic-filter_snoop_policy | Adds or edits a policy map so you can set the actions to take with the class map traffic.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Step 4 | <b>class</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class<br>dynamic-filter_snoop_class       | Identifies the class map you created in <a href="#">Step 1</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                            | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 5 | <pre>inspect dns [map_name] dynamic-filter-snoop</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect dns preset_dns_map dynamic-filter-snoop</pre>                  | Enables DNS inspection with Botnet Traffic Filter snooping. To use the default DNS inspection policy map for the <i>map_name</i> , specify <b>preset_dns_map</b> for the map name. See <a href="#">DNS Inspection, page 8-1</a> for more information about creating a DNS inspection policy map. |
| Step 6 | <pre>service-policy policymap_name interface interface_name</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# service-policy dynamic-filter_snoop_policy interface outside</pre> | Activates the policy map on an interface. The interface-specific policy overrides the global policy. You can only apply one policy map to each interface.                                                                                                                                        |

## Examples

The following recommended configuration creates a class map for all UDP DNS traffic, enables DNS inspection and Botnet Traffic Filter snooping with the default DNS inspection policy map, and applies it to the outside interface:

```
hostname(config)# class-map dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname(config-cmap)# match port udp eq domain
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map dynamic-filter_snoop_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect dns preset_dns_map dynamic-filter-snoop
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy dynamic-filter_snoop_policy interface outside
```

## What to Do Next

See [Enabling Traffic Classification and Actions for the Botnet Traffic Filter, page 22-12](#).

# Enabling Traffic Classification and Actions for the Botnet Traffic Filter

This procedure enables the Botnet Traffic Filter. The Botnet Traffic Filter compares the source and destination IP address in each initial connection packet to the following:

- Dynamic database IP addresses
- Static database IP addresses
- DNS reverse lookup cache (for dynamic database domain names)
- DNS host cache (for static database domain names)

When an address matches, the ASA sends a syslog message. The only additional action currently available is to drop the connection.

## Prerequisites

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the context execution space.

## Recommended Configuration

Although DNS snooping is not required, we recommend configuring DNS snooping for maximum use of the Botnet Traffic Filter (see [Enabling DNS Snooping, page 22-10](#)). Without DNS snooping for the dynamic database, the Botnet Traffic Filter uses only the static database entries, plus any IP addresses in the dynamic database; domain names in the dynamic database are not used.

We recommend enabling the Botnet Traffic Filter on all traffic on the Internet-facing interface, and enabling dropping of traffic with a severity of moderate and higher. See [Examples, page 22-16](#) section for the recommended commands used for this configuration.

## Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <p>(Optional)</p> <pre>access-list access_list_name extended {deny   permit} protocol source_address mask [operator port] dest_address mask [operator port]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# access-list dynamic-filter_acl extended permit tcp any any eq 80 hostname(config)# access-list dynamic-filter_acl_subset extended permit tcp 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0 any eq 80</pre> | <p>Identifies the traffic that you want to monitor or drop. If you do not create an ACL for monitoring, by default you monitor all traffic. You can optionally use an ACL to identify a subset of monitored traffic that you want to drop; be sure the ACL is a subset of the monitoring ACL. See the general operations configuration guide for more information about creating an ACL.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Step 2 | <pre>dynamic-filter enable [interface name] [classify-list access_list]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# dynamic-filter enable interface outside classify-list dynamic-filter_acl</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                          | <p>Enables the Botnet Traffic Filter; without any options, this command monitors all traffic.</p> <p>We recommend enabling the Botnet Traffic Filter on all traffic on the Internet-facing interface using the <b>interface</b> keyword.</p> <p>You can optionally limit monitoring to specific traffic by using the <b>classify-list</b> keyword with an ACL.</p> <p>You can enter this command one time for each interface and one time for the global policy (where you do not specify the <b>interface</b> keyword). Each interface and global command can have an optional <b>classify-list</b> keyword. Any interface-specific commands take precedence over the global command.</p> |

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <p><b>Step 3</b> (Optional)</p> <pre>dynamic-filter drop blacklist [interface name] [action-classify-list subset_access_list] [threat-level {eq level   range min max}]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# dynamic-filter drop blacklist interface outside action-classify-list dynamic-filter_acl_subset threat-level range moderate very-high</pre> | <p>Automatically drops malware traffic. To manually drop traffic, see <a href="#">Blocking Botnet Traffic Manually, page 22-15</a>.</p> <p>Be sure to first configure a <b>dynamic-filter enable</b> command to monitor any traffic you also want to drop.</p> <p>You can set an interface policy using the <b>interface</b> keyword, or a global policy (where you do not specify the <b>interface</b> keyword). Any interface-specific commands take precedence over the global command. You can enter this command multiple times for each interface and global policy.</p> <p>The <b>action-classify-list</b> keyword limits the traffic dropped to a subset of monitored traffic. The dropped traffic must always be equal to or a subset of the monitored traffic. For example, if you specify an ACL for the <b>dynamic-filter enable</b> command, and you specify the <b>action-classify-list</b> for this command, then it must be a subset of the <b>dynamic-filter enable</b> ACL.</p> <p>Make sure you do not specify overlapping traffic in multiple commands for a given interface/global policy. Because you cannot control the exact order that commands are matched, overlapping traffic means you do not know which command will be matched. For example, do not specify both a command that matches all traffic (without the <b>action-classify-list</b> keyword) as well as a command with the <b>action-classify-list</b> keyword for a given interface. In this case, the traffic might never match the command with the <b>action-classify-list</b> keyword. Similarly, if you specify multiple commands with the <b>action-classify-list</b> keyword, make sure each ACL is unique, and that the networks do not overlap.</p> <p>You can additionally limit the traffic dropped by setting the threat level. If you do not explicitly set a threat level, the level used is <b>threat-level range moderate very-high</b>.</p> <p><b>Note</b> We highly recommend using the default setting unless you have strong reasons for changing the setting.</p> <p>The <i>level</i> and <i>min</i> and <i>max</i> options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>very-low</b></li> <li>• <b>low</b></li> <li>• <b>moderate</b></li> <li>• <b>high</b></li> <li>• <b>very-high</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> Static blacklist entries are always designated with a Very High threat level.</p> |



|        | Command                                                                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 4 | (Optional)<br><code>dynamic-filter ambiguous-is-black</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# dynamic-filter<br/>ambiguous-is-black</code> | If you configured the <b>dynamic-filter drop blacklist</b> command, then this command treats greylisted traffic as blacklisted traffic for dropping purposes. If you do not enable this command, greylisted traffic will not be dropped. See <a href="#">Botnet Traffic Filter Address Types, page 22-2</a> for more information about the greylist. |

## Examples

The following recommended configuration monitors all traffic on the outside interface and drops all traffic at a threat level of moderate or higher:

```
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter enable interface outside
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter drop blacklist interface outside
```

If you decide not to monitor all traffic, you can limit the traffic using an ACL. The following example monitors only port 80 traffic on the outside interface, and drops traffic threat level very-high only:

```
hostname(config)# access-list dynamic-filter_acl extended permit tcp any any eq 80
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter enable interface outside classify-list dynamic-filter_acl
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter drop blacklist interface outside threat-level eq
very-high
```

## Blocking Botnet Traffic Manually

If you choose not to block malware traffic automatically (see [Enabling Traffic Classification and Actions for the Botnet Traffic Filter, page 22-12](#)), you can block traffic manually by configuring an access rule to deny traffic, or by using the **shun** command tool to block all traffic to and from a host.

For example, you receive the following syslog message:

```
ASA-4-338002: Dynamic Filter permitted black listed TCP traffic from inside:10.1.1.45/6798
(209.165.201.1/7890) to outside:209.165.202.129/80 (209.165.202.129/80), destination
209.165.202.129 resolved from dynamic list: bad.example.com
```

You can then perform one of the following actions:

- Create an access rule to deny traffic.

For example, using the syslog message above, you might want to deny traffic from the infected host at 10.1.1.45 to the malware site at 209.165.202.129. Or, if there are many connections to different blacklisted addresses, you can create an ACL to deny all traffic from 10.1.1.45 until you resolve the infection on the host computer. For example, the following commands deny all traffic from 10.1.1.5 to 209.165.202.129, but permits all other traffic on the inside interface:

```
hostname(config)# access-list BLOCK_OUT extended deny ip host 10.1.1.45 host
209.165.202.129
hostname(config)# access-list BLOCK_OUT extended permit ip any any
hostname(config)# access-group BLOCK_OUT in interface inside
```

See the general operations configuration guide for more information about creating an ACL, and see [Chapter 3, “Access Rules,”](#) for information about applying the ACL to the interface.



**Note** ACLs block all future connections. To block the current connection, if it is still active, enter the **clear conn** command. For example, to clear only the connection listed in the syslog message, enter the **clear conn address 10.1.1.45 address 209.165.202.129** command. See the command reference for more information.

- Shun the infected host.

Shunning blocks all connections from the host, so you should use an ACL if you want to block connections to certain destination addresses and ports. To shun a host, enter the following command. To drop the current connection as well as blocking all future connections, enter the destination address, source port, destination port, and optional protocol.

```
hostname(config)# shun src_ip [dst_ip src_port dest_port [protocol]]
```

For example, to block future connections from 10.1.1.45, and also drop the current connection to the malware site in the syslog message, enter:

```
hostname(config)# shun 10.1.1.45 209.165.202.129 6798 80
```

See for more information about shunning.

After you resolve the infection, be sure to remove the ACL or the shun. To remove the shun, enter **no shun src\_ip**.

## Searching the Dynamic Database

If you want to check if a domain name or IP address is included in the dynamic database, you can search the database for a string.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                            | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>dynamic-filter database find</b> <i>string</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname# dynamic-filter database find | Searches the dynamic database for a domain name or IP address. The <i>string</i> can be the complete domain name or IP address, or you can enter part of the name or address, with a minimum search string of 3 characters. If there are multiple matches, the first two matches are shown. To refine your search for a more specific match, enter a longer string.<br><br><b>Note</b> Regular expressions are not supported for the database search. |

### Examples

The following example searches on the string “example.com”, and finds 1 match:

```
hostname# dynamic-filter database find bad.example.com

bad.example.com
Found 1 matches
```

The following example searches on the string “bad”, and finds more than 2 matches:

```
hostname# dynamic-filter database find bad

bad.example.com
```

```
bad.example.net
Found more than 2 matches, enter a more specific string to find an exact
match
```

## Monitoring the Botnet Traffic Filter

Whenever a known address is classified by the Botnet Traffic Filter, then a syslog message is generated. You can also monitor Botnet Traffic Filter statistics and other parameters by entering commands on the ASA. This section includes the following topics:

- [Botnet Traffic Filter Syslog Messaging, page 22-17](#)
- [Botnet Traffic Filter Commands, page 22-17](#)

## Botnet Traffic Filter Syslog Messaging

The Botnet Traffic Filter generates detailed syslog messages numbered 338*nnn*. Messages differentiate between incoming and outgoing connections, blacklist, whitelist, or greylist addresses, and many other variables. (The greylist includes addresses that are associated with multiple domain names, but not all of these domain names are on the blacklist.)

See the syslog messages guide for detailed information about syslog messages.

## Botnet Traffic Filter Commands

To monitor the Botnet Traffic Filter, enter one of the following commands:

| Command                                                                                       | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>show dynamic-filter statistics [interface name] [detail]</code>                         | Shows how many connections were classified as whitelist, blacklist, and greylist connections, and how many connections were dropped. (The greylist includes addresses that are associated with multiple domain names, but not all of these domain names are on the blacklist.) The <b>detail</b> keyword shows how many packets at each threat level were classified or dropped.<br><br>To clear the statistics, enter the <b>clear dynamic-filter statistics [interface name]</b> command. |
| <code>show dynamic-filter reports top [malware-sites   malware-ports   infected-hosts]</code> | Generates reports of the top 10 malware sites, ports, and infected hosts monitored. The top 10 malware-sites report includes the number of connections dropped, and the threat level and category of each site. This report is a snapshot of the data, and may not match the top 10 items since the statistics started to be collected.<br><br>To clear the report data, enter the <b>clear dynamic-filter reports top</b> command.                                                         |

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>show dynamic-filter reports infected-hosts</code><br>{ <code>max-connections</code>   <code>latest-active</code>  <br><code>highest-threat</code>   <code>subnet ip_address netmask</code><br>  <code>all</code> } | Generates reports about infected hosts. These reports contain detailed history about infected hosts, showing the correlation between infected hosts, visited malware sites, and malware ports. The <b>max-connections</b> keyword shows the 20 infected hosts with the most number of connections. The <b>latest-active</b> keyword shows the 20 hosts with the most recent activity. The <b>highest-threat</b> keyword shows the 20 hosts that connected to the malware sites with the highest threat level. The <b>subnet</b> keyword shows up to 20 hosts within the specified subnet. The <b>all</b> keyword shows all buffered infected-hosts information. This display might include thousands of entries. You might want to use ASDM to generate a PDF file instead of using the CLI.<br><br>To clear the report data, enter the <b>clear dynamic-filter reports infected-hosts</b> command. |
| <code>show dynamic-filter updater-client</code>                                                                                                                                                                          | Shows information about the updater server, including the server IP address, the next time the ASA will connect with the server, and the database version last installed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>show dynamic-filter dns-snoop</code> [ <code>detail</code> ]                                                                                                                                                       | Shows the Botnet Traffic Filter DNS snooping summary, or with the <b>detail</b> keyword, the actual IP addresses and names. All inspected DNS data is included in this output, and not just matching names in the blacklist. DNS data from static entries are not included.<br><br>To clear the DNS snooping data, enter the <b>clear dynamic-filter dns-snoop</b> command.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <code>show dynamic-filter data</code>                                                                                                                                                                                    | Shows information about the dynamic database, including when the dynamic database was last downloaded, the version of the database, how many entries the database contains, and 10 sample entries.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <code>show asp table dynamic-filter</code> [ <code>hits</code> ]                                                                                                                                                         | Shows the Botnet Traffic Filter rules that are installed in the accelerated security path.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## Examples

The following is sample output from the **show dynamic-filter statistics** command:

```
hostname# show dynamic-filter statistics
Enabled on interface outside
  Total conns classified 11, ingress 11, egress 0
  Total whitelist classified 0, ingress 0, egress 0
  Total greylist classified 0, dropped 0, ingress 0, egress 0
  Total blacklist classified 11, dropped 5, ingress 11, egress 0
Enabled on interface inside
  Total conns classified 1182, ingress 1182, egress 0
  Total whitelist classified 3, ingress 3, egress 0
  Total greylist classified 0, dropped 0, ingress 0, egress 0
  Total blacklist classified 1179, dropped 1000, ingress 1179, egress 0
```

The following is sample output from the **show dynamic-filter reports top malware-sites** command:

```
hostname# show dynamic-filter reports top malware-sites
Site                                     Connections logged dropped Threat Level Category
-----
bad1.example.com (10.67.22.34)           11      0      2      Botnet
bad2.example.com (209.165.200.225)       8       8      3      Virus
bad1.cisco.example(10.131.36.158)        6       6      3      Virus
bad2.cisco.example(209.165.201.1)        2       2      3      Trojan
```

```
horrible.example.net(10.232.224.2)      2    2    3    Botnet
nono.example.org(209.165.202.130)     1    1    3    Virus
```

Last clearing of the top sites report: at 13:41:06 UTC Jul 15 2009

The following is sample output from the **show dynamic-filter reports top malware-ports** command:

```
hostname# show dynamic-filter reports top malware-ports
Port                                     Connections logged
-----
tcp 1000                                 617
tcp 2001                                 472
tcp 23                                   22
tcp 1001                                  19
udp 2000                                  17
udp 2001                                  17
tcp 8080                                  9
tcp 80                                    3
tcp >8192                                 2
```

Last clearing of the top sites report: at 13:41:06 UTC Jul 15 2009

The following is sample output from the **show dynamic-filter reports top infected-hosts** command:

```
hostname# show dynamic-filter reports top infected-hosts
Host                                     Connections logged
-----
10.10.10.51(inside)                     1190
10.12.10.10(inside)                      10
10.10.11.10(inside)                      5
```

Last clearing of the top infected-hosts report: at 13:41:06 UTC Jul 15 2009

## Configuration Examples for the Botnet Traffic Filter

This section includes the recommended configuration for single and multiple context mode, as well as other possible configurations. This section includes the following topics:

- [Recommended Configuration Example, page 22-19](#)
- [Other Configuration Examples, page 22-20](#)

### Recommended Configuration Example

The following recommended example configuration for single context mode enables downloading of the dynamic database, and enables use of the database. It creates a class map for all UDP DNS traffic, enables DNS inspection and Botnet Traffic Filter snooping with the default DNS inspection policy map, and applies it to the outside interface, the Internet-facing interface.

#### *Example 22-1 Single Mode Botnet Traffic Filter Recommended Example*

```
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter updater-client enable
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter use-database
hostname(config)# class-map dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname(config-cmap)# match port udp eq domain
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map dynamic-filter_snoop_policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class dynamic-filter_snoop_class
```

```

hostname(config-pmap-c)# inspect dns preset_dns_map dynamic-filter-snoop
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy dynamic-filter_snoop_policy interface outside
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter enable interface outside
hostname(config)# dynamic-filter drop blacklist interface outside

```

The following recommended example configuration for multiple context mode enables the Botnet Traffic Filter for two contexts:

### **Example 22-2 Multiple Mode Botnet Traffic Filter Recommended Example**

```

hostname(config)# dynamic-filter updater-client enable

hostname(config)# changeto context context1

hostname/context1(config)# dynamic-filter use-database
hostname/context1(config)# class-map dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname/context1(config-cmap)# match port udp eq domain
hostname/context1(config-cmap)# policy-map dynamic-filter_snoop_policy
hostname/context1(config-pmap-c)# class dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname/context1(config-pmap-c)# inspect dns preset_dns_map dynamic-filter-snoop
hostname/context1(config-pmap-c)# service-policy dynamic-filter_snoop_policy interface
outside
hostname/context1(config)# dynamic-filter enable interface outside
hostname/context1(config)# dynamic-filter drop blacklist interface outside

hostname/context1(config)# changeto context context2

hostname/context2(config)# dynamic-filter use-database
hostname/context2(config)# class-map dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname/context2(config-cmap)# match port udp eq domain
hostname/context2(config-cmap)# policy-map dynamic-filter_snoop_policy
hostname/context2(config-pmap-c)# class dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname/context2(config-pmap-c)# inspect dns preset_dns_map dynamic-filter-snoop
hostname/context2(config-pmap-c)# service-policy dynamic-filter_snoop_policy interface
outside
hostname/context2(config)# dynamic-filter enable interface outside
hostname/context2(config)# dynamic-filter drop blacklist interface outside

```

## Other Configuration Examples

The following sample configuration adds static entries to the blacklist and to the whitelist. Then, it monitors all port 80 traffic on the outside interface, and drops blacklisted traffic. It also treats greylist addresses as blacklisted addresses.

```

hostname(config)# dynamic-filter updater-client enable

hostname(config)# changeto context context1

hostname/context1(config)# dynamic-filter use-database
hostname/context1(config)# class-map dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname/context1(config-cmap)# match port udp eq domain
hostname/context1(config-cmap)# policy-map dynamic-filter_snoop_policy
hostname/context1(config-pmap-c)# class dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname/context1(config-pmap-c)# inspect dns preset_dns_map dynamic-filter-snoop
hostname/context1(config-pmap-c)# service-policy dynamic-filter_snoop_policy interface
outside
hostname/context1(config-pmap-c)# dynamic-filter blacklist
hostname/context1(config-l1ist)# name bad1.example.com
hostname/context1(config-l1ist)# name bad2.example.com

```

```

hostname/context1(config-l1ist)# address 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
hostname/context1(config-l1ist)# dynamic-filter whitelist
hostname/context1(config-l1ist)# name good.example.com
hostname/context1(config-l1ist)# name great.example.com
hostname/context1(config-l1ist)# name awesome.example.com
hostname/context1(config-l1ist)# address 10.1.1.2 255.255.255.255
hostname/context1(config-l1ist)# access-list dynamic-filter_acl extended permit tcp any
any eq 80
hostname/context1(config)# dynamic-filter enable interface outside classify-list
dynamic-filter_acl
hostname/context1(config)# dynamic-filter drop blacklist interface outside
hostname/context1(config)# dynamic-filter ambiguous-is-black

hostname/context1(config)# changeto context context2

hostname/context2(config)# dynamic-filter use-database
hostname/context2(config)# class-map dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname/context2(config-cmap)# match port udp eq domain
hostname/context2(config-cmap)# policy-map dynamic-filter_snoop_policy
hostname/context2(config-pmap)# class dynamic-filter_snoop_class
hostname/context2(config-pmap-c)# inspect dns preset_dns_map dynamic-filter-snoop
hostname/context2(config-pmap-c)# service-policy dynamic-filter_snoop_policy interface
outside
hostname/context2(config-pmap-c)# dynamic-filter blacklist
hostname/context2(config-l1ist)# name bad1.example.com
hostname/context2(config-l1ist)# name bad2.example.com
hostname/context2(config-l1ist)# address 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
hostname/context2(config-l1ist)# dynamic-filter whitelist
hostname/context2(config-l1ist)# name good.example.com
hostname/context2(config-l1ist)# name great.example.com
hostname/context2(config-l1ist)# name awesome.example.com
hostname/context2(config-l1ist)# address 10.1.1.2 255.255.255.255
hostname/context2(config-l1ist)# access-list dynamic-filter_acl extended permit tcp any
any eq 80
hostname/context2(config)# dynamic-filter enable interface outside classify-list
dynamic-filter_acl
hostname/context2(config)# dynamic-filter drop blacklist interface outside
hostname/context2(config)# dynamic-filter ambiguous-is-black

```

## Where to Go Next

- To configure the syslog server, see the general operations configuration guide.
- To configure an ACL to block traffic, see the general operations configuration guide and also see [Chapter 3, “Access Rules,”](#) for information about applying the ACL to the interface.
- To shun connections, see the legacy feature guide.

# Feature History for the Botnet Traffic Filter

Table 22-1 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 22-1** Feature History for the Botnet Traffic Filter

| Feature Name                                                           | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Botnet Traffic Filter                                                  | 8.2(1)            | This feature was introduced.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Automatic blocking, and blacklist category and threat level reporting. | 8.2(2)            | <p>The Botnet Traffic Filter now supports automatic blocking of blacklisted traffic based on the threat level. You can also view the category and threat level of malware sites in statistics and reports.</p> <p>The 1 hour timeout for reports for top hosts was removed; there is now no timeout.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified:<br/> <b>dynamic-filter ambiguous-is-black</b>, <b>dynamic-filter drop blacklist</b>, <b>show dynamic-filter statistics</b>, <b>show dynamic-filter reports infected-hosts</b>, and <b>show dynamic-filter reports top</b>.</p> |





## Threat Detection

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This chapter describes how to configure threat detection statistics and scanning threat detection and includes the following sections:

- [Information About Threat Detection, page 23-1](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for Threat Detection, page 23-1](#)
- [Configuring Basic Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-2](#)
- [Configuring Advanced Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-6](#)
- [Configuring Scanning Threat Detection, page 23-15](#)
- [Configuration Examples for Threat Detection, page 23-19](#)

## Information About Threat Detection

The threat detection feature consists of the following elements:

- Different levels of statistics gathering for various threats.

Threat detection statistics can help you manage threats to your ASA; for example, if you enable scanning threat detection, then viewing statistics can help you analyze the threat. You can configure two types of threat detection statistics:

- Basic threat detection statistics—Includes information about attack activity for the system as a whole. Basic threat detection statistics are enabled by default and have no performance impact.
  - Advanced threat detection statistics—Tracks activity at an object level, so the ASA can report activity for individual hosts, ports, protocols, or ACLs. Advanced threat detection statistics can have a major performance impact, depending on the statistics gathered, so only the ACL statistics are enabled by default.
- Scanning threat detection, which determines when a host is performing a scan.  
You can optionally shun any hosts determined to be a scanning threat.

## Licensing Requirements for Threat Detection

The following table shows the licensing requirements for this feature:

| Model            | License Requirement          |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| ASAv             | Standard or Premium License. |
| All other models | Base License.                |

## Configuring Basic Threat Detection Statistics

Basic threat detection statistics include activity that might be related to an attack, such as a DoS attack.

This section includes the following topics:

- [Information About Basic Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-2](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 23-3](#)
- [Default Settings, page 23-3](#)
- [Configuring Basic Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-4](#)
- [Monitoring Basic Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-5](#)
- [Feature History for Basic Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-6](#)

## Information About Basic Threat Detection Statistics

Using basic threat detection statistics, the ASA monitors the rate of dropped packets and security events due to the following reasons:

- Denial by ACLs
- Bad packet format (such as invalid-ip-header or invalid-tcp-hdr-length)
- Connection limits exceeded (both system-wide resource limits, and limits set in the configuration)
- DoS attack detected (such as an invalid SPI, Stateful Firewall check failure)
- Basic firewall checks failed (This option is a combined rate that includes all firewall-related packet drops in this bulleted list. It does not include non-firewall-related drops such as interface overload, packets failed at application inspection, and scanning attack detected.)
- Suspicious ICMP packets detected
- Packets failed application inspection
- Interface overload
- Scanning attack detected (This option monitors scanning attacks; for example, the first TCP packet is not a SYN packet, or the TCP connection failed the 3-way handshake. Full scanning threat detection (see [Configuring Scanning Threat Detection, page 23-15](#)) takes this scanning attack rate information and acts on it by classifying hosts as attackers and automatically shunning them, for example.)
- Incomplete session detection such as TCP SYN attack detected or no data UDP session attack detected

When the ASA detects a threat, it immediately sends a system log message (733100). The ASA tracks two types of rates: the average event rate over an interval, and the burst event rate over a shorter burst interval. The burst rate interval is 1/30th of the average rate interval or 10 seconds, whichever is higher.

For each received event, the ASA checks the average and burst rate limits; if both rates are exceeded, then the ASA sends two separate system messages, with a maximum of one message for each rate type per burst period.

Basic threat detection affects performance only when there are drops or potential threats; even in this scenario, the performance impact is insignificant.

## Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature:

### Security Context Guidelines

Supported in single mode only. Multiple mode is not supported.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.

### Types of Traffic Monitored

Only through-the-box traffic is monitored; to-the-box traffic is not included in threat detection.

## Default Settings

Basic threat detection statistics are enabled by default.

[Table 23-1](#) lists the default settings. You can view all these default settings using the **show running-config all threat-detection** command.

**Table 23-1 Basic Threat Detection Default Settings**

| Packet Drop Reason                                                                                                                                                                     | Trigger Settings                         |                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                                                                                        | Average Rate                             | Burst Rate                                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DoS attack detected</li> <li>• Bad packet format</li> <li>• Connection limits exceeded</li> <li>• Suspicious ICMP packets detected</li> </ul> | 100 drops/sec over the last 600 seconds. | 400 drops/sec over the last 20 second period.  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                        | 80 drops/sec over the last 3600 seconds. | 320 drops/sec over the last 120 second period. |
| Scanning attack detected                                                                                                                                                               | 5 drops/sec over the last 600 seconds.   | 10 drops/sec over the last 20 second period.   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                        | 4 drops/sec over the last 3600 seconds.  | 8 drops/sec over the last 120 second period.   |
| Incomplete session detected such as TCP SYN attack detected or no data UDP session attack detected (combined)                                                                          | 100 drops/sec over the last 600 seconds. | 200 drops/sec over the last 20 second period.  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                        | 80 drops/sec over the last 3600 seconds. | 160 drops/sec over the last 120 second period. |

Table 23-1 Basic Threat Detection Default Settings (continued)

| Packet Drop Reason                                                                                                            | Trigger Settings                           |                                                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                               | Average Rate                               | Burst Rate                                      |
| Denial by ACLs                                                                                                                | 400 drops/sec over the last 600 seconds.   | 800 drops/sec over the last 20 second period.   |
|                                                                                                                               | 320 drops/sec over the last 3600 seconds.  | 640 drops/sec over the last 120 second period.  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Basic firewall checks failed</li> <li>Packets failed application inspection</li> </ul> | 400 drops/sec over the last 600 seconds.   | 1600 drops/sec over the last 20 second period.  |
|                                                                                                                               | 320 drops/sec over the last 3600 seconds.  | 1280 drops/sec over the last 120 second period. |
| Interface overload                                                                                                            | 2000 drops/sec over the last 600 seconds.  | 8000 drops/sec over the last 20 second period.  |
|                                                                                                                               | 1600 drops/sec over the last 3600 seconds. | 6400 drops/sec over the last 120 second period. |

## Configuring Basic Threat Detection Statistics

This section describes how to configure basic threat detection statistics, including enabling or disabling it and changing the default limits.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <code>threat-detection basic-threat</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Enables basic threat detection statistics (if you previously disabled it). Basic threat detection is enabled by default.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|        | <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection basic-threat</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Step 2 | <pre>threat-detection rate {acl-drop   bad-packet-drop   conn-limit-drop   dos-drop   fw-drop   icmp-drop   inspect-drop   interface-drop   scanning-threat   syn-attack} rate-interval rate_interval average-rate av_rate burst-rate burst_rate</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection rate dos-drop rate-interval 600 average-rate 60 burst-rate 100</pre> | <p>(Optional) Changes the default settings for one or more type of event.</p> <p>For a description of each event type, see <a href="#">Information About Basic Threat Detection Statistics</a>, page 23-2.</p> <p>When you use this command with the <b>scanning-threat</b> keyword, it is also used in the scanning threat detection feature (see <a href="#">“Configuring Scanning Threat Detection”</a> section). If you do not configure basic threat detection, you can still use this command with the <b>scanning-threat</b> keyword to configure the rate limits for scanning threat detection.</p> <p>You can configure up to three different rate intervals for each event type.</p> |

## Monitoring Basic Threat Detection Statistics

To monitor basic threat detection statistics, perform one of the following tasks:

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <pre>show threat-detection rate [<b>min-display-rate</b> <i>min_display_rate</i>] [<b>acl-drop</b>   <b>bad-packet-drop</b>   <b>conn-limit-drop</b>   <b>dos-drop</b>   <b>fw-drop</b>   <b>icmp-drop</b>   <b>inspect-drop</b>   <b>interface-drop</b>   <b>scanning-threat</b>   <b>syn-attack</b>]</pre> | <p>Displays basic threat detection statistics.</p> <p>where the <b>min-display-rate</b> <i>min_display_rate</i> argument limits the display to statistics that exceed the minimum display rate in events per second. You can set the <i>min_display_rate</i> between 0 and 2147483647.</p> <p>For a description of each event type, see <a href="#">Information About Basic Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-2</a>.</p> <p>The output shows the average rate in events/sec over two fixed time periods: the last 10 minutes and the last 1 hour. It also shows: the current burst rate in events/sec over the last completed burst interval, which is 1/30th of the average rate interval or 10 seconds, whichever is larger; the number of times the rates were exceeded (triggered); and the total number of events over the time periods.</p> <p>The ASA stores the count at the end of each burst period, for a total of 30 completed burst intervals. The unfinished burst interval presently occurring is not included in the average rate. For example, if the average rate interval is 20 minutes, then the burst interval is 20 seconds. If the last burst interval was from 3:00:00 to 3:00:20, and you use the <b>show</b> command at 3:00:25, then the last 5 seconds are not included in the output.</p> <p>The only exception to this rule is if the number of events in the unfinished burst interval already exceeds the number of events in the oldest burst interval (#1 of 30) when calculating the total events. In that case, the ASA calculates the total events as the last 29 complete intervals, plus the events so far in the unfinished burst interval. This exception lets you monitor a large increase in events in real time.</p> |
| <pre>clear threat-detection rate</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <p>Clears basic threat statistics.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

### Examples

The following is sample output from the **show threat-detection rate** command:

```
hostname# show threat-detection rate
```

|                   | Average (eps) | Current (eps) | Trigger | Total events |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------|--------------|
| 10-min ACL drop:  | 0             | 0             | 0       | 16           |
| 1-hour ACL drop:  | 0             | 0             | 0       | 112          |
| 1-hour SYN attck: | 5             | 0             | 2       | 21438        |
| 10-min Scanning:  | 0             | 0             | 29      | 193          |
| 1-hour Scanning:  | 106           | 0             | 10      | 384776       |
| 1-hour Bad pkts:  | 76            | 0             | 2       | 274690       |
| 10-min Firewall:  | 0             | 0             | 3       | 22           |
| 1-hour Firewall:  | 76            | 0             | 2       | 274844       |
| 10-min DoS attck: | 0             | 0             | 0       | 6            |
| 1-hour DoS attck: | 0             | 0             | 0       | 42           |
| 10-min Interface: | 0             | 0             | 0       | 204          |
| 1-hour Interface: | 88            | 0             | 0       | 318225       |

## Feature History for Basic Threat Detection Statistics

Table 23-2 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 23-2** Feature History for Basic Threat Detection Statistics

| Feature Name                                               | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Basic threat detection statistics                          | 8.0(2)            | Basic threat detection statistics was introduced.<br>The following commands were introduced:<br><b>threat-detection basic-threat</b> , <b>threat-detection rate</b> ,<br><b>show threat-detection rate</b> , <b>clear threat-detection rate</b> . |
| Burst rate interval changed to 1/30th of the average rate. | 8.2(1)            | In earlier releases, the burst rate interval was 1/60th of the average rate. To maximize memory usage, the sampling interval was reduced to 30 times during the average rate.                                                                     |
| Improved memory usage                                      | 8.3(1)            | The memory usage for threat detection was improved.                                                                                                                                                                                               |

## Configuring Advanced Threat Detection Statistics

You can configure the ASA to collect extensive statistics. This section includes the following topics:

- [Information About Advanced Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-6](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 23-6](#)
- [Default Settings, page 23-7](#)
- [Configuring Advanced Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-7](#)
- [Monitoring Advanced Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-9](#)
- [Feature History for Advanced Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-14](#)

## Information About Advanced Threat Detection Statistics

Advanced threat detection statistics show both allowed and dropped traffic rates for individual objects such as hosts, ports, protocols, or ACLs.



### Caution

Enabling advanced statistics can affect the ASA performance, depending on the type of statistics enabled. The **threat-detection statistics host** command affects performance in a significant way; if you have a high traffic load, you might consider enabling this type of statistics temporarily. The **threat-detection statistics port** command, however, has modest impact.

## Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature:

**Security Context Guidelines**

Only TCP Intercept statistics are available in multiple mode.

**Firewall Mode Guidelines**

Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.

**Types of Traffic Monitored**

Only through-the-box traffic is monitored; to-the-box traffic is not included in threat detection.

## Default Settings

By default, statistics for ACLs are enabled.

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By default, statistics for ACLs are enabled. To enable other statistics, perform the following steps.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                            | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| Step 1 | <b>threat-detection statistics</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# threat-detection statistics                         | (Optional) Enables <i>all</i> statistics.<br><br>To enable only certain statistics, enter this command for each statistic type (shown in this table), and do not also enter the command without any options. You can enter <b>threat-detection statistics</b> (without any options) and then customize certain statistics by entering the command with statistics-specific options (for example, <b>threat-detection statistics host number-of-rate 2</b> ). If you enter <b>threat-detection statistics</b> (without any options) and then enter a command for specific statistics, but without any statistic-specific options, then that command has no effect because it is already enabled.<br><br>If you enter the <b>no</b> form of this command, it removes all <b>threat-detection statistics</b> commands, including the <b>threat-detection statistics access-list</b> command, which is enabled by default. |
| Step 2 | <b>threat-detection statistics access-list</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# threat-detection statistics access-list | (Optional) Enables statistics for ACLs (if they were disabled previously). Statistics for ACLs are enabled by default. ACL statistics are only displayed using the <b>show threat-detection top access-list</b> command. This command is enabled by default.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| Step 3 | <pre>threat-detection statistics host [number-of-rate {1   2   3}]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection statistics host number-of-rate 2</pre> | <p>(Optional) Enables statistics for hosts.</p> <p>The <b>number-of-rate</b> keyword sets the number of rate intervals maintained for host statistics. The default number of rate intervals is <b>1</b>, which keeps the memory usage low. To view more rate intervals, set the value to <b>2</b> or <b>3</b>. For example, if you set the value to <b>3</b>, then you view data for the last 1 hour, 8 hours, and 24 hours. If you set this keyword to <b>1</b> (the default), then only the shortest rate interval statistics are maintained. If you set the value to <b>2</b>, then the two shortest intervals are maintained.</p> <p>The host statistics accumulate for as long as the host is active and in the scanning threat host database. The host is deleted from the database (and the statistics cleared) after 10 minutes of inactivity.</p> |
| Step 4 | <pre>threat-detection statistics port [number-of-rate {1   2   3}]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection statistics port number-of-rate 2</pre> | <p>(Optional) Enables statistics for TCP and UDP ports.</p> <p>The <b>number-of-rate</b> keyword sets the number of rate intervals maintained for port statistics. The default number of rate intervals is <b>1</b>, which keeps the memory usage low. To view more rate intervals, set the value to <b>2</b> or <b>3</b>. For example, if you set the value to <b>3</b>, then you view data for the last 1 hour, 8 hours, and 24 hours. If you set this keyword to <b>1</b> (the default), then only the shortest rate interval statistics are maintained. If you set the value to <b>2</b>, then the two shortest intervals are maintained.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                          |



| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <p><b>Step 5</b></p> <pre>threat-detection statistics protocol [number-of-rate {1   2   3}]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection statistics protocol number-of-rate 3</pre>                                                                                                  | <p>(Optional) Enables statistics for non-TCP/UDP IP protocols.</p> <p>The <b>number-of-rate</b> keyword sets the number of rate intervals maintained for protocol statistics. The default number of rate intervals is <b>1</b>, which keeps the memory usage low. To view more rate intervals, set the value to <b>2</b> or <b>3</b>. For example, if you set the value to <b>3</b>, then you view data for the last 1 hour, 8 hours, and 24 hours. If you set this keyword to <b>1</b> (the default), then only the shortest rate interval statistics are maintained. If you set the value to <b>2</b>, then the two shortest intervals are maintained.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <p><b>Step 6</b></p> <pre>threat-detection statistics tcp-intercept [rate-interval minutes] [burst-rate attacks_per_sec] [average-rate attacks_per_sec]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection statistics tcp-intercept rate-interval 60 burst-rate 800 average-rate 600</pre> | <p>(Optional) Enables statistics for attacks intercepted by TCP Intercept (see <a href="#">Chapter 18, “Connection Settings,”</a> to enable TCP Intercept).</p> <p>The <b>rate-interval</b> keyword sets the size of the history monitoring window, between 1 and 1440 minutes. The default is 30 minutes. During this interval, the ASA samples the number of attacks 30 times.</p> <p>The <b>burst-rate</b> keyword sets the threshold for syslog message generation, between 25 and 2147483647. The default is 400 per second. When the burst rate is exceeded, syslog message 733104 is generated.</p> <p>The <b>average-rate</b> keyword sets the average rate threshold for syslog message generation, between 25 and 2147483647. The default is 200 per second. When the average rate is exceeded, syslog message 733105 is generated.</p> <p><b>Note</b> This command is available in multiple context mode.</p> |

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The display output shows the following:

- The average rate in events/sec over fixed time periods.
- The current burst rate in events/sec over the last completed burst interval, which is 1/30th of the average rate interval or 10 seconds, whichever is larger
- The number of times the rates were exceeded (for dropped traffic statistics only)
- The total number of events over the fixed time periods.

The ASA stores the count at the end of each burst period, for a total of 30 completed burst intervals. The unfinished burst interval presently occurring is not included in the average rate. For example, if the average rate interval is 20 minutes, then the burst interval is 20 seconds. If the last burst interval was from 3:00:00 to 3:00:20, and you use the **show** command at 3:00:25, then the last 5 seconds are not included in the output.

The only exception to this rule is if the number of events in the unfinished burst interval already exceeds the number of events in the oldest burst interval (#1 of 30) when calculating the total events. In that case, the ASA calculates the total events as the last 29 complete intervals, plus the events so far in the unfinished burst interval. This exception lets you monitor a large increase in events in real time.

To monitor advanced threat detection statistics, perform one of the following tasks:

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <pre>show threat-detection statistics [<b>min-display-rate</b> <i>min_display_rate</i>] <b>top</b> [[<b>access-list</b>   <b>host</b>   <b>port-protocol</b>] [<b>rate-1</b>   <b>rate-2</b>   <b>rate-3</b>]   <b>tcp-intercept</b> [<b>all</b>] <b>detail</b>]]</pre> | <p>Displays the top 10 statistics.</p> <p>The <b>min-display-rate</b> <i>min_display_rate</i> argument limits the display to statistics that exceed the minimum display rate in events per second. You can set the <i>min_display_rate</i> between 0 and 2147483647.</p> <p>If you do not enter any options, the top 10 statistics are shown for all categories.</p> <p>To view the top 10 ACEs that match packets, including both permit and deny ACEs, use the <b>access-list</b> keyword. Permitted and denied traffic are not differentiated in this display. If you enable basic threat detection using the <b>threat-detection basic-threat</b> command, you can track ACL denies using the <b>show threat-detection rate acl-drop</b> command.</p> <p>To view only host statistics, use the <b>host</b> keyword. <b>Note:</b> Due to the threat detection algorithm, an interface used as a combination failover and state link could appear in the top 10 hosts; this is expected behavior, and you can ignore this IP address in the display.</p> <p>To view statistics for ports and protocols, use the <b>port-protocol</b> keyword. The <b>port-protocol</b> keyword shows statistics for both ports and protocols (both must be enabled for the display), and shows the combined statistics of TCP/UDP port and IP protocol types. TCP (protocol 6) and UDP (protocol 17) are not included in the display for IP protocols; TCP and UDP ports are, however, included in the display for ports. If you only enable statistics for one of these types, port or protocol, then you will only view the enabled statistics.</p> <p>To view TCP Intercept statistics, use the <b>tcp-intercept</b> keyword. The display includes the top 10 protected servers under attack. The <b>all</b> keyword shows the history data of all the traced servers. The <b>detail</b> keyword shows history sampling data. The ASA samples the number of attacks 30 times during the rate interval, so for the default 30 minute period, statistics are collected every 60 seconds.</p> <p>The <b>rate-1</b> keyword shows the statistics for the smallest fixed rate intervals available in the display; <b>rate-2</b> shows the next largest rate interval; and <b>rate-3</b>, if you have three intervals defined, shows the largest rate interval. For example, the display shows statistics for the last 1 hour, 8 hours, and 24 hours. If you set the <b>rate-1</b> keyword, the ASA shows only the 1 hour time interval.</p> |
| <pre>show threat-detection statistics [<b>min-display-rate</b> <i>min_display_rate</i>] <b>host</b> [<i>ip_address</i> [<i>mask</i>]]</pre>                                                                                                                             | <p>Displays statistics for all hosts or for a specific host or subnet.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <pre>show threat-detection statistics [<b>min-display-rate</b> <i>min_display_rate</i>] <b>port</b> [<i>start_port</i>[-<i>end_port</i>]]</pre>                                                                                                                         | <p>Displays statistics for all ports or for a specific port or range of ports.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Purpose                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <pre>show threat-detection statistics [<i>min-display-rate</i> <i>min_display_rate</i>] protocol [<i>protocol_number</i>   ah   eigrp   esp   gre   icmp   igmp   igmp   ip   ipinip   ipsec   nos   ospf   pcp   pim   pptp   snp   tcp   udp]</pre> | <p>Displays statistics for all IP protocols or for a specific protocol.</p> <p>The <i>protocol_number</i> argument is an integer between 0 and 255.</p> |
| <pre>show threat-detection memory</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p>Displays how much memory is used by advanced threat detection statistics.</p>                                                                        |

## Examples

The following is sample output from the **show threat-detection statistics host** command:

```
hostname# show threat-detection statistics host

                Average(eps)   Current(eps) Trigger           Total events
Host:10.0.0.1: tot-ses:289235 act-ses:22571 fw-drop:0 insp-drop:0 null-ses:21438 bad-acc:0
 1-hour Sent byte:           2938                0           0           10580308
 8-hour Sent byte:           367                  0           0           10580308
24-hour Sent byte:           122                  0           0           10580308
 1-hour Sent pkts:            28                   0           0           104043
 8-hour Sent pkts:            3                    0           0           104043
24-hour Sent pkts:            1                    0           0           104043
20-min Sent drop:            9                    0           1           10851
 1-hour Sent drop:            3                    0           1           10851
 1-hour Recv byte:           2697                 0           0           9712670
 8-hour Recv byte:           337                  0           0           9712670
24-hour Recv byte:           112                  0           0           9712670
 1-hour Recv pkts:            29                   0           0           104846
 8-hour Recv pkts:            3                    0           0           104846
24-hour Recv pkts:            1                    0           0           104846
20-min Recv drop:            42                   0           3           50567
 1-hour Recv drop:            14                   0           1           50567
Host:10.0.0.0: tot-ses:1 act-ses:0 fw-drop:0 insp-drop:0 null-ses:0 bad-acc:0
 1-hour Sent byte:            0                    0           0           614
 8-hour Sent byte:            0                    0           0           614
24-hour Sent byte:            0                    0           0           614
 1-hour Sent pkts:            0                    0           0           6
 8-hour Sent pkts:            0                    0           0           6
24-hour Sent pkts:            0                    0           0           6
20-min Sent drop:            0                    0           0           4
 1-hour Sent drop:            0                    0           0           4
 1-hour Recv byte:            0                    0           0           706
 8-hour Recv byte:            0                    0           0           706
24-hour Recv byte:            0                    0           0           706
 1-hour Recv pkts:            0                    0           0           7
```

Table 23-3 shows each field description.

**Table 23-3** *show threat-detection statistics host* Command Fields

| Field   | Description                                                                          |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Host    | Shows the host IP address.                                                           |
| tot-ses | Shows the total number of sessions for this host since it was added to the database. |
| act-ses | Shows the total number of active sessions that the host is currently involved in.    |

**Table 23-3** *show threat-detection statistics host Command Fields (continued)*

| Field        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| fw-drop      | Shows the number of firewall drops. Firewall drops is a combined rate that includes all firewall-related packet drops tracked in basic threat detection, including ACL denials, bad packets, exceeded connection limits, DoS attack packets, suspicious ICMP packets, TCP SYN attack packets, and no data UDP attack packets. It does not include non-firewall-related drops such as interface overload, packets failed at application inspection, and scanning attack detected.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| insp-drop    | Shows the number of packets dropped because they failed application inspection.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| null-ses     | Shows the number of null sessions, which are TCP SYN sessions that did not complete within the 3-second timeout, and UDP sessions that did not have any data sent by its server 3 seconds after the session starts.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| bad-acc      | Shows the number of bad access attempts to host ports that are in a closed state. When a port is determined to be in a null session (see the null-ses field description), the port state of the host is set to HOST_PORT_CLOSE. Any client accessing the port of the host is immediately classified as a bad access without the need to wait for a timeout.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Average(eps) | Shows the average rate in events/sec over each time period.<br><br>The ASA stores the count at the end of each burst period, for a total of 30 completed burst intervals. The unfinished burst interval presently occurring is not included in the average rate. For example, if the average rate interval is 20 minutes, then the burst interval is 20 seconds. If the last burst interval was from 3:00:00 to 3:00:20, and you use the <b>show</b> command at 3:00:25, then the last 5 seconds are not included in the output.<br><br>The only exception to this rule is if the number of events in the unfinished burst interval already exceeds the number of events in the oldest burst interval (#1 of 30) when calculating the total events. In that case, the ASA calculates the total events as the last 29 complete intervals, plus the events so far in the unfinished burst interval. This exception lets you monitor a large increase in events in real time. |
| Current(eps) | Shows the current burst rate in events/sec over the last completed burst interval, which is 1/30th of the average rate interval or 10 seconds, whichever is larger. For the example specified in the Average(eps) description, the current rate is the rate from 3:19:30 to 3:20:00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Trigger      | Shows the number of times the dropped packet rate limits were exceeded. For valid traffic identified in the sent and received bytes and packets rows, this value is always 0, because there are no rate limits to trigger for valid traffic.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Total events | Shows the total number of events over each rate interval. The unfinished burst interval presently occurring is not included in the total events. The only exception to this rule is if the number of events in the unfinished burst interval already exceeds the number of events in the oldest burst interval (#1 of 30) when calculating the total events. In that case, the ASA calculates the total events as the last 29 complete intervals, plus the events so far in the unfinished burst interval. This exception lets you monitor a large increase in events in real time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

**Table 23-3** *show threat-detection statistics host Command Fields (continued)*

| Field                               | Description                                                                                                     |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 20-min, 1-hour, 8-hour, and 24-hour | Shows statistics for these fixed rate intervals.                                                                |
| Sent byte                           | Shows the number of successful bytes sent from the host.                                                        |
| Sent pkts                           | Shows the number of successful packets sent from the host.                                                      |
| Sent drop                           | Shows the number of packets sent from the host that were dropped because they were part of a scanning attack.   |
| Recv byte                           | Shows the number of successful bytes received by the host.                                                      |
| Recv pkts                           | Shows the number of successful packets received by the host.                                                    |
| Recv drop                           | Shows the number of packets received by the host that were dropped because they were part of a scanning attack. |

## Feature History for Advanced Threat Detection Statistics

Table 23-4 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 23-4** *Feature History for Advanced Threat Detection Statistics*

| Feature Name                                               | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Advanced threat detection statistics                       | 8.0(2)            | Advanced threat detection statistics was introduced.<br>The following commands were introduced: <b>threat-detection statistics</b> , <b>show threat-detection statistics</b> .                                                                             |
| TCP Intercept statistics                                   | 8.0(4)/8.1(2)     | TCP Intercept statistics were introduced.<br>The following commands were modified or introduced: <b>threat-detection statistics tcp-intercept</b> , <b>show threat-detection statistics top tcp-intercept</b> , <b>clear threat-detection statistics</b> . |
| Customize host statistics rate intervals                   | 8.1(2)            | You can now customize the number of rate intervals for which statistics are collected. The default number of rates was changed from 3 to 1.<br>The following command was modified: <b>threat-detection statistics host number-of-rates</b> .               |
| Burst rate interval changed to 1/30th of the average rate. | 8.2(1)            | In earlier releases, the burst rate interval was 1/60th of the average rate. To maximize memory usage, the sampling interval was reduced to 30 times during the average rate.                                                                              |

Table 23-4 Feature History for Advanced Threat Detection Statistics (continued)

| Feature Name                                          | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Customize port and protocol statistics rate intervals | 8.3(1)            | You can now customize the number of rate intervals for which statistics are collected. The default number of rates was changed from 3 to 1.<br><br>The following commands were modified: <b>threat-detection statistics port number-of-rates</b> , <b>threat-detection statistics protocol number-of-rates</b> . |
| Improved memory usage                                 | 8.3(1)            | The memory usage for threat detection was improved.<br><br>The following command was introduced: <b>show threat-detection memory</b> .                                                                                                                                                                           |

## Configuring Scanning Threat Detection

This section includes the following topics:

- [Information About Scanning Threat Detection, page 23-15](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 23-16](#)
- [Default Settings, page 23-16](#)
- [Configuring Scanning Threat Detection, page 23-17](#)
- [Monitoring Shunned Hosts, Attackers, and Targets, page 23-17](#)

## Information About Scanning Threat Detection

A typical scanning attack consists of a host that tests the accessibility of every IP address in a subnet (by scanning through many hosts in the subnet or sweeping through many ports in a host or subnet). The scanning threat detection feature determines when a host is performing a scan. Unlike IPS scan detection that is based on traffic signatures, the ASA scanning threat detection feature maintains an extensive database that contains host statistics that can be analyzed for scanning activity.

The host database tracks suspicious activity such as connections with no return activity, access of closed service ports, vulnerable TCP behaviors such as non-random IPID, and many more behaviors.

If the scanning threat rate is exceeded, then the ASA sends a syslog message (733101), and optionally shuns the attacker. The ASA tracks two types of rates: the average event rate over an interval, and the burst event rate over a shorter burst interval. The burst event rate is 1/30th of the average rate interval or 10 seconds, whichever is higher. For each event detected that is considered to be part of a scanning attack, the ASA checks the average and burst rate limits. If either rate is exceeded for traffic sent from a host, then that host is considered to be an attacker. If either rate is exceeded for traffic received by a host, then that host is considered to be a target.



### Caution

The scanning threat detection feature can affect the ASA performance and memory significantly while it creates and gathers host- and subnet-based data structure and information.

## Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature:

### Security Context Guidelines

Supported in single mode only. Multiple mode is not supported.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.

### Types of Traffic Monitored

- Only through-the-box traffic is monitored; to-the-box traffic is not included in threat detection.
- Traffic that is denied by an ACL does not trigger scanning threat detection; only traffic that is allowed through the ASA and that creates a flow is affected by scanning threat detection.

## Default Settings

Table 23-5 lists the default rate limits for scanning threat detection.

**Table 23-5** Default Rate Limits for Scanning Threat Detection

| Average Rate                            | Burst Rate                                    |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 5 drops/sec over the last 600 seconds.  | 10 drops/sec over the last 20 second period.  |
| 5 drops/sec over the last 3600 seconds. | 10 drops/sec over the last 120 second period. |

The burst rate is calculated as the average rate every  $N$  seconds, where  $N$  is the burst rate interval. The burst rate interval is 1/30th of the rate interval or 10 seconds, whichever is larger.



## Configuring Scanning Threat Detection

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <pre>threat-detection scanning-threat [shun [except {ip-address ip_address mask   object-group network_object_group_id}]]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection scanning-threat shun except ip-address 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0</pre>                                                                                                                     | Enables scanning threat detection. By default, the system log message 733101 is generated when a host is identified as an attacker. Enter this command multiple times to identify multiple IP addresses or network object groups to exempt from shunning.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Step 2 | <pre>threat-detection scanning-threat shun duration seconds</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection scanning-threat shun duration 2000</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | (Optional) Sets the duration of the shun for attacking hosts.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Step 3 | <pre>threat-detection rate scanning-threat rate-interval rate_interval average-rate av_rate burst-rate burst_rate</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection rate scanning-threat rate-interval 1200 average-rate 10 burst-rate 20</pre> <pre>hostname(config)# threat-detection rate scanning-threat rate-interval 2400 average-rate 10 burst-rate 20</pre> | (Optional) Changes the default event limit for when the ASA identifies a host as an attacker or as a target. If you already configured this command as part of the basic threat detection configuration (see <a href="#">Configuring Basic Threat Detection Statistics, page 23-2</a> ), then those settings are shared with the scanning threat detection feature; you cannot configure separate rates for basic and scanning threat detection. If you do not set the rates using this command, the default values are used for both the scanning threat detection feature and the basic threat detection feature. You can configure up to three different rate intervals, by entering separate commands. |

## Monitoring Shunned Hosts, Attackers, and Targets

To monitor shunned hosts and attackers and targets, perform one of the following tasks:

| Command                                 | Purpose                                        |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <code>show threat-detection shun</code> | Displays the hosts that are currently shunned. |

| Command                                                                | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>clear threat-detection shun [ip_address [mask]]</code>           | Releases a host from being shunned. If you do not specify an IP address, all hosts are cleared from the shun list.                                                                                                           |
| <code>show threat-detection scanning-threat [attacker   target]</code> | Displays hosts that the ASA decides are attackers (including hosts on the shun list), and displays the hosts that are the target of an attack. If you do not enter an option, both attackers and target hosts are displayed. |

## Examples

The following is sample output from the `show threat-detection shun` command:

```
hostname# show threat-detection shun
Shunned Host List:
10.1.1.6
192.168.6.7
```

To release the host at 10.1.1.6, enter the following command:

```
hostname# clear threat-detection shun 10.1.1.6
```

The following is sample output from the `show threat-detection scanning-threat attacker` command:

```
hostname# show threat-detection scanning-threat attacker
10.1.2.3
10.8.3.6
209.165.200.225
```

## Feature History for Scanning Threat Detection

Table 23-6 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 23-6** Feature History for Scanning Threat Detection

| Feature Name              | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Scanning threat detection | 8.0(2)            | Scanning threat detection was introduced.<br>The following commands were introduced: <b>threat-detection scanning-threat</b> , <b>threat-detection rate scanning-threat</b> , <b>show threat-detection scanning-threat</b> , <b>show threat-detection shun</b> , <b>clear threat-detection shun</b> . |
| Shun duration             | 8.0(4)/8.1(2)     | You can now set the shun duration,<br>The following command was introduced: <b>threat-detection scanning-threat shun duration</b> .                                                                                                                                                                   |

**Table 23-6** Feature History for Scanning Threat Detection (continued)

| Feature Name                                               | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                           |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Burst rate interval changed to 1/30th of the average rate. | 8.2(1)            | In earlier releases, the burst rate interval was 1/60th of the average rate. To maximize memory usage, the sampling interval was reduced to 30 times during the average rate. |
| Improved memory usage                                      | 8.3(1)            | The memory usage for threat detection was improved.                                                                                                                           |

## Configuration Examples for Threat Detection

The following example configures basic threat detection statistics, and changes the DoS attack rate settings. All advanced threat detection statistics are enabled, with the host statistics number of rate intervals lowered to 2. The TCP Intercept rate interval is also customized. Scanning threat detection is enabled with automatic shunning for all addresses except 10.1.1.0/24. The scanning threat rate intervals are customized.

```

threat-detection basic-threat
threat-detection rate dos-drop rate-interval 600 average-rate 60 burst-rate 100
threat-detection statistics
threat-detection statistics host number-of-rate 2
threat-detection statistics tcp-intercept rate-interval 60 burst-rate 800 average-rate 600
threat-detection scanning-threat shun except ip-address 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
threat-detection rate scanning-threat rate-interval 1200 average-rate 10 burst-rate 20
threat-detection rate scanning-threat rate-interval 2400 average-rate 10 burst-rate 20

```





## **PART 7**

### **ASA Modules**





## ASA FirePOWER (SFR) Module

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This chapter describes how to configure the ASA FirePOWER module that runs on the ASA.

- [The ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-1](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for the ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-5](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 24-6](#)
- [Default Settings, page 24-7](#)
- [Configuring the ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-7](#)
- [Managing the ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-21](#)
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- [Feature History for the ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-32](#)

### The ASA FirePOWER Module

The ASA FirePOWER module supplies next-generation firewall services, including Next-Generation IPS (NGIPS), Application Visibility and Control (AVC), URL filtering, and Advanced Malware Protection (AMP). You can use the module in single or multiple context mode, and in routed or transparent mode.

The module is also known as ASA SFR.

Although the module has a basic command line interface (CLI) for initial configuration and troubleshooting, you configure the security policy on the device using a separate application, FireSIGHT Management Center, which can be hosted on a separate FireSIGHT Management Center appliance or as a virtual appliance running on a VMware server. (FireSIGHT Management Center is also known as Defense Center.)

- [How the ASA FirePOWER Module Works with the ASA, page 24-2](#)
- [ASA FirePOWER Management Access, page 24-4](#)
- [Compatibility with ASA Features, page 24-5](#)

## How the ASA FirePOWER Module Works with the ASA

You can configure your ASA FirePOWER module using one of the following deployment models:

- **Inline mode**—In an inline deployment, the actual traffic is sent to the ASA FirePOWER module, and the module's policy affects what happens to the traffic. After dropping undesired traffic and taking any other actions applied by policy, the traffic is returned to the ASA for further processing and ultimate transmission.
- **Inline tap monitor-only mode (ASA inline)**—In an inline tap monitor-only deployment, a copy of the traffic is sent to the ASA FirePOWER module, but it is not returned to the ASA. Inline tap mode lets you see what the ASA FirePOWER module would have done to traffic, and lets you evaluate the content of the traffic, without impacting the network. However, in this mode, the ASA does apply its policies to the traffic, so traffic can be dropped due to access rules, TCP normalization, and so forth.

Be sure to configure consistent policies on the ASA and the ASA FirePOWER. Both policies should reflect the inline or monitor-only mode of the traffic.

The following sections explain these modes in more detail.

### ASA FirePOWER Inline Mode

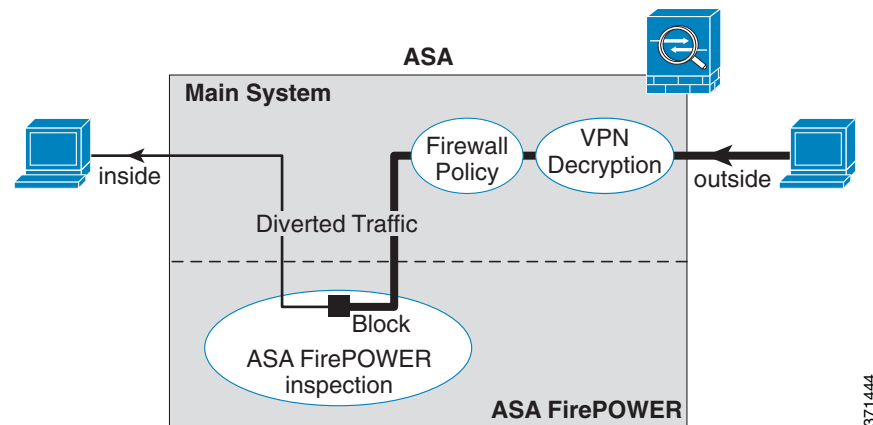
In inline mode, traffic goes through the firewall checks before being forwarded to the ASA FirePOWER module. When you identify traffic for ASA FirePOWER inspection on the ASA, traffic flows through the ASA and the module as follows:

1. Traffic enters the ASA.
2. Incoming VPN traffic is decrypted.
3. Firewall policies are applied.
4. Traffic is sent to the ASA FirePOWER module.
5. The ASA FirePOWER module applies its security policy to the traffic, and takes appropriate actions.
6. Valid traffic is sent back to the ASA; the ASA FirePOWER module might block some traffic according to its security policy, and that traffic is not passed on.
7. Outgoing VPN traffic is encrypted.
8. Traffic exits the ASA.

The following figure shows the traffic flow when using the ASA FirePOWER module in inline mode. In this example, the module blocks traffic that is not allowed for a certain application. All other traffic is forwarded through the ASA.



Figure 24-1 ASA FirePOWER Module Traffic Flow in the ASA



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**Note**

If you have a connection between hosts on two ASA interfaces, and the ASA FirePOWER service policy is only configured for one of the interfaces, then all traffic between these hosts is sent to the ASA FirePOWER module, including traffic originating on the non-ASA FirePOWER interface (because the feature is bidirectional).

## ASA FirePOWER Inline Tap Monitor-Only Mode

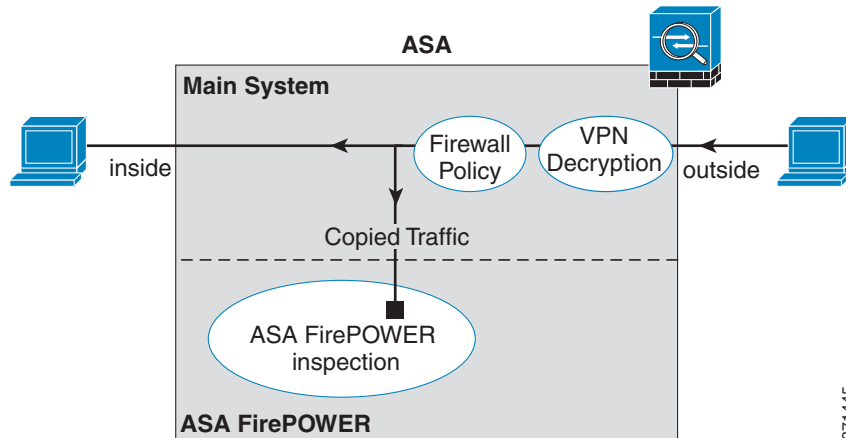
This mode sends a duplicate stream of traffic to the ASA FirePOWER module for monitoring purposes only. The module applies the security policy to the traffic and lets you know what it would have done if it were operating in inline mode; for example, traffic might be marked “would have dropped” in events. You can use this information for traffic analysis and to help you decide if inline mode is desirable.

**Note**

You cannot configure both inline tap monitor-only mode and normal inline mode at the same time on the ASA. Only one type of security policy is allowed. In multiple context mode, you cannot configure inline tap monitor-only mode for some contexts, and regular inline mode for others.

The following figure shows the traffic flow when operating in inline tap mode.

Figure 24-2 ASA FirePOWER Inline Tap Monitor-Only Mode



## ASA FirePOWER Management Access

There are two separate layers of access for managing an ASA FirePOWER module: initial configuration (and subsequent troubleshooting) and policy management.

- [Initial Configuration, page 24-4](#)
- [Policy Configuration and Management, page 24-5](#)

### Initial Configuration

For initial configuration, you must use the CLI on the ASA FirePOWER module. For information on the default management addresses, see [Default Settings, page 24-7](#).

To access the CLI, you can use the following methods:

- ASA 5585-X:
  - ASA FirePOWER console port—The console port on the module is a separate external console port.
  - ASA FirePOWER Management 1/0 interface using SSH—You can connect to the default IP address or you can use ASDM to change the management IP address and then connect using SSH. The management interface on the module is a separate external Gigabit Ethernet interface.



**Note** You cannot access the ASA FirePOWER hardware module CLI over the ASA backplane using the `session` command.

- ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X:
  - ASA session over the backplane—If you have CLI access to the ASA, then you can session to the module and access the module CLI.
  - ASA FirePOWER Management 0/0 interface using SSH—You can connect to the default IP address or you can use ASDM to change the management IP address and then connect using SSH. These models run the ASA FirePOWER module as a software module. The ASA FirePOWER management interface shares the Management 0/0 interface with the ASA. Separate MAC addresses and IP addresses are supported for the ASA and ASA FirePOWER

module. You must perform configuration of the ASA FirePOWER IP address within the ASA FirePOWER operating system (using the CLI or ASDM). However, physical characteristics (such as enabling the interface) are configured on the ASA. You can remove the ASA interface configuration (specifically the interface name) to dedicate this interface as an ASA FirePOWER-only interface. This interface is management-only.

## Policy Configuration and Management

After you perform initial configuration, configure the ASA FirePOWER security policy using FireSIGHT Management Center. Then configure the ASA policy for sending traffic to the ASA FirePOWER module using ASDM or Cisco Security Manager.

## Compatibility with ASA Features

The ASA includes many advanced application inspection features, including HTTP inspection. However, the ASA FirePOWER module provides more advanced HTTP inspection than the ASA provides, as well as additional features for other applications, including monitoring and controlling application usage.

To take full advantage of the ASA FirePOWER module features, see the following guidelines for traffic that you send to the ASA FirePOWER module:

- Do not configure ASA inspection on HTTP traffic.
- Do not configure Cloud Web Security (ScanSafe) inspection. If you configure both ASA FirePOWER inspection and Cloud Web Security inspection for the same traffic, the ASA only performs ASA FirePOWER inspection.
- Other application inspections on the ASA are compatible with the ASA FirePOWER module, including the default inspections.
- Do not enable the Mobile User Security (MUS) server; it is not compatible with the ASA FirePOWER module.
- If you enable failover, when the ASA fails over, any existing ASA FirePOWER flows are transferred to the new ASA. The ASA FirePOWER module in the new ASA begins inspecting the traffic from that point forward; old inspection states are not transferred.

## Licensing Requirements for the ASA FirePOWER Module

| Model            | License Requirement          |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| ASAv             | Standard or Premium License. |
| All other models | Base License.                |

The ASA FirePOWER module and FireSIGHT Management Center require additional licenses. See the Licensing chapter of the *FireSIGHT System User Guide* or the online help in FireSIGHT Management Center for more information.

# Guidelines and Limitations

## Context Mode Guidelines

Supported in multiple context mode.

## Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.

## Failover Guidelines

Does not support failover directly; when the ASA fails over, any existing ASA FirePOWER flows are transferred to the new ASA. The ASA FirePOWER module in the new ASA begins inspecting the traffic from that point forward; old inspection states are not transferred.

You are responsible for maintaining consistent policies on the ASA FirePOWER modules in the high-availability ASA pair (using FireSIGHT Management Center) to ensure consistent failover behavior.

## ASA Clustering Guidelines

Does not support clustering directly, but you can use these modules in a cluster. You are responsible for maintaining consistent policies on the ASA FirePOWER modules in the cluster using FireSIGHT Management Center. Do not use different ASA-interface-based zone definitions for devices in the cluster.

## IPv6 Guidelines

Supports IPv6.

## Model Guidelines

- Supported on the ASA 5585-X (as a hardware module) and 5512-X through ASA 5555-X (as a software module). See the *Cisco ASA Compatibility Matrix* for more information:  
<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/security/asa/compatibility/asamatrix.html>
- For the 5512-X through ASA 5555-X, you must install a Cisco solid state drive (SSD). For more information, see the ASA 5500-X hardware guide.

## Additional Guidelines and Limitations

- See [Compatibility with ASA Features, page 24-5](#).
- You cannot change the software type installed on the hardware module; if you purchase an ASA FirePOWER module, you cannot later install other software on it.
- You cannot configure both normal inline mode and inline tap monitor-only mode at the same time on the ASA. Only one type of security policy is allowed. In multiple context mode, you cannot configure inline tap monitor-only mode for some contexts, and regular inline mode for others.

## Default Settings

The following table lists the default settings for the ASA FirePOWER module.

**Table 24-1 ASA FirePOWER Default Network Parameters**

| Parameters              | Default                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Management IP address   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• System software image: 192.168.45.45/24</li> <li>• Boot image:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– ASA 5585-X: Management 1/0 192.168.8.8/24</li> <li>– ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X: Management 0/0 192.168.1.2/24</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Gateway                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• System software image: none</li> <li>• Boot image:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– ASA 5585-X: 192.168.8.1/24</li> <li>– ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X: 192.168.1.1/24</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                           |
| SSH or session Username | admin                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Password                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• System software image: <b>Sourcefire</b></li> <li>• Boot image: <b>Admin123</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                     |

## Configuring the ASA FirePOWER Module

This section describes how to configure the ASA FirePOWER module.

- [Task Flow for the ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-8](#)
- [Connecting the ASA FirePOWER Management Interface, page 24-9](#)
- [\(ASA 5512-X through 5555-X\) Installing or Reimaging the Software Module, page 24-11](#)
- [Changing the ASA FirePOWER Management IP Address, page 24-15](#)
- [Configuring Basic ASA FirePOWER Settings at the ASA FirePOWER CLI, page 24-16](#)
- [Adding ASA FirePOWER to the FireSIGHT Management Center, page 24-17](#)
- [Configuring the Security Policy on the ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-18](#)
- [Redirecting Traffic to the ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-19](#)

## Task Flow for the ASA FirePOWER Module

Configuring the ASA FirePOWER module is a process that includes configuration of the ASA FirePOWER security policy on the ASA FirePOWER module and then configuration of the ASA to send traffic to the ASA FirePOWER module. To configure the ASA FirePOWER module, perform the following steps:

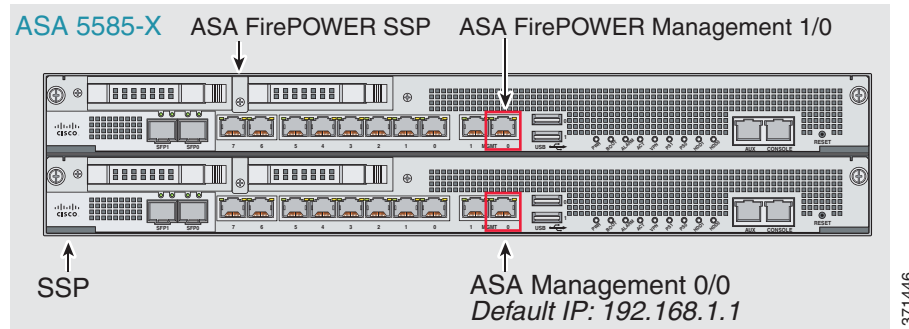
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- Step 1** Cable the ASA FirePOWER management interfaces and optionally, the console interface. See [Connecting the ASA FirePOWER Management Interface, page 24-9](#).
  - Step 2** (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Install the software module. See [\(ASA 5512-X through 5555-X\) Installing or Reimaging the Software Module, page 24-11](#).
  - Step 3** (ASA 5585-X) Configure the ASA FirePOWER module management IP address for initial SSH access. See [Changing the ASA FirePOWER Management IP Address, page 24-15](#).
  - Step 4** On the ASA FirePOWER module, configure basic settings. See [Configuring Basic ASA FirePOWER Settings at the ASA FirePOWER CLI, page 24-16](#).
  - Step 5** Identify the FireSIGHT Management Center that will manage the device. See [Adding ASA FirePOWER to the FireSIGHT Management Center, page 24-17](#).
  - Step 6** On the ASA FirePOWER module, configure the security policy using FireSIGHT Management Center. See [Configuring the Security Policy on the ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-18](#).
  - Step 7** On the ASA, identify traffic to divert to the ASA FirePOWER module. See [Redirecting Traffic to the ASA FirePOWER Module, page 24-19](#).
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## Connecting the ASA FirePOWER Management Interface

In addition to providing management access to the ASA FirePOWER module, the ASA FirePOWER management interface needs access to an HTTP proxy server or a DNS server and the Internet for signature updates and more. This section describes recommended network configurations. Your network may differ.

### ASA 5585-X (Hardware Module)

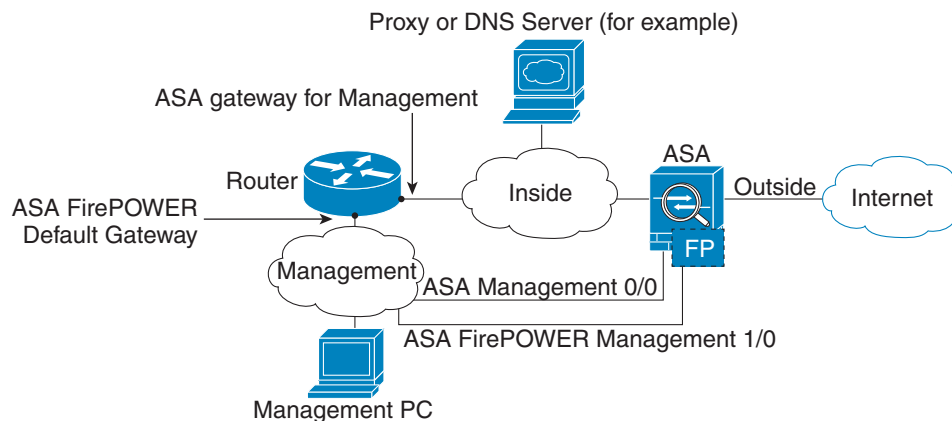
The ASA FirePOWER module includes a separate management and console interface from the ASA. For initial setup, you can connect with SSH to the ASA FirePOWER Management 1/0 interface using the default IP address. If you cannot use the default IP address, you can either use the console port or use ASDM to change the management IP address so you can use SSH. (See [Changing the ASA FirePOWER Management IP Address](#), page 24-15.)



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#### If you have an inside router

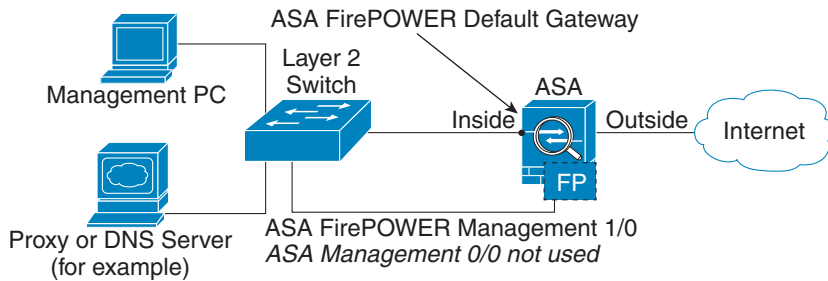
If you have an inside router, you can route between the management network, which can include both the ASA Management 0/0 and ASA FirePOWER Management 1/0 interfaces, and the ASA inside network for Internet access. Be sure to also add a route on the ASA to reach the Management network through the inside router.



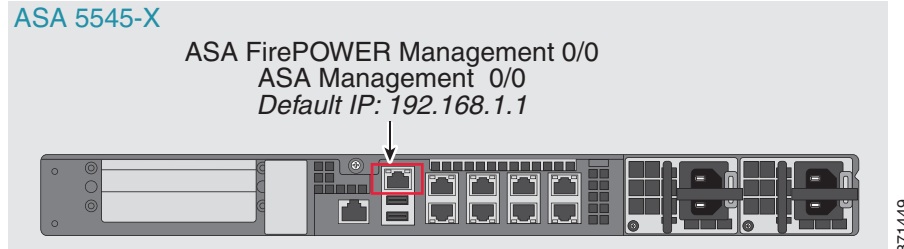
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**If you do not have an inside router**

If you have only one inside network, then you cannot also have a separate management network, which would require an inside router to route between the networks. In this case, you can manage the ASA from the inside interface instead of the Management 0/0 interface. Because the ASA FirePOWER module is a separate device from the ASA, you can configure the ASA FirePOWER Management 1/0 address to be on the same network as the inside interface.

**ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X (Software Module)**

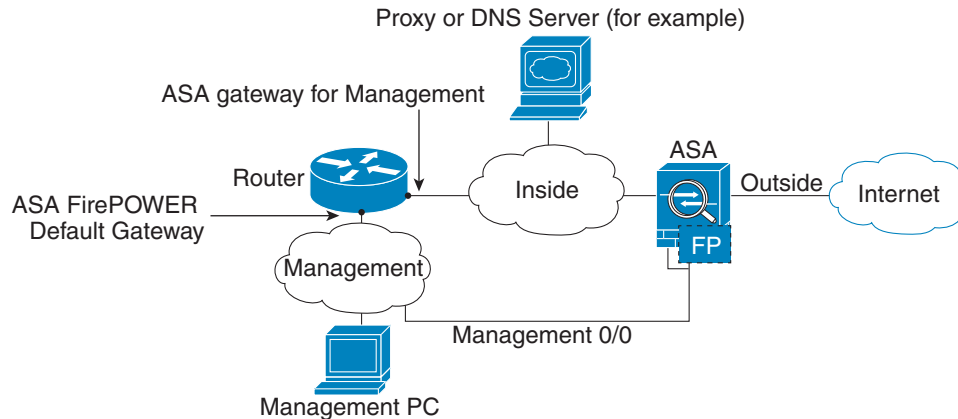
These models run the ASA FirePOWER module as a software module, and the ASA FirePOWER management interface shares the Management 0/0 interface with the ASA. For initial setup, you can connect with SSH to the ASA FirePOWER default IP address. If you cannot use the default IP address, you can either session to the ASA FirePOWER over the backplane or use ASDM to change the management IP address so you can use SSH.





**If you have an inside router**

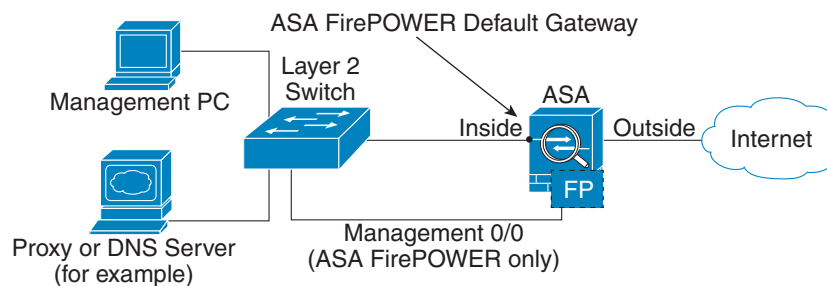
If you have an inside router, you can route between the Management 0/0 network, which includes both the ASA and ASA FirePOWER management IP addresses, and the inside network for Internet access. Be sure to also add a route on the ASA to reach the Management network through the inside router.



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**If you do not have an inside router**

If you have only one inside network, then you cannot also have a separate management network. In this case, you can manage the ASA from the inside interface instead of the Management 0/0 interface. If you remove the ASA-configured name from the Management 0/0 interface, you can still configure the ASA FirePOWER IP address for that interface. Because the ASA FirePOWER module is essentially a separate device from the ASA, you *can* configure the ASA FirePOWER management address to be on the same network as the inside interface.



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**Note**

You must remove the ASA-configured name for Management 0/0; if it is configured on the ASA, then the ASA FirePOWER address must be on the same network as the ASA, and that excludes any networks already configured on other ASA interfaces. If the name is not configured, then the ASA FirePOWER address can be on any network, for example, the ASA inside network.

## (ASA 5512-X through 5555-X) Installing or Reimaging the Software Module

If you purchase the ASA with the ASA FirePOWER module, the module software and required solid state drives (SSDs) come pre-installed and ready to configure. If you want to add the ASA FirePOWER software module to an existing ASA, or need to replace the SSD, you need to install the ASA FirePOWER boot software, partition the SSD, and install the system software according to this procedure.

Reimaging the module is the same procedure, except you should first uninstall the ASA FirePOWER module. You would reimage a system if you replace an SSD.

For information on how to physically install the SSD, see the ASA hardware guide.

## Prerequisites

- The free space on flash (disk0) should be at least 3GB plus the size of the boot software.
- In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.
- You must shut down any other software module that you might be running; the device can run a single software module at a time. You must do this from the ASA CLI. For example, the following commands shut down and uninstall the IPS software module, and then reload the ASA; the commands to remove the CX module are the same, except use the **cxsc** keyword instead of **ips**.

```
hostname# sw-module module ips shutdown
hostname# sw-module module ips uninstall
hostname# reload
```



**Note** If you have an active service policy redirecting traffic to an IPS or CX module, you must remove that policy. For example, if the policy is a global one, you would use **no service-policy ips\_policy global**. You can remove the policies using CLI or ASDM.

- When reimaging the module, use the same shutdown and uninstall commands to remove the old image. For example, **sw-module module sfr uninstall**.
- Obtain both the ASA FirePOWER Boot Image and System Software packages from Cisco.com.

## Detailed Steps

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- Step 1** Download the boot image to the device. Do not transfer the system software; it is downloaded later to the SSD. You have the following options:
- ASDM—First, download the boot image to your workstation, or place it on an FTP, TFTP, HTTP, HTTPS, SMB, or SCP server. Then, in ASDM, choose **Tools > File Management**, and then choose the appropriate **File Transfer** command, either **Between Local PC and Flash** or **Between Remote Server and Flash**. Transfer the boot software to disk0 on the ASA.
  - ASA CLI—First, place the boot image on a TFTP, FTP, HTTP, or HTTPS server, then use the **copy** command to download it to flash. The following example uses TFTP; replace <TFTP Server> with your server's IP address or host name.
- ```
ciscoasa# copy tftp://<TFTP_SERVER>/asasfr-5500x-boot-5.3.1-58.img
disk0:/asasfr-5500x-boot-5.3.1-58.img
```
- Step 2** Download the ASA FirePOWER system software from Cisco.com to an HTTP, HTTPS, or FTP server accessible from the ASA FirePOWER management interface.
- Step 3** Set the ASA FirePOWER module boot image location in ASA disk0 by entering the following command:
- ```
hostname# sw-module module sfr recover configure image disk0:file_path
```



**Note** If you get a message like “ERROR: Another service (cxsc) is running, only one service is allowed to run at any time,” it means that you already have a different software module configured. You must shut it down and remove it to install a new module as described in the prerequisites section above.

**Example:**

```
hostname# sw-module module sfr recover configure image
disk0:asasfr-5500x-boot-5.3.1-58.img
```

**Step 4** Load the ASA FirePOWER boot image by entering the following command:

```
hostname# sw-module module sfr recover boot
```

**Step 5** Wait approximately 5-15 minutes for the ASA FirePOWER module to boot up, and then open a console session to the now-running ASA FirePOWER boot image. You might need to press enter after opening the session to get to the login prompt. The default username is **admin** and the default password is **Admin123**.

```
hostname# session sfr console
Opening console session with module sfr.
Connected to module sfr. Escape character sequence is 'CTRL-^X'.

Cisco ASA SFR Boot Image 5.3.1
asasfr login: admin
Password: Admin123
```



**Tip** If the module boot has not completed, the **session** command will fail with a message about not being able to connect over ttyS1. Wait and try again.

**Step 6** Use the **setup** command to configure the system so that you can install the system software package.

```
asasfr-boot> setup
```

```
Welcome to SFR Setup
[hit Ctrl-C to abort]
Default values are inside []
```

You are prompted for the following. Note that the management address and gateway, and DNS information, are the key settings to configure.

- Host name—Up to 65 alphanumeric characters, no spaces. Hyphens are allowed.
- Network address—You can set static IPv4 or IPv6 addresses, or use DHCP (for IPv4) or IPv6 stateless autoconfiguration.
- DNS information—You must identify at least one DNS server, and you can also set the domain name and search domain.
- NTP information—You can enable NTP and configure the NTP servers, for setting system time.

**Step 7** Install the System Software image using the **system install** command:

```
system install [noconfirm] url
```

Include the **noconfirm** option if you do not want to respond to confirmation messages. Use an HTTP, HTTPS, or FTP URL; if a username and password are required, you will be prompted to supply them.

When installation is complete, the system reboots. Allow 10 or more minutes for application component installation and for the ASA FirePOWER services to start. (The **show module sfr** output should show all processes as Up.)

For example:

```

asasfr-boot> system install http://asasfr-sys-5.3.1-44.pkg
Verifying
Downloading
Extracting
Package Detail
      Description:          Cisco ASA-FirePOWER 5.3.1-44 System Install
      Requires reboot:      Yes

Do you want to continue with upgrade? [y]: y
Warning: Please do not interrupt the process or turn off the system.
Doing so might leave system in unusable state.

Upgrading
Starting upgrade process ...
Populating new system image

Reboot is required to complete the upgrade. Press 'Enter' to reboot the system.
(press Enter)
Broadcast message from root (ttyS1) (Mon Feb 17 19:28:38 2014):

The system is going down for reboot NOW!
Console session with module sfr terminated.

```

- Step 8** Open a session to the ASA FirePOWER module. You will see a different login prompt because you are logging into the fully functional module.

```

asa3# session sfr
Opening command session with module sfr.
Connected to module sfr. Escape character sequence is 'CTRL-^X'.

Sourcefire ASA5555 v5.3.1 (build 44)
Sourcefire3D login:

```

- Step 9** Log in with the username **admin** and the password **Sourcefire**.

- Step 10** Complete the system configuration as prompted.

You must first read and accept the end user license agreement (EULA). Then change the admin password, then configure the management address and DNS settings, as prompted. You can configure both IPv4 and IPv6 management addresses. For example:

```

System initialization in progress. Please stand by.
You must change the password for 'admin' to continue.
Enter new password: <new password>
Confirm new password: <repeat password>
You must configure the network to continue.
You must configure at least one of IPv4 or IPv6.
Do you want to configure IPv4? (y/n) [y]: y
Do you want to configure IPv6? (y/n) [n]:
Configure IPv4 via DHCP or manually? (dhcp/manual) [manual]:
Enter an IPv4 address for the management interface [192.168.45.45]: 10.86.118.3
Enter an IPv4 netmask for the management interface [255.255.255.0]: 255.255.252.0
Enter the IPv4 default gateway for the management interface []: 10.86.116.1
Enter a fully qualified hostname for this system [Sourcefire3D]: asasfr.example.com
Enter a comma-separated list of DNS servers or 'none' []: 10.100.10.15,
10.120.10.14
Enter a comma-separated list of search domains or 'none' [example.net]: example.com
If your networking information has changed, you will need to reconnect.

```

For HTTP Proxy configuration, run 'configure network http-proxy'  
(Wait for the system to reconfigure itself.)

This sensor must be managed by a Defense Center. A unique alphanumeric registration key is always required. In most cases, to register a sensor to a Defense Center, you must provide the hostname or the IP address along with the registration key.

```
'configure manager add [hostname | ip address ] [registration key ]'
```

However, if the sensor and the Defense Center are separated by a NAT device, you must enter a unique NAT ID, along with the unique registration key.

```
'configure manager add DONTRESOLVE [registration key ] [ NAT ID ]'
```

Later, using the web interface on the Defense Center, you must use the same registration key and, if necessary, the same NAT ID when you add this sensor to the Defense Center.

- Step 11** Identify the FireSIGHT Management Center appliance that will manage this device using the **configure manager add** command.

You come up with a registration key, which you will then use in FireSIGHT Management Center when you add the device to its inventory. The following example shows the simple case. When there is a NAT boundary, the command is different; see [Adding ASA FirePOWER to the FireSIGHT Management Center, page 24-17](#).

```
> configure manager add 10.89.133.202 123456
Manager successfully configured.
```

- Step 12** Log into the FireSIGHT Management Center using an HTTPS connection in a browser, using the hostname or address entered above. For example, <https://DC.example.com>.

Use the Device Management (**Devices > Device Management**) page to add the device. For more information, see the online help or the Managing Devices chapter in the *FireSIGHT System User Guide*.



**Tip**

You also configure NTP and time settings through FireSIGHT Management Center. Use the Time Synchronization settings when editing the local policy from the **System > Local > System Policy** page.

## Changing the ASA FirePOWER Management IP Address

If you cannot use the default management IP address, then you can set the management IP address from the ASA. After you set the management IP address, you can access the ASA FirePOWER module using SSH to perform additional setup.

If you already configured the management address during initial system setup through the ASA FirePOWER CLI, as described in [Configuring Basic ASA FirePOWER Settings at the ASA FirePOWER CLI, page 24-16](#), then it is not necessary to configure it through the ASA CLI or ASDM.



**Note**

For a software module, you can access the ASA FirePOWER CLI to perform setup by sessioning from the ASA CLI; you can then set the ASA FirePOWER management IP address as part of setup. For a hardware module, you can complete the initial setup through the Console port.

## Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

## Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>session {1   sfr} do setup host ip ip_address/mask,gateway_ip</pre>                    | Sets the ASA FirePOWER management IP address, mask, and gateway. Use <b>1</b> for a hardware module, <b>sfr</b> for a software module. |
| <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname# session 1 do setup host ip 10.1.1.2/24,10.1.1.1</pre> |                                                                                                                                        |

## Configuring Basic ASA FirePOWER Settings at the ASA FirePOWER CLI

You must configure basic network settings and other parameters on the ASA FirePOWER module before you can configure your security policy. This procedure assumes you have the full system software installed (not just the boot image), either after you installed it directly, or because it is already installed on a hardware module.



### Tip

This procedure also assumes that you are performing an initial configuration. During initial configuration, you are prompted for these settings. If you need to change these settings later, use the various **configure network** commands to change the individual settings. For more information on the **configure network** commands, use the **?** command for help, and see the *FireSIGHT System User Guide*, or the online help in FireSIGHT Management Center.

## Detailed Steps

- Step 1** Do one of the following:
- (All models) Use SSH to connect to the ASA FirePOWER management IP address.
  - (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Open a session to the module from the ASA CLI (see the “Getting Started” chapter in the general operations configuration guide to access the ASA CLI). In multiple context mode, session from the system execution space.

```
hostname# session sfr
```

- Step 2** Log in with the username **admin** and the password **Sourcefire**.

- Step 3** Complete the system configuration as prompted.

You must first read and accept the end user license agreement (EULA). Then change the admin password, then configure the management address and DNS settings, as prompted. You can configure both IPv4 and IPv6 management addresses. The configuration is complete when you see the message that says the sensor must be managed by a FireSIGHT Management Center.

For example:

```
System initialization in progress. Please stand by.
You must change the password for 'admin' to continue.
Enter new password: <new password>
```

```

Confirm new password: <repeat password>
You must configure the network to continue.
You must configure at least one of IPv4 or IPv6.
Do you want to configure IPv4? (y/n) [y]: y
Do you want to configure IPv6? (y/n) [n]:
Configure IPv4 via DHCP or manually? (dhcp/manual) [manual]:
Enter an IPv4 address for the management interface [192.168.45.45]: 10.86.118.3
Enter an IPv4 netmask for the management interface [255.255.255.0]: 255.255.252.0
Enter the IPv4 default gateway for the management interface []: 10.86.116.1
Enter a fully qualified hostname for this system [Sourcefire3D]: asasfr.example.com
Enter a comma-separated list of DNS servers or 'none' []: 10.100.10.15,
10.120.10.14
Enter a comma-separated list of search domains or 'none' [example.net]: example.com
If your networking information has changed, you will need to reconnect.
For HTTP Proxy configuration, run 'configure network http-proxy'
(Wait for the system to reconfigure itself.)

```

This sensor must be managed by a Defense Center. A unique alphanumeric registration key is always required. In most cases, to register a sensor to a Defense Center, you must provide the hostname or the IP address along with the registration key.

```
'configure manager add [hostname | ip address ] [registration key ]'
```

However, if the sensor and the Defense Center are separated by a NAT device, you must enter a unique NAT ID, along with the unique registration key.

```
'configure manager add DONTRESOLVE [registration key ] [ NAT ID ]'
```

Later, using the web interface on the Defense Center, you must use the same registration key and, if necessary, the same NAT ID when you add this sensor to the Defense Center.

- Step 4** Now you must identify the FireSIGHT Management Center that will manage this device, as explained in [Adding ASA FirePOWER to the FireSIGHT Management Center, page 24-17](#).

## Adding ASA FirePOWER to the FireSIGHT Management Center

You must register the ASA FirePOWER module to a FireSIGHT Management Center, which is the application you use to configure the policies on the module. FireSIGHT Management Center is also known as Defense Center.

To register a device, use the **configure manager add** command. A unique alphanumeric registration key is always required to register a device to a FireSIGHT Management Center. This is a simple key that you specify, and is not the same as a license key.

In most cases, you must provide the FireSIGHT Management Center's hostname or the IP address along with the registration key, for example:

```
configure manager add DC.example.com my_reg_key
```

However, if the device and the FireSIGHT Management Center are separated by a NAT device, enter a unique NAT ID along with the registration key, and specify DONTRESOLVE instead of the hostname, for example:

```
configure manager add DONTRESOLVE my_reg_key my_nat_id
```

## Detailed Steps

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- Step 1** Do one of the following:
- (All models) Use SSH to connect to the ASA FirePOWER management IP address.
  - (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Open a session to the module from the ASA CLI (see the “Getting Started” chapter in the general operations configuration guide to access the ASA CLI). In multiple context mode, session from the system execution space.
- ```
hostname# session sfr
```
- Step 2** Log in with the username **admin** or another username that has the CLI configuration (Administrator) access level.
- Step 3** At the prompt, register the device to a FireSIGHT Management Center using the **configure manager add** command, which has the following syntax:
- ```
configure manager add {hostname | IPv4_address | IPv6_address | DONTRESOLVE} reg_key [nat_id]
```
- where:
- {hostname | IPv4\_address | IPv6\_address | DONTRESOLVE} specifies either the fully qualified host name or IP address of the FireSIGHT Management Center. If the FireSIGHT Management Center is not directly addressable, use DONTRESOLVE.
  - *reg\_key* is the unique alphanumeric registration key required to register a device to the FireSIGHT Management Center.
  - *nat\_id* is an optional alphanumeric string used during the registration process between the FireSIGHT Management Center and the device. It is required if the hostname is set to DONTRESOLVE.
- Step 4** Log into the FireSIGHT Management Center using an HTTPS connection in a browser, using the hostname or address entered above. For example, <https://DC.example.com>.
- Use the Device Management (**Devices > Device Management**) page to add the device. For more information, see the online help or the Managing Devices chapter in the *FireSIGHT System User Guide*.
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## Configuring the Security Policy on the ASA FirePOWER Module

You use FireSIGHT Management Center to configure the security policy on the ASA FirePOWER module. The security policy controls the services provided by the module, such as Next Generation IPS filtering and application filtering. You cannot configure the policy through the ASA FirePOWER CLI, the ASA CLI, or ASDM.

To open FireSIGHT Management Center, use a web browser to open the following URL:

```
https://DC_address
```

Where *DC\_address* is the DNS name or IP address of the manager you defined in [Adding ASA FirePOWER to the FireSIGHT Management Center, page 24-17](#). For example, <https://dc.example.com>.

For information about how to configure the security policy, see the *FireSIGHT System User Guide* or the online help in FireSIGHT Management Center.



**Tip**

You can also open FireSIGHT Management Center from the ASA FirePOWER Status dashboard in ASDM. Choose **Home > ASA FirePOWER Status**, and click the link at the bottom of the dashboard.

## Redirecting Traffic to the ASA FirePOWER Module

Redirect traffic to the ASA FirePOWER module by creating a service policy that identifies specific traffic that you want to send. ASA policies, such as access rules, are applied to the traffic before it is redirected to the module.

You can configure your device in either an inline or inline tap monitor-only deployment.

- In an inline deployment, the actual traffic is sent to the device, and the device's policy affects what happens to the traffic. After dropping undesired traffic and taking any other actions applied by policy, the traffic is returned to the ASA for further processing and ultimate transmission.
- In an inline tap deployment, a copy of the traffic is sent to the device, but it is not returned to the ASA. Inline tap mode lets you see what the device would have done to traffic, and lets you evaluate the content of the traffic, without impacting the network.

**Note**

You cannot configure both monitor-only mode and normal inline mode at the same time on the ASA. Only one type of security policy is allowed. In multiple context mode, you cannot configure monitor-only mode for some contexts, and regular inline mode for others.

### Prerequisites

- If you have an active service policy redirecting traffic to an IPS or CX module (that you replaced with the ASA FirePOWER), you must remove that policy before you configure the ASA FirePOWER service policy.
- Be sure to configure consistent policies on the ASA and the ASA FirePOWER. Both policies should reflect the inline or inline tap mode of the traffic.
- In multiple context mode, perform this procedure within each security context.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                              | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <p><b>class-map</b> <i>name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config)# class-map sfr_class</p>                 | <p>Creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to send to the module.</p> <p>If you want to send multiple traffic classes to the module, you can create multiple class maps for use in the security policy.</p> |
| Step 2 | <p><b>match</b> <i>parameter</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list sfr_traffic</p> | <p>Specifies the traffic in the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a>, page 1-12 for more information.</p>                                                                                     |

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                       | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 3 | <code>policy-map name</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map sfr_policy                                                                                | Adds or edits a policy map that sets the actions to take with the class map traffic.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Step 4 | <code>class name</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class sfr_class                                                                                      | Identifies the class map you created at the start of this procedure.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Step 5 | <code>sfr {fail-close   fail-open}<br/>[monitor-only]</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap-c)# sfr fail-close                                                | Specifies that the traffic should be sent to the ASA FirePOWER module.<br><br>The <b>fail-close</b> keyword sets the ASA to block all traffic if the ASA FirePOWER module is unavailable.<br><br>The <b>fail-open</b> keyword sets the ASA to allow all traffic through, uninspected, if the module is unavailable.<br><br>Specify <b>monitor-only</b> to send a read-only copy of traffic to the module, i.e. inline tap mode. If you do not include the keyword, the traffic is sent in inline mode.<br><br>See <a href="#">ASA FirePOWER Inline Tap Monitor-Only Mode, page 24-3</a> for more information. |
| Step 6 | (Optional)<br><code>class name2</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class sfr_class2                                                                      | If you created multiple class maps for ASA FirePOWER traffic, you can specify another class for the policy.<br><br>See <a href="#">Feature Matching Within a Service Policy, page 1-3</a> for detailed information about how the order of classes matters within a policy map. Traffic cannot match more than one class map for the same action type.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Step 7 | (Optional)<br><code>sfr {fail-close   fail-open}<br/>[monitor-only]</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap-c)# sfr fail-close                                  | Specifies that the second class of traffic should be sent to the ASA FirePOWER module.<br><br>Add as many classes as desired by repeating these steps.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Step 8 | <code>service-policy policymap_name {global  <br/>interface interface_name}</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# service-policy<br>sfr_policy interface outside | Activates the policy map on one or more interfaces. The <b>global</b> keyword applies the policy map to all interfaces, and <b>interface</b> applies the policy to one interface. Only one global policy is allowed. You can override the global policy on an interface by applying a service policy to that interface. You can only apply one policy map to each interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

# Managing the ASA FirePOWER Module

This section includes procedures that help you manage the module.

- [Resetting the Password, page 24-21](#)
- [Reloading or Resetting the Module, page 24-22](#)
- [Shutting Down the Module, page 24-22](#)
- [\(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X\) Uninstalling a Software Module Image, page 24-23](#)
- [\(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X\) Sessioning to the Module From the ASA, page 24-24](#)
- [Reimaging the 5585-X ASA FirePOWER Hardware Module, page 24-25](#)
- [Upgrading the System Software, page 24-27](#)

## Resetting the Password

If you forget the password for admin user, another user with CLI Configuration permissions can log in and change the password.

If there are no other users with the required permissions, you can reset the admin password from the ASA using the **session do** command.



**Tip**

The password-reset option on the ASA hw-module and sw-module commands does not work with ASA FirePOWER.

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                            | Purpose                                                                                  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| For a hardware module (ASA 5585-X):<br><pre>session 1 do password-reset</pre>                      | Resets the module password for the user <b>admin</b> to the default, <b>Sourcefire</b> . |
| For a software module (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X):<br><pre>session sfr do password-reset</pre> |                                                                                          |
| <b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# session sfr do password-reset</pre>                              |                                                                                          |

## Reloading or Resetting the Module

To reload or reset the module, enter one of the following commands at the ASA CLI.

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Purpose                                        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| For a hardware module (ASA 5585-X):<br><code>hw-module module 1 reload</code><br><br>For a software module (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X):<br><code>sw-module module sfr reload</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname# hw-module module 1 reload</code> | Reloads the module software.                   |
| For a hardware module:<br><code>hw-module module 1 reset</code><br><br>For a software module:<br><code>sw-module module sfr reset</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname# hw-module module 1 reset</code>                                                 | Performs a reset, and then reloads the module. |

## Shutting Down the Module

Shutting down the module software prepares the module to be safely powered off without losing configuration data. To gracefully shut down the module, perform the following steps at the ASA CLI.



### Note

If you reload the ASA, the module is not automatically shut down, so we recommend shutting down the module before reloading the ASA.

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

## Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Purpose                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| For a hardware module (ASA 5585-X):<br><pre>hw-module module 1 shutdown</pre><br>For a software module (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X):<br><pre>sw-module module sfr shutdown</pre><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# hw-module module 1 shutdown</pre> | Shuts down the module. |

## (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Uninstalling a Software Module Image

To uninstall a software module image and associated configuration, perform the following steps.

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

## Detailed Steps

|               | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Purpose                                                                            |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <pre>sw-module module sfr uninstall</pre><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# sw-module module sfr uninstall</pre> Module sfr will be uninstalled. This will completely remove the disk image associated with the sw-module including any configuration that existed within it.<br><br>Uninstall module <id>? [confirm] | Permanently uninstalls the software module image and associated configuration.     |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <pre>reload</pre><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# reload</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Reloads the ASA. You must reload the ASA before you can install a new module type. |

## (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Sessioning to the Module From the ASA

To access the ASA FirePOWER software module CLI from the ASA, you can session from the ASA. You can either session to the module (using Telnet) or create a virtual console session. A console session might be useful if the control plane is down and you cannot establish a Telnet session.

Use the ASA FirePOWER CLI to configure basic network settings and to troubleshoot the module.

### Guidelines

- In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.
- You can log in with any username configured on the ASA FirePOWER. Initially, the **admin** username is the only one configured (and it is always available). The initial default username is **Sourcefire** for the full image, and **Admin123** for the boot image.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <p>Telnet session.</p> <pre>session sfr</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname# session sfr</p> <p>Opening command session with module sfr.<br/>Connected to module sfr. Escape character sequence is 'CTRL-^X'.</p> <pre>asasfr login: admin Password:</pre>                  | <p>Accesses the module using Telnet. You are prompted for the username and password.</p> <p>When in the ASA FirePOWER CLI, to exit back to the ASA CLI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter any command that would log you out of the module, such as <b>logout</b> or <b>exit</b>.</li> <li>• Press <b>Ctrl-Shift-6, x</b>.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <p>Console session.</p> <pre>session sfr console</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname# session sfr console</p> <p>Opening console session with module sfr.<br/>Connected to module sfr. Escape character sequence is 'CTRL-^X'.</p> <pre>asasfr login: admin Password:</pre> | <p>Accesses the module console. You are prompted for the username and password. The only way out of a console session is to press <b>Ctrl-Shift-6, x</b>. Logging out of the module leaves you at the module login prompt.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Do not use this command in conjunction with a terminal server where <b>Ctrl-Shift-6, x</b> is the escape sequence to return to the terminal server prompt. <b>Ctrl-Shift-6, x</b> is also the sequence to escape the ASA FirePOWER console and return to the ASA prompt. Therefore, if you try to exit the ASA FirePOWER console in this situation, you instead exit all the way to the terminal server prompt. If you reconnect the terminal server to the ASA, the ASA FirePOWER console session is still active; you can never exit to the ASA prompt. You must use a direct serial connection to return the console to the ASA prompt.</p> <p>Use the <b>session sfr</b> command instead.</p> |

## Reimaging the 5585-X ASA FirePOWER Hardware Module

If you need to reimage the ASA FirePOWER hardware module in an ASA 5585-X appliance for any reason, you need to install both the Boot Image and a System Software package, in that order. You must install both packages to have a functioning system. Under normal circumstances, you do not need to reimage the system to install upgrade packages.

To install the boot image, you need to TFTP boot the image from the Management-0 port on the ASA FirePOWER SSP by logging into the module's Console port. Because the Management-0 port is on an SSP in the first slot, it is also known as Management1/0, but rommon recognizes it as Management-0 or Management0/1.

To accomplish a TFTP boot, you must:

- Place the software image on a TFTP server that can be accessed through the Management1/0 interface on the ASA FirePOWER.
- Connect Management1/0 to the network. You must use this interface to TFTP boot the Boot Image.
- Configure rommon variables. Press Esc to interrupt the auto-boot process so that you can configure rommon variables.

Once the boot image is installed, you install the System Software package. You must place the package on an HTTP, HTTPS, or FTP server that is accessible from the ASA FirePOWER.

The following procedure explains how to install the boot image and then install the System Software package.

### Detailed Steps

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- Step 1** Connect to the Console port. Use the console cable included with the ASA product to connect your PC to the console using a terminal emulator set for 9600 baud, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, no flow control. See the hardware guide for your ASA for more information about the console cable.
- Step 2** Enter the **system reboot** command to reload the system.
- Step 3** When prompted, break out of the boot by pressing Esc. If you see grub start to boot the system, you have waited too long.

This will place you at the rommon prompt.

- Step 4** At the rommon prompt, enter **set** and configure the following parameters:
- ADDRESS—The management IP address of the module.
  - SERVER—The IP address of the TFTP server.
  - GATEWAY—The gateway address to the TFTP server. If the TFTP server is directly attached to Management1/0, use the IP address of the TFTP server. If the TFTP server and management address are on the same subnet, do not configure the gateway or TFTP boot will fail.
  - IMAGE—The Boot Image path and image name on the TFTP server. For example, if you place the file on the TFTP server in /tftpboot/images/filename.img, the IMAGE value is images/filename.img.

For example:

```
ADDRESS=10.5.190.199
SERVER=10.5.11.170
GATEWAY=10.5.1.1
IMAGE=asasfr-boot-5.3.1-26-54.img
```

- Step 5** Enter **sync** to save the settings.

- Step 6** Enter **tftp** to initiate the download and boot process.
- You will see ! marks to indicate progress. When the boot completes after several minutes, you will see a login prompt.
- Step 7** Log in as **admin**, with the password **Admin123**.
- Step 8** Use the **setup** command to configure the system so that you can install the system software package.
- You are prompted for the following. Note that the management address and gateway, and DNS information, are the key settings to configure.
- Host name—Up to 65 alphanumeric characters, no spaces. Hyphens are allowed.
  - Network address—You can set static IPv4 or IPv6 addresses, or use DHCP (for IPv4) or IPv6 stateless autoconfiguration.
  - DNS information—You must identify at least one DNS server, and you can also set the domain name and search domain.
  - NTP information—You can enable NTP and configure the NTP servers, for setting system time.
- Step 9** Install the System Software image using the **system install** command:
- ```
system install [noconfirm] url
```
- Include the **noconfirm** option if you do not want to respond to confirmation messages.
- When installation is complete, the system reboots. Allow 10 or more minutes for application component installation and for the ASA FirePOWER services to start.
- For example:
- ```
asasfr-boot> system install http://asasfr-sys-5.3.1-54.pkg
```
- Step 10** When the boot completes, log in as **admin** with the password **Sourcefire**.
- Complete the system configuration as prompted.
- You must first read and accept the end user license agreement (EULA). Then change the admin password, then configure the management address and DNS settings, as prompted. You can configure both IPv4 and IPv6 management addresses.
- Step 11** Identify the FireSIGHT Management Center appliance that will manage this device using the **configure manager add** command.
- You come up with a registration key, which you will then use in FireSIGHT Management Center when you add the device to its inventory. The following example shows the simple case. When there is a NAT boundary, the command is different; see [Adding ASA FirePOWER to the FireSIGHT Management Center, page 24-17](#).
- ```
> configure manager add 10.89.133.202 123456  
Manager successfully configured.
```
- Step 12** Log into the FireSIGHT Management Center using an HTTPS connection in a browser, using the hostname or address entered above. For example, <https://DC.example.com>.
- Use the Device Management (**Devices > Device Management**) page to add the device. For more information, see the Managing Devices chapter in the *FireSIGHT System User Guide* or the online help in FireSIGHT Management Center.
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## Upgrading the System Software

Use FireSIGHT Management Center to apply upgrade images to the ASA FirePOWER module. Before applying an upgrade, ensure that the ASA is running the minimum required release for the new version; you might need to upgrade the ASA prior to upgrading the module.

For more information about applying upgrades, see the *FireSIGHT System User Guide* or the online help in FireSIGHT Management Center.

## Monitoring the ASA FirePOWER Module

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### Note

For ASA FirePOWER-related syslog messages, see the syslog messages guide. ASA FirePOWER syslog messages start with message number 434001.

## Showing Module Status

To check the status of a module, enter one of the following commands:

Command	Purpose
<code>show module</code>	Displays the status.
<code>show module {1   sfr} details</code>	Displays additional status information. Specify <b>1</b> for a hardware module and <b>sfr</b> for a software module.
<code>show module sfr recover</code>	Displays the location of the boot image used when installing the module.

### Examples

The following is sample output from the `show module` command for an ASA 5585-X with an ASA FirePOWER SSP hardware module installed:

```
hostname# show module
Mod  Card Type                               Model                               Serial No.
-----
  0 ASA 5585-X Security Services Processor-10 wi ASA5585-SSP-10    JAF1507AMKE
  1 ASA 5585-X FirePOWER Security Services Proce ASA5585-SSP-SFR10  JAF1510BLSA

Mod  MAC Address Range                       Hw Version  Fw Version  Sw Version
-----
  0 5475.d05b.1100 to 5475.d05b.110b  1.0         2.0(7)0    100.10(0)8
  1 5475.d05b.2450 to 5475.d05b.245b  1.0         2.0(13)0   5.3.1-44

Mod  SSM Application Name                     Status      SSM Application Version
-----
  1 FirePOWER                               Up          5.3.1-44
```

Mod	Status	Data Plane Status	Compatibility
0	Up Sys	Not Applicable	
1	Up	Up	

The following example shows the details for a software module. Note that DC Addr indicates the address of the FireSIGHT Management Center that manages this device.

```
hostname# show module sfr details
Getting details from the Service Module, please wait...

Card Type:          FirePOWER Services Software Module
Model:              ASA5555
Hardware version:   N/A
Serial Number:      FCH1714J6HP
Firmware version:   N/A
Software version:   5.3.1-100
MAC Address Range:  bc16.6520.1dcb to bc16.6520.1dcb
App. name:          ASA FirePOWER
App. Status:        Up
App. Status Desc:   Normal Operation
App. version:       5.3.1-100
Data Plane Status:  Up
Status:             Up
DC addr:            10.89.133.202
Mgmt IP addr:       10.86.118.7
Mgmt Network mask:  255.255.252.0
Mgmt Gateway:       10.86.116.1
Mgmt web ports:     443
Mgmt TLS enabled:   true
```

The following example shows the location of the ASA FirePOWER boot image that was used with the **sw-module module sfr recover** command when installing the module.

```
hostname# show module sfr recover
Module sfr recover parameters...
Boot Recovery Image: No
Image File Path:      disk0:/asasfr-5500x-boot-5.3.1-44.img
```

## Showing Module Statistics

To show module statistics, enter the following command:

Command	Purpose
<code>show service-policy sfr</code>	Displays statistics and status for each service policy that includes the <b>sfr</b> command. Use <b>clear service-policy</b> to clear the counters.

## Examples

The following example shows the ASA FirePOWER service policy and the current statistics as well as the module status:

```
ciscoasa# show service-policy sfr

Global policy:
  Service-policy: global_policy
  Class-map: my-sfr-class
  SFR: card status Up, mode fail-close
      packet input 2626422041, packet output 2626877967, drop 0, reset-drop 0, proxied 0
```

The following example shows a monitor-only policy. In this case, you should see packet input counters increasing, but the packet output counter should stay zero, because no traffic is passing back to the ASA.

```
hostname# show service-policy sfr

Global policy:
  Service-policy: global_policy
  Class-map: bypass
  SFR: card status Up, mode fail-open, monitor-only
      packet input 2626422041, packet output 0, drop 0, reset-drop 0, proxied 0
```

## Monitoring Module Connections

To show connections through the ASA FirePOWER module, enter one of the following commands:

Command	Purpose
<code>show asp table classify domain sfr</code>	Shows the NP rules created to send traffic to the ASA FirePOWER module.
<code>show asp drop</code>	Shows dropped packets. The drop types are explained following this table.
<code>show conn</code>	This command already shows if a connection is being forwarded to a module by displaying the 'X - inspected by service module' flag.

### Drop Reasons

The `show asp drop` command can include the following drop reasons related to the ASA FirePOWER module.

#### Frame Drops:

- `sfr-bad-tlv-received`—This occurs when ASA receives a packet from FirePOWER without a Policy ID TLV. This TLV must be present in non-control packets if it does not have the Standby/Active bit set in the actions field.
- `sfr-request`—The frame was requested to be dropped by FirePOWER due a policy on FirePOWER whereby FirePOWER would set the actions to Deny Source, Deny Destination, or Deny Pkt. If the frame should not have been dropped, review the policies on the module that are denying the flow.
- `sfr-fail-close`—The packet is dropped because the card is not up and the policy configured was 'fail-close' (rather than 'fail-open' which allows packets through even if the card was down). Check card status and attempt to restart services or reboot it.

- `sfr-fail`—The FirePOWER configuration was removed for an existing flow and we are not able to process it through FirePOWER it will be dropped. This should be very unlikely.
- `sfr-malformed-packet`—The packet from FirePOWER contains an invalid header. For instance, the header length may not be correct.
- `sfr-ha-request`—This counter is incremented when the security appliance receives a FirePOWER HA request packet, but could not process it and the packet is dropped.
- `sfr-invalid-encap`—This counter is incremented when the security appliance receives a FirePOWER packet with invalid message header, and the packet is dropped.
- `sfr-bad-handle-received`—Received Bad flow handle in a packet from FirePOWER Module, thus dropping flow. This counter is incremented, flow and packet are dropped on ASA as the handle for FirePOWER flow has changed in flow duration.
- `sfr-rx-monitor-only`—This counter is incremented when the security appliance receives a FirePOWER packet when in monitor-only mode, and the packet is dropped.

#### Flow Drops:

- `sfr-request`—The FirePOWER requested to terminate the flow. The actions bit 0 is set.
- `reset-by-sfr`—The FirePOWER requested to terminate and reset the flow. The actions bit 1 is set.
- `sfr-fail-close`—The flow was terminated because the card is down and the configured policy was 'fail-close'.

## Examples

The following is sample output from the `show asp table classify domain sfr` command:

```
hostname# show asp table classify domain sfr

Input Table
in id=0x7ffe60139410, priority=73, domain=sfr, deny=false
    hits=0, user_data=0x7ffe5c5932c0, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x0, protocol=6
    src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0, tag=0
    dst ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=6000, tag=0, dscp=0x0
    input_ifc=outside, output_ifc=any
in id=0x7ffe60139510, priority=73, domain=sfr, deny=false
    hits=0, user_data=0x7ffe5c5932c0, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x10000,
protocol=6
    src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0, tag=0
    dst ip/id=::/0, port=6000, tag=0, dscp=0x0
    input_ifc=outside, output_ifc=any
in id=0x7ffe60139610, priority=73, domain=sfr, deny=false
    hits=0, user_data=0x7ffe5c5932c0, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x0, protocol=6
    src ip/id=::/0, port=0, tag=0
    dst ip/id=::/0, port=6000, tag=0
    input_ifc=outside, output_ifc=any
in id=0x7ffe5c593f20, priority=73, domain=sfr, deny=false
    hits=0, user_data=0x7ffe5c5932c0, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x20000,
protocol=6
    src ip/id=::/0, port=0, tag=0
    dst ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=6000, tag=0
    input_ifc=outside, output_ifc=any

Output Table:
out id=0x7ffe5c594560, priority=73, domain=sfr, deny=false
    hits=0, user_data=0x7ffe5c5932c0, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x0, protocol=6
    src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0, tag=0
    dst ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=6000, tag=0, dscp=0x0
    input_ifc=any, output_ifc=outside
```

```

out id=0x7ffe5c595b80, priority=73, domain=sfr, deny=false
    hits=0, user_data=0x7ffe5c5932c0, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x20000,
protocol=6
    src ip/id=::/0, port=0, tag=0
    dst ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=6000, tag=0, dscp=0x0
    input_ifc=any, output_ifc=outside
out id=0x7ffe5c595400, priority=73, domain=sfr, deny=false
    hits=0, user_data=0x7ffe5c5932c0, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x10000,
protocol=6
    src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0, tag=0
    dst ip/id=::/0, port=6000, tag=0
    input_ifc=any, output_ifc=outside
out id=0x7ffe5c5957c0, priority=73, domain=sfr, deny=false
    hits=0, user_data=0x7ffe5c5932c0, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x0, protocol=6
    src ip/id=::/0, port=0, tag=0
    dst ip/id=::/0, port=6000, tag=0
    input_ifc=any, output_ifc=outside

```

L2 - Output Table:

L2 - Input Table:

Last clearing of hits counters: Never

## Capturing Module Traffic

To configure and view packet captures for the module, enter one of the following commands:

Command	Purpose
<code>capture name interface asa_dataplane</code>	Captures packets between module and the ASA on the backplane.
<code>copy capture</code>	Copies the capture file to a server.
<code>show capture</code>	Shows the capture at the ASA console.



### Note

Captured packets contain an additional AFBP header that your PCAP viewer might not understand; be sure to use the appropriate plug-in to view these packets.

## Configuration Examples for the ASA FirePOWER Module

The following example diverts all HTTP traffic to the ASA FirePOWER module, and blocks all HTTP traffic if the module fails for any reason:

```

hostname(config)# access-list ASASFR permit tcp any any eq 80
hostname(config)# class-map my-sfr-class
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ASASFR
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map my-sfr-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class my-sfr-class
hostname(config-pmap-c)# sfr fail-close
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy my-sfr-policy global

```

The following example diverts all IP traffic destined for the 10.1.1.0 network and the 10.2.1.0 network to the ASA FirePOWER module, and allows all traffic through if the module fails for any reason.

```

hostname(config)# access-list my-sfr-acl permit ip any 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config)# access-list my-sfr-acl2 permit ip any 10.2.1.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config)# class-map my-sfr-class
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list my-sfr-acl
hostname(config)# class-map my-sfr-class2
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list my-sfr-acl2
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map my-sfr-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class my-sfr-class
hostname(config-pmap-c)# sfr fail-open
hostname(config-pmap)# class my-sfr-class2
hostname(config-pmap-c)# sfr fail-open
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy my-sfr-policy interface outside

```

## Feature History for the ASA FirePOWER Module

The following table lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented. ASDM is backwards-compatible with multiple platform releases, so the specific ASDM release in which support was added is not listed.

**Table 24-2** Feature History for the ASA FirePOWER Module

Feature Name	Platform Releases	Feature Information
<p>ASA 5585-X (all models) support for the matching ASA FirePOWER SSP hardware module.</p> <p>ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X support for the ASA FirePOWER software module.</p>	<p>ASA 9.2(2) ASA FirePOWER 5.3.1</p>	<p>The ASA FirePOWER module supplies next-generation firewall services, including Next-Generation IPS (NGIPS), Application Visibility and Control (AVC), URL filtering, and Advanced Malware Protection (AMP). You can use the module in single or multiple context mode, and in routed or transparent mode.</p> <p>We introduced or modified the following commands:  <b>capture interface asa_dataplane, debug sfr, hw-module module 1 reload, hw-module module 1 reset, hw-module module 1 shutdown, session do setup host ip, session do get-config, session do password-reset, session sfr, sfr, show asp table classify domain sfr, show capture, show conn, show module sfr, show service-policy, sw-module sfr.</b></p>



## ASA CX Module

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This chapter describes how to configure the ASA CX module that runs on the ASA.

- [Information About the ASA CX Module, page 25-1](#)
- [Licensing Requirements for the ASA CX Module, page 25-6](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations, page 25-6](#)
- [Default Settings, page 25-8](#)
- [Configuring the ASA CX Module, page 25-8](#)
- [Managing the ASA CX Module, page 25-21](#)
- [Monitoring the ASA CX Module, page 25-25](#)
- [Troubleshooting the ASA CX Module, page 25-31](#)
- [Configuration Examples for the ASA CX Module, page 25-33](#)
- [Feature History for the ASA CX Module, page 25-34](#)

## Information About the ASA CX Module

The ASA CX module lets you enforce security based on the full context of a situation. This context includes the identity of the user (who), the application or website that the user is trying to access (what), the origin of the access attempt (where), the time of the attempted access (when), and the properties of the device used for the access (how). With the ASA CX module, you can extract the full context of a flow and enforce granular policies such as permitting access to Facebook but denying access to games on Facebook, or permitting finance employees access to a sensitive enterprise database but denying the same access to other employees.

- [How the ASA CX Module Works with the ASA, page 25-2](#)
- [Monitor-Only Mode, page 25-3](#)
- [Information About ASA CX Management, page 25-4](#)
- [Information About Authentication Proxy, page 25-5](#)
- [Information About VPN and the ASA CX Module, page 25-5](#)
- [Compatibility with ASA Features, page 25-5](#)

## How the ASA CX Module Works with the ASA

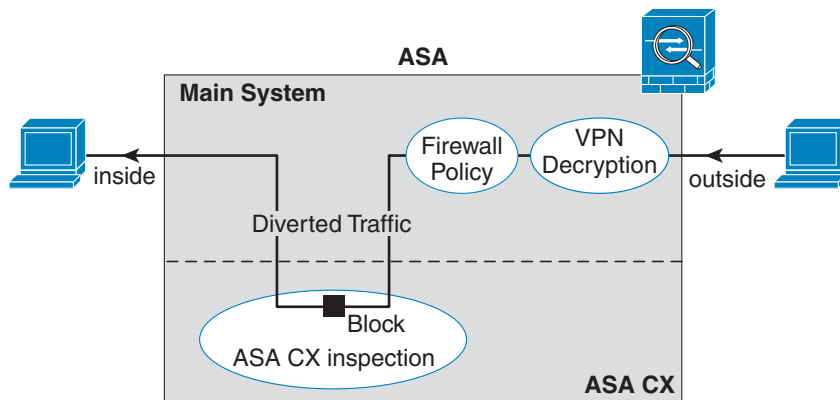
The ASA CX module runs a separate application from the ASA. The ASA CX module includes external management interface(s) so you can connect to the ASA CX module directly. Any data interfaces on the ASA CX module are used for ASA traffic only.

Traffic goes through the firewall checks before being forwarded to the ASA CX module. When you identify traffic for ASA CX inspection on the ASA, traffic flows through the ASA and the ASA CX module as follows:

1. Traffic enters the ASA.
2. Incoming VPN traffic is decrypted.
3. Firewall policies are applied.
4. Traffic is sent to the ASA CX module.
5. The ASA CX module applies its security policy to the traffic, and takes appropriate actions.
6. Valid traffic is sent back to the ASA; the ASA CX module might block some traffic according to its security policy, and that traffic is not passed on.
7. Outgoing VPN traffic is encrypted.
8. Traffic exits the ASA.

Figure 25-1 shows the traffic flow when using the ASA CX module. In this example, the ASA CX module automatically blocks traffic that is not allowed for a certain application. All other traffic is forwarded through the ASA.

**Figure 25-1 ASA CX Module Traffic Flow in the ASA**



 **Note**

If you have a connection between hosts on two ASA interfaces, and the ASA CX service policy is only configured for one of the interfaces, then all traffic between these hosts is sent to the ASA CX module, including traffic originating on the non-ASA CX interface (because the feature is bidirectional). However, the ASA only performs the authentication proxy on the interface to which the service policy is applied, because authentication proxy is applied only to ingress traffic (see [Information About Authentication Proxy, page 25-5](#)).



## Monitor-Only Mode

For demonstration purposes, you can configure a service policy or a traffic-forwarding interface in monitor-only mode.

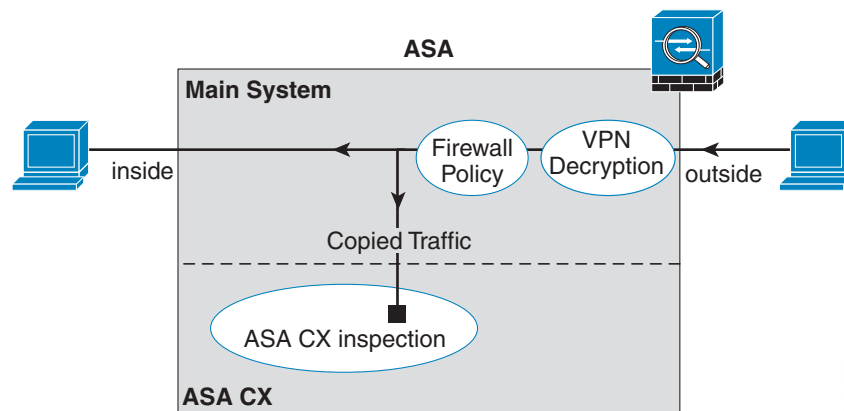
For guidelines and limitations for monitor-only mode, see [Guidelines and Limitations, page 25-6](#).

- [Service Policy in Monitor-Only Mode, page 25-3](#)
- [Traffic-Forwarding Interface in Monitor-Only Mode, page 25-3](#)

## Service Policy in Monitor-Only Mode

For testing and demonstration purposes, you can configure the ASA to send a duplicate stream of read-only traffic to the ASA CX module, so you can see how the module inspects the traffic without affecting the ASA traffic flow. In this mode, the ASA CX module inspects the traffic as usual, makes policy decisions, and generates events. However, because the packets are read-only copies, the module actions do not affect the actual traffic. Instead, the module drops the copies after inspection. [Figure 25-2](#) shows the ASA CX module in monitor-only mode.

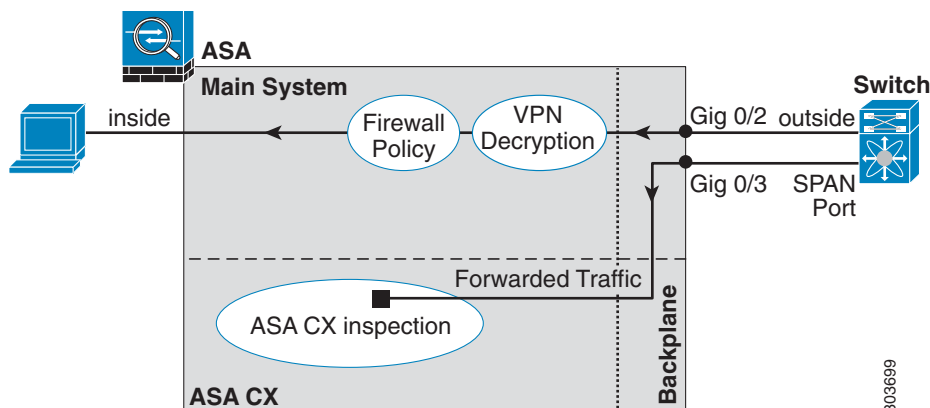
**Figure 25-2 ASA CX Monitor-Only Mode**



## Traffic-Forwarding Interface in Monitor-Only Mode

You can alternatively configure ASA interfaces to be traffic-forwarding interfaces, where all traffic received is forwarded directly to the ASA CX module without any ASA processing. For testing and demonstration purposes, traffic-forwarding removes the extra complication of ASA processing. Traffic-forwarding is only supported in monitor-only mode, so the ASA CX module drops the traffic after inspecting it. [Figure 25-3](#) shows the ASA GigabitEthernet 0/3 interface configured for traffic-forwarding. That interface is connected to a switch SPAN port so the ASA CX module can inspect all of the network traffic.

Figure 25-3 ASA CX Traffic-Forwarding



## Information About ASA CX Management

- [Initial Configuration, page 25-4](#)
- [Policy Configuration and Management, page 25-5](#)

### Initial Configuration

For initial configuration, you must use the CLI on the ASA CX module to run the **setup** command and configure other optional settings.

To access the CLI, you can use the following methods:

- ASA 5585-X:
  - ASA CX console port—The ASA CX console port is a separate external console port.
  - ASA CX Management 1/0 interface using SSH—You can connect to the default IP address (192.168.8.8), or you can use ASDM to change the management IP address and then connect using SSH. The ASA CX management interface is a separate external Gigabit Ethernet interface.



**Note** You cannot access the ASA CX hardware module CLI over the ASA backplane using the **session** command.

- ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X:
  - ASA session over the backplane—If you have CLI access to the ASA, then you can session to the module and access the module CLI.
  - ASA CX Management 0/0 interface using SSH—You can connect to the default IP address (192.168.1.2), or you can use ASDM to change the management IP address and then connect using SSH. These models run the ASA CX module as a software module. The ASA CX management interface shares the Management 0/0 interface with the ASA. Separate MAC addresses and IP addresses are supported for the ASA and ASA CX module. You must perform configuration of the ASA CX IP address within the ASA CX operating system (using the CLI

or ASDM). However, physical characteristics (such as enabling the interface) are configured on the ASA. You can remove the ASA interface configuration (specifically the interface name) to dedicate this interface as an ASA CX-only interface. This interface is management-only.

## Policy Configuration and Management

After you perform initial configuration, configure the ASA CX policy using Cisco Prime Security Manager (PRSM). Then configure the ASA policy for sending traffic to the ASA CX module using ASDM or the ASA CLI.

**Note**

When using PRSM in multiple device mode, you can configure the ASA policy for sending traffic to the ASA CX module within PRSM, instead of using ASDM or the ASA CLI. Using PRSM lets you consolidate management to a single management system. However, PRSM has some limitations when configuring the ASA service policy; see the ASA CX user guide for more information.

## Information About Authentication Proxy

When the ASA CX needs to authenticate an HTTP user (to take advantage of identity policies), you must configure the ASA to act as an authentication proxy: the ASA CX module redirects authentication requests to the ASA interface IP address/proxy port. By default, the port is 885 (user configurable). Configure this feature as part of the service policy to divert traffic from the ASA to the ASA CX module. If you do not enable the authentication proxy, only passive authentication is available.

**Note**

If you have a connection between hosts on two ASA interfaces, and the ASA CX service policy is only configured for one of the interfaces, then all traffic between these hosts is sent to the ASA CX module, including traffic originating on the non-ASA CX interface (the feature is bidirectional). However, the ASA only performs the authentication proxy on the interface to which the service policy is applied, because this feature is ingress-only.

## Information About VPN and the ASA CX Module

The ASA includes VPN client and user authentication metadata from the Cisco AnyConnect client when forwarding traffic to the ASA CX module, which allows the ASA CX module to include this information as part of its policy lookup criteria. The VPN metadata is sent only at VPN tunnel establishment time along with a type-length-value (TLV) containing the session ID. The ASA CX module caches the VPN metadata for each session. Each tunneled connection sends the session ID so the ASA CX module can look up that session's metadata.

## Compatibility with ASA Features

The ASA includes many advanced application inspection features, including HTTP inspection. However, the ASA CX module provides more advanced HTTP inspection than the ASA provides, as well as additional features for other applications, including monitoring and controlling application usage.

To take full advantage of the ASA CX module features, see the following guidelines for traffic that you send to the ASA CX module:

- Do not configure ASA inspection on HTTP traffic.
- Do not configure Cloud Web Security (ScanSafe) inspection. If you configure both the ASA CX action and Cloud Web Security inspection for the same traffic, the ASA only performs the ASA CX action.
- Other application inspections on the ASA are compatible with the ASA CX module, including the default inspections.
- Do not enable the Mobile User Security (MUS) server; it is not compatible with the ASA CX module.
- Do not enable ASA clustering; it is not compatible with the ASA CX module.
- If you enable failover, when the ASA fails over, any existing ASA CX flows are transferred to the new ASA, but the traffic is allowed through the ASA without being acted upon by the ASA CX module. Only new flows received by the new ASA are acted upon by the ASA CX module.
- (9.1(1) and earlier) Does not support NAT 64. In 9.1(2) and later, NAT 64 is supported.

## Licensing Requirements for the ASA CX Module

Model	License Requirement
ASAv	Standard or Premium License.
All other models	Base License.

The ASA CX module and PRSM require additional licenses. See the ASA CX documentation for more information.

## Prerequisites

To use PRSM to configure the ASA, you need to install a certificate on the ASA for secure communications. By default, the ASA generates a self-signed certificate. However, this certificate can cause browser prompts asking you to verify the certificate because the publisher is unknown. To avoid these browser prompts, you can instead install a certificate from a known certificate authority (CA). If you request a certificate from a CA, be sure the certificate type is both a server authentication certificate and a client authentication certificate. See the general operations configuration guide for more information.

## Guidelines and Limitations

### Context Mode Guidelines

(9.1(2) and earlier) Supported in single context mode only. Does not support multiple context mode.

(9.1(3) and later) Supported in multiple context mode. See the following guidelines:

- The ASA CX module itself (configured in PRSM) is a single context mode device; the context-specific traffic coming from the ASA is checked against the common ASA CX policy.

- For ASA CX module support, you cannot use the same IP addresses in multiple contexts; each context must include unique networks.

#### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode. Traffic-forwarding interfaces are only supported in transparent mode.

#### Failover Guidelines

Does not support failover directly; when the ASA fails over, any existing ASA CX flows are transferred to the new ASA, but the traffic is allowed through the ASA without being inspected by the ASA CX.

#### ASA Clustering Guidelines

Does not support clustering.

#### IPv6 Guidelines

- Supports IPv6.
- (9.1(1) and earlier) Does not support NAT 64. In 9.1(2) and later, NAT 64 is supported.

#### Model Guidelines

- Supported only on the ASA 5585-X and 5512-X through ASA 5555-X. See the *Cisco ASA Compatibility Matrix* for more information:  
<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/security/asa/compatibility/asamatrix.html>
- For the 5512-X through ASA 5555-X, you must install a Cisco solid state drive (SSD). For more information, see the ASA 5500-X hardware guide.

#### Monitor-Only Mode Guidelines

- You cannot configure both monitor-only mode and normal inline mode at the same time on the ASA. Only one type of security policy is allowed. In multiple context mode, you cannot configure monitor-only mode for some contexts, and regular inline mode for others.
- The following features are not supported in monitor-only mode:
  - Deny policies
  - Active authentication
  - Decryption policies
- The ASA CX does not perform packet buffering in monitor-only mode, and events will be generated on a best-effort basis. For example, some events, such as ones with long URLs spanning packet boundaries, may be impacted by the lack of buffering.
- Be sure to configure both the ASA policy and the ASA CX to have matching modes: both in monitor-only mode, or both in normal inline mode.

Additional guidelines for traffic-forwarding interfaces:

- The ASA must be in transparent mode.
- You can configure up to 4 interfaces as traffic-forwarding interfaces. Other ASA interfaces can be used as normal.
- Traffic-forwarding interfaces must be physical interfaces, not VLANs or BVIs. The physical interface also cannot have any VLANs associated with it.

- Traffic-forwarding interfaces cannot be used for ASA traffic; you cannot name them or configure them for ASA features, including failover or management-only.
- You cannot configure both a traffic-forwarding interface and a service policy for ASA CX traffic.

#### Additional Guidelines and Limitations

- See [Compatibility with ASA Features, page 25-5](#).
- You cannot change the software type installed on the hardware module; if you purchase an ASA CX module, you cannot later install other software on it.

## Default Settings

[Table 25-1](#) lists the default settings for the ASA CX module.

**Table 25-1**      **Default Network Parameters**

Parameters	Default
Management IP address	ASA 5585-X: Management 1/0 192.168.8.8/24 ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X: Management 0/0 192.168.1.2/24
Gateway	ASA 5585-X: 192.168.8.1/24 ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X: 192.168.1.1/24
SSH or session Username	admin
Password	Admin123

## Configuring the ASA CX Module

This section describes how to configure the ASA CX module.

- [Task Flow for the ASA CX Module, page 25-9](#)
- [Connecting the ASA CX Management Interface, page 25-10](#)
- [\(ASA 5585-X\) Changing the ASA CX Management IP Address, page 25-14](#)
- [\(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X; May Be Required\) Installing the Software Module, page 25-13](#)
- [Configuring Basic ASA CX Settings at the ASA CX CLI, page 25-15](#)
- [Configuring the Security Policy on the ASA CX Module Using PRSM, page 25-17](#)
- [Redirecting Traffic to the ASA CX Module, page 25-18](#)

## Task Flow for the ASA CX Module

Configuring the ASA CX module is a process that includes configuration of the ASA CX security policy on the ASA CX module and then configuration of the ASA to send traffic to the ASA CX module. To configure the ASA CX module, perform the following steps:

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- Step 1** Cable the ASA CX management interfaces and optionally, the console interface. See [Connecting the ASA CX Management Interface, page 25-10](#).
  - Step 2** (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X; May be required) Install the software module. See [\(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X; May Be Required\) Installing the Software Module, page 25-13](#).
  - Step 3** (ASA 5585-X; Optional) Configure the ASA CX module management IP address for initial SSH access. See [\(ASA 5585-X\) Changing the ASA CX Management IP Address, page 25-14](#).
  - Step 4** On the ASA CX module, configure basic settings. See [Configuring Basic ASA CX Settings at the ASA CX CLI, page 25-15](#).
  - Step 5** On the ASA CX module, configure the security policy using PRSM. See [Configuring the Security Policy on the ASA CX Module Using PRSM, page 25-17](#).
  - Step 6** (Optional) On the ASA, configure the authentication proxy port. See [\(Optional\) Configuring the Authentication Proxy Port, page 25-17](#).
  - Step 7** On the ASA, identify traffic to divert to the ASA CX module. See [Redirecting Traffic to the ASA CX Module, page 25-18](#).



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**Note** When using PRSM in multiple device mode, you can configure the ASA policy for sending traffic to the ASA CX module within PRSM, instead of using ASDM or the ASA CLI. However, PRSM has some limitations when configuring the ASA service policy; see the ASA CX user guide for more information.

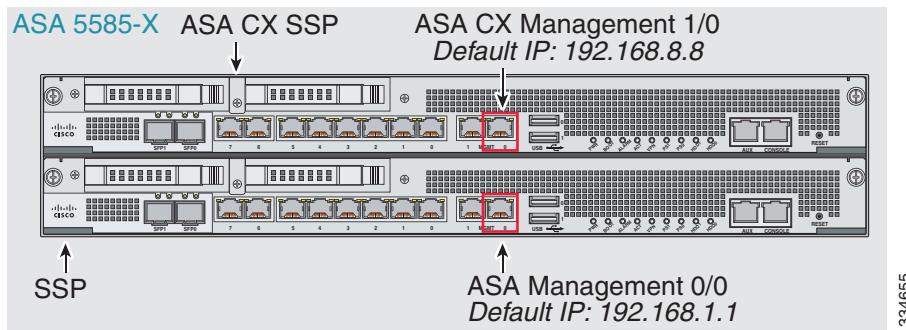
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## Connecting the ASA CX Management Interface

In addition to providing management access to the ASA CX module, the ASA CX management interface needs access to an HTTP proxy server or a DNS server and the Internet for signature updates and more. This section describes recommended network configurations. Your network may differ.

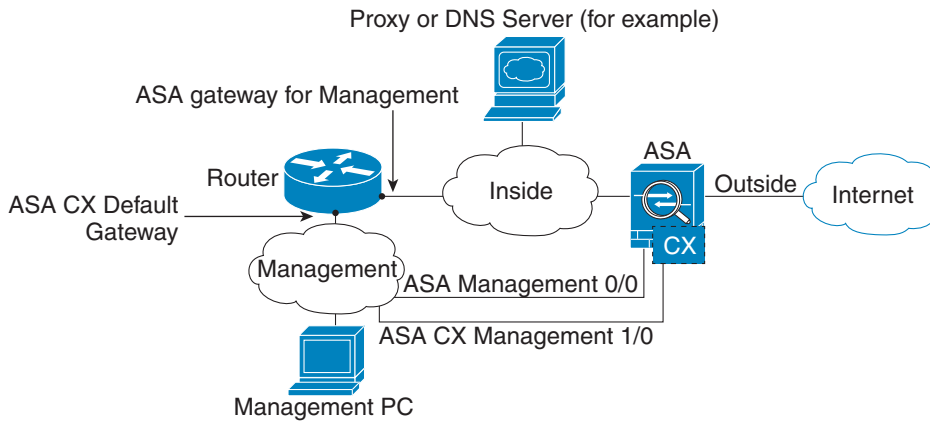
### ASA 5585-X (Hardware Module)

The ASA CX module includes a separate management and console interface from the ASA. For initial setup, you can connect with SSH to the ASA CX Management 1/0 interface using the default IP address (192.168.8.8/24). If you cannot use the default IP address, you can either use the console port or use ASDM to change the management IP address so you can use SSH.



#### If you have an inside router

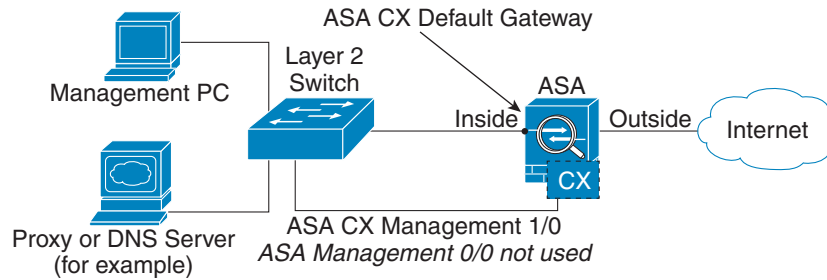
If you have an inside router, you can route between the management network, which can include both the ASA Management 0/0 and ASA CX Management 1/0 interfaces, and the ASA inside network for Internet access. Be sure to also add a route on the ASA to reach the Management network through the inside router.



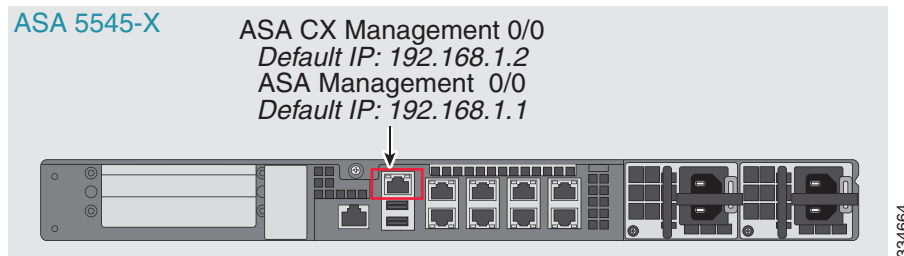


**If you do not have an inside router**

If you have only one inside network, then you cannot also have a separate management network, which would require an inside router to route between the networks. In this case, you can manage the ASA from the inside interface instead of the Management 0/0 interface. Because the ASA CX module is a separate device from the ASA, you can configure the ASA CX Management 1/0 address to be on the same network as the inside interface.

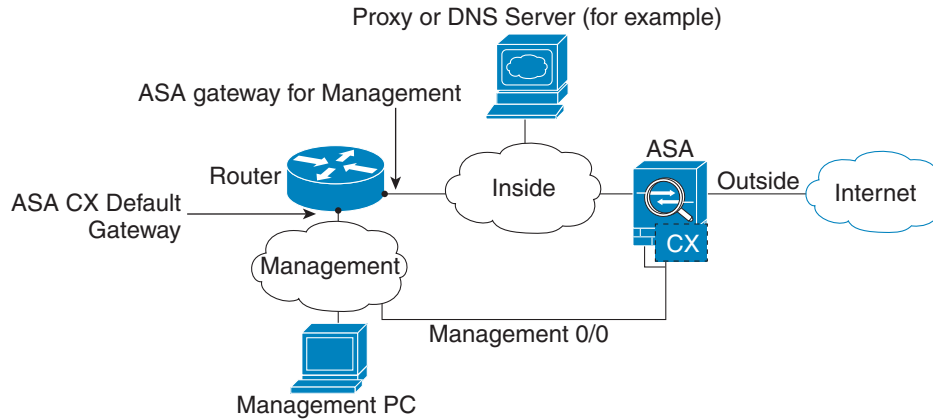
**ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X (Software Module)**

These models run the ASA CX module as a software module, and the ASA CX management interface shares the Management 0/0 interface with the ASA. For initial setup, you can connect with SSH to the ASA CX default IP address (192.168.1.2/24). If you cannot use the default IP address, you can either session to the ASA CX over the backplane or use ASDM to change the management IP address so you can use SSH.



**If you have an inside router**

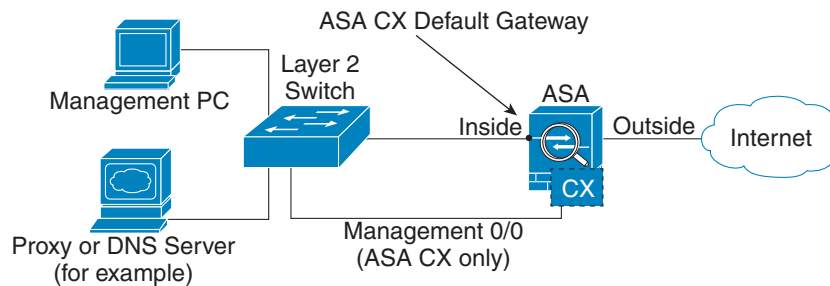
If you have an inside router, you can route between the Management 0/0 network, which includes both the ASA and ASA CX management IP addresses, and the inside network for Internet access. Be sure to also add a route on the ASA to reach the Management network through the inside router.



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**If you do not have an inside router**

If you have only one inside network, then you cannot also have a separate management network. In this case, you can manage the ASA from the inside interface instead of the Management 0/0 interface. If you remove the ASA-configured name from the Management 0/0 interface, you can still configure the ASA CX IP address for that interface. Because the ASA CX module is essentially a separate device from the ASA, you *can* configure the ASA CX management address to be on the same network as the inside interface.



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**Note**

You must remove the ASA-configured name for Management 0/0; if it is configured on the ASA, then the ASA CX address must be on the same network as the ASA, and that excludes any networks already configured on other ASA interfaces. If the name is not configured, then the ASA CX address can be on any network, for example, the ASA inside network.

**What to Do Next**

- (Optional) Configure the ASA CX management IP address. See [\(ASA 5585-X\) Changing the ASA CX Management IP Address, page 25-14](#).
- Configure basic ASA CX settings. See [Configuring Basic ASA CX Settings at the ASA CX CLI, page 25-15](#).

## (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X; May Be Required) Installing the Software Module

If you purchase the ASA with the ASA CX module, the module software and required solid state drive(s) (SSDs) come pre-installed and ready to go. If you want to add the ASA CX to an existing ASA, or need to replace the SSD, you need to install the ASA CX boot software and partition the SSD according to this procedure. To physically install the SSD, see the ASA hardware guide.



### Note

For the ASA 5585-X hardware module, you must install or upgrade your image from within the ASA CX module. See the ASA CX module documentation for more information.

### Prerequisites

- The free space on flash (disk0) should be at least 3GB plus the size of the boot software.
- In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

### Detailed Steps

**Step 1** Download the ASA CX boot software from Cisco.com to your computer. If you have a Cisco.com login, you can obtain the boot software from the following website:

<http://www.cisco.com/cisco/software/release.html?mdfid=284325223&softwareid=284399946>

The boot software lets you set basic ASA CX network configuration, partition the SSD, and download the larger system software from a server of your choice to the SSD.

**Step 2** Download the ASA CX system software from Cisco.com to an HTTP, HTTPS, or FTP server accessible from the ASA CX management interface. If you have a Cisco.com login, you can obtain the boot software from the following website:

<http://www.cisco.com/cisco/software/release.html?mdfid=284325223&softwareid=284399946>

**Step 3** Copy the boot software to disk0 on the ASA using the **copy** command. Do *not* transfer the system software; it is downloaded later to the SSD. For example:

```
hostname# copy tftp://10.1.1.1/asacx-boot-9.1.1.img disk0:/asacx-boot-9.1.1.img
```

**Step 4** If you are replacing the IPS module with the ASA CX module, shut down and uninstall the IPS module, and then reload the ASA:

```
hostname# sw-module module ips shutdown
hostname# sw-module module ips uninstall
hostname# reload
```

After the ASA reloads, reconnect to the ASA CLI.

**Step 5** Set the ASA CX module boot image location in ASA disk0 by entering the following command:

```
hostname# sw-module module cxsc recover configure image disk0:file_path
```

### Example:

```
hostname# sw-module module cxsc recover configure image disk0:asacx-boot-9.1.1.img
```

**Step 6** Load the ASA CX boot image by entering the following command:

```
hostname# sw-module module cxsc recover boot
```

- Step 7** Wait approximately 5 minutes for the ASA CX module to boot up, and then open a console session to the now-running ASA CX boot image. The default username is **admin** and the default password is **Admin123**.

```
hostname# session cxsc console
Establishing console session with slot 1
Opening console session with module cxsc.
Connected to module cxsc. Escape character sequence is 'CTRL-SHIFT-6 then x'.
cxsc login: admin
Password: Admin123
```

- Step 8** Partition the SSD:

```
asacx-boot> partition
....
Partition Successfully Completed
```

- Step 9** Perform the basic network setup using the **setup** command according to the [Configuring Basic ASA CX Settings at the ASA CX CLI, page 25-15](#) (do not exit the ASA CX CLI), and then return to this procedure to install the software image.

- Step 10** Install the system software from the server:

```
asacx-boot> system install url
```

#### Example:

The following command installs the asacx-sys-9.1.1.pkg system software.

```
asacx-boot> system install https://upgrades.example.com/packages/asacx-sys-9.1.1.pkg
```

```
Username: buffy
Password: angelforever
Verifying
Downloading
Extracting
Package Detail
  Description:
  Requires reboot:
Cisco ASA CX System Upgrade
Yes
Do you want to continue with upgrade? [n]: Y
Warning: Please do not interrupt the process or turn off the system. Doing so might leave
system in unusable state.
Upgrading
Stopping all the services ...
Starting upgrade process ...
Reboot is required to complete the upgrade. Press Enter to reboot the system.
```

- Step 11** Press **Enter** to reboot the ASA CX module. Rebooting the module closes the console session. Allow 10 or more minutes for application component installation and for the ASA CX services to start.

## (ASA 5585-X) Changing the ASA CX Management IP Address

If you cannot use the default management IP address (192.168.8.8), then you can set the management IP address from the ASA. After you set the management IP address, you can access the ASA CX module using SSH to perform initial setup.

**Note**

For a software module, you can access the ASA CX CLI to perform setup by sessioning from the ASA CLI; you can then set the ASA CX management IP address as part of setup. See [Configuring Basic ASA CX Settings at the ASA CX CLI, page 25-15](#).

**Guidelines**

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

**Detailed Steps**

Command	Purpose
<pre>session 1 do setup host ip ip_address/mask,gateway_ip</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname# session 1 do setup host ip 10.1.1.2/24,10.1.1.1</pre>	Sets the ASA CX management IP address, mask, and gateway.

## Configuring Basic ASA CX Settings at the ASA CX CLI

You must configure basic network settings and other parameters on the ASA CX module before you can configure your security policy.

**Detailed Steps**

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- Step 1** Do one of the following:
- (All models) Use SSH to connect to the ASA CX management IP address.
  - (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Open a console session to the module from the ASA CLI (see the “Getting Started” chapter in the general operations configuration guide to access the ASA CLI). In multiple context mode, session from the system execution space.
- ```
hostname# session cxsc console
```
- Step 2** Log in with the username **admin** and the password **Admin123**. You will change the password as part of this procedure.
- Step 3** Enter the following command:
- ```
asacx> setup
```
- Example:**
- ```
asacx> setup
Welcome to Cisco Prime Security Manager Setup
[hit Ctrl-C to abort]
Default values are inside [ ]
```

You are prompted through the setup wizard. The following example shows a typical path through the wizard; if you enter **Y** instead of **N** at a prompt, you will be able to configure some additional settings. This example shows how to configure both IPv4 and IPv6 static addresses. You can configure IPv6 stateless auto configuration by answering **N** when asked if you want to configure a static IPv6 address.

```

Enter a hostname [asacx]: asa-cx-host
Do you want to configure IPv4 address on management interface?(y/n) [Y]: Y
Do you want to enable DHCP for IPv4 address assignment on management interface?(y/n) [N]: N
Enter an IPv4 address [192.168.8.8]: 10.89.31.65
Enter the netmask [255.255.255.0]: 255.255.255.0
Enter the gateway [192.168.8.1]: 10.89.31.1
Do you want to configure static IPv6 address on management interface?(y/n) [N]: Y
Enter an IPv6 address: 2001:DB8:0:CD30::1234/64
Enter the gateway: 2001:DB8:0:CD30::1
Enter the primary DNS server IP address [ ]: 10.89.47.11
Do you want to configure Secondary DNS Server? (y/n) [N]: N
Do you want to configure Local Domain Name? (y/n) [N] Y
Enter the local domain name: example.com
Do you want to configure Search domains? (y/n) [N] Y
Enter the comma separated list for search domains: example.com
Do you want to enable the NTP service?(y/n) [N]: Y
Enter the NTP servers separated by commas: 1.ntp.example.com, 2.ntp.example.com

```

- Step 4** After you complete the final prompt, you are presented with a summary of the settings. Look over the summary to verify that the values are correct, and enter **Y** to apply your changed configuration. Enter **N** to cancel your changes.

**Example:**

```

Apply the changes?(y,n) [Y]: Y
Configuration saved successfully!
Applying...
Done.
Generating self-signed certificate, the web server will be restarted after that
...
Done.
Press ENTER to continue...
asacx>

```




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**Note** If you change the host name, the prompt does not show the new name until you log out and log back in.

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- Step 5** If you do not use NTP, configure the time settings. The default time zone is the UTC time zone. Use the **show time** command to see the current settings. You can use the following commands to change time settings:

```

asacx> config timezone
asacx> config time

```

- Step 6** Change the admin password by entering the following command:

```

asacx> config passwd

```

**Example:**

```

asacx> config passwd
The password must be at least 8 characters long and must contain
at least one uppercase letter (A-Z), at least one lowercase letter
(a-z) and at least one digit (0-9).
Enter password: Farscape1
Confirm password: Farscape1
SUCCESS: Password changed for user admin

```

- Step 7** Enter the **exit** command to log out.
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## Configuring the Security Policy on the ASA CX Module Using PRSM

This section describes how to launch PRSM to configure the ASA CX module application. For details on using PRSM to configure your ASA CX security policy, see the ASA CX user guide.

### Detailed Steps

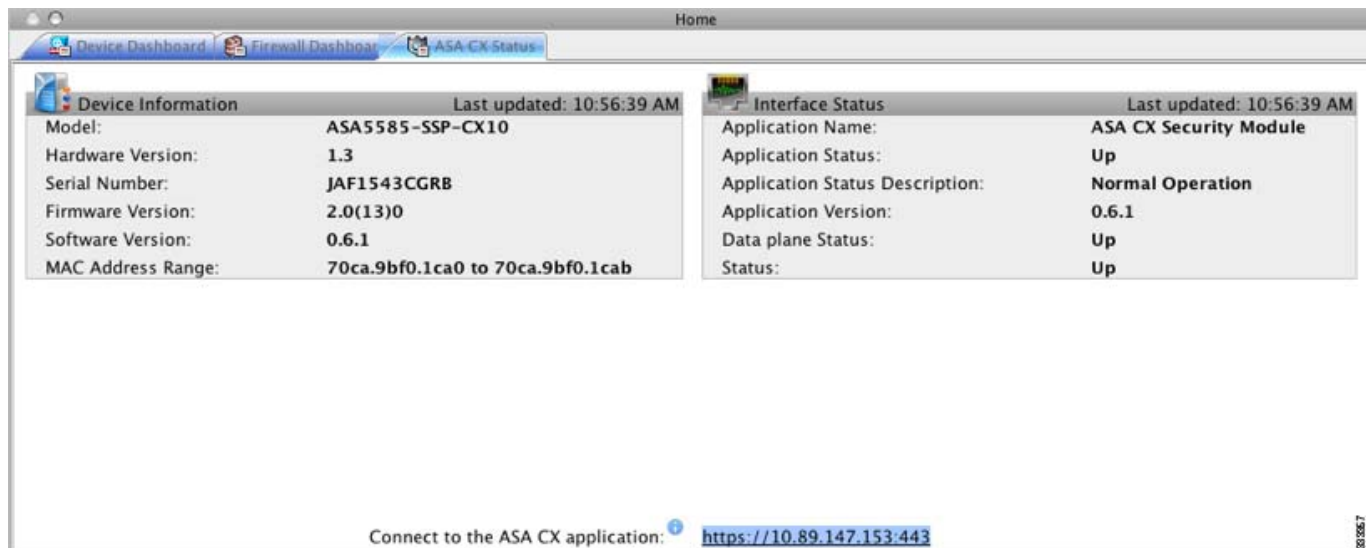
You can launch PRSM from your web browser, or you can launch it from ASDM.

- Launch PRSM from a web browser by enter the following URL:

`https://ASA_CX_management_IP`

Where the ASA CX management IP address is the one you set in the [Configuring Basic ASA CX Settings at the ASA CX CLI, page 25-15](#).

- Launch PRSM from ASDM by choosing **Home > ASA CX Status**, and clicking the **Connect to the ASA CX application** link.



### What to Do Next

- (Optional) Configure the authentication proxy port. See [\(Optional\) Configuring the Authentication Proxy Port, page 25-17](#).
- Redirect traffic to the ASA CX module. See [Redirecting Traffic to the ASA CX Module, page 25-18](#).

## (Optional) Configuring the Authentication Proxy Port

The default authentication port is 885. To change the authentication proxy port, perform the following steps. For more information about the authentication proxy, see [Information About Authentication Proxy, page 25-5](#).

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure within each security context.

## Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>cxsc auth-proxy port port</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config)# cxsc auth-proxy port 5000</p> | Sets the authentication proxy port greater than 1024. The default is 885. |

## Redirecting Traffic to the ASA CX Module

You can redirect traffic to the ASA CX module by creating a service policy that identifies specific traffic. For demonstration purposes only, you can also enable monitor-only mode for the service policy, which forwards a copy of traffic to the ASA CX module, while the original traffic remains unaffected.

Another option for demonstration purposes is to configure a traffic-forwarding interface instead of a service policy in monitor-only mode. The traffic-forwarding interface sends all traffic directly to the ASA CX module, bypassing the ASA.

- [Creating the ASA CX Service Policy, page 25-18](#)
- [Configuring Traffic-Forwarding Interfaces \(Monitor-Only Mode\), page 25-20](#)

## Creating the ASA CX Service Policy

This section identifies traffic to redirect from the ASA to the ASA CX module. Configure this policy on the ASA. If you want to use a traffic-forwarding interface for demonstration purposes, skip this procedure and see [Configuring Traffic-Forwarding Interfaces \(Monitor-Only Mode\), page 25-20](#) instead.



### Note

When using PRSM in multiple device mode, you can configure the ASA policy for sending traffic to the ASA CX module within PRSM, instead of using ASDM or the ASA CLI. However, PRSM has some limitations when configuring the ASA service policy; see the ASA CX user guide for more information.

## Prerequisites

- If you enable the authentication proxy on the ASA using this procedure, be sure to also configure a directory realm for authentication on the ASA CX module. See the ASA CX user guide for more information.
- If you have an active service policy redirecting traffic to an IPS module (that you replaced with the ASA CX), you must remove that policy before you configure the ASA CX service policy.
- Be sure to configure both the ASA policy and the ASA CX to have matching modes: both in monitor-only mode, or both in normal inline mode.
- In multiple context mode, perform this procedure within each security context.



## Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| Step 1 | <p><b>class-map</b> <i>name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> <pre>hostname(config)# class-map cx_class</pre></p>                                                                                | <p>Creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to send to the ASA CX module.</p> <p>If you want to send multiple traffic classes to the ASA CX module, you can create multiple class maps for use in the security policy.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Step 2 | <p><b>match</b> <i>parameter</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> <pre>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list cx_traffic</pre></p>                                                                | <p>Specifies the traffic in the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a>, page 1-12 for more information.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Step 3 | <p><b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> <pre>hostname(config)# policy-map cx_policy</pre></p>                                                                             | <p>Adds or edits a policy map that sets the actions to take with the class map traffic.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Step 4 | <p><b>class</b> <i>name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> <pre>hostname(config-pmap)# class cx_class</pre></p>                                                                                   | <p>Identifies the class map you created in <a href="#">Step 1</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Step 5 | <p><b>cxsc</b> {<b>fail-close</b>   <b>fail-open</b>} [<b>auth-proxy</b>   <b>monitor-only</b>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> <pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# cxsc fail-close auth-proxy</pre></p> | <p>Specifies that the traffic should be sent to the ASA CX module.</p> <p>The <b>fail-close</b> keyword sets the ASA to block all traffic if the ASA CX module is unavailable.</p> <p>The <b>fail-open</b> keyword sets the ASA to allow all traffic through, uninspected, if the ASA CX module is unavailable.</p> <p>The optional <b>auth-proxy</b> keyword enables the authentication proxy, which is required for active authentication.</p> <p>For demonstration purposes only, specify <b>monitor-only</b> to send a read-only copy of traffic to the ASA CX module. When you configure this option, you see a warning message similar to the following:</p> <pre>WARNING: Monitor-only mode should be used for demonstrations and evaluations only. This mode prevents CXSC from denying or altering traffic.</pre> <p>See <a href="#">Monitor-Only Mode</a>, page 25-3 for more information.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You must configure all classes and policies to be either in monitor-only mode, or in normal inline mode; you cannot mix both modes on the same ASA.</p> |

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                    | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 6 | (Optional)<br><code>class name2</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config-pmap)# class cx_class2</code>                                                                       | If you created multiple class maps for ASA CX traffic, you can specify another class for the policy.<br><br>See <a href="#">Feature Matching Within a Service Policy, page 1-3</a> for detailed information about how the order of classes matters within a policy map. Traffic cannot match more than one class map for the same action type.                   |
| Step 7 | (Optional)<br><code>cxsc {fail-close   fail-open} [auth-proxy<br/>  monitor-only]</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config-pmap-c)# cxsc fail-close<br/>auth-proxy</code>    | Specifies that the second class of traffic should be sent to the ASA CX module.<br><br>Add as many classes as desired by repeating these steps.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Step 8 | <code>service-policy policymap_name {global  <br/>interface interface_name}</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# service-policy cx_policy<br/>interface outside</code> | Activates the policy map on one or more interfaces. <b>global</b> applies the policy map to all interfaces, and <b>interface</b> applies the policy to one interface. Only one global policy is allowed. You can override the global policy on an interface by applying a service policy to that interface. You can only apply one policy map to each interface. |

## Configuring Traffic-Forwarding Interfaces (Monitor-Only Mode)

This section configures traffic-forwarding interfaces, where all traffic is forwarded directly to the ASA CX module. This method is for demonstration purposes only. For a normal ASA CX service policy, see [Creating the ASA CX Service Policy, page 25-18](#).

For more information see [Monitor-Only Mode, page 25-3](#). See also the [Guidelines and Limitations, page 25-6](#) for guidelines and limitations specific to traffic-forwarding interfaces.

### Prerequisites

- Be sure to configure both the ASA policy and the ASA CX to have matching modes: both in monitor-only.
- In multiple context mode, perform this procedure within each security context.

## Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                             | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <code>interface physical_interface</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# interface<br>gigabitethernet 0/5              | Enters interface configuration mode for the physical interface you want to use for traffic-forwarding.                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Step 2 | <code>no nameif</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ifc)# no nameif                                                    | Removes any name configured for the interface. If this interface was used in any ASA configuration, that configuration is removed. You cannot configure traffic-forwarding on a named interface.                                                                                |
| Step 3 | <code>traffic-forward cxsc monitor-only</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ifc)# traffic-forward cxsc<br>monitor-only | Enables traffic-forwarding. You see a warning similar to the following:<br><br>WARNING: This configuration is purely for demo of CX functionality and shouldn't be used on a production ASA and any issues found when mixing demo feature with production ASA is not supported. |
| Step 4 | <code>no shutdown</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-ifc)# no shutdown                                                | Enables the interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

**Step 8** Repeat for any additional interfaces.

**Step 9** Click **Send**.

## Examples

The following example makes GigabitEthernet 0/5 a traffic-forwarding interface:

```
interface gigabitethernet 0/5
  no nameif
  traffic-forward cxsc monitor-only
  no shutdown
```

# Managing the ASA CX Module

This section includes procedures that help you manage the module.

- [Resetting the Password, page 25-22](#)
- [Reloading or Resetting the Module, page 25-22](#)
- [Shutting Down the Module, page 25-23](#)
- [\(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X\) Uninstalling a Software Module Image, page 25-24](#)
- [\(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X\) Sessioning to the Module From the ASA, page 25-24](#)

## Resetting the Password

You can reset the module password to the default. For the user **admin**, the default password is **Admin123**. After resetting the password, you should change it to a unique value using the module application.

Resetting the module password causes the module to reboot. Services are not available while the module is rebooting.

To reset the module password to the default of Admin123, perform the following steps.

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| For a hardware module (ASA 5585-X):<br><code>hw-module module 1 password-reset</code>                       | Resets the module password to <b>Admin123</b> for user <b>admin</b> . |
| For a software module (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X):<br><code>sw-module module cxsc password-reset</code> |                                                                       |
| <b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname# hw-module module 1 do password-reset</code>                              |                                                                       |

## Reloading or Resetting the Module

To reload or reset the module, enter one of the following commands at the ASA CLI.

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

## Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Purpose                                        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| For a hardware module (ASA 5585-X):<br><pre>hw-module module 1 reload</pre><br>For a software module (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X):<br><pre>sw-module module cxsc reload</pre><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# hw-module module 1 reload</pre> | Reloads the module software.                   |
| For a hardware module:<br><pre>hw-module module 1 reset</pre><br>For a software module:<br><pre>sw-module module cxsc reset</pre><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# hw-module module 1 reset</pre>                                                 | Performs a reset, and then reloads the module. |

## Shutting Down the Module

Shutting down the module software prepares the module to be safely powered off without losing configuration data. **Note:** If you reload the ASA, the module is not automatically shut down, so we recommend shutting down the module before reloading the ASA. To gracefully shut down the module, perform the following steps at the ASA CLI.

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

## Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Purpose                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| For a hardware module (ASA 5585-X):<br><pre>hw-module module 1 shutdown</pre><br>For a software module (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X):<br><pre>sw-module module cxsc shutdown</pre><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# hw-module module 1 shutdown</pre> | Shuts down the module. |

## (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Uninstalling a Software Module Image

To uninstall a software module image and associated configuration, perform the following steps.

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Purpose                                                                            |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <pre>sw-module module cxsc uninstall</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname# sw-module module cxsc uninstall<br/> Module cxsc will be uninstalled. This will completely remove the disk image associated with the sw-module including any configuration that existed within it.</p> <pre>Uninstall module &lt;id&gt;? [confirm]</pre> | Permanently uninstalls the software module image and associated configuration.     |
| Step 2 | <pre>reload</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname# reload </p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Reloads the ASA. You must reload the ASA before you can install a new module type. |

## (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Sessioning to the Module From the ASA

To access the ASA CX software module CLI from the ASA, you can session from the ASA. You can either session to the module (using Telnet) or create a virtual console session. A console session might be useful if the control plane is down and you cannot establish a Telnet session.

### Guidelines

In multiple context mode, perform this procedure in the system execution space.

## Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <p>Telnet session.</p> <pre>session cxsc</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname# session cxsc</p> <p>Opening command session with slot 1.<br/>Connected to module cxsc. Escape character sequence is 'CTRL-^X'.</p> <pre>cxsc login: admin Password: Admin123</pre>                                                                                | <p>Accesses the module using Telnet. You are prompted for the username and password. The default username is <b>admin</b>, and the default password is <b>Admin123</b>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <p>Console session.</p> <pre>session cxsc console</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname# session cxsc console</p> <p>Establishing console session with slot 1<br/>Opening console session with module cxsc.<br/>Connected to module cxsc. Escape character sequence is 'CTRL-SHIFT-6 then x'.</p> <pre>cxsc login: admin Password: Admin123</pre> | <p>Accesses the module console. You are prompted for the username and password. The default username is <b>admin</b>, and the default password is <b>Admin123</b>.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Do not use this command in conjunction with a terminal server where <b>Ctrl-Shift-6, x</b> is the escape sequence to return to the terminal server prompt. <b>Ctrl-Shift-6, x</b> is also the sequence to escape the ASA CX console and return to the ASA prompt. Therefore, if you try to exit the ASA CX console in this situation, you instead exit all the way to the terminal server prompt. If you reconnect the terminal server to the ASA, the ASA CX console session is still active; you can never exit to the ASA prompt. You must use a direct serial connection to return the console to the ASA prompt.</p> <p>Use the <b>session cxsc</b> command instead.</p> |

## Monitoring the ASA CX Module

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### Note

For ASA CX-related syslog messages, see the syslog messages guide. ASA CX syslog messages start with message number 429001.

## Showing Module Status

To check the status of a module, enter one of the following commands:

| Command                                     | Purpose                                                                                                               |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>show module</code>                    | Displays the status.                                                                                                  |
| <code>show module {1   cxsc} details</code> | Displays additional status information. Specify <b>1</b> for a hardware module and <b>cxsc</b> for a software module. |
| <code>show module cxsc recover</code>       | Displays the network parameters for transferring a software module boot image.                                        |

### Examples

The following is sample output from the `show module` command for an ASA with an ASA CX SSP installed:

```
hostname# show module
Mod Card Type                               Model                               Serial No.
-----
 0 ASA 5585-X Security Services Processor-10 wi ASA5585-SSP-10      JAF1507AMKE
 1 ASA 5585-X CX Security Services Processor-10 ASA5585-SSP-CX10    JAF1510BLSA

Mod MAC Address Range                       Hw Version   Fw Version   Sw Version
-----
 0 5475.d05b.1100 to 5475.d05b.110b 1.0          2.0(7)0      100.7(6)78
 1 5475.d05b.2450 to 5475.d05b.245b 1.0          2.0(13)0     0.6.1

Mod SSM Application Name                    Status        SSM Application Version
-----
 1 ASA CX Security Module                   Up            0.6.1

Mod Status      Data Plane Status   Compatibility
-----
 0 Up Sys        Not Applicable
 1 Up            Up
```

## Showing Module Statistics

To show module statistics, enter the following command:

| Command                               | Purpose                                                       |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>show service-policy cxsc</code> | Displays the ASA CX statistics and status per service policy. |

### Examples

The following is sample output from the `show service-policy` command showing the ASA CX policy and the current statistics as well as the module status when the authentication proxy is disabled:

```
hostname# show service-policy cxsc
Global policy:
  Service-policy: global_policy
  Class-map: bypass
```



```
CXSC: card status Up, mode fail-open, auth-proxy disabled
      packet input 2626422041, packet output 2626877967, drop 0, reset-drop 0, proxied 0
```

The following is sample output from the **show service-policy** command showing the ASA CX policy and the current statistics as well as the module status when the authentication proxy is enabled; in this case, the proxied counters also increment:

```
hostname# show service-policy cxsc
Global policy:
  Service-policy: pmap
  Class-map: class-default
  Default Queueing      Set connection policy: random-sequence-number disable
                        drop 0
  CXSC: card status Up, mode fail-open, auth-proxy enabled
        packet input 7724, packet output 7701, drop 0, reset-drop 0, proxied 10
```

## Monitoring Module Connections

To show connections through the ASA CX module, enter one of the following commands:

| Command                                                     | Purpose                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>show asp table classify domain cxsc</code>            | Shows the NP rules created to send traffic to the ASA CX module.               |
| <code>show asp table classify domain cxsc-auth-proxy</code> | Shows the NP rules created for the authentication proxy for the ASA CX module. |

| Command                                    | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>show asp drop</code>                 | <p>Shows dropped packets. The following drop types are used:</p> <p>Frame Drops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>cxsc-bad-tlv-received</code>—This occurs when ASA receives a packet from CXSC without a Policy ID TLV. This TLV must be present in non-control packets if it does not have the Standby Active bit set in the actions field.</li> <li><code>cxsc-request</code>—The frame was requested to be dropped by CXSC due a policy on CXSC whereby CXSC would set the actions to Deny Source, Deny Destination, or Deny Pkt.</li> <li><code>cxsc-fail-close</code>—The packet is dropped because the card is not up and the policy configured was 'fail-close' (rather than 'fail-open' which allows packets through even if the card was down).</li> <li><code>cxsc-fail</code>—The CXSC configuration was removed for an existing flow and we are not able to process it through CXSC it will be dropped. This should be very unlikely.</li> <li><code>cxsc-malformed-packet</code>—The packet from CXSC contains an invalid header. For instance, the header length may not be correct.</li> </ul> <p>Flow Drops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>cxsc-request</code>—The CXSC requested to terminate the flow. The actions bit 0 is set.</li> <li><code>reset-by-cxsc</code>—The CXSC requested to terminate and reset the flow. The actions bit 1 is set.</li> <li><code>cxsc-fail-close</code>—The flow was terminated because the card is down and the configured policy was 'fail-close'.</li> </ul> |
| <code>show asp event dp-cp cxsc-msg</code> | This output shows how many ASA CX module messages are on the dp-cp queue. Currently, only VPN queries from the ASA CX module are sent to dp-cp.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <code>show conn</code>                     | This command already shows if a connection is being forwarded to a module by displaying the 'X - inspected by service module' flag. Connections being forwarded to the ASA CX module will also display the 'X' flag.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

## Examples

The following is sample output from the `show asp table classify domain cxsc` command:

```
hostname# show asp table classify domain cxsc
Input Table
in id=0x7ffedb4acf40, priority=50, domain=cxsc, deny=false
  hits=15485658, user_data=0x7ffedb4ac840, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x0,
protocol=0
  src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0
  dst ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0, dscp=0x0
  input_ifc=outside, output_ifc=any
in id=0x7ffedb4ad4a0, priority=50, domain=cxsc, deny=false
  hits=992053, user_data=0x7ffedb4ac840, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x0, protocol=0
  src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0
  dst ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0, dscp=0x0
  input_ifc=inside, output_ifc=any
```

```

in id=0x7ffedb4ada00, priority=50, domain=cxsc, deny=false
  hits=0, user_data=0x7ffedb4ac840, cs_id=0x0, use_real_addr, flags=0x0, protocol=0
  src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0
  dst ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0, dscp=0x0
  input_ifc=m, output_ifc=any

```

Output Table:

L2 - Output Table:

L2 - Input Table:

Last clearing of hits counters: Never

The following is sample output from the **show asp table classify domain cxsc-auth-proxy** command. For the first rule in the output, the destination “port=2000” is the auth-proxy port configured by the **cxsc-auth-proxy port 2000** command, and the destination “ip/id=192.168.0.100” is the ASA interface IP address.

```

hostname# show asp table classify domain cxsc-auth-proxy
Input Table
in id=0x7ffed86cc470, priority=121, domain=cxsc-auth-proxy, deny=false
  hits=0, user_data=0x7ffed86ca220, cs_id=0x0, flags=0x0, protocol=6
  src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0
  dst ip/id=192.168.0.100, mask=255.255.255.255, port=2000, dscp=0x0
  input_ifc=inside, output_ifc=identity
in id=0x7ffed86cce20, priority=121, domain=cxsc-auth-proxy, deny=false
  hits=0, user_data=0x7ffed86ca220, cs_id=0x0, flags=0x0, protocol=6
  src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0
  dst ip/id=2.2.2.2, mask=255.255.255.255, port=2000, dscp=0x0
  input_ifc=new2, output_ifc=identity
in id=0x7ffed86cd7d0, priority=121, domain=cxsc-auth-proxy, deny=false
  hits=0, user_data=0x7ffed86ca220, cs_id=0x0, flags=0x0, protocol=6
  src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0
  dst ip/id=172.23.58.52, mask=255.255.255.255, port=2000, dscp=0x0
  input_ifc=mgmt, output_ifc=identity
in id=0x7ffed86caa80, priority=121, domain=cxsc-auth-proxy, deny=false
  hits=0, user_data=0x7ffed86ca220, cs_id=0x0, flags=0x0, protocol=6
  src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0
  dst ip/id=192.168.5.172, mask=255.255.255.255, port=2000, dscp=0x0
  input_ifc=outside, output_ifc=identity
in id=0x7ffed86cb3c0, priority=121, domain=cxsc-auth-proxy, deny=false
  hits=0, user_data=0x7ffed86ca220, cs_id=0x0, flags=0x0, protocol=6
  src ip/id>::/0, port=0
  dst ip/id=fe80::5675:d0ff:fe5b:1102/128, port=2000
  input_ifc=outside, output_ifc=identity
in id=0x7ffed742be10, priority=121, domain=cxsc-auth-proxy, deny=false
  hits=0, user_data=0x7ffed86ca220, cs_id=0x0, flags=0x0, protocol=6
  src ip/id>::/0, port=0
  dst ip/id=1:1:1:1::10/128, port=2000
  input_ifc=outside, output_ifc=identity

```

Output Table:

L2 - Output Table:

L2 - Input Table:

Last clearing of hits counters: Never

The following is sample output from the **show asp drop** command. This output is just an example and lists all the possible reasons for a dropped frame or flow from the ASA CX module:

```

hostname# show asp drop
Frame drop:
  CXSC Module received packet with bad TLV's (cxsc-bad-tlv-received)      2
  CXSC Module requested drop (cxsc-request)                               1
  CXSC card is down (cxsc-fail-close)                                     1
  CXSC config removed for flow (cxsc-fail)                               3
  CXSC Module received malformed packet (cxsc-malformed-packet)          1

Last clearing: 18:12:58 UTC May 11 2012 by enable_15

Flow drop:
  Flow terminated by CXSC (cxsc-request)                                  2
  Flow reset by CXSC (reset-by-cxsc)                                     1
  CXSC fail-close (cxsc-fail-close)                                      1

Last clearing: 18:12:58 UTC May 11 2012 by enable_15

```

The following is sample output from the **show asp event dp-cp cxsc-msg** command:

```

hostname# show asp event dp-cp cxsc-msg
DP-CP EVENT QUEUE          QUEUE-LEN  HIGH-WATER
Punt Event Queue           0          5
Identity-Traffic Event Queue 0          0
General Event Queue        0          4
Syslog Event Queue         4         90
Non-Blocking Event Queue   0          2
Midpath High Event Queue   0          53
Midpath Norm Event Queue   8074      8288
SRTP Event Queue           0          0
HA Event Queue             0          0
Threat-Detection Event Queue 0          3
ARP Event Queue            0         2048
IDFW Event Queue           0          0
CXSC Event Queue           0          1
EVENT-TYPE                ALLOC  ALLOC-FAIL  ENQUEUED  ENQ-FAIL  RETIRED  15SEC-RATE
cxsc-msg                   1      0            1          0          1          0

```

The following is sample output from the **show conn detail** command:

```

hostname# show conn detail
0 in use, 105 most used
Flags: A - awaiting inside ACK to SYN, a - awaiting outside ACK to SYN,
       B - initial SYN from outside, b - TCP state-bypass or nailed, C - CTIQBE media,
       D - DNS, d - dump, E - outside back connection, F - outside FIN, f - inside FIN,
       G - group, g - MGCP, H - H.323, h - H.225.0, I - inbound data,
       i - incomplete, J - GTP, j - GTP data, K - GTP t3-response
       k - Skinny media, M - SMTP data, m - SIP media, n - GUP
       O - outbound data, P - inside back connection, p - Phone-proxy TFTP connection,
       q - SQL*Net data, R - outside acknowledged FIN,
       R - UDP SUNRPC, r - inside acknowledged FIN, S - awaiting inside SYN,
       s - awaiting outside SYN, T - SIP, t - SIP transient, U - up,
       V - VPN orphan, W - WAAS,
       X - inspected by service module

TCP outside 208.80.152.2:80 inside 192.168.1.20:59928, idle 0:00:10, bytes 79174, flags
XUIO

```

## Capturing Module Traffic

To configure and view packet captures for the ASA CX module, enter one of the following commands:

| Command                                           | Purpose                                                              |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>capture name interface asa_dataplane</code> | Captures packets between ASA CX module and the ASA on the backplane. |
| <code>copy capture</code>                         | Copies the capture file to a server.                                 |
| <code>show capture</code>                         | Shows the capture at the ASA console.                                |



### Note

Captured packets contain an additional AFBP header that your PCAP viewer might not understand; be sure to use the appropriate plugin to view these packets.

## Troubleshooting the ASA CX Module

- [Debugging the Module, page 25-31](#)
- [Problems with the Authentication Proxy, page 25-32](#)

## Debugging the Module

To enable ASA CX debugging, enter the following command:

| Command                                           | Purpose                                           |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <code>debug cxsc [error   event   message]</code> | Enables debugs at error, event, or message level. |

When you enable the authentication proxy, the ASA generates a debug message when it sends an authentication proxy TLV to the ASA CX module, giving IP and port details:

```
DP CXSC Event: Sent Auth proxy tlv for adding Auth Proxy on interface: inside4.
DP CXSC Event: Sent Auth proxy tlv for adding Auth Proxy on interface: cx_inside.
DP CXSC Event: Sent Auth proxy tlv for adding Auth Proxy on interface: cx_outside.
```

When the interface IP address is changed, auth-proxy tlv updates are sent to the ASA CX module:

```
DP CXSC Event: Sent Auth proxy tlv for removing Auth Proxy for interface inside.
DP CXSC Event: Sent Auth proxy tlv for adding Auth Proxy on interface: inside.
```

When a flow is freed on the ASA, the ASA CX module is notified so it can clean up the flow:

```
DP CXSC Msg: Notifying CXSC that flow (handle:275233990) is being freed for
192.168.18.5:2213 -> 10.166.255.18:80.
```

When the ASA CX module sends a redirect to a client to authenticate, and that redirect is sent to the ASA, the ASA sends it to the ASA CX module. In this example, 192.168.18.3 is the interface address and port 8888 is the authentication proxy port reserved on that interface for the authentication proxy feature:

```
DP CXSC Msg: rcvd authentication proxy data from 192.168.18.5:2214 -> 192.168.18.3:8888,
forwarding to cx
```

When a VPN connection is established on the ASA, and the ASA sends connection information to the ASA CX module:

```
CXSC Event: Dumping attributes from the vpn session record
CXSC Event: tunnel->Protocol: 17
CXSC Event: tunnel->ClientVendor: SSL VPN Client
CXSC Event: tunnel->ClientVersion: Cisco AnyConnect VPN Agent for Windows 2.4.1012
CXSC Event: Sending VPN RA session data to CXSC
CXSC Event: sess index: 0x3000
CXSC Event: sess type id: 3
CXSC Event: username: devuser
CXSC Event: domain: CN=Users,DC=test,DC=priv
CXSC Event: directory type: 1
CXSC Event: login time: 1337124762
CXSC Event: nac result: 0
CXSC Event: posture token:
CXSC Event: public IP: 172.23.34.108
CXSC Event: assigned IP: 192.168.17.200
CXSC Event: client OS id: 1
CXSC Event: client OS:
CXSC Event: client type: Cisco AnyConnect VPN Agent for Windows 2.4.1012
CXSC Event: anyconnect data: , len: 0
```

## Problems with the Authentication Proxy

If you are having a problem using the authentication proxy feature, follow these steps to troubleshoot your configuration and connections:

1. Check your configurations.
  - On the ASA, check the output of the **show asp table classify domain cxsc-auth-proxy** command and make sure there are rules installed and that they are correct.
  - In PRSM, ensure the directory realm is created with the correct credentials and test the connection to make sure you can reach the authentication server; also ensure that a policy object or objects are configured for authentication.
2. Check the output of the **show service-policy cxsc** command to see if any packets were proxied.
3. Perform a packet capture on the backplane, and check to see if traffic is being redirected on the correct configured port. See [Capturing Module Traffic, page 25-31](#). You can check the configured port using the **show running-config cxsc** command or the **show asp table classify domain cxsc-auth-proxy** command.



### Note

If you have a connection between hosts on two ASA interfaces, and the ASA CX service policy is only configured for one of the interfaces, then all traffic between these hosts is sent to the ASA CX module, including traffic originating on the non-ASA CX interface (the feature is bidirectional). However, the ASA only performs the authentication proxy on the interface to which the service policy is applied, because this feature is ingress-only.

### Example 25-1 Make sure port 2000 is used consistently:

1. Check the authentication proxy port:

```
hostname# show running-config cxsc
```

```
cxsc auth-proxy port 2000
```

2. Check the authentication proxy rules:

```
hostname# show asp table classify domain cxsc-auth-proxy
```

```
Input Table
```

```
in id=0x7ffed86cc470, priority=121, domain=cxsc-auth-proxy, deny=false
  hits=0, user_data=0x7ffed86ca220, cs_id=0x0, flags=0x0, protocol=6
  src ip/id=0.0.0.0, mask=0.0.0.0, port=0
  dst ip/id=192.168.0.100, mask=255.255.255.255, port=2000, dscp=0x0
  input_ifc=inside, output_ifc=identity
```

3. In the packet captures, the redirect request should be going to destination port 2000.

## Configuration Examples for the ASA CX Module

The following example diverts all HTTP traffic to the ASA CX module, and blocks all HTTP traffic if the ASA CX module card fails for any reason:

```
hostname(config)# access-list ASACX permit tcp any any eq port 80
hostname(config)# class-map my-cx-class
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ASACX
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map my-cx-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class my-cx-class
hostname(config-pmap-c)# cxsc fail-close auth-proxy
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy my-cx-policy global
```

The following example diverts all IP traffic destined for the 10.1.1.0 network and the 10.2.1.0 network to the ASA CX module, and allows all traffic through if the ASA CX module fails for any reason.

```
hostname(config)# access-list my-cx-acl1 permit ip any 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config)# access-list my-cx-acl2 permit ip any 10.2.1.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config)# class-map my-cx-class
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list my-cx-acl1
hostname(config-cmap)# class-map my-cx-class2
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list my-cx-acl2
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map my-cx-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class my-cx-class
hostname(config-pmap-c)# cxsc fail-open auth-proxy
hostname(config-pmap-c)# class my-cx-class2
hostname(config-pmap-c)# cxsc fail-open auth-proxy
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy my-cx-policy interface outside
```

# Feature History for the ASA CX Module

Table 25-2 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 25-2** Feature History for the ASA CX Module

| Feature Name                                                         | Platform Releases             | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASA 5585-X with SSP-10 and -20 support for the ASA CX SSP-10 and -20 | ASA 8.4(4.1)<br>ASA CX 9.0(1) | <p>The ASA CX module lets you enforce security based on the complete context of a situation. This context includes the identity of the user (who), the application or website that the user is trying to access (what), the origin of the access attempt (where), the time of the attempted access (when), and the properties of the device used for the access (how). With the ASA CX module, you can extract the full context of a flow and enforce granular policies such as permitting access to Facebook but denying access to games on Facebook or permitting finance employees access to a sensitive enterprise database but denying the same access to other employees.</p> <p>We introduced or modified the following commands: <b>capture</b>, <b>cxsc</b>, <b>cxsc auth-proxy</b>, <b>debug cxsc</b>, <b>hw-module module password-reset</b>, <b>hw-module module reload</b>, <b>hw-module module reset</b>, <b>hw-module module shutdown</b>, <b>session do setup host ip</b>, <b>session do get-config</b>, <b>session do password-reset</b>, <b>show asp table classify domain cxsc</b>, <b>show asp table classify domain cxsc-auth-proxy</b>, <b>show capture</b>, <b>show conn</b>, <b>show module</b>, <b>show service-policy</b>.</p> |
| ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X support for the ASA CX SSP             | ASA 9.1(1)<br>ASA CX 9.1(1)   | <p>We introduced support for the ASA CX SSP software module for the ASA 5512-X, ASA 5515-X, ASA 5525-X, ASA 5545-X, and ASA 5555-X.</p> <p>We modified the following commands: <b>session cxsc</b>, <b>show module cxsc</b>, <b>sw-module cxsc</b>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Monitor-only mode for demonstration purposes                         | ASA 9.1(2)<br>ASA CX 9.1(2)   | <p>For demonstration purposes only, you can enable monitor-only mode for the service policy, which forwards a copy of traffic to the ASA CX module, while the original traffic remains unaffected.</p> <p>Another option for demonstration purposes is to configure a traffic-forwarding interface instead of a service policy in monitor-only mode. The traffic-forwarding interface sends all traffic directly to the ASA CX module, bypassing the ASA.</p> <p>We modified or introduced the following commands: <b>cxsc {fail-close   fail-open} monitor-only</b>, <b>traffic-forward cxsc monitor-only</b>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |



Table 25-2 Feature History for the ASA CX Module (continued)

| Feature Name                                                         | Platform Releases           | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| NAT 64 support for the ASA CX module                                 | ASA 9.1(2)<br>ASA CX 9.1(2) | You can now use NAT 64 in conjunction with the ASA CX module.<br><br>We did not modify any commands.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| ASA 5585-X with SSP-40 and -60 support for the ASA CX SSP-40 and -60 | ASA 9.1(3)<br>ASA CX 9.2(1) | ASA CX SSP-40 and -60 modules can be used with the matching level ASA 5585-X with SSP-40 and -60.<br><br>We did not modify any commands.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Multiple context mode support for the ASA CX module                  | ASA 9.1(3)<br>ASA CX 9.2(1) | You can now configure ASA CX service policies per context on the ASA.<br><br><b>Note</b> Although you can configure per context ASA service policies, the ASA CX module itself (configured in PRSM) is a single context mode device; the context-specific traffic coming from the ASA is checked against the common ASA CX policy.<br><br>We did not modify any commands.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Filtering packets captured on the ASA CX backplane                   | ASA 9.1(3)<br>ASA CX 9.2(1) | You can now filter packets captured on the ASA CX backplane using the <b>match</b> or <b>access-list</b> keyword with the <b>capture interface asa_dataplane</b> command.<br><br>Control traffic specific to the ASA CX module is not affected by the access-list or match filtering; the ASA captures all control traffic.<br><br>In multiple context mode, configure the packet capture per context. Note that all control traffic in multiple context mode goes only to the system execution space. Because control traffic cannot be filtered using an access-list or match, these options are not available in the system execution space.<br><br>We modified the following command: <b>capture interface asa_dataplane</b> . |





## ASA IPS Module

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This chapter describes how to configure the ASA IPS module. The ASA IPS module might be a hardware module or a software module, depending on your ASA model. For a list of supported ASA IPS modules per ASA model, see the *Cisco ASA Compatibility Matrix*:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/security/asa/compatibility/asamatrx.html>

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Information About the ASA IPS Module](#), page 26-1
- [Licensing Requirements for the ASA IPS module](#), page 26-5
- [Guidelines and Limitations](#), page 26-5
- [Default Settings](#), page 26-6
- [Configuring the ASA IPS module](#), page 26-7
- [Managing the ASA IPS module](#), page 26-21
- [Monitoring the ASA IPS module](#), page 26-25
- [Configuration Examples for the ASA IPS module](#), page 26-26
- [Feature History for the ASA IPS module](#), page 26-27

## Information About the ASA IPS Module

The ASA IPS module runs advanced IPS software that provides proactive, full-featured intrusion prevention services to stop malicious traffic, including worms and network viruses, before they can affect your network. This section includes the following topics:

- [How the ASA IPS Module Works with the ASA](#), page 26-2
- [Operating Modes](#), page 26-2
- [Using Virtual Sensors \(ASA 5512-X and Higher\)](#), page 26-3
- [Information About Management Access](#), page 26-4

## How the ASA IPS Module Works with the ASA

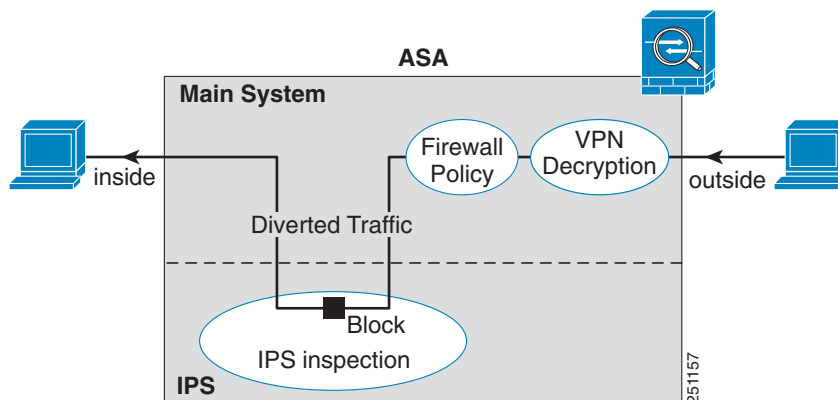
The ASA IPS module runs a separate application from the ASA. The ASA IPS module might include an external management interface so you can connect to the ASA IPS module directly; if it does not have a management interface, you can connect to the ASA IPS module through the ASA interface. The ASA IPS SSP on the ASA 5585-X includes data interfaces; these interfaces provide additional port-density for the ASA. However, the overall through-put of the ASA is not increased.

Traffic goes through the firewall checks before being forwarded to the ASA IPS module. When you identify traffic for IPS inspection on the ASA, traffic flows through the ASA and the ASA IPS module as follows. **Note:** This example is for “inline mode.” See [Operating Modes, page 26-2](#) for information about “promiscuous mode,” where the ASA only sends a copy of the traffic to the ASA IPS module.

1. Traffic enters the ASA.
2. Incoming VPN traffic is decrypted.
3. Firewall policies are applied.
4. Traffic is sent to the ASA IPS module.
5. The ASA IPS module applies its security policy to the traffic, and takes appropriate actions.
6. Valid traffic is sent back to the ASA; the ASA IPS module might block some traffic according to its security policy, and that traffic is not passed on.
7. Outgoing VPN traffic is encrypted.
8. Traffic exits the ASA.

[Figure 26-1](#) shows the traffic flow when running the ASA IPS module in inline mode. In this example, the ASA IPS module automatically blocks traffic that it identified as an attack. All other traffic is forwarded through the ASA.

**Figure 26-1** ASA IPS module Traffic Flow in the ASA: Inline Mode



## Operating Modes

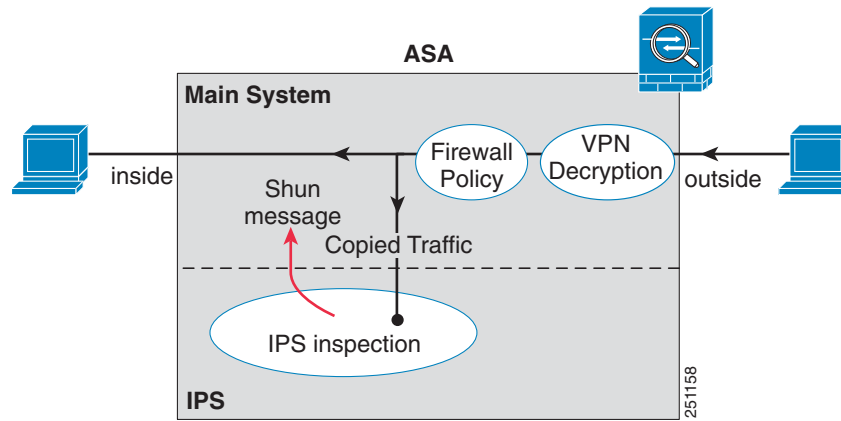
You can send traffic to the ASA IPS module using one of the following modes:

- **Inline mode**—This mode places the ASA IPS module directly in the traffic flow (see [Figure 26-1](#)). No traffic that you identified for IPS inspection can continue through the ASA without first passing through, and being inspected by, the ASA IPS module. This mode is the most secure because every

packet that you identify for inspection is analyzed before being allowed through. Also, the ASA IPS module can implement a blocking policy on a packet-by-packet basis. This mode, however, can affect throughput.

- Promiscuous mode—This mode sends a duplicate stream of traffic to the ASA IPS module. This mode is less secure, but has little impact on traffic throughput. Unlike inline mode, in promiscuous mode the ASA IPS module can only block traffic by instructing the ASA to shun the traffic or by resetting a connection on the ASA. Also, while the ASA IPS module is analyzing the traffic, a small amount of traffic might pass through the ASA before the ASA IPS module can shun it. [Figure 26-2](#) shows the ASA IPS module in promiscuous mode. In this example, the ASA IPS module sends a shun message to the ASA for traffic it identified as a threat.

**Figure 26-2** ASA IPS module Traffic Flow in the ASA: Promiscuous Mode



## Using Virtual Sensors (ASA 5512-X and Higher)

The ASA IPS module running IPS software Version 6.0 and later can run multiple virtual sensors, which means you can configure multiple security policies on the ASA IPS module. You can assign each ASA security context or single mode ASA to one or more virtual sensors, or you can assign multiple security contexts to the same virtual sensor. See the IPS documentation for more information about virtual sensors, including the maximum number of sensors supported.

[Figure 26-3](#) shows one security context paired with one virtual sensor (in inline mode), while two security contexts share the same virtual sensor.

**Figure 26-3 Security Contexts and Virtual Sensors**

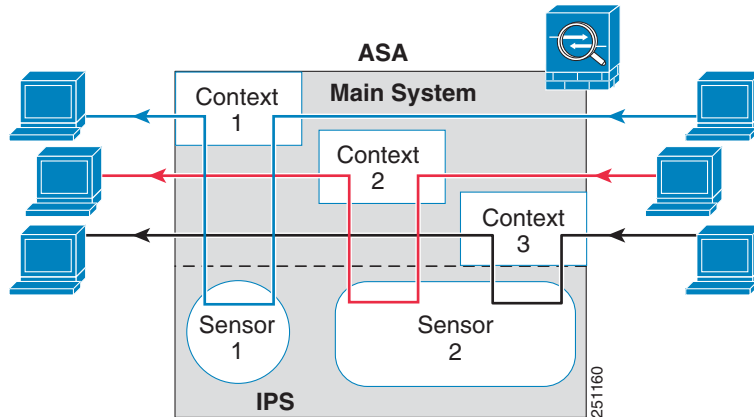
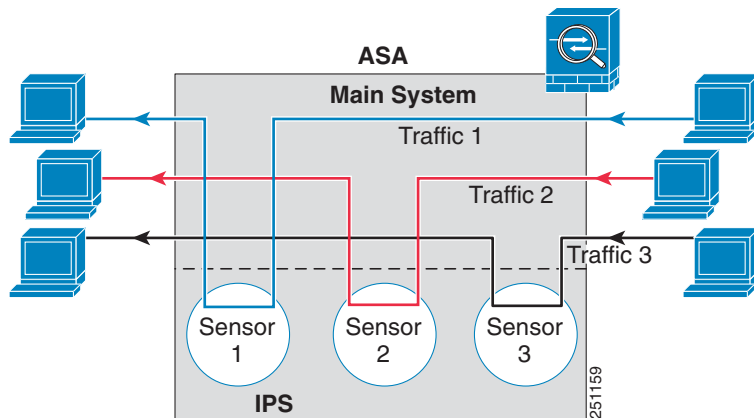


Figure 26-4 shows a single mode ASA paired with multiple virtual sensors (in inline mode); each defined traffic flow goes to a different sensor.

**Figure 26-4 Single Mode ASA with Multiple Virtual Sensors**



## Information About Management Access

You can manage the IPS application using the following methods:

- Sessioning to the module from the ASA—If you have CLI access to the ASA, then you can session to the module and access the module CLI. See [Sessioning to the Module from the ASA](#), page 26-11.
- Connecting to the IPS management interface using ASDM or SSH—After you launch ASDM from the ASA, your management station connects to the module management interface to configure the IPS application. For SSH, you can access the module CLI directly on the module management interface. (Telnet access requires additional configuration in the module application). The module management interface can also be used for sending syslog messages or allowing updates for the module application, such as signature database updates.

See the following information about the management interface:

- ASA 5585-X—The IPS management interface is a separate external Gigabit Ethernet interface.

- ASA 5512-X, ASA 5515-X, ASA 5525-X, ASA 5545-X, ASA 5555-X—These models run the ASA IPS module as a software module. The IPS management interface shares the Management 0/0 interface with the ASA. Separate MAC addresses and IP addresses are supported for the ASA and ASA IPS module. You must perform configuration of the IPS IP address within the IPS operating system (using the CLI or ASDM). However, physical characteristics (such as enabling the interface) are configured on the ASA. You can remove the ASA interface configuration (specifically the interface name) to dedicate this interface as an IPS-only interface. This interface is management-only.
- ASA 5505—You can use an ASA VLAN to allow access to an internal management IP address over the backplane.

## Licensing Requirements for the ASA IPS module

The following table shows the licensing requirements for this feature:

| Model                                                                  | License Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ASA 5505                                                               | Base License.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| ASA 5512-X,<br>ASA 5515-X,<br>ASA 5525-X,<br>ASA 5545-X,<br>ASA 5555-X | <p>IPS Module License.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The IPS module license lets you run the IPS software module on the ASA. You must also purchase a separate IPS signature subscription; for failover, purchase a subscription for each unit. To obtain IPS signature support, you must purchase the ASA with IPS pre-installed (the part number must include “IPS”). The combined failover cluster license does not let you pair non-IPS and IPS units. For example, if you buy the IPS version of the ASA 5515-X (part number ASA5515-IPS-K9) and try to make a failover pair with a non-IPS version (part number ASA5515-K9), then you will not be able to obtain IPS signature updates for the ASA5515-K9 unit, even though it has an IPS module license inherited from the other unit.</p> |
| ASA 5585-X                                                             | Base License.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| All other models                                                       | No support.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

## Guidelines and Limitations

This section includes the guidelines and limitations for this feature.

### Context Mode Guidelines

The ASA 5505 does not support multiple context mode, so multiple context features, such as virtual sensors, are not supported on the AIP SSC.

### Firewall Mode Guidelines

Supported in routed and transparent firewall mode.

### Model Guidelines

- See the *Cisco ASA Compatibility Matrix* for information about which models support which modules:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/security/asa/compatibility/asamatrix.html>

- The ASA 5505 does not support multiple context mode, so multiple context features, such as virtual sensors, are not supported on the AIP SSC.
- The ASA IPS module for the ASA 5512-X and higher supports higher performance requirements, while the ASA IPS module for the ASA 5505 is designed for a small office installation. The following features are not supported for the ASA 5505:
  - Virtual sensors
  - Anomaly detection
  - Unretirement of default retired signatures

#### Additional Guidelines

- The total throughput for the ASA plus the IPS module is lower than ASA throughput alone.
  - ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X—See [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/vpndevc/ps6032/ps6094/ps6120/qa\\_c67-700608.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/vpndevc/ps6032/ps6094/ps6120/qa_c67-700608.html)
  - ASA 5585-X—See [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/vpndevc/ps6032/ps6094/ps6120/qa\\_c67-617018.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/vpndevc/ps6032/ps6094/ps6120/qa_c67-617018.html)
  - ASA 5505—See [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/vpndevc/ps6032/ps6094/ps6120/product\\_data\\_sheet0900aecd802930c5.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/vpndevc/ps6032/ps6094/ps6120/product_data_sheet0900aecd802930c5.html)
- You cannot change the software type installed on the module; if you purchase an ASA IPS module, you cannot later install other software on it.

## Default Settings

Table 26-1 lists the default settings for the ASA IPS module.

**Table 26-1** Default Network Parameters

| Parameters                      | Default                                                |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Management VLAN (ASA 5505 only) | VLAN 1                                                 |
| Management IP address           | 192.168.1.2/24                                         |
| Gateway                         | 192.168.1.1/24 (the default ASA management IP address) |
| Username                        | cisco                                                  |
| Password                        | cisco                                                  |



#### Note

The default management IP address on the ASA is 192.168.1.1/24.



# Configuring the ASA IPS module

This section describes how to configure the ASA IPS module and includes the following topics:

- [Task Flow for the ASA IPS Module, page 26-7](#)
- [Connecting the ASA IPS Management Interface, page 26-8](#)
- [Sessioning to the Module from the ASA, page 26-11](#)
- [Configuring Basic IPS Module Network Settings, page 26-12](#)
- [\(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X\) Booting the Software Module, page 26-11](#)
- [Configuring the Security Policy on the ASA IPS Module, page 26-15](#)
- [Assigning Virtual Sensors to a Security Context \(ASA 5512-X and Higher\), page 26-16](#)
- [Diverting Traffic to the ASA IPS module, page 26-18](#)

## Task Flow for the ASA IPS Module

Configuring the ASA IPS module is a process that includes configuration of the IPS security policy on the ASA IPS module and then configuration of the ASA to send traffic to the ASA IPS module. To configure the ASA IPS module, perform the following steps:

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- Step 1** Cable the ASA IPS management interface. See [Connecting the ASA IPS Management Interface, page 26-8](#).
- Step 2** Session to the module. Access the IPS CLI over the backplane. See [Sessioning to the Module from the ASA, page 26-11](#).
- Step 3** (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X; may be required) Install the software module. See [\(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X\) Booting the Software Module, page 26-11](#).
- Step 4** Depending on your ASA model:
- (ASA 5512-X and higher) Configure basic network settings for the IPS module. See [\(ASA 5512-X and Higher\) Configuring Basic Network Settings, page 26-13](#).
  - (ASA 5505) Configure the management VLAN and IP address for the IPS module. See [\(ASA 5505\) Configuring Basic Network Settings, page 26-13](#).
- Step 5** On the module, configure the inspection and protection policy, which determines how to inspect traffic and what to do when an intrusion is detected. See [Configuring the Security Policy on the ASA IPS Module, page 26-15](#).
- Step 6** (ASA 5512-X and higher, optional) On the ASA in multiple context mode, specify which IPS virtual sensors are available for each context (if you configured virtual sensors). See [Assigning Virtual Sensors to a Security Context \(ASA 5512-X and Higher\), page 26-16](#).
- Step 7** On the ASA, identify traffic to divert to the ASA IPS module. See [Diverting Traffic to the ASA IPS module, page 26-18](#).
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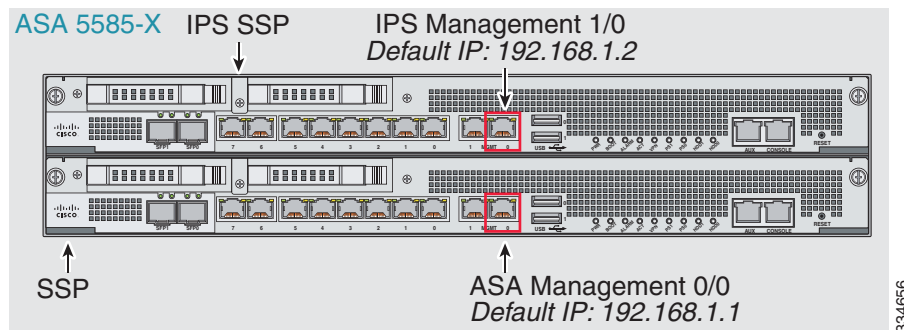
## Connecting the ASA IPS Management Interface

In addition to providing management access to the IPS module, the IPS management interface needs access to an HTTP proxy server or a DNS server and the Internet so it can download global correlation, signature updates, and license requests. This section describes recommended network configurations. Your network may differ.

- [ASA 5585-X \(Hardware Module\)](#), page 26-8
- [ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X \(Software Module\)](#), page 26-9
- [ASA 5505](#), page 26-10

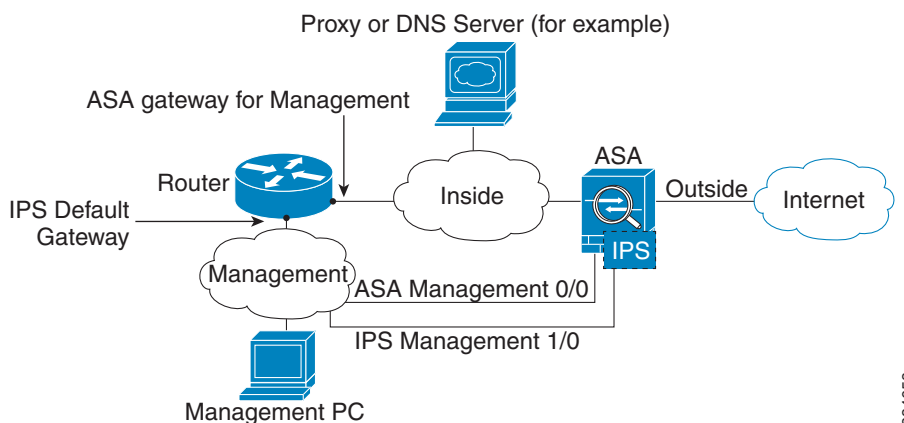
### ASA 5585-X (Hardware Module)

The IPS module includes a separate management interface from the ASA.



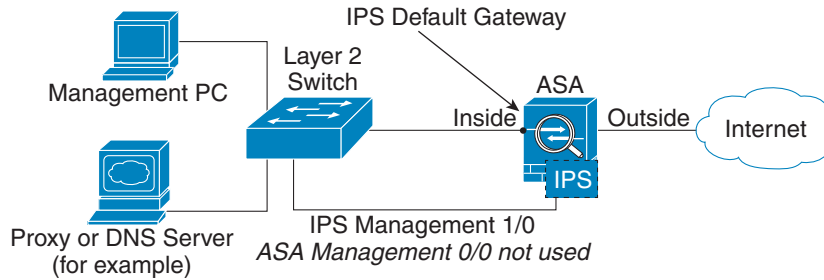
#### If you have an inside router

If you have an inside router, you can route between the management network, which can include both the ASA Management 0/0 and IPS Management 1/0 interfaces, and the ASA inside network. Be sure to also add a route on the ASA to reach the Management network through the inside router.



**If you do not have an inside router**

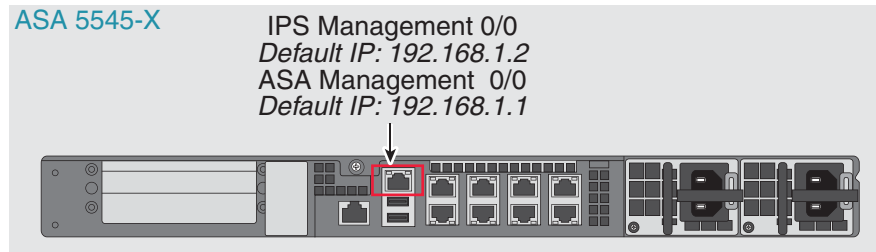
If you have only one inside network, then you cannot also have a separate management network, which would require an inside router to route between the networks. In this case, you can manage the ASA from the inside interface instead of the Management 0/0 interface. Because the IPS module is a separate device from the ASA, you can configure the IPS Management 1/0 address to be on the same network as the inside interface.



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**ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X (Software Module)**

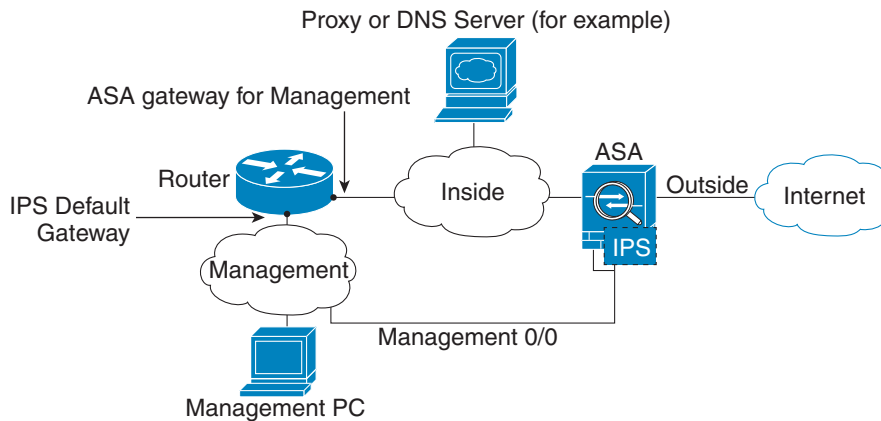
These models run the IPS module as a software module, and the IPS management interface shares the Management 0/0 interface with the ASA.



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**If you have an inside router**

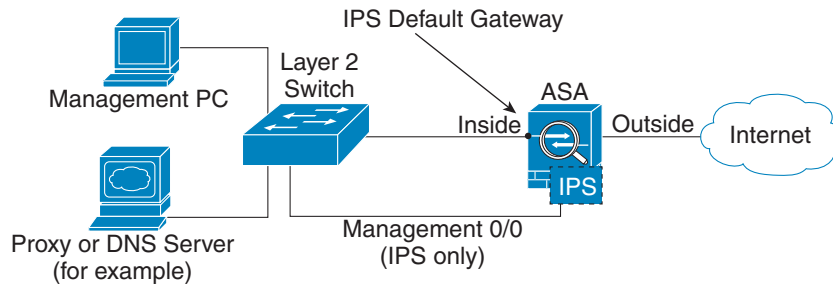
If you have an inside router, you can route between the Management 0/0 network, which includes both the ASA and IPS management IP addresses, and the inside network. Be sure to also add a route on the ASA to reach the Management network through the inside router.



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**If you do not have an inside router**

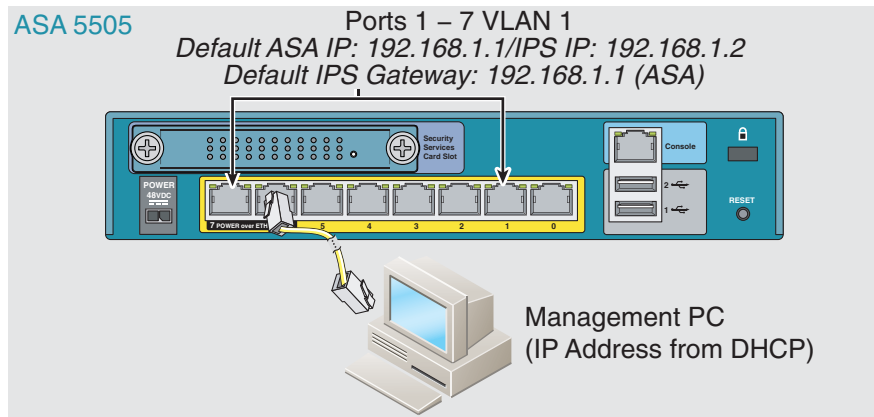
If you have only one inside network, then you cannot also have a separate management network. In this case, you can manage the ASA from the inside interface instead of the Management 0/0 interface. If you remove the ASA-configured name from the Management 0/0 interface, you can still configure the IPS IP address for that interface. Because the IPS module is essentially a separate device from the ASA, you *can* configure the IPS management address to be on the same network as the inside interface.

**Note**

You must remove the ASA-configured name for Management 0/0; if it is configured on the ASA, then the IPS address must be on the same network as the ASA, and that excludes any networks already configured on other ASA interfaces. If the name is not configured, then the IPS address can be on any network, for example, the ASA inside network.

**ASA 5505**

The ASA 5505 does not have a dedicated management interface. You must use an ASA VLAN to access an internal management IP address over the backplane. Connect the management PC to one of the following ports: Ethernet 0/1 through 0/7, which are assigned to VLAN 1.

**What to Do Next**

- (ASA 5512-X and higher) Configure basic network settings. See [\(ASA 5512-X and Higher\) Configuring Basic Network Settings, page 26-13](#).
- (ASA 5505) Configure management interface settings. See [\(ASA 5505\) Configuring Basic Network Settings, page 26-13](#).

## Sessioning to the Module from the ASA

To access the IPS module CLI from the ASA, you can session from the ASA. For software modules, you can either session to the module (using Telnet) or create a virtual console session. A console session might be useful if the control plane is down and you cannot establish a Telnet session.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| <p>Telnet session.</p> <p>For a hardware module (for example, the ASA 5585-X):</p> <pre>session 1</pre> <p>For a software module (for example, the ASA 5545-X):</p> <pre>session ips</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname# session 1</pre> <p>Opening command session with slot 1.<br/>Connected to slot 1. Escape character sequence is 'CTRL-^X'.</p> <pre>sensor login: cisco Password: cisco</pre> | <p>Accesses the module using Telnet. You are prompted for the username and password. The default username is <b>cisco</b>, and the default password is <b>cisco</b>.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The first time you log in to the module, you are prompted to change the default password. Passwords must be at least eight characters long and cannot be a word in the dictionary.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <p>Console session (software module only).</p> <pre>session ips console</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname# session ips console</pre> <p>Establishing console session with slot 1<br/>Opening console session with module ips.<br/>Connected to module ips. Escape character sequence is 'CTRL-SHIFT-6 then x'.</p> <pre>sensor login: cisco Password: cisco</pre>                                   | <p>Accesses the module console. You are prompted for the username and password. The default username is <b>cisco</b>, and the default password is <b>cisco</b>.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Do not use this command in conjunction with a terminal server where <b>Ctrl-Shift-6, x</b> is the escape sequence to return to the terminal server prompt. <b>Ctrl-Shift-6, x</b> is also the sequence to escape the IPS console and return to the ASA prompt. Therefore, if you try to exit the IPS console in this situation, you instead exit all the way to the terminal server prompt. If you reconnect the terminal server to the ASA, the IPS console session is still active; you can never exit to the ASA prompt. You must use a direct serial connection to return the console to the ASA prompt.</p> <p>Use the <b>session ips</b> command instead.</p> |

## (ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) Booting the Software Module

Your ASA typically ships with IPS module software present on Disk0. If the module is not running, or if you are adding the IPS module to an existing ASA, you must boot the module software. If you are unsure if the module is running, you will not be able to session it.

## Detailed Steps

**Step 1** Do one of the following:

- New ASA with IPS pre-installed—To view the IPS module software filename in flash memory, enter:

```
hostname# dir disk0:
```

For example, look for a filename like IPS-SSP\_5512-K9-sys-1.1-a-7.1-4-E4.aip. Note the filename; you will need this filename later in the procedure.

- Existing ASA with new IPS installation—Download the IPS software from Cisco.com to a TFTP server. If you have a Cisco.com login, you can obtain the software from the following website:

<http://www.cisco.com/cisco/software/navigator.html?mdfid=282164240>

Copy the software to the ASA:

```
hostname# copy tftp://server/file_path disk0:/file_path
```

For other download server types, see the general operations configuration guide.

Note the filename; you will need this filename later in the procedure.

**Step 2** To set the IPS module software location in disk0, enter the following command:

```
hostname# sw-module module ips recover configure image disk0:file_path
```

For example, using the filename in the example in Step 1, enter:

```
hostname# sw-module module ips recover configure image  
disk0:IPS-SSP_5512-K9-sys-1.1-a-7.1-4-E4.aip
```

**Step 3** To install and load the IPS module software, enter the following command:

```
hostname# sw-module module ips recover boot
```

**Step 4** To check the progress of the image transfer and module restart process, enter the following command:

```
hostname# show module ips details
```

The Status field in the output indicates the operational status of the module. A module operating normally shows a status of “Up.” While the ASA transfers an application image to the module, the Status field in the output reads “Recover.” When the ASA completes the image transfer and restarts the module, the newly transferred image is running.

## Configuring Basic IPS Module Network Settings

- (ASA 5512-X and Higher) Configuring Basic Network Settings, page 26-13
- (ASA 5505) Configuring Basic Network Settings, page 26-13

## (ASA 5512-X and Higher) Configuring Basic Network Settings

Session to the module from the ASA and configure basic settings using the **setup** command.



### Note

(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X) If you cannot session to the module, then the IPS module is not running. See [\(ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X\) Booting the Software Module, page 26-11](#), and then repeat this procedure after you install the module.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | Session to the IPS module according to the <a href="#">Sessioning to the Module from the ASA, page 26-11</a> . |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Step 2 | <b>setup</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>sensor# setup                                                           | Runs the setup utility for initial configuration of the ASA IPS module. You are prompted for basic settings. For the default gateway, specify the IP address of the upstream router. See <a href="#">Connecting the ASA IPS Management Interface, page 26-8</a> to understand the requirements for your network. The default setting of the ASA management IP address will not work. |

## (ASA 5505) Configuring Basic Network Settings

An ASA IPS module on the ASA 5505 does not have any external interfaces. You can configure a VLAN to allow access to an internal IPS management IP address over the backplane. By default, VLAN 1 is enabled for IPS management. You can only assign one VLAN as the management VLAN. This section describes how to change the management VLAN and IP address if you do not want to use the default, and how to set other required network parameters.



### Note

Perform this configuration on the ASA 5505, not on the ASA IPS module.

### Prerequisites

When you change the IPS VLAN and management address from the default, be sure to also configure the matching ASA VLAN and switch port(s) according to the procedures listed in the general operations configuration guide. You must define and configure the VLAN for the ASA so the IPS management interface is accessible on the network.

## Restrictions

Do not configure NAT for the management address if you intend to access it using ASDM. For initial setup with ASDM, you need to access the real address. After initial setup (where you set the password on the ASA IPS module), you can configure NAT and supply ASDM with the translated address for accessing the ASA IPS module.

## Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                              | Purpose                                                                                                         |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <code>interface vlan <i>number</i></code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# interface vlan 1</code>  | Specifies the current management VLAN for which you want to disable IPS management. By default, this is VLAN 1. |
| Step 2 | <code>no allow-ssc-mgmt</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config-if)# no allow-ssc-mgmt</code>         | Disables IPS management for the old VLAN so that you can enable it for a different VLAN.                        |
| Step 3 | <code>interface vlan <i>number</i></code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config)# interface vlan 20</code> | Specifies the VLAN you want to use as the new IPS management VLAN.                                              |
| Step 4 | <code>allow-ssc-mgmt</code><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname(config-if)# allow-ssc-mgmt</code>               | Sets this interface as the IPS management interface.                                                            |



|        | Command                                                                                                                                                           | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Step 5 | <p><b>hw-module module 1 ip</b> <i>ip_address netmask gateway</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname# hw-module module 1 ip 10.1.1.2 255.255.255.0 10.1.1.1</p> | <p>Configures the management IP address for the ASA IPS module. Make sure this address is on the same subnet as the ASA VLAN IP address. For example, if you assigned 10.1.1.1 to the VLAN for the ASA, then assign another address on that network, such as 10.1.1.2, for the IPS management address.</p> <p>Set the gateway to be the ASA IP address for the management VLAN. By default, this IP address is 192.168.1.1.</p> <p><b>Note</b> These settings are written to the IPS application configuration, not the ASA configuration. You can view these settings from the ASA using the <b>show module details</b> command.</p> <p>You can alternatively use the IPS application <b>setup</b> command to configure this setting from the IPS CLI.</p> |
| Step 6 | <p><b>hw-module module 1 allow-ip</b> <i>ip_address netmask</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname# hw-module module 1 allow-ip 10.1.1.30 255.255.255.0</p>     | <p>Sets the hosts that are allowed to access the management IP address.</p> <p><b>Note</b> These settings are written to the IPS application configuration, not the ASA configuration. You can view these settings from the ASA using the <b>show module details</b> command.</p> <p>You can alternatively use the IPS application <b>setup</b> command to configure this setting from the IPS CLI.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

## Examples

The following example configures VLAN 20 as the IPS management VLAN. Only the host at 10.1.1.30 can access the IPS management IP address. VLAN 20 is assigned to switch port Ethernet 0/0. When you connect to ASDM on ASA interface 10.1.1.1, ASDM then accesses the IPS on 10.1.1.2.

```
hostname(config)# interface vlan 1
hostname(config-if)# no allow-ssc-mgmt

hostname(config-if)# interface vlan 20
hostname(config-if)# nameif management
hostname(config-if)# ip address 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
hostname(config-if)# security-level 100
hostname(config-if)# allow-ssc-mgmt
hostname(config-if)# no shutdown

hostname(config-if)# hw-module module 1 ip 10.1.1.2 255.255.255.0 10.1.1.1
hostname(config)# hw-module module 1 allow-ip 10.1.1.30 255.255.255.255

hostname(config)# interface ethernet 0/0
hostname(config-if)# switchport access vlan 20
hostname(config-if)# no shutdown
```

## Configuring the Security Policy on the ASA IPS Module

This section describes how to configure the ASA IPS module application.

## Detailed Steps

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- Step 1** Access the ASA IPS module CLI using one of the following methods:
- Session from the ASA to the ASA IPS module. See [Sessioning to the Module from the ASA, page 26-11](#).
  - Connect to the IPS management interface using SSH. If you did not change it, the default management IP address is 192.168.1.2. The default username is **cisco**, and the default password is **cisco**. See [Information About Management Access, page 26-4](#) for more information about the management interface.
- Step 2** Configure the IPS security policy according to the IPS documentation.
- To access all documents related to IPS, go to:  
[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/vpndevc/ps4077/products\\_documentation\\_roadmaps\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/vpndevc/ps4077/products_documentation_roadmaps_list.html)
- Step 3** (ASA 5512-X and higher) If you configure virtual sensors, you identify one of the sensors as the default. If the ASA does not specify a virtual sensor name in its configuration, the default sensor is used.
- Step 4** When you are done configuring the ASA IPS module, exit the IPS software by entering the following command:

```
sensor# exit
```

If you sessioned to the ASA IPS module from the ASA, you return to the ASA prompt.

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## What to Do Next

- For the ASA in multiple context mode, see [Assigning Virtual Sensors to a Security Context \(ASA 5512-X and Higher\), page 26-16](#).
- For the ASA in single context mode, see [Diverting Traffic to the ASA IPS module, page 26-18](#).

## Assigning Virtual Sensors to a Security Context (ASA 5512-X and Higher)

If the ASA is in multiple context mode, then you can assign one or more IPS virtual sensors to each context. Then, when you configure the context to send traffic to the ASA IPS module, you can specify a sensor that is assigned to the context; you cannot specify a sensor that you did not assign to the context. If you do not assign any sensors to a context, then the default sensor configured on the ASA IPS module is used. You can assign the same sensor to multiple contexts.



### Note

You do not need to be in multiple context mode to use virtual sensors; you can be in single mode and use different sensors for different traffic flows.

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## Prerequisites

For more information about configuring contexts, see the general operations configuration guide.

## Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                      | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| Step 1 | <p><b>context</b> <i>name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config)# context admin<br/> hostname(config-ctx)#</p>                                                     | Identifies the context you want to configure. Enter this command in the system execution space.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Step 2 | <p><b>allocate-ips</b> <i>sensor_name</i> [<i>mapped_name</i>]<br/> [<b>default</b>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname(config-ctx)# allocate-ips<br/> sensor1 highsec</p> | <p>Enter this command for each sensor you want to assign to the context.</p> <p>The <i>sensor_name</i> argument is the sensor name configured on the ASA IPS module. To view the sensors that are configured on the ASA IPS module, enter <b>allocate-ips ?</b>. All available sensors are listed. You can also enter the <b>show ips</b> command. In the system execution space, the <b>show ips</b> command lists all available sensors; if you enter it in the context, it shows the sensors you already assigned to the context. If you specify a sensor name that does not yet exist on the ASA IPS module, you get an error, but the <b>allocate-ips</b> command is entered as is. Until you create a sensor of that name on the ASA IPS module, the context assumes the sensor is down.</p> <p>Use the <i>mapped_name</i> argument as an alias for the sensor name that can be used within the context instead of the actual sensor name. If you do not specify a mapped name, the sensor name is used within the context. For security purposes, you might not want the context administrator to know which sensors are being used by the context. Or you might want to genericize the context configuration. For example, if you want all contexts to use sensors called “sensor1” and “sensor2,” then you can map the “highsec” and “lowsec” sensors to sensor1 and sensor2 in context A, but map the “medsec” and “lowsec” sensors to sensor1 and sensor2 in context B.</p> <p>The <b>default</b> keyword sets one sensor per context as the default sensor; if the context configuration does not specify a sensor name, the context uses this default sensor. You can only configure one default sensor per context. If you want to change the default sensor, enter the <b>no allocate-ips sensor_name</b> command to remove the current default sensor before you allocate a new default sensor. If you do not specify a sensor as the default, and the context configuration does not include a sensor name, then traffic uses the default sensor as specified on the ASA IPS module.</p> |
| Step 3 | <p><b>changeto context</b> <i>context_name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b><br/> hostname# changeto context customer1<br/> hostname/customer1#</p>                                 | Changes to the context so you can configure the IPS security policy as described in <a href="#">Diverting Traffic to the ASA IPS module, page 26-18</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

## Examples

The following example assigns sensor1 and sensor2 to context A, and sensor1 and sensor3 to context B. Both contexts map the sensor names to “ips1” and “ips2.” In context A, sensor1 is set as the default sensor, but in context B, no default is set so the default that is configured on the ASA IPS module is used.

```
hostname(config-ctx) # context A
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-interface gigabitethernet0/0.100 int1
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-interface gigabitethernet0/0.102 int2
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-interface gigabitethernet0/0.110-gigabitethernet0/0.115
int3-int8
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-ips sensor1 ips1 default
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-ips sensor2 ips2
hostname(config-ctx) # config-url ftp://user1:passw0rd@10.1.1.1/configlets/test.cfg
hostname(config-ctx) # member gold

hostname(config-ctx) # context sample
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-interface gigabitethernet0/1.200 int1
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-interface gigabitethernet0/1.212 int2
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-interface gigabitethernet0/1.230-gigabitethernet0/1.235
int3-int8
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-ips sensor1 ips1
hostname(config-ctx) # allocate-ips sensor3 ips2
hostname(config-ctx) # config-url ftp://user1:passw0rd@10.1.1.1/configlets/sample.cfg
hostname(config-ctx) # member silver

hostname(config-ctx) # changeto context A
...
```

## What to Do Next

Change to each context to configure the IPS security policy as described in [Diverting Traffic to the ASA IPS module, page 26-18](#).

## Diverting Traffic to the ASA IPS module

This section identifies traffic to divert from the ASA to the ASA IPS module.

### Prerequisites

In multiple context mode, perform these steps in each context execution space. To change to a context, enter the **changeto context *context\_name*** command.

## Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                      | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>class-map</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# class-map ips_class                 | Creates a class map to identify the traffic for which you want to send to the ASA IPS module.<br><br>If you want to send multiple traffic classes to the ASA IPS module, you can create multiple class maps for use in the security policy. |
| Step 2 | <b>match</b> <i>parameter</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list ips_traffic | Specifies the traffic in the class map. See <a href="#">Identifying Traffic (Layer 3/4 Class Maps)</a> , page 1-12 for more information.                                                                                                    |
| Step 3 | <b>policy-map</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config)# policy-map ips_policy              | Adds or edits a policy map that sets the actions to take with the class map traffic.                                                                                                                                                        |
| Step 4 | <b>class</b> <i>name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>hostname(config-pmap)# class ips_class                    | Identifies the class map you created in <a href="#">Step 1</a> .                                                                                                                                                                            |

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <p><b>Step 5</b></p> <pre>ips {inline   promiscuous} {fail-close   fail-open} [sensor {sensor_name   mapped_name}]</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-pmap-c)# ips promiscuous fail-close</p> | <p>Specifies that the traffic should be sent to the ASA IPS module.</p> <p>The <b>inline</b> and <b>promiscuous</b> keywords control the operating mode of the ASA IPS module. See <a href="#">Operating Modes, page 26-2</a> for more details.</p> <p>The <b>fail-close</b> keyword sets the ASA to block all traffic if the ASA IPS module is unavailable.</p> <p>The <b>fail-open</b> keyword sets the ASA to allow all traffic through, uninspected, if the ASA IPS module is unavailable.</p> <p>(ASA 5512-X and higher) If you use virtual sensors, you can specify a sensor name using the <b>sensor</b> <i>sensor_name</i> argument. To see available sensor names, enter the <b>ips {inline   promiscuous} {fail-close   fail-open} sensor ?</b> command. Available sensors are listed. You can also use the <b>show ips</b> command. If you use multiple context mode on the ASA, you can only specify sensors that you assigned to the context (see <a href="#">Assigning Virtual Sensors to a Security Context (ASA 5512-X and Higher), page 26-16</a>). Use the <i>mapped_name</i> if configured in the context. If you do not specify a sensor name, then the traffic uses the default sensor. In multiple context mode, you can specify a default sensor for the context. In single mode or if you do not specify a default sensor in multiple mode, the traffic uses the default sensor that is set on the ASA IPS module. If you enter a name that does not yet exist on the ASA IPS module, you get an error, and the command is rejected.</p> |
| <p><b>Step 6</b></p> <p>(Optional)</p> <pre>class name2</pre> <p><b>Example:</b><br/>hostname(config-pmap)# class ips_class2</p>                                                                        | <p>If you created multiple class maps for IPS traffic, you can specify another class for the policy.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Feature Matching Within a Service Policy, page 1-3</a> for detailed information about how the order of classes matters within a policy map. Traffic cannot match more than one class map for the same action type; so if you want network A to go to sensorA, but want all other traffic to go to sensorB, then you need to enter the <b>class</b> command for network A before you enter the <b>class</b> command for all traffic; otherwise all traffic (including network A) will match the first <b>class</b> command, and will be sent to sensorB.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| Step 7 | (Optional)<br><br><pre>ips {inline   promiscuous} {fail-close   fail-open} [sensor {sensor_name   mapped_name}]</pre><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname(config-pmap-c)# ips promiscuous fail-close</pre> | Specifies that the second class of traffic should be sent to the ASA IPS module.<br><br>Add as many classes as desired by repeating these steps.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Step 8 | <pre>service-policy policymap_name {global   interface interface_name}</pre><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname(config)# service-policy tcp_bypass_policy outside</pre>                                   | Activates the policy map on one or more interfaces. <b>global</b> applies the policy map to all interfaces, and <b>interface</b> applies the policy to one interface. Only one global policy is allowed. You can override the global policy on an interface by applying a service policy to that interface. You can only apply one policy map to each interface. |

## Managing the ASA IPS module

This section includes procedures that help you recover or troubleshoot the module and includes the following topics:

- [Installing and Booting an Image on the Module, page 26-21](#)
- [Shutting Down the Module, page 26-23](#)
- [Uninstalling a Software Module Image, page 26-23](#)
- [Resetting the Password, page 26-24](#)
- [Reloading or Resetting the Module, page 26-25](#)

## Installing and Booting an Image on the Module

If the module suffers a failure, and the module application image cannot run, you can reinstall a new image on the module from a TFTP server (for a hardware module), or from the local disk (software module).



### Note

Do not use the **upgrade** command within the module software to install the image.

### Prerequisites

- Hardware module—Be sure the TFTP server that you specify can transfer files up to 60 MB in size.



### Note

This process can take approximately 15 minutes to complete, depending on your network and the size of the image.

- Software module—Copy the image to the ASA internal flash (disk0) before completing this procedure.

**Note**

Before you download the IPS software to disk0, make sure at least 50% of the flash memory is free. When you install IPS, IPS reserves 50% of the internal flash memory for its file system.

**Detailed Steps**

|               | <b>Command</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>Purpose</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <b>Step 1</b> | <p>For a hardware module (for example, the ASA 5585-X):</p> <pre>hw-module module 1 recover configure</pre> <p>For a software module (for example, the ASA 5545-X):</p> <pre>sw-module module ips recover configure image disk0:file_path</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname# hw-module module 1 recover configure Image URL [tftp://127.0.0.1/myimage]: tftp://10.1.1.1/ids-newimg Port IP Address [127.0.0.2]: 10.1.2.10 Port Mask [255.255.255.254]: 255.255.255.0 Gateway IP Address [1.1.2.10]: 10.1.2.254 VLAN ID [0]: 100</pre> | <p>Specifies the location of the new image.</p> <p>For a hardware module—This command prompts you for the URL for the TFTP server, the management interface IP address and netmask, gateway address, and VLAN ID (ASA 5505 only). These network parameters are configured in ROMMON; the network parameters you configured in the module application configuration are not available to ROMMON, so you must set them separately here.</p> <p>For a software module—Specify the location of the image on the local disk.</p> <p>You can view the recovery configuration using the <b>show module {1   ips} recover</b> command.</p> <p>In multiple context mode, enter this command in the system execution space.</p> |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <p>For a hardware module:</p> <pre>hw-module module 1 recover boot</pre> <p>For a software module:</p> <pre>sw-module module ips recover boot</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname# hw-module module 1 recover boot</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p>Installs and boots the IPS module software.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <p>For a hardware module:</p> <pre>show module 1 details</pre> <p>For a software module:</p> <pre>show module ips details</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname# show module 1 details</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <p>Checks the progress of the image transfer and module restart process.</p> <p>The Status field in the output indicates the operational status of the module. A module operating normally shows a status of “Up.” While the ASA transfers an application image to the module, the Status field in the output reads “Recover.” When the ASA completes the image transfer and restarts the module, the newly transferred image is running.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |



## Shutting Down the Module

Shutting down the module software prepares the module to be safely powered off without losing configuration data. **Note:** If you reload the ASA, the module is not automatically shut down, so we recommend shutting down the module before reloading the ASA. To gracefully shut down the module, perform the following steps at the ASA CLI.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                          | Purpose                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| For a hardware module (for example, the ASA 5585-X):<br><pre>hw-module module 1 shutdown</pre>   | Shuts down the module. |
| For a software module (for example, the ASA 5545-X):<br><pre>sw-module module ips shutdown</pre> |                        |
| <b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# hw-module module 1 shutdown</pre>                              |                        |

## Uninstalling a Software Module Image

To uninstall a software module image and associated configuration, perform the following steps.

### Detailed Steps

|        | Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Purpose                                                                            |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <pre>sw-module module ips uninstall</pre><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# sw-module module ips uninstall</pre> Module ips will be uninstalled. This will completely remove the disk image associated with the sw-module including any configuration that existed within it.<br><br><pre>Uninstall module &lt;id&gt;? [confirm]</pre> | Permanently uninstalls the software module image and associated configuration.     |
| Step 2 | <pre>reload</pre><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>hostname# reload</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Reloads the ASA. You must reload the ASA before you can install a new module type. |

## Resetting the Password

You can reset the module password to the default. For the user **cisco**, the default password is **cisco**. After resetting the password, you should change it to a unique value using the module application.

Resetting the module password causes the module to reboot. Services are not available while the module is rebooting.

To reset the module password to the default of cisco, perform the following steps.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                  | Purpose                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| For a hardware module (for example, the ASA 5585-X):<br><code>hw-module module 1 password-reset</code>   | Resets the module password to <b>cisco</b> for user <b>cisco</b> . |
| For a software module (for example, the ASA 5545-X):<br><code>sw-module module ips password-reset</code> |                                                                    |
| <b>Example:</b><br><code>hostname# hw-module module 1 password-reset</code>                              |                                                                    |

## Reloading or Resetting the Module

To reload or reset the module, enter one of the following commands at the ASA CLI.

### Detailed Steps

| Command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Purpose                                        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <p>For a hardware module (for example, the ASA 5585-X):</p> <pre>hw-module module 1 reload</pre> <p>For a software module (for example, the ASA 5545-X):</p> <pre>sw-module module ips reload</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname# hw-module module 1 reload</pre> | Reloads the module software.                   |
| <p>For a hardware module:</p> <pre>hw-module module 1 reset</pre> <p>For a software module:</p> <pre>sw-module module ips reset</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>hostname# hw-module module 1 reset</pre>                                                                | Performs a reset, and then reloads the module. |

## Monitoring the ASA IPS module

To check the status of a module, enter one of the following commands:

| Command                                  | Purpose                                                                                                                                               |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>show module</pre>                   | Displays the status.                                                                                                                                  |
| <pre>show module {1   ips} details</pre> | Displays additional status information. Specify <b>1</b> for a hardware module and <b>ips</b> for a software module.                                  |
| <pre>show module {1   ips} recover</pre> | Displays the network parameters for transferring an image to the module. Specify <b>1</b> for a hardware module and <b>ips</b> for a software module. |

### Examples

The following is sample output from the **show module details** command, which provides additional information for an ASA with an SSC installed:

```
hostname# show module 1 details
Getting details from the Service Module, please wait...
ASA 5500 Series Security Services Card-5
Hardware version: 0.1
```

```

Serial Number: JAB11370240
Firmware version: 1.0(14)3
Software version: 6.2(1)E2
MAC Address Range: 001d.45c2.e832 to 001d.45c2.e832
App. Name: IPS
App. Status: Up
App. Status Desc: Not Applicable
App. Version: 6.2(1)E2
Data plane Status: Up
Status: Up
Mgmt IP Addr: 209.165.201.29
Mgmt Network Mask: 255.255.224.0
Mgmt Gateway: 209.165.201.30
Mgmt Access List: 209.165.201.31/32
                   209.165.202.158/32
                   209.165.200.254/24

Mgmt Vlan: 20

```

The following is sample output from the **show module ips** command for an ASA 5525-X with an IPS SSP software module installed:

```

hostname# show module ips
Mod Card Type                               Model                Serial No.
-----
ips IPS 5525 Intrusion Protection System    IPS5525              FCH1504V03P

Mod MAC Address Range                       Hw Version           Fw Version           Sw Version
-----
ips 503d.e59c.6f89 to 503d.e59c.6f89      N/A                  N/A                  7.1(1.160)E4

Mod SSM Application Name                     Status                SSM Application Version
-----
ips IPS                                     Up                   7.1(1.160)E4

Mod Status                                   Data Plane Status     Compatibility
-----
ips Up                                       Up

Mod License Name                             License Status        Time Remaining
-----
ips IPS Module                             Enabled               7 days

```

## Configuration Examples for the ASA IPS module

The following example diverts all IP traffic to the ASA IPS module in promiscuous mode, and blocks all IP traffic if the ASA IPS module card fails for any reason:

```

hostname(config)# access-list IPS permit ip any any
hostname(config)# class-map my-ips-class
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list IPS
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map my-ips-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class my-ips-class
hostname(config-pmap-c)# ips promiscuous fail-close
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy my-ips-policy global

```

The following example diverts all IP traffic destined for the 10.1.1.0 network and the 10.2.1.0 network to the AIP SSM in inline mode, and allows all traffic through if the AIP SSM fails for any reason. For the my-ips-class traffic, sensor1 is used; for the my-ips-class2 traffic, sensor2 is used.

```

hostname(config)# access-list my-ips-acl1 permit ip any 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
hostname(config)# access-list my-ips-acl2 permit ip any 10.2.1.0 255.255.255.0

```

```

hostname(config)# class-map my-ips-class
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list my-ips-acl
hostname(config)# class-map my-ips-class2
hostname(config-cmap)# match access-list my-ips-acl2
hostname(config-cmap)# policy-map my-ips-policy
hostname(config-pmap)# class my-ips-class
hostname(config-pmap-c)# ips inline fail-open sensor sensor1
hostname(config-pmap-c)# class my-ips-class2
hostname(config-pmap-c)# ips inline fail-open sensor sensor2
hostname(config-pmap-c)# service-policy my-ips-policy interface outside

```

## Feature History for the ASA IPS module

Table 26-2 lists each feature change and the platform release in which it was implemented.

**Table 26-2** Feature History for the ASA IPS module

| Feature Name                                                         | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AIP SSM                                                              | 7.0(1)            | We introduced support for the AIP SSM for the ASA 5510, 5520, and 5540.<br><br>The following command was introduced: <b>ips</b> .                                                                                                                              |
| Virtual sensors (ASA 5510 and higher)                                | 8.0(2)            | Virtual sensor support was introduced. Virtual sensors let you configure multiple security policies on the ASA IPS module.<br><br>The following command was introduced: <b>allocate-ips</b> .                                                                  |
| AIP SSC for the ASA 5505                                             | 8.2(1)            | We introduced support for the AIP SSC for the ASA 5505.<br><br>The following commands were introduced: <b>allow-ssc-mgmt</b> , <b>hw-module module ip</b> , and <b>hw-module module allow-ip</b> .                                                             |
| Support for the ASA IPS SSP-10, -20, -40, and -60 for the ASA 5585-X | 8.2(5)/<br>8.4(2) | We introduced support for the ASA IPS SSP-10, -20, -40, and -60 for the ASA 5585-X. You can only install the ASA IPS SSP with a matching-level SSP; for example, SSP-10 and ASA IPS SSP-10.<br><br><b>Note</b> The ASA 5585-X is not supported in Version 8.3. |

Table 26-2 Feature History for the ASA IPS module (continued)

| Feature Name                                                      | Platform Releases | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Support for Dual SSPs for SSP-40 and SSP-60                       | 8.4(2)            | <p>For SSP-40 and SSP-60, you can use two SSPs of the same level in the same chassis. Mixed-level SSPs are not supported (for example, an SSP-40 with an SSP-60 is not supported). Each SSP acts as an independent device, with separate configurations and management. You can use the two SSPs as a failover pair if desired.</p> <p><b>Note</b> When using two SSPs in the chassis, VPN is not supported; note, however, that VPN has not been disabled.</p> <p>We modified the following commands: <b>show module</b>, <b>show inventory</b>, <b>show environment</b>.</p> |
| Support for the ASA IPS SSP for the ASA 5512-X through ASA 5555-X | 8.6(1)            | <p>We introduced support for the ASA IPS SSP software module for the ASA 5512-X, ASA 5515-X, ASA 5525-X, ASA 5545-X, and ASA 5555-X.</p> <p>We introduced or modified the following commands: <b>session</b>, <b>show module</b>, <b>sw-module</b>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |