

# Configure the Secure Firewall Migration Tool for ASA Migration

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## Introduction

This document describes the procedure to migrate Cisco Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA) to Cisco Firepower.

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## Prerequisites

### Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of Cisco Firewall Threat Defense (FTD) and Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA).

### Components Used

The information in this document is based on these software and hardware versions:

- Windows PC with Firepower Migration Tool (FMT) v3.0.1
- Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA) v9.16.1
- Secure Firewall Management Center (FMCv) v7.0.1
- Secure Firewall Threat Defense Virtual (FTDv) v7.0.1

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If your network is live, ensure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

### Background Information

Specific requirements for this document include:

- Cisco Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA) Version 8.4 or later
- Secure Firewall Management Center (FMCv) Version 6.2.3 or later

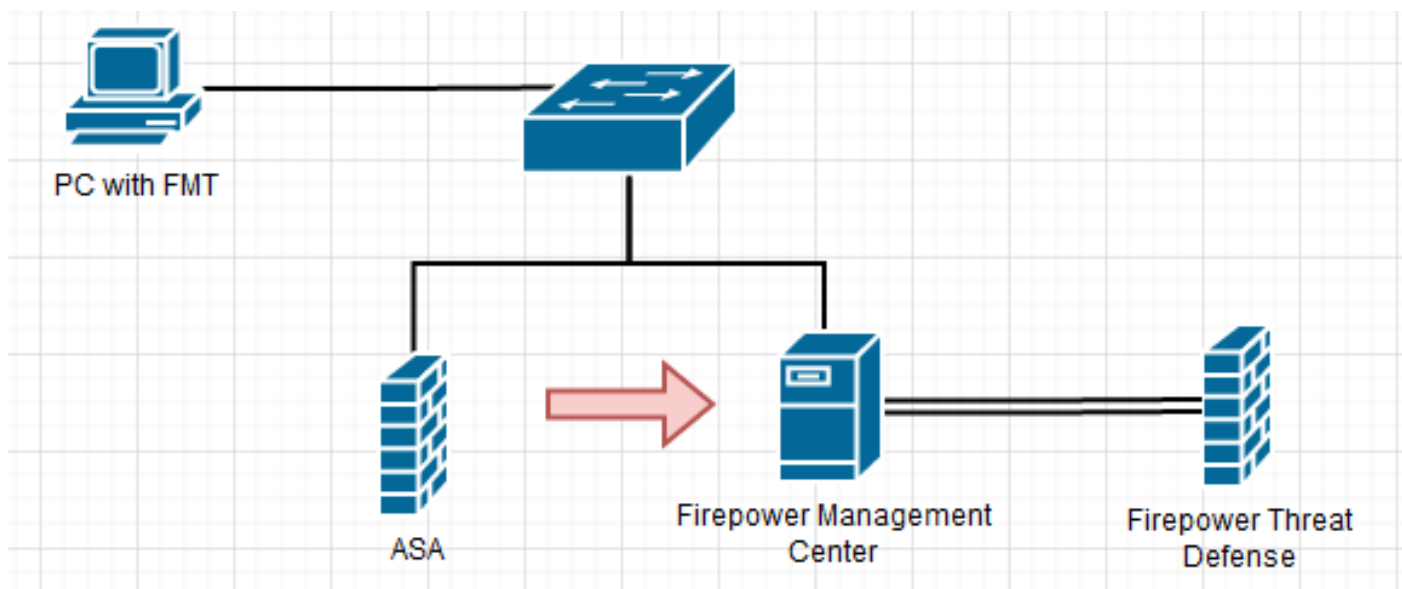
The Firewall Migration Tool supports this list of devices:

- Cisco ASA (8.4+)
- Cisco ASA (9.2.2+) with FPS
- Check Point (r75-r77)
- Check Point (r80)
- Fortinet (5.0+)
- Palo Alto Networks (6.1+)

Before you proceed with the migration, please consider the [Guidelines and Limitations for the Firewall Migration Tool](#).

## Configure

Network Diagram



Configuration Steps

1. **Download** the most recent Firepower Migration Tool from Cisco Software Central:

# Software Download

Downloads Home / Security / Firewalls / Next-Generation Firewalls (NGFW) / Secure Firewall Threat Defense Virtual / Firepower Migration Tool (FMT) - 3.0.1

Expand All    Collapse All

Latest Release

**3.0.1**

2.5.3

All Release

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## Secure Firewall Threat Defense Virtual

Release 3.0.1

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**Related Links and Documentation**

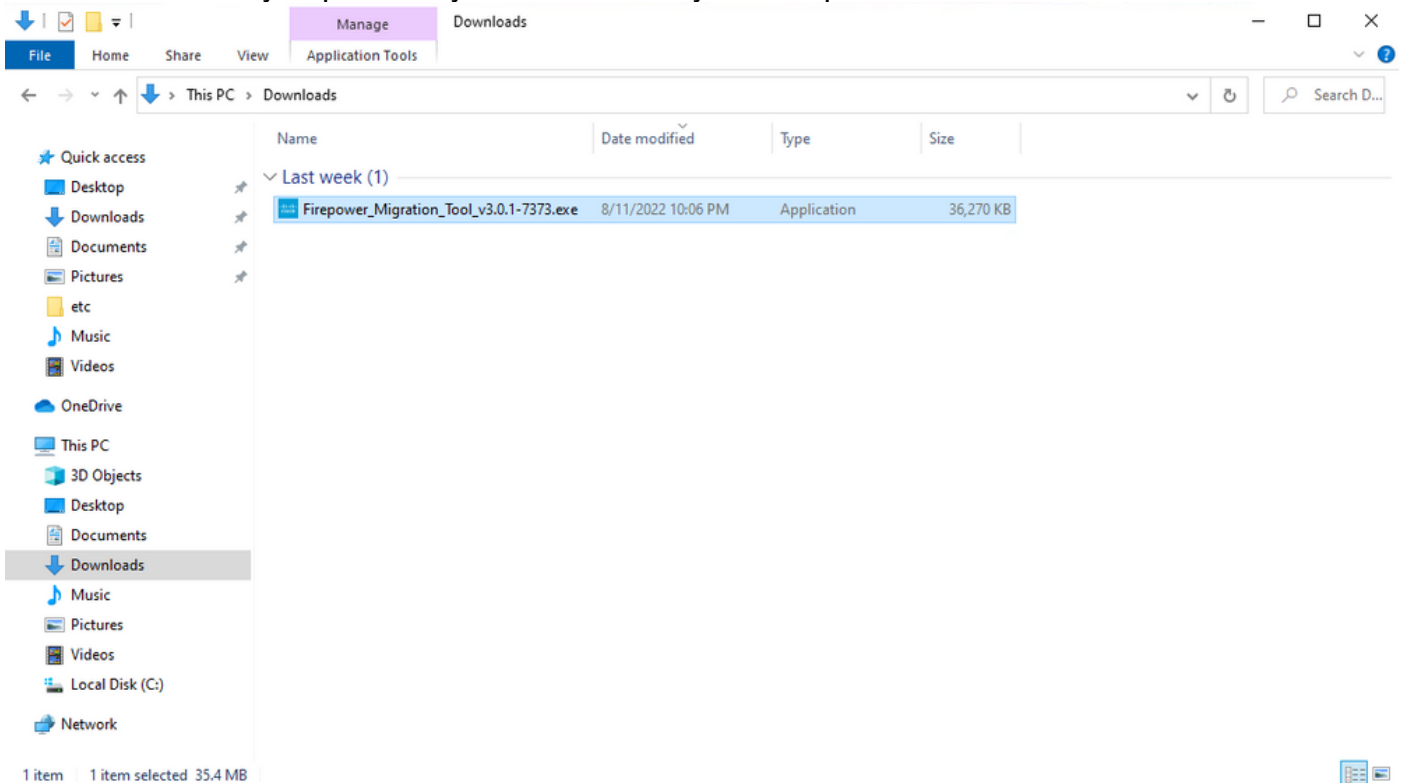
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[Release Notes for 3.0.1](#)

[Install and Upgrade Guides](#)

| File Information   | Release Date | Size     |   |
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| The extractor will be used to extract checkpoint device-specific configurations which will be used as an input to Firepower Migration Tool.<br><a href="#">FMT-CP-Config-Extractor_v3.0.1-7373.exe</a><br><a href="#">Advisories</a> | 10-Aug-2022  | 9.83 MB  | <a href="#">↓</a> <a href="#">🛒</a> <a href="#">📄</a> |
| Firepower Migration Tool 3.0.1 for Mac<br><a href="#">Firepower_Migration_Tool_v3.0.1-7373.command</a><br><a href="#">Advisories</a>   | 10-Aug-2022  | 34.75 MB | <a href="#">↓</a> <a href="#">🛒</a> <a href="#">📄</a> |
| Firepower Migration Tool 3.0.1 for Windows<br><a href="#">Firepower_Migration_Tool_v3.0.1-7373.exe</a><br><a href="#">Advisories</a>   | 10-Aug-2022  | 35.42 MB | <a href="#">↓</a> <a href="#">🛒</a> <a href="#">📄</a> |

2. Click the file you previously downloaded to your computer.



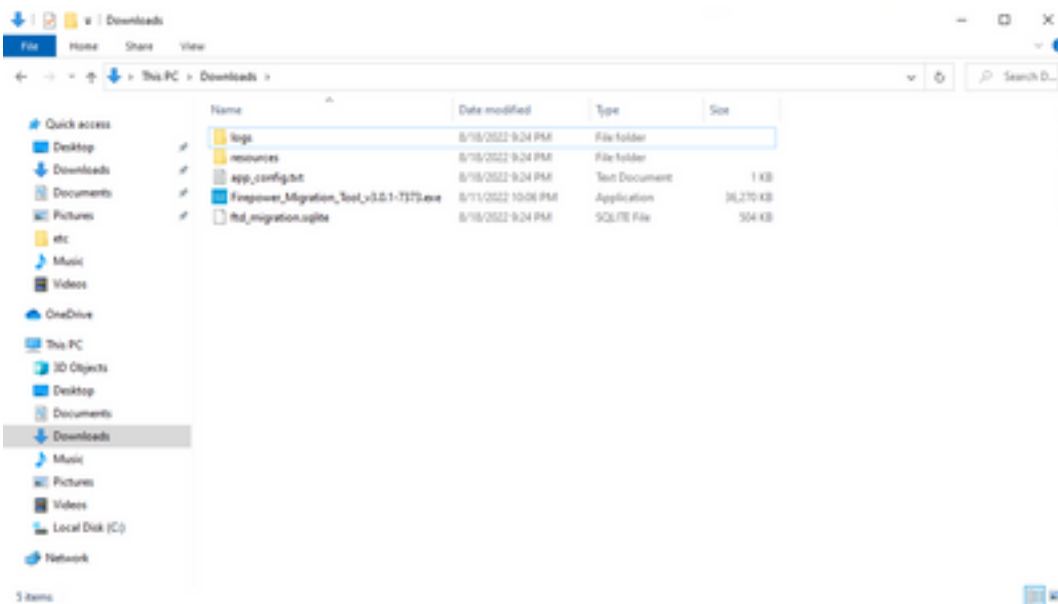
**Note:** The program opens up automatically and a console auto generates content on the directory where you ran the file.

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C:\Users\cali\Downloads\Firepower_Migration_Tool_v3.0.1-7373.exe
2022-08-18 21:24:49,752 [INFO] __init__ > "Initializing..."
2022-08-18 21:24:49,767 [INFO] settings > "Settings:[global_suffix]"
2022-08-18 21:24:50,189 [INFO] tool_version > "ToolVersion:[3017373]"
2022-08-18 21:24:50,252 [INFO] __init__ > "Initializing..."
2022-08-18 21:24:51,252 [INFO] config > "loading settings"
2022-08-18 21:24:51,268 [INFO] client > "Getting ssl context for south server"
2022-08-18 21:24:51,299 [INFO] tools > "Not verifying ssl certificates"
2022-08-18 21:24:51,299 [INFO] client > "No discovery url configured, all endpoints needs to be configured manually"

2022-08-18 21:24:51,314 [INFO] settings > "Disabled console quick edit mode"
2022-08-18 21:24:51,314 [DEBUG] common > "session table records count:1"
2022-08-18 21:24:51,314 [INFO] common > "Using port: 8888"
2022-08-18 21:24:51,799 [INFO] run > "***** Starting server at http://localhost:8888 <****"
 * Running on http://localhost:8888/ (Press CTRL+C to quit)
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:56] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:56] "GET /styles.a0d79d0031ca159b2361.bundle.css HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:56] "GET /inline.318b50c57b4eba3d437b.bundle.js HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:56] "GET /cui-font.800241c8aa87aa899c6a.woff2 HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:56] "GET /polyfills.76c2f23d4e2a1188f46c.bundle.js HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:56] "GET /main.777e77bd49fe82694a1a.bundle.js HTTP/1.1" 200 -
2022-08-18 21:24:57,075127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:57] "GET /assets/cisco.svg HTTP/1.1" 200 -
[INFO] cco_login > "USA check for an user"
2022-08-18 21:24:57,704 [DEBUG] common > "session table records count:1"
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:57] "GET /api/eula_check HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:57] "GET /assets/icons/login.png HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:58] "GET /assets/images/1.png HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:58] "GET /assets/images/3.png HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:58] "GET /assets/images/2.png HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [18/Aug/2022 21:24:58] "GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1" 200 -

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3. After you run the program, it opens up a web browser that displays the “End User License Agreement”. Mark the check box to accept terms and conditions. Click **Proceed**.

Firewall Migration Tool

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**Proceed**

Migrate policies from Cisco ASA or Cisco ASA with FPS or Check Point or PAN or Fortinet to Cisco FTD

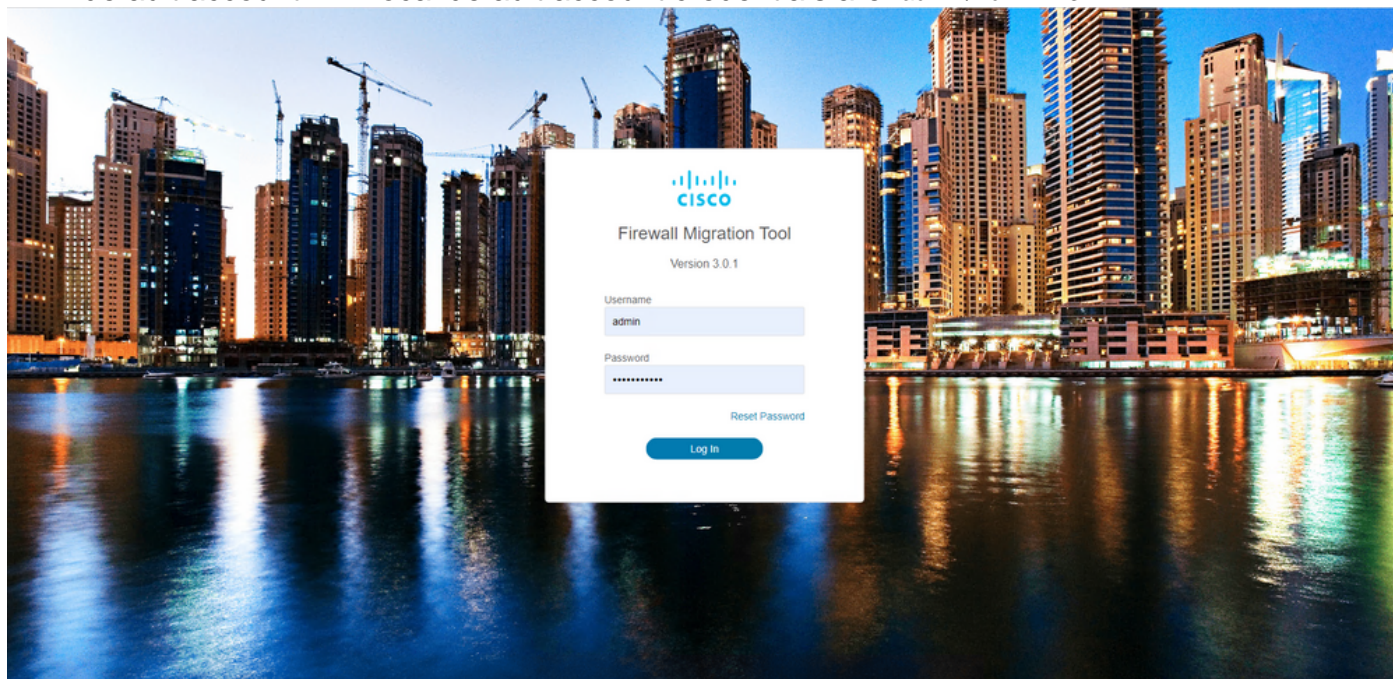


Extract Source Information

Any additional information explaining this



4. Log in to the migration tool. You can either log in with the CCO account or with the local default account. Local default account credentials are: admin/Admin123



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5. Select the Source Firewall to migrate. In this example, Cisco ASA (8.4+) is used as a source.

Select Source Configuration

Source Firewall Vendor

Select Source

- Cisco ASA (8.4+)
- Cisco ASA (9.2.2+) with FPS
- Check Point (r75-r77)
- Check Point (r80)
- Fortinet (5.0+)
- Palo Alto Networks (6.1+)

### Cisco ASA (8.4+) Pre-Migration Instructions

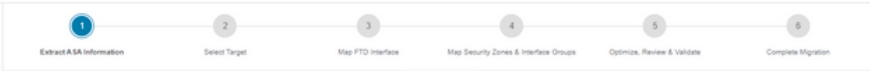
This migration may take a while. Do not make any changes to the Firepower Management Center (FMC) when migration is in progress.

**Acronyms used:**  
FMT: Firewall Migration Tool      FMC: Firepower Management Center  
FTD: Firepower Threat Defense

Before you begin your Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA) to Firepower Threat Defense migration, you must have the following items:

- Stable IP Connection:**  
Ensure that the connection is stable between FMT and FMC.
- FMC Version:**  
Ensure that the FMC version is 6.2.3 or later. For optimal migration time, improved software quality and stability, use the suggested release for your FTD and FMC. Refer to the gold star on CCO for the suggested release.
- FMC Account:**  
Create a dedicated user account with administrative privileges for the FMT and use the credentials during migration.
- FTD (Optional):**  
To migrate the device configurations like interfaces, routes, and so on, add the target device to FMC. Skip this step if you want to migrate only the shared configurations like objects, NAT, ACL, and so on.
- ASA Configuration Requirements:**  
Export configuration file from ASA to .cfg or .txt format. Connect to live ASA to extract the configuration file for one or more contexts. To migrate following features in ASA:
  - Time Based ACLs:** FMC and FTD must be on 6.6 or later versions.
  - IP SLA Monitor:** FMC must be on 6.6 or later and FTD must be on 6.2.3 or later.
  - Object Group Search:** FMC and FTD must be on 6.6 or later versions.
  - ASA505 Support:** FMC and FTD must be on 6.6 or later versions.
  - Remote Deployment:** FMC and FTD must be on 6.7 or later versions. If remote deployment is enabled, Firewall Migration Tool will only migrate ACLs, Network Object and Port Objects. Interface and Route configuration have to be migrated manually on to FMC.
  - Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels:** Policy Based (Crypto Map) VPN needs FMC and FTD to be on 6.6 or later. Route Based (VTI) Support, FMC and FTD to be on 6.7 or later. Ensure FTD must be added to FMC before migration. Firewall Migration Tool will migrate VPN tunnels as Point-to-Point network

6. Select the extraction method to be used to get the configuration. Manual Upload requires you to upload the Running config file of the ASA in “.cfg” or “.txt” format. Connect to the ASA to extract configurations directly from the firewall.



Extract Cisco ASA (8.4+) Information

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)

Extraction Methods

**Manual Upload**

- File format is '.cfg' or '.txt'.
- For Multi-context upload a show tech. For Single-context upload show running.

⚠ Do not upload hand coded configurations.

Upload

**Connect to ASA**

- Enter the management IP address and connect using admin credentials.
- IP format should be: <IP Port>.

ASA IP Address/Hostname

Connect

Context Selection >

Parsed Summary >

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**Note:** For this example, connect directly to the ASA.

7. A summary of the configuration found on the firewall is displayed as a dashboard, please click **Next**.

Extract Cisco ASA (8.4+) Information

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)

Extraction Methods >

ASA IP Address: 192.168.1.20

Context Selection >

Single Context Mode: Download config

Parsed Summary >

Collect Hitcounts: No

|                                  |   |                      |                               |   |
|----------------------------------|---|----------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 8<br>Access Control List Lines   | 2<br>Access List Objects<br><small>(Standard, Extended used in BGP/RA/PINE/GRP)</small> | 0<br>Network Objects | 0<br>Port Objects             | 0<br>Dynamic-Route Objects<br><small>(AS-Path, Community-List, Policy-List, Prefix-List, Route-Map)</small> |
| 0<br>Network Address Translation | 1<br>Logical Interfaces   | 1<br>Routes          | 0<br>Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels | 0<br>Remote Access VPN<br><small>(Connection Profiles)</small>  |

● Pre-migration report will be available after selecting the targets.

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8. Select the target FMC to use on the migration. Provide the IP of the FMC. It opens a pop-up window where it prompts you for the log in credentials of the FMC.

Select Target

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)

Firewall Management

On-Prem/Virtual FMC
  Cloud-delivered FMC

FMC IP Address/Hostname  
192.168.1.18

Connect

1 FTD(s) Found

Proceed

Successfully connected to FMC

Choose FTD >

Select Features >

Rule Conversion/ Process Config >

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9. (Optional) Select the Target FTD you want to use. If you choose to migrate to an FTD, select the FTD you want to use. If you do not want to use an FTD you can fill the check box Proceed without FTD

Select Target

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)

Firewall Management

FMC IP Address/Hostname: 192.168.1.18

Choose FTD

Select FTD Device
  Proceed without FTD

FTD (192.168.1.17) - VMWare (Native)

Please ensure that the firewall mode configured on the target FTD device is the same as in the uploaded ASA configuration file. The existing configuration of the FTD device on the FMC is erased when you push the migrated configuration to the FMC.

Proceed

Select Features >

Rule Conversion/ Process Config >

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10. Select the configurations you want to migrate, options are displayed on the screenshots.

Select Target

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)

Firewall Management

FMC IP Address/Hostname: 192.168.1.18

Choose FTD

Selected FTD: FTD

Select Features

Device Configuration

- Interfaces
- Routes
  - Static
  - BGP
  - EIGRP
  - Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels (no data)
  - Policy Based (Crypto Map)
  - Route Based (VTI)

Shared Configuration

- Access Control
  - Populate destination security zones
    - ⚠ Route-lookup logic is limited to Static Routes and Connected Routes. PBR, Dynamic-Routes & NAT are not considered.
  - Migrate tunnelled rules as Prefilter
  - NAT (no data)
  - Network Objects (no data)
  - Port Objects (no data)
  - Access List Objects(Standard, Extended)
  - Time based Objects (no data)
  - Remote Access VPN

⚠ Remote Access VPN migration is supported on FMC/FTD 7.2 and above.

Optimization

- Migrate Only Referenced Objects
- Object Group Search

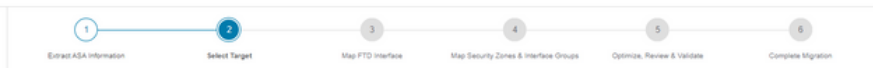
Inline Grouping

- CSM/ASDM

Proceed

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### 11. Start the conversion of the configurations from ASA to FTD.



Select Target

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)

Firewall Management

FMC IP Address/Hostname: 192.168.1.18

Choose FTD

Selected FTD: FTD

Select Features

Rule Conversion/ Process Config

Start Conversion

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12. Once the conversion finishes, it displays a dashboard with the summary of the objects to be migrated (restricted to compatibility). You can optionally click on **Download Report** to receive a summary of the configurations to be migrated.



Select Target

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)

Firewall Management

FMC IP Address/Hostname: 192.168.1.18

Choose FTD

Selected FTD: FTD

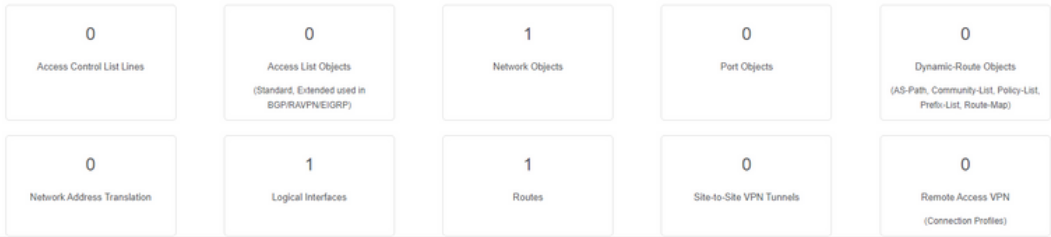
Select Features

Rule Conversion/ Process Config

Start Conversion

0 parsing errors found. Refer to the pre-migration report for more details.

Please download the Pre-Migration report for a detailed summary of the parsed configuration [Download Report](#)



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### Pre-Migration report example, as shown in the image:

**Note:** Review all contents of this pre-migration report carefully. Unsupported rules will not be migrated completely, which can potentially alter your original configuration, restrict some traffic, or permit unwanted traffic. We recommend that you update the related rules and policies in Firepower Management Center to ensure that traffic is appropriately handled by Firepower Threat Defense after the configuration is successfully migrated.

#### 1. Overall Summary:

A summary of the supported ASA configuration elements that can be successfully migrated to Firepower Threat Defense.

|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Collection Method                  | Connect ASA  |
| ASA Configuration Name             | aaalive_ciscoasa_2022-08-19_02-04-31.txt                   |
| ASA Firewall Context Mode Detected | single   |
| ASA Version                        | 9.16(1)  |
| ASA Hostname                       | Not Available  |
| ASA Device Model                   | ASAv, 2048 MB RAM, CPU Xeon 4100 6100 8100 series 2200 MHz |
| Hit Count Feature                  | No   |
| IP SLA Monitor                     | 0  |
| Total Extended ACEs                | 0  |
| ACEs Migratable                    | 0  |
| Site to Site VPN Tunnels           | 0  |
| FMC Type                           | On-Prem FMC  |
| Logical Interfaces                 | 1  |
| Network Objects and Groups         | 1  |

### 13. Map the ASA interfaces with the FTD interfaces on the Migration Tool.

Map FTD Interface

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)  
Target FTD: FTD

| ASA Interface Name | FTD Interface Name |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Management0/0      | GigabitEthernet0/0 |

Refresh

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### 14. Create the Security Zones and Interface Groups for the interfaces on the FTD

Map Security Zones and Interface Groups

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)  
Target FTD: FTD

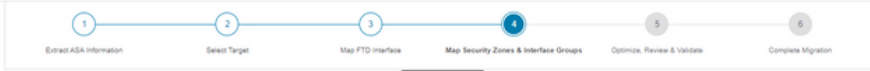
| ASA Logical Interface Name | FTD Interface      | FMC Security Zones   | FMC Interface Groups    |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| management                 | GigabitEthernet0/0 | Select Security Zone | Select Interface Groups |

Add SZ & IG Auto-Create

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Security Zones (SZ) and Interface Groups (IG) are auto-created by the tool, as shown in the image:



Map Security Zones and Interface Groups

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)  
Target FTD: FTD

| ASA Logical Interface Name | FTD Interface      | FMC Security Zones | FMC Interface Groups |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| management                 | GigabitEthernet0/0 | management         | management_ig (A)    |

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15. Review and validate the configurations to be migrated on the Migration Tool.  
If you have already finished the review and optimization of the configurations, click validate.



Optimize, Review and Validate Configuration

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)  
Target FTD: FTD

Access Control Objects NAT Interfaces Routes Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels Remote Access VPN

Access List Objects Network Objects Port Objects VPN Objects Dynamic-Route Objects

Select all 1 entries Selected: 0 / 1

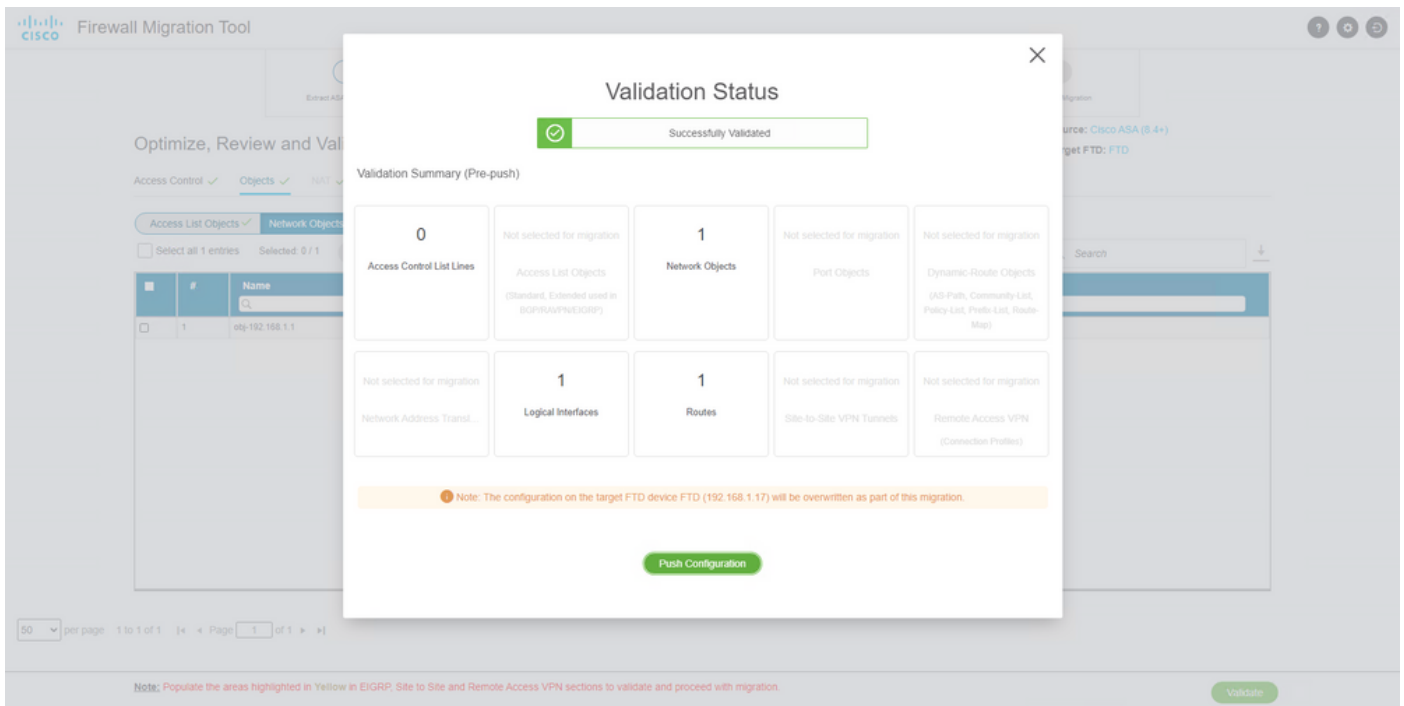
| # | Name            | Validation State       | Type           | Value       |
|---|-----------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1 | obj-192.168.1.1 | Will be created in FMC | Network Object | 192.168.1.1 |

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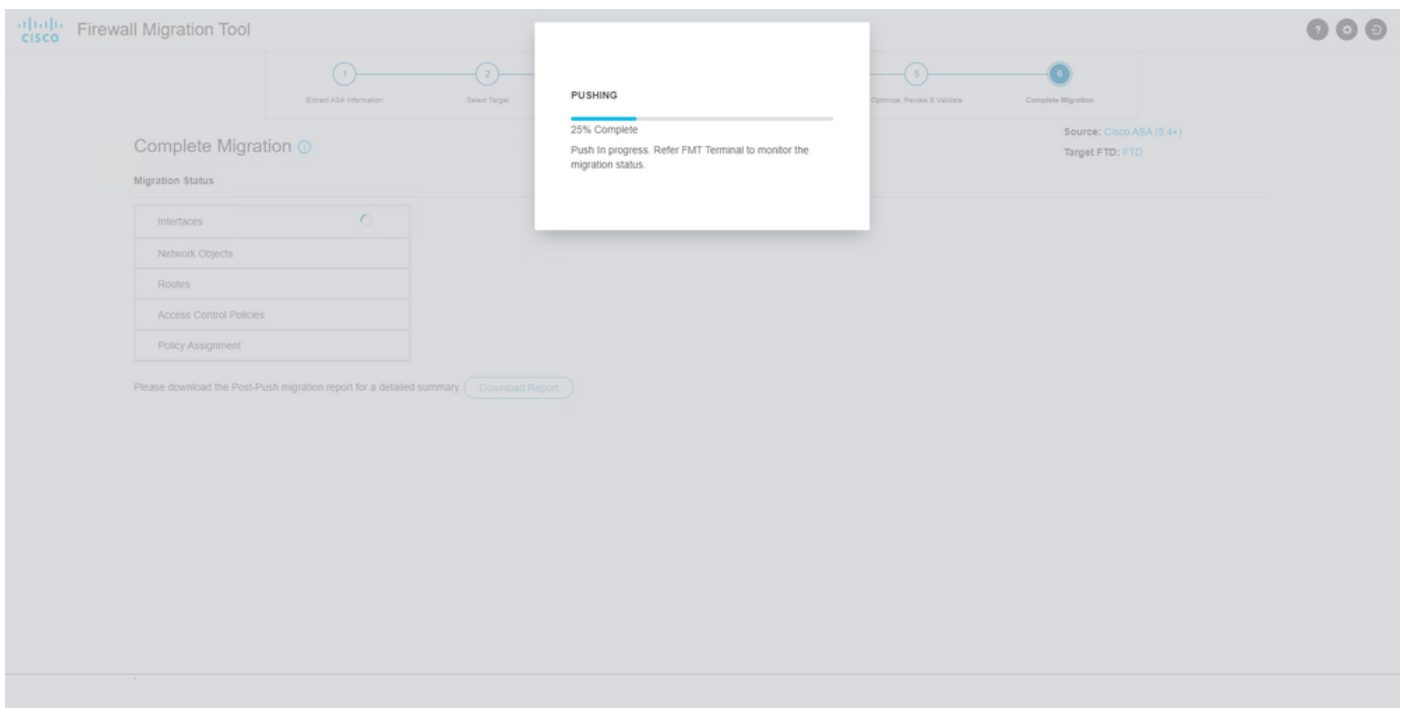
Note: Populate the areas highlighted in Yellow in EIGRP, Site to Site and Remote Access VPN sections to validate and proceed with migration.

Validate

16. If the validation status is successful, push the configurations to the target devices.



Example of configuration pushed through the migration tool, as shown in the image:



Example of a successful migration, as shown in the image:



Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)  
Target FTD: FTD

Complete Migration

Migration Status

✔ Migration is complete, policy is pushed to FMC.  
Next Step - Login to FMC to deploy the policy to FTD.

Optimization Status

⚠ ACL Optimization is not applied for this migration.

Live Connect: asaconfig.txt

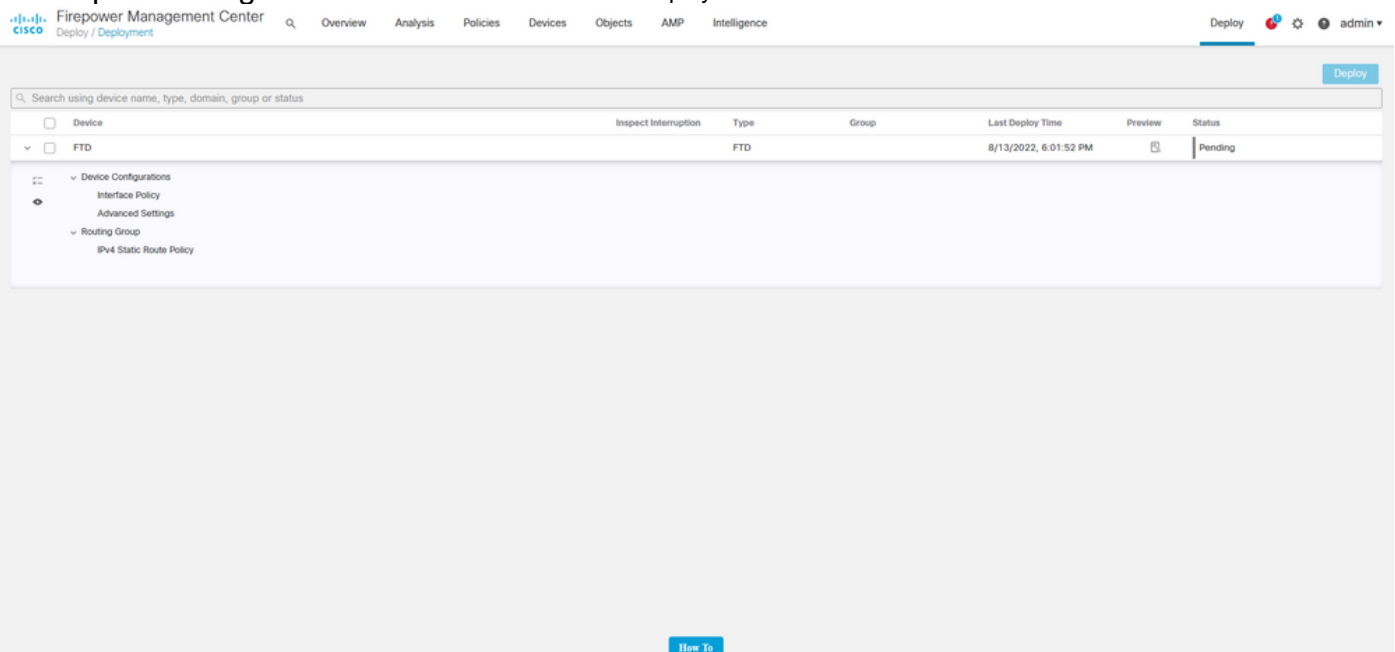
Selected Context: Single Context Mode

Migration Summary (Post Push)

|   |   |                      |  |  |
|---|---|----------------------|--|--|
| 0<br>Access Control List Lines                            | Not selected for migration<br>Access List Objects<br>(Standard, Extended used in BGP/RAMP/NEIGRP) | 1<br>Network Objects | Not selected for migration<br>Port Objects             | Not selected for migration<br>Dynamic-Route Objects<br>V4S-Path, Community List, Policy-List, PreB-List, Route-Map |
| Not selected for migration<br>Network Address Translation | 1<br>Logical Interfaces   | 1<br>Routes          | Not selected for migration<br>Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels | Not selected for migration<br>Remote Access VPN<br>(Connection Profiles)   |

New Migration

17. (Optional) If you selected to migrate the configuration to an FTD, it requires a deployment to push the available configuration from the FMC to the firewall, in order to deploy the configuration: Log in to the FMC GUI. Navigate to the Deploy tab. Select the deployment to push configuration to the firewall. Click Deploy.



## Troubleshoot

This section provides information you can use to troubleshoot your configuration.

Verify the logs in the directory where the Firepower Migration Tool File was placed, for example:

Firepower\_Migration\_Tool\_v3.0.1-7373.exe/logs/log\_2022-08-18-21-24-46.log