

L2TP Over IPsec Between Windows 2000/XP PC and PIX/ASA 7.2 Using Pre-shared Key Configuration Example

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[Introduction](#)

This document describes how to configure Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol (L2TP) over IP Security (IPsec) from remote Microsoft Windows 2000/2003 and XP clients to a PIX Security Appliance corporate office using pre-shared keys with Microsoft Windows 2003 Internet Authentication Service (IAS) RADIUS Server for user authentication. Refer to [Microsoft - Checklist: Configuring IAS for dial-up and VPN access](#)  for further information on IAS.

The primary benefit of configuring L2TP with IPsec in a remote access scenario is that remote users can access a VPN over a public IP network without a gateway or a dedicated line. This enables remote access from virtually any place with POTS. An additional benefit is that the only

client requirement for VPN access is the use of Windows 2000 with Microsoft Dial-Up Networking (DUN). No additional client software, such as Cisco VPN Client software, is required.

This document also describes how to use the Cisco Adaptive Security Device Manager (ASDM) in order to configure the PIX 500 Series Security Appliance for L2TP over IPsec.

Note: [Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol \(L2TP\) over IPsec](#) is supported on Cisco Secure PIX Firewall Software Release 6.x and later.

In order to configure L2TP Over IPsec between the PIX 6.x and Windows 2000, refer to [Configuring L2TP Over IPsec Between PIX Firewall and Windows 2000 PC Using Certificates](#).

In order to configure L2TP over IPsec from remote Microsoft Windows 2000 and XP clients to a corporate site using an encrypted method, refer to [Configuring L2TP over IPsec from a Windows 2000 or XP Client to a Cisco VPN 3000 Series Concentrator Using Pre-Shared Keys](#).

Prerequisites

Requirements

Before the secure tunnel establishment, IP connectivity needs to exist between the peers.

Make sure that UDP port 1701 is not blocked anywhere along the path of the connection.

Use only the default tunnel group and default group policy on the Cisco PIX/ASA. User-defined policies and groups do not work.

Note: The security appliance does not establish an L2TP/IPsec tunnel with Windows 2000 if either Cisco VPN Client 3.x or Cisco VPN 3000 Client 2.5 is installed. Disable the Cisco VPN service for Cisco VPN Client 3.x, or the ANetIKE service for Cisco VPN 3000 Client 2.5 from the Services panel in Windows 2000. In order to do this choose **Start > Programs > Administrative Tools > Services**, restart the IPsec Policy Agent Service from the Services panel, and reboot the machine.

Components Used

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

- PIX Security Appliance 515E with software version 7.2(1) or later
- Adaptive Security Device Manager 5.2(1) or later
- Microsoft Windows 2000 Server
- Microsoft Windows XP Professional with SP2
- Windows 2003 Server with IAS

Note: If you upgrade the PIX 6.3 to version 7.x, make sure that you have installed SP2 in Windows XP (L2TP Client).

Note: The information in the document is also valid for ASA security appliance.

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, make sure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

[Related Products](#)

This configuration can also be used with Cisco ASA 5500 Series Security Appliance 7.2(1) or later.

[Conventions](#)

Refer to [Cisco Technical Tips Conventions](#) for more information on document conventions.

[Background Information](#)

Complete these steps in order to configure L2TP over IPsec.

1. Configure IPsec transport mode in order to enable IPsec with L2TP. Windows 2000 L2TP/IPsec client uses IPsec transport mode—Only the IP payload is encrypted, and the original IP headers are left intact. The advantages of this mode are that it adds only a few bytes to each packet and allows devices on the public network to see the final source and destination of the packet. Therefore, in order for Windows 2000 L2TP/IPsec clients to connect to the security appliance, you must configure IPsec transport mode for a transform (see step 2 in the [ASDM configuration](#)). With this capability (transport), you can enable special processing (for example, QoS) on the intermediate network based on the information in the IP header. However, the Layer 4 header is encrypted, which limits the examination of the packet. Unfortunately, the transmission of the IP header in clear text, transport mode allows an attacker to perform some traffic analysis.
2. Configure L2TP with a virtual private dial-up network (VPDN) group.

The configuration of L2TP with IPsec supports certificates that use the pre-shared keys or RSA signature methods, and the use of dynamic (as opposed to static) crypto maps. Pre-shared key is used as an authentication to establish the L2TP over IPsec tunnel.

[Configure](#)

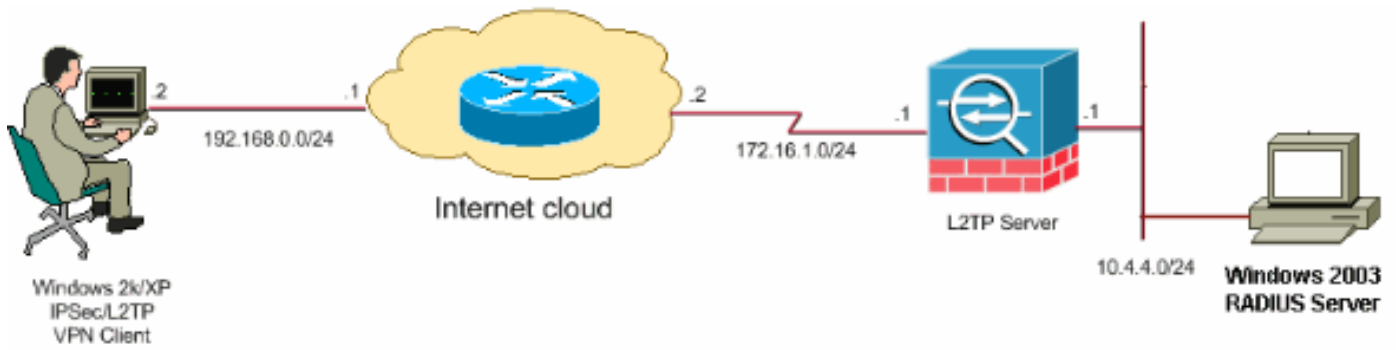
In this section, you are presented with the information to configure the features described in this document.

Note: Use the [Command Lookup Tool](#) ([registered](#) customers only) to find more information on the commands used in this document.

Note: The IP addressing schemes used in this configuration are not legally routable on the Internet. They are RFC 1918 addresses which have been used in a lab environment.

[Network Diagram](#)

This document uses this network setup:



Configurations

This document uses these configurations:

- [Windows L2TP/IPsec Client Configuration](#)
- [L2TP Server in PIX Configuration](#)
- [L2TP using ASDM Configuration](#)
- [Microsoft Windows 2003 Server with IAS Configuration](#)

Windows L2TP/IPsec Client Configuration

Complete these steps in order to configure L2TP over IPsec on Windows 2000. For Windows XP skip steps 1 and 2 and start from step 3:

1. Add this registry value to your Windows 2000

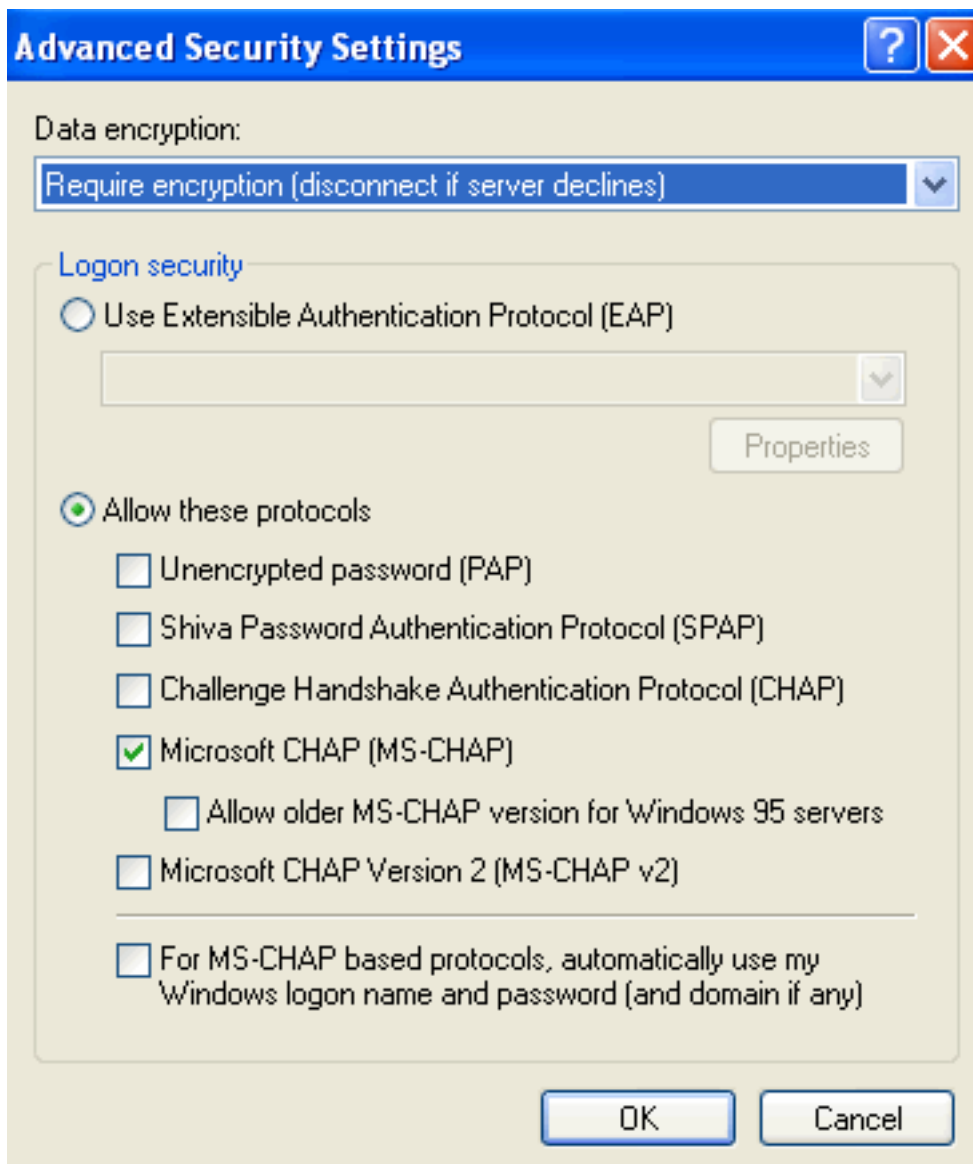
machine:HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\System\CurrentControlSet\Services\Rasman\Parameters

2. Add this registry value to this key: Value Name: ProhibitIpSec

Data Type: REG_DWORD

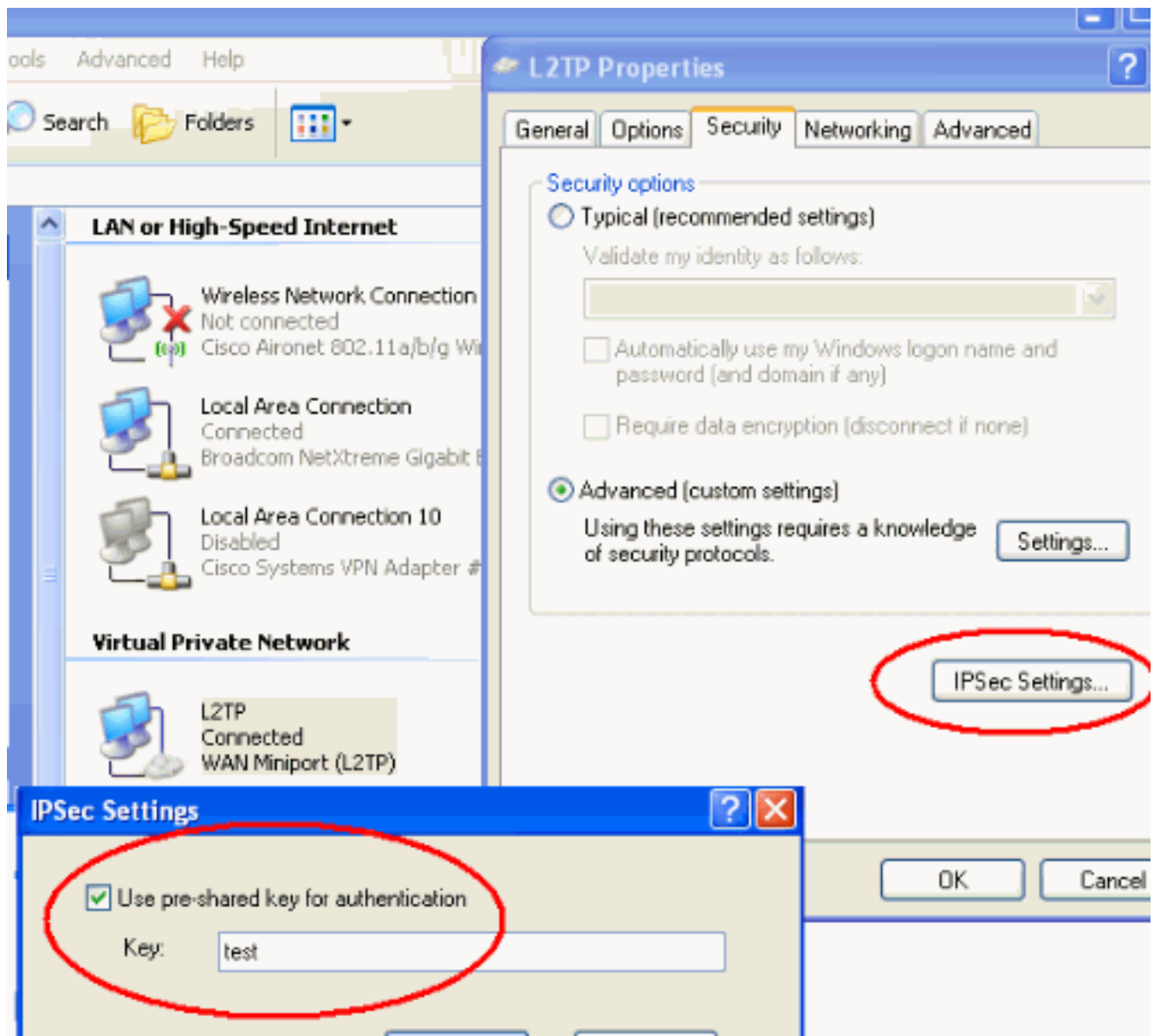
Value: 1 **Note:** In some cases (Windows XP Sp2), the addition of this key (**Value: 1**) appears to break the connection as it makes the XP box negotiate L2TP only rather than an L2TP with IPsec connection. It is mandatory to add an IPsec policy in conjunction with that registry key. If you receive an `error 800` when you try to establish a connection, remove the key (Value: 1) in order to get the connection to work. **Note:** You must restart Windows 2000/2003 or XP machine in order for the changes to take effect. By default the Windows client attempts to use IPsec with a Certificate Authority (CA). The configuration of this registry key prevents this from occurring. Now you can configure an IPsec policy on the Windows station to match the parameters that you want on the PIX/ASA. Refer to [How to Configure a L2TP/IPSec Connection Using Pre-shared Key Authentication \(Q240262\)](#) [↗](#) for a step-by-step configuration of the Windows IPsec policy. Refer to [Configure a Preshared Key for Use with Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol Connections in Windows XP \(Q281555\)](#) [↗](#) for more information.

3. Create your connection.
4. Under Network and Dial-up Connections, right-click on the connection and choose **Properties**. Go to the Security tab and click **Advanced**. Choose the protocols as this image



shows.

5. **Note:** This step is applicable only for Windows XP. Click **IPSec Settings**, check **Use pre-shared key for authentication** and type in the pre-shared key in order to set the pre-shared key. In this example, test is used as the pre-shared key.



L2TP Server in PIX Configuration

PIX 7.2

```

pixfirewall#show run PIX Version 7.2(1) ! hostname
pixfirewall domain-name default.domain.invalid enable
password 8Ry2YjIyt7RRXU24 encrypted names ! !---
Configures the outside and inside interfaces. interface
Ethernet0 nameif outside security-level 0 ip address
172.16.1.1 255.255.255.0 ! interface Ethernet1 nameif
inside security-level 100 ip address 10.4.4.1
255.255.255.0 ! passwd 2KFQnbNIdI.2KYOU encrypted ftp
mode passive dns server-group DefaultDNS domain-name
default.domain.invalid access-list nonat extended permit
ip 10.4.4.0 255.255.255.0 10.4.5.0 255.255.255.0 nat
(inside) 0 access-list nonat pager lines 24 logging
console debugging mtu outside 1500 mtu inside 1500 !---
Creates a pool of addresses from which IP addresses are
assigned !--- dynamically to the remote VPN Clients. ip
local pool clientVPNpool 10.4.5.10-10.4.5.20 mask
255.255.255.0 no failover asdm image flash:/asdm-521.bin
no asdm history enable arp timeout 14400 !--- The global
and nat command enable !--- the Port Address Translation
(PAT) using an outside interface IP !--- address for all
outgoing traffic. global (outside) 1 interface nat

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(inside) 1 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 route outside 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0
172.16.1.2 1 timeout xlate 3:00:00 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 uauth
0:05:00 absolute !--- Create the AAA server group "vpn"
and specify its protocol as RADIUS. !--- Specify the IAS
server as a member of the "vpn" group and provide its !-
-- location and key. aaa-server vpn protocol radius aaa-
server vpn host 10.4.4.2 key radiuskey !--- Identifies
the group policy as internal. group-policy
DefaultRAGroup internal !--- Instructs the security
appliance to send DNS and !--- WINS server IP addresses
to the client. group-policy DefaultRAGroup attributes
wins-server value 10.4.4.99 dns-server value 10.4.4.99
!--- Configures L2TP over IPsec as a valid VPN tunneling
protocol for a group. vpn-tunnel-protocol IPsec l2tp-
ipsec default-domain value cisco.com !--- Configure
usernames and passwords on the device !--- in addition
to using AAA. !--- If the user is an L2TP client that
uses Microsoft CHAP version 1 or !--- version 2, and the
security appliance is configured !--- to authenticate
against the local !--- database, you must include the
mschap keyword. !--- For example, username <username>
password <password> mschap. username test password
DLaUiAX3l78qgoB5c7iVNw== nt-encrypted vpn-tunnel-
protocol l2tp-ipsec http server enable http 0.0.0.0
0.0.0.0 inside no snmp-server location no snmp-server
contact snmp-server enable traps snmp authentication
linkup linkdown coldstart !--- Identifies the IPsec
encryption and hash algorithms !--- to be used by the
transform set. crypto ipsec transform-set
TRANS_ESP_3DES_MD5 esp-3des esp-md5-hmac !--- Since the
Windows 2000 L2TP/IPsec client uses IPsec transport
mode, !--- set the mode to transport. !--- The default
is tunnel mode. crypto ipsec transform-set
TRANS_ESP_3DES_MD5 mode transport !--- Specifies the
transform sets to use in a dynamic crypto map entry.
crypto dynamic-map outside_dyn_map 20 set transform-set
TRANS_ESP_3DES_MD5 !--- Requires a given crypto map
entry to refer to a pre-existing !--- dynamic crypto
map. crypto map outside_map 20 ipsec-isakmp dynamic
outside_dyn_map !--- Applies a previously defined crypto
map set to an outside interface. crypto map outside_map
interface outside crypto isakmp enable outside crypto
isakmp nat-traversal 20 !--- Specifies the IKE Phase I
policy parameters. crypto isakmp policy 10
authentication pre-share encryption 3des hash md5 group
2 lifetime 86400 !--- Creates a tunnel group with the
tunnel-group command, and specifies the local !---
address pool name used to allocate the IP address to the
client. !--- Associate the AAA server group (VPN) with
the tunnel group. tunnel-group DefaultRAGroup general-
attributes address-pool clientVPNpool authentication-
server-group vpn !--- Link the name of the group policy
to the default tunnel !--- group from tunnel group
general-attributes mode. default-group-policy
DefaultRAGroup !--- Use the tunnel-group ipsec-
attributes command !--- in order to enter the ipsec-
attribute configuration mode. !--- Set the pre-shared
key. !--- This key should be the same as the key
configured on the Windows machine. tunnel-group
DefaultRAGroup ipsec-attributes pre-shared-key * !---

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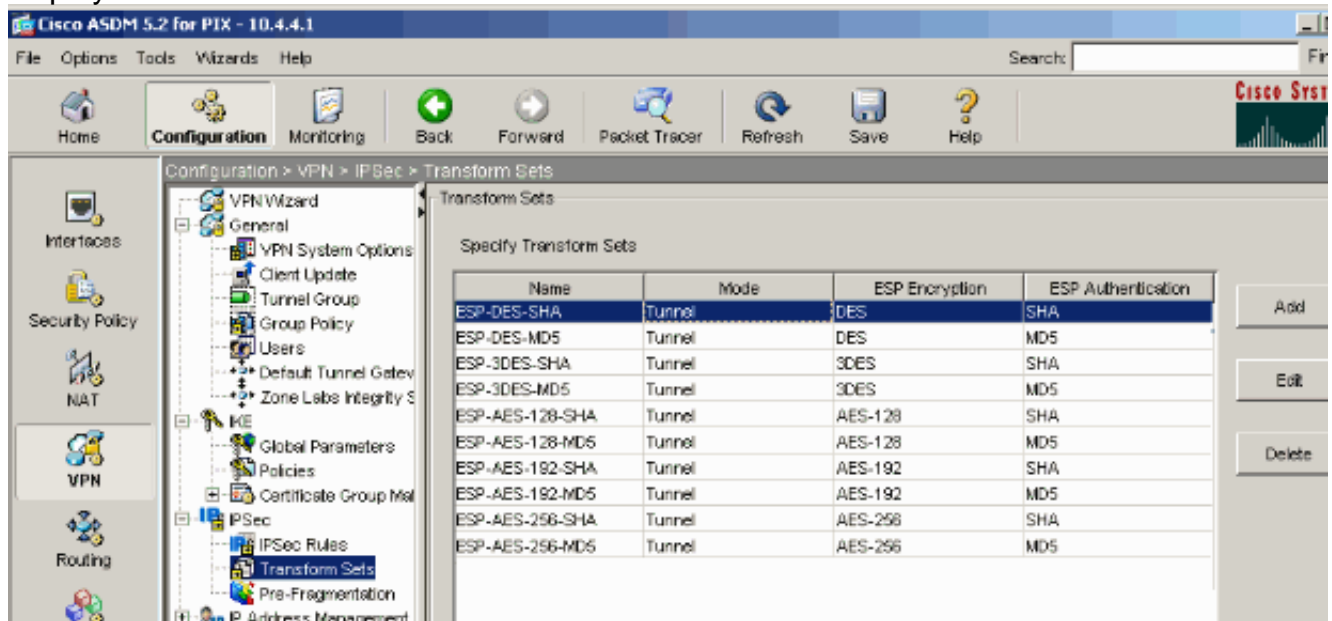
Configures the PPP authentication protocol with the
authentication type !--- command from tunnel group ppp-
attributes mode. tunnel-group DefaultRAGroup ppp-
attributes no authentication chap authentication ms-
chap-v2 telnet timeout 5 ssh timeout 5 console timeout 0
! class-map inspection_default match default-inspection-
traffic !! policy-map type inspect dns preset_dns_map
parameters message-length maximum 512 policy-map
global_policy class inspection_default inspect dns
preset_dns_map inspect ftp inspect h323 h225 inspect
h323 ras inspect netbios inspect rsh inspect rtsp
inspect skinny inspect esmtp inspect sqlnet inspect
sunrpc inspect tftp inspect sip inspect xdmcp ! service-
policy global_policy global prompt hostname context
Cryptochecksum:ele0730fa260244caa2e2784f632accd : end

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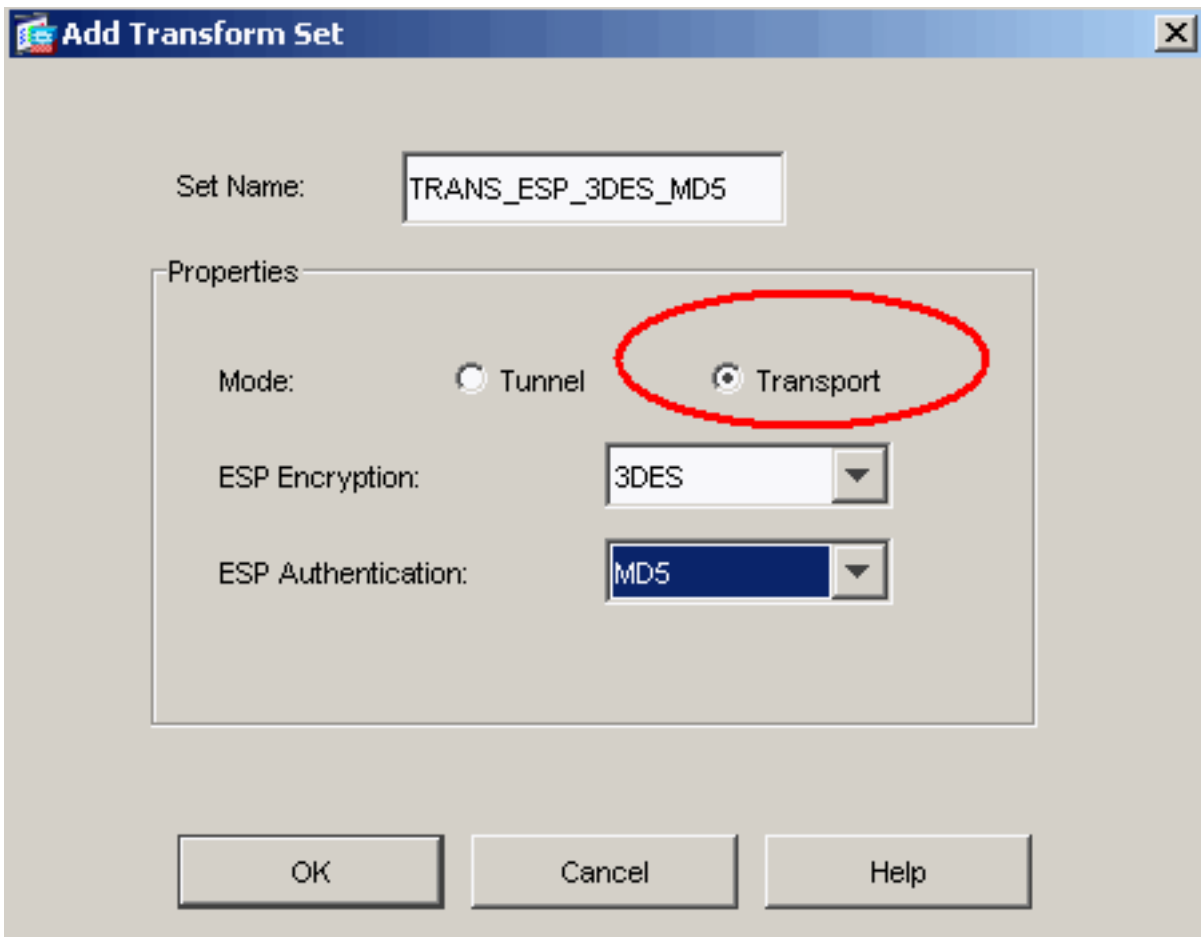
L2TP using ASDM Configuration

Complete these steps in order to configure the security appliance to accept L2TP over IPsec connections:

1. Add an IPsec transform set and specify IPsec to use transport mode rather than tunnel mode. In order to do this, choose **Configuration > VPN > IPsec > Transform Sets** and click **Add**. The Transform Sets pane displays.

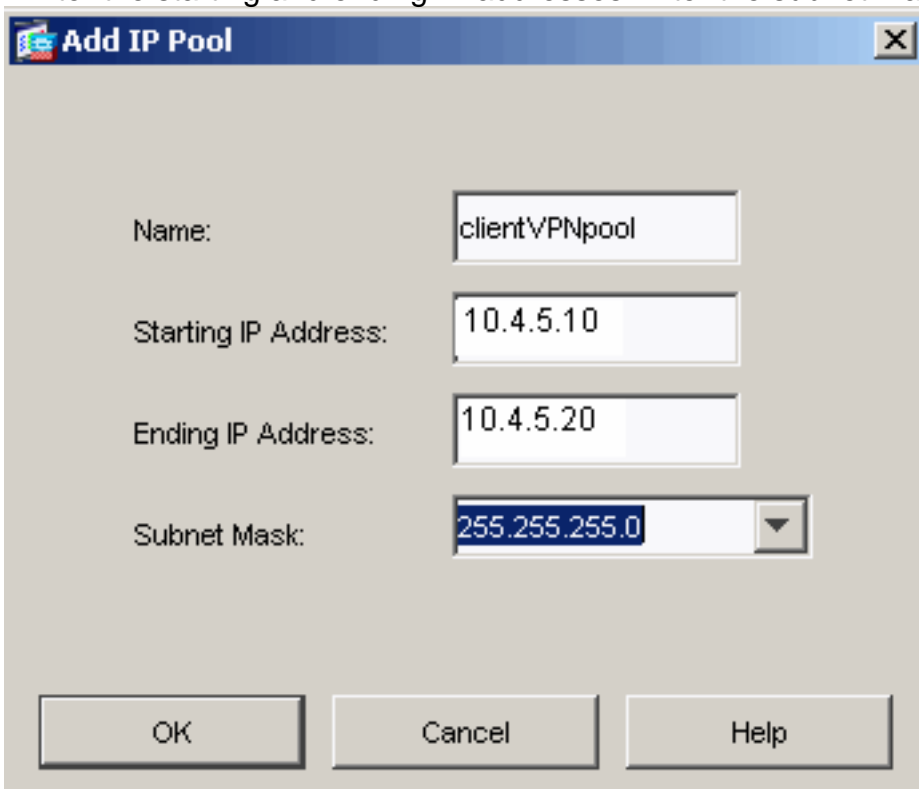


2. Complete these steps in order to add a transform set: Enter a name for the transform set. Choose the ESP Encryption and ESP Authentication methods. Choose the mode as **Transport**. Click



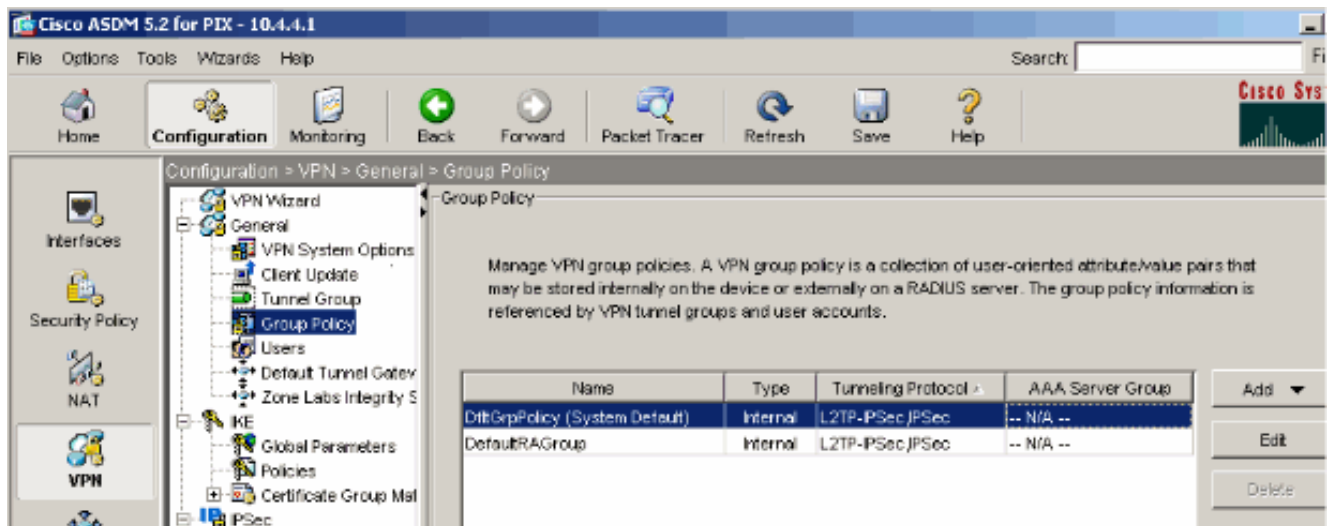
OK.

3. Complete these steps in order to configure a method of address assignment. This example uses IP address pools. Choose **Configuration > VPN > IP Address Management > IP Pools**. Click **Add**. The Add IP Pool dialog box appears. Enter the name of the new IP address pool. Enter the starting and ending IP addresses. Enter the subnet mask and click

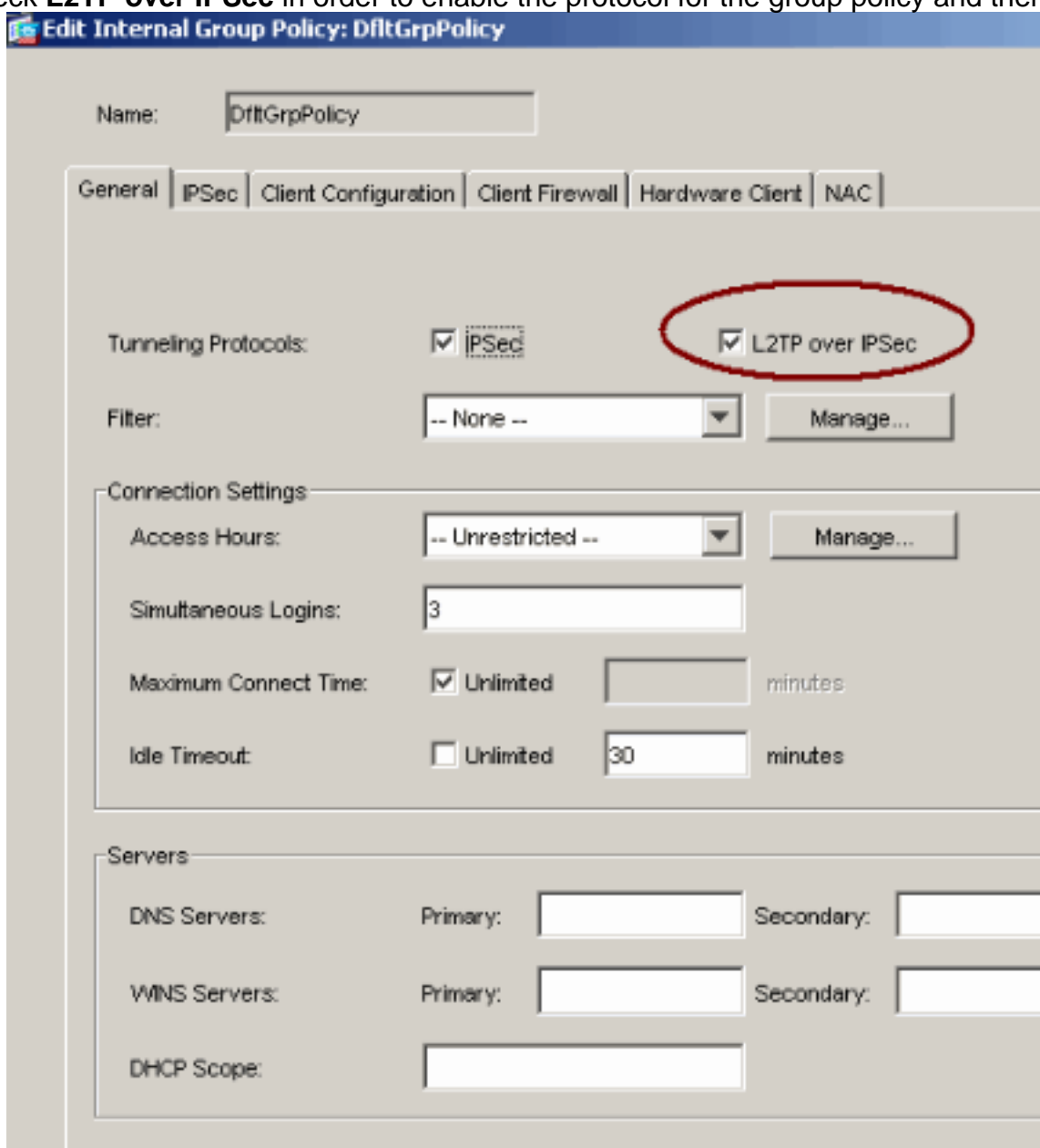


OK.

4. Choose **Configuration > VPN > General > Group Policy** in order to configure L2TP over IPsec as a valid VPN tunneling protocol for the group policy. The Group Policy pane displays.

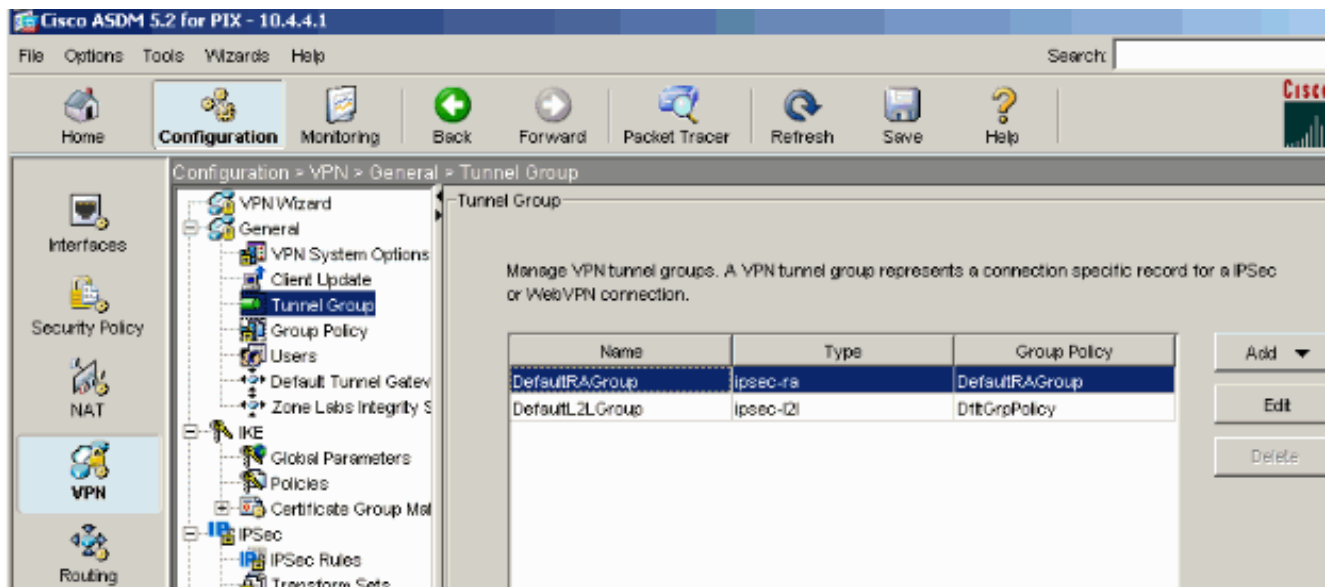


5. Select a group policy (DiffGrpPolicy) and click **Edit**. The Edit Group Policy dialog displays. Check **L2TP over IPSec** in order to enable the protocol for the group policy and then click

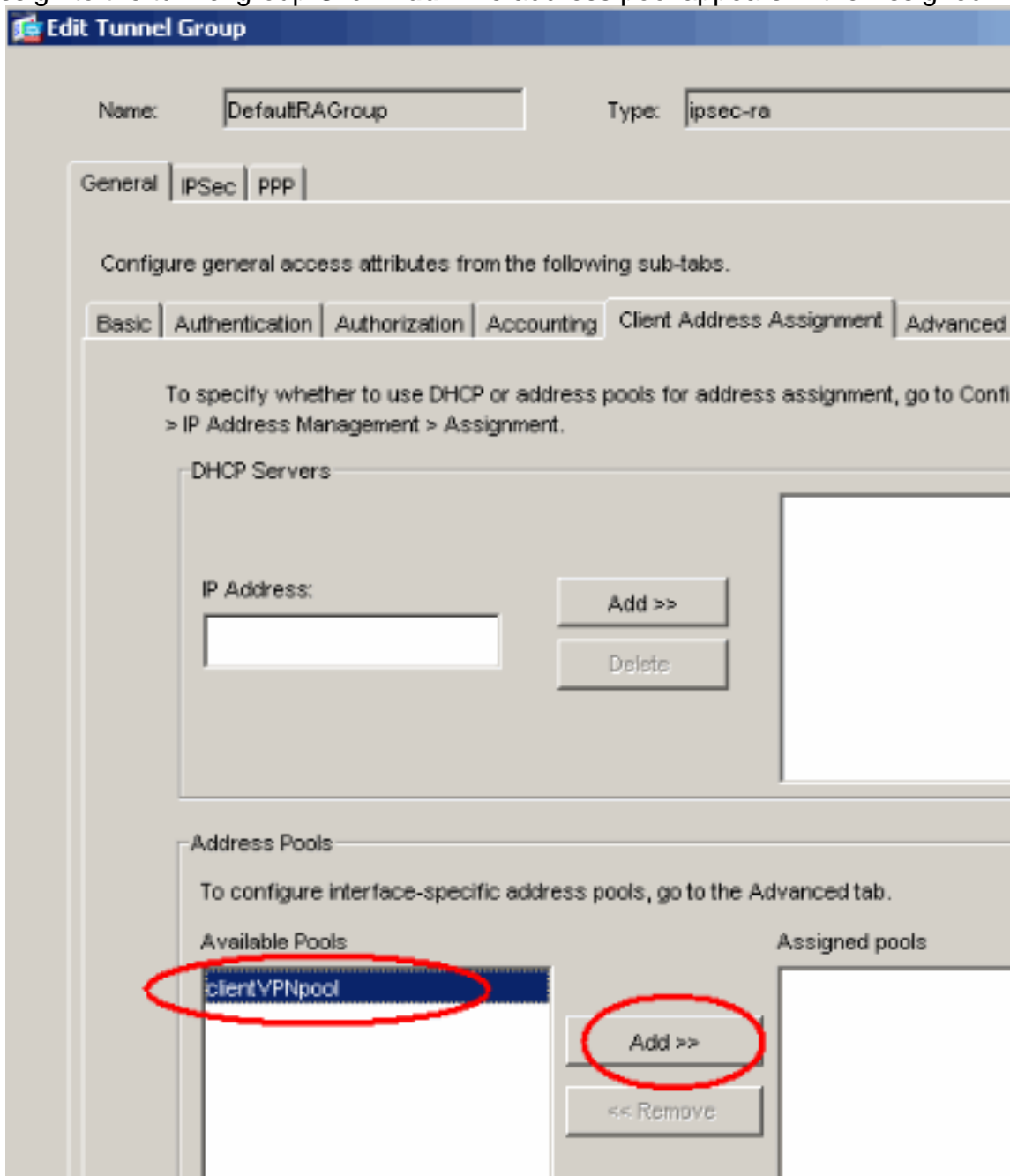


OK.

6. Complete these steps in order to assign the IP address pool to a tunnel group: Choose **Configuration > VPN > General > Tunnel Group**. After the Tunnel Group pane appears, select a tunnel group (DefaultRAGroup) in the table. Click **Edit**.



7. Complete these steps when the Edit Tunnel Group window appears: From the General tab, go to the Client Address Assignment tab. In the Address Pools area, choose an address pool to assign to the tunnel group. Click **Add**. The address pool appears in the Assigned Pools

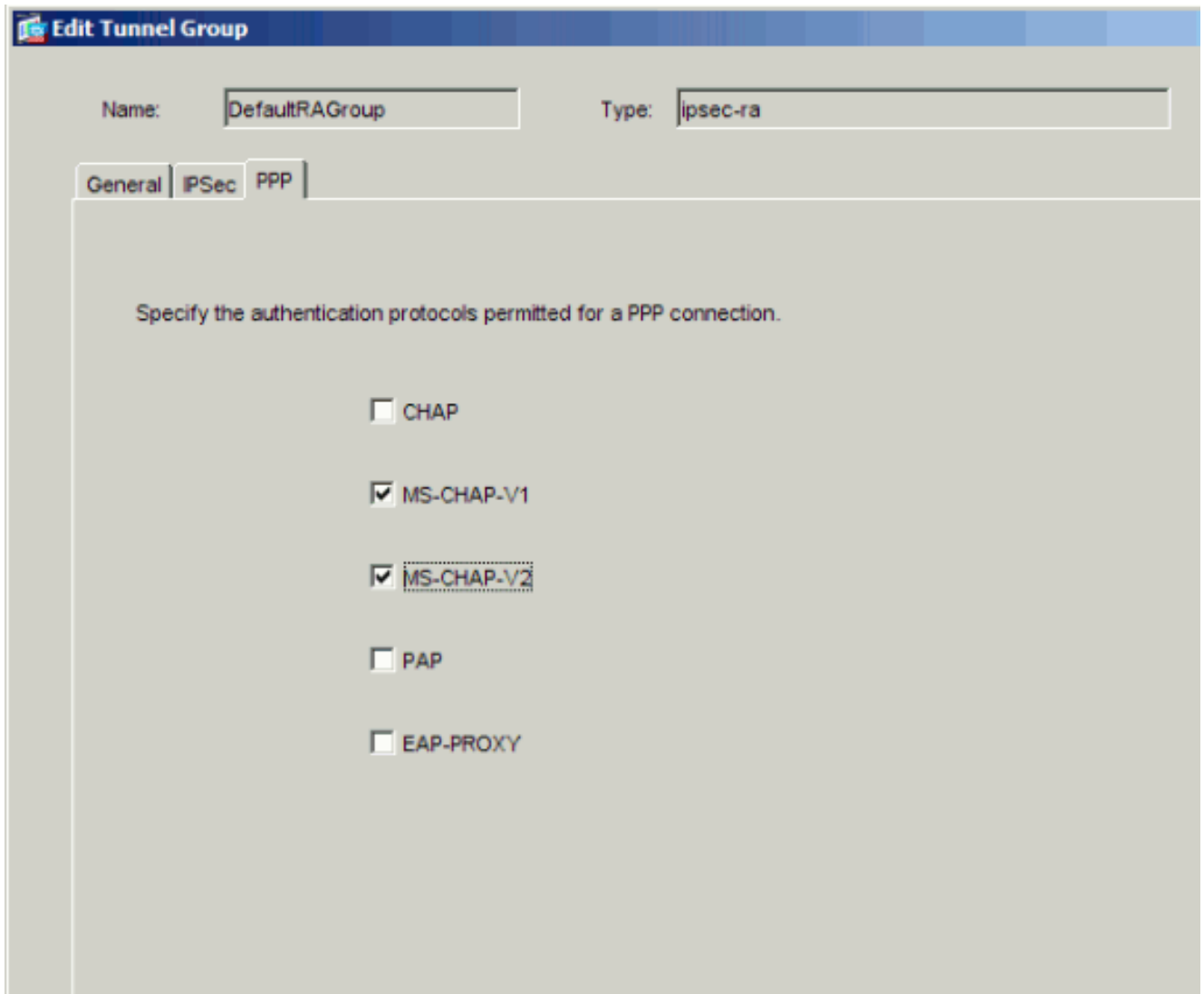


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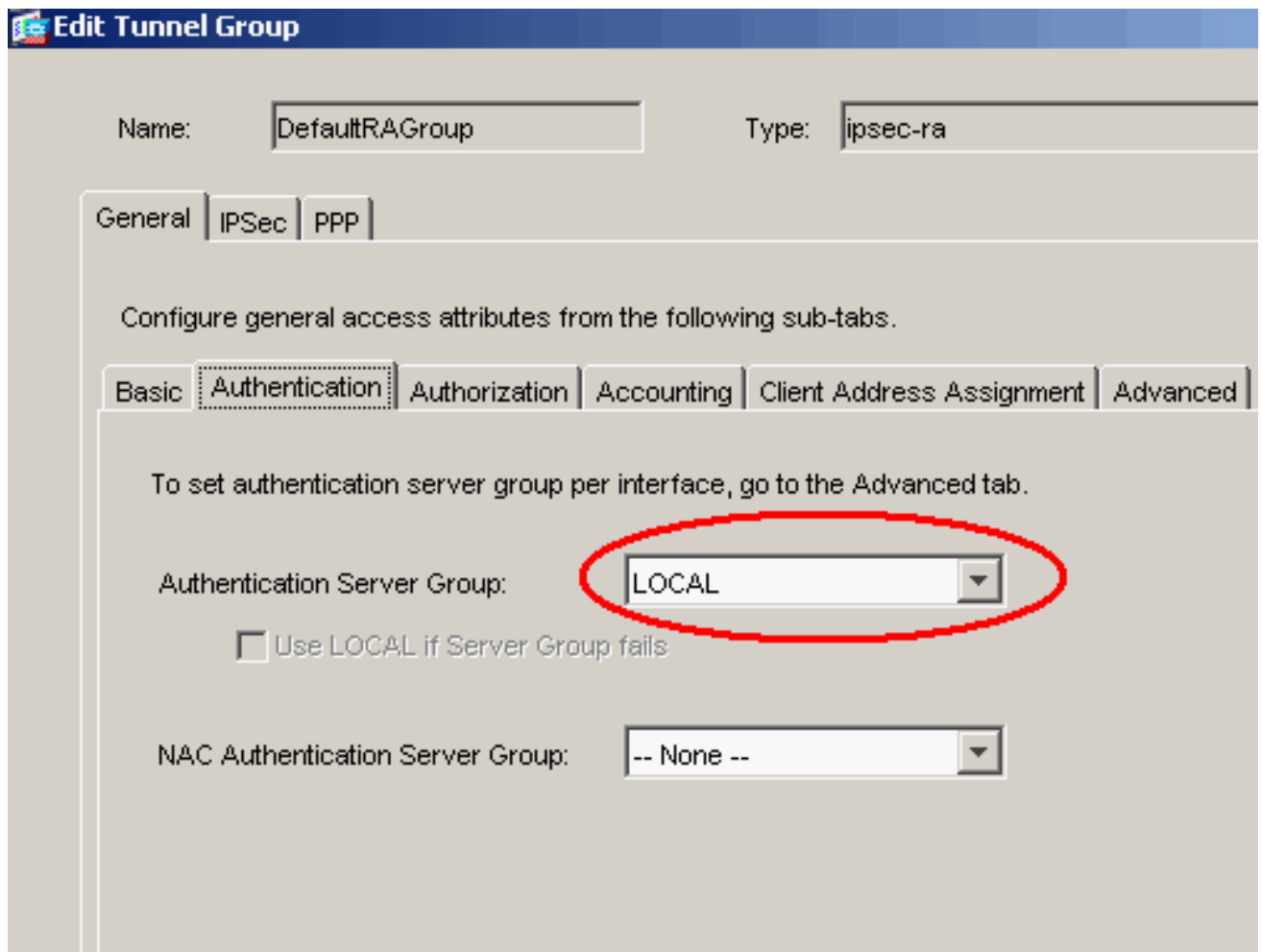
8. In order to set the pre-shared key, go to the IPsec tab, enter your **Pre-shared Key**, and click **OK**.

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Tunnel Group' configuration window with the 'IPSec' tab selected. The 'Name' field is 'DefaultRAGroup' and the 'Type' is 'ipsec-ra'. The 'Pre-shared Key' field is highlighted with a red circle and contains the text 'test'. The 'Trustpoint Name' is set to '-- None --'. The 'Authentication Mode' is 'xauth' and 'IKE Peer ID Validation' is 'Required'. There is an unchecked checkbox for 'Enable sending certificate chain'. The 'ISAKMP Keepalive' section has 'Monitor keepalives' selected, with a 'Confidence Interval' of 300 seconds and a 'Retry Interval' of 2 seconds. The 'Interface-Specific Authentication Mode' section shows 'Interface' set to 'inside' and 'Authentication Mode' set to 'none'. There are 'Add >>' and '<< Remove' buttons.

9. L2TP over IPsec uses PPP authentication protocols. Specify the protocols that are permitted for PPP connections on the PPP tab of the tunnel group. Select the **MS-CHAP-V1** protocol for authentication.



10. Specify a method to authenticate users who attempt L2TP over IPsec connections. You can configure the security appliance to use an authentication server or its own local database. In order to do this, go to the Authentication tab of the tunnel group. By default, the security appliance uses its local database. The Authentication Server Group drop-down list displays LOCAL. In order to use an authentication server, select one from the list. **Note:** The security appliance only supports the PPP authentications PAP and Microsoft CHAP versions 1 and 2 on the local database. EAP and CHAP are performed by proxy authentication servers. Therefore, if a remote user belongs to a tunnel group configured with EAP or CHAP, and the security appliance is configured to use the local database, that user is not able to connect.



Note: Choose **Configuration > VPN > General > Tunnel Group** in order to go back to the tunnel group configuration so that you can link the group policy to the tunnel group and enable Tunnel Group Switching (optional). When the Tunnel Group pane appears, choose the tunnel group and click **Edit**. **Note:** Tunnel Group Switching enables the security appliance to associate different users that establish L2TP over IPsec connections with different tunnel groups. Since each tunnel group has its own AAA server group and IP address pools, users can be authenticated through methods specific to their tunnel group. With this feature, instead of sending just a username, the user sends a username and a group name in the format `username@group_name`, where "@" represents a delimiter that you can configure, and the group name is the name of a tunnel group that is configured on the security appliance. **Note:** Tunnel Group Switching is enabled by Strip Group processing, which enables the security appliance to select the tunnel group for user connections by obtaining the group name from the username presented by the VPN Client. The security appliance then sends only the user part of the username for authorization and authentication. Otherwise (if disabled), the security appliance sends the entire username, including the realm. In order to enable Tunnel Group Switching, check **Strip the realm from username before passing it on to the AAA server**, and check **Strip the group from username before passing it on to the AAA server**. Then click **OK**.

11. Complete these steps in order to create a user in the local database: Choose **Configuration > Properties > Device Administration > User Accounts**. Click **Add**. If the user is an L2TP client that uses Microsoft CHAP version 1 or 2, and the security appliance is configured to authenticate against the local database, you must check **User Authenticated using MSCHAP** in order to enable the MSCHAP. Click **OK**.

Add User Account

Identity | VPN Policy

Username: test

Password: ****

Confirm Password: ****

User authenticated using MSCHAP

Privilege level is used with command authorization.

Privilege Level: 2

12. Choose **Configuration > VPN > IKE > Policies** and click **Add** in order to create an IKE policy for Phase I. Click **OK** to continue.

Add IKE Policy

Priority: 10

Authentication: pre-share

Encryption: 3des

D-H Group: 2

Hash: md5

Lifetime: Unlimited 86400 seconds

OK Cancel Help

13. (Optional) If you expect multiple L2TP clients behind a NAT device to attempt L2TP over IPsec connections to the security appliance, you must enable NAT traversal so that ESP packets can pass through one or more NAT devices. Complete these steps in order to do this: Choose **Configuration > VPN > IKE > Global Parameters**. Ensure that **ISAKMP** is

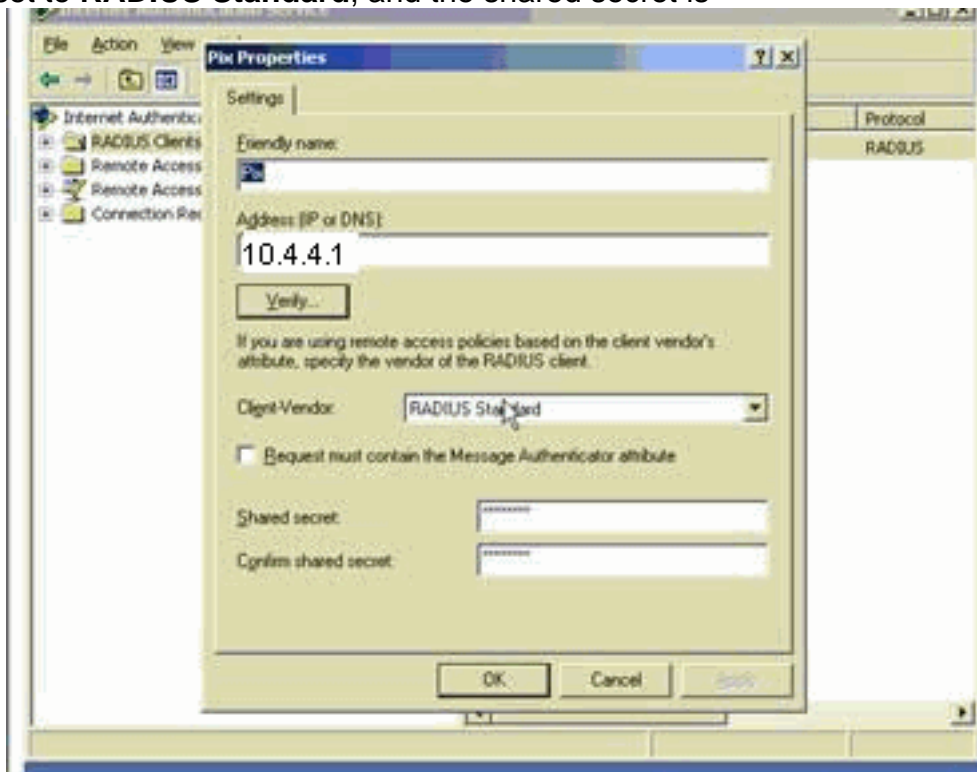
enabled on an interface. Check **Enable IPSec over NAT-T**. Click **OK**.

Microsoft Windows 2003 Server with IAS Configuration

Complete these steps in order to configure the Microsoft Windows 2003 server with IAS.

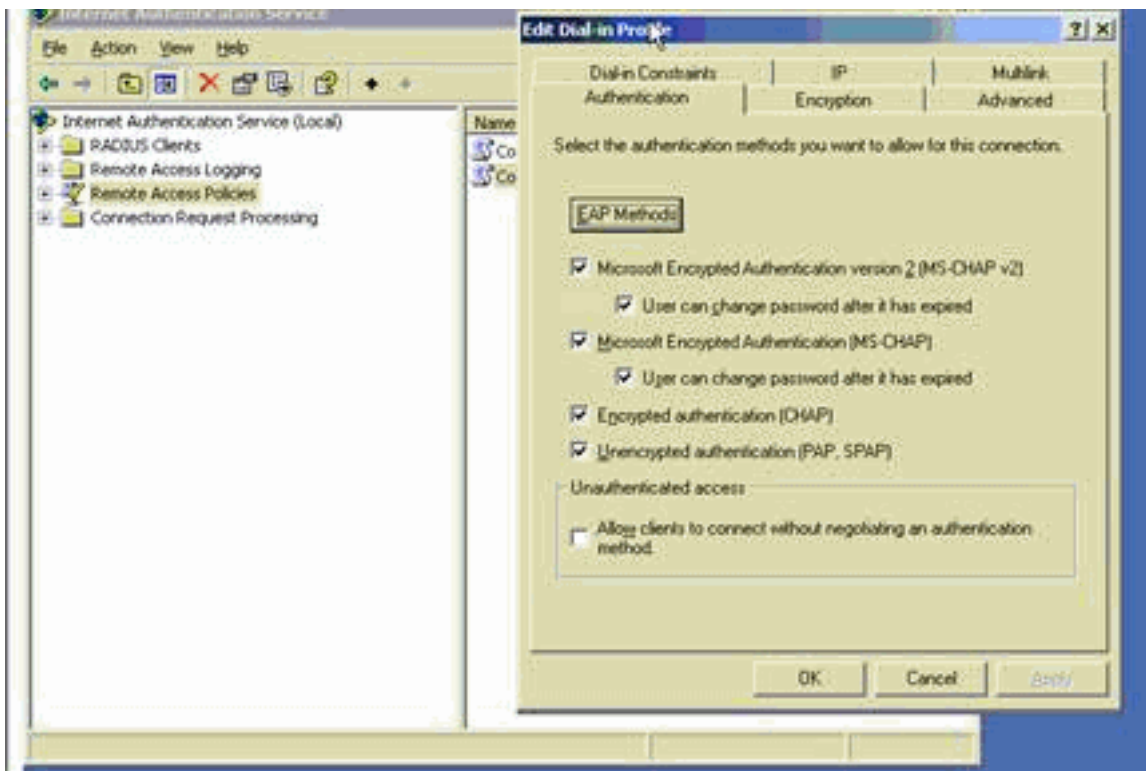
Note: These steps assume that IAS is already installed on the local machine. If not, add this through **Control Panel > Add/Remove Programs**.

1. Choose **Administrative Tools > Internet Authentication Service** and right-click on **RADIUS Client** in order to add a new RADIUS client. After you type the client information, click **OK**. This example shows a client named "Pix" with an IP address of 10.4.4.1. Client-Vendor is set to **RADIUS Standard**, and the shared secret is



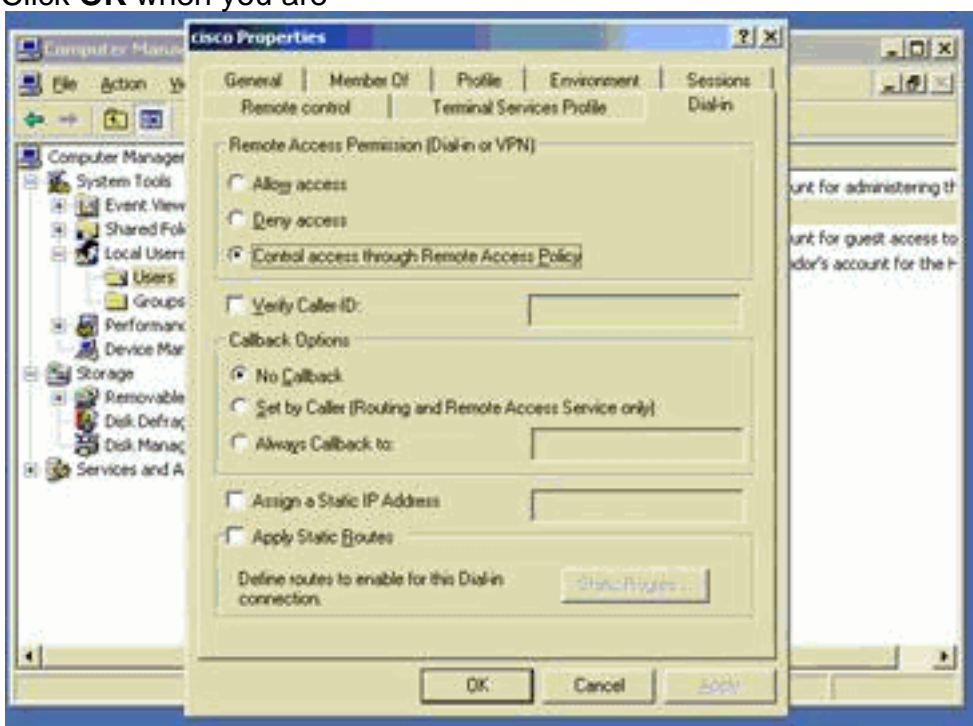
radiuskey.

2. Choose **Remote Access Policies**, right-click on **Connections to Other Access Servers**, and select **Properties**.
3. Ensure that the option for **Grant Remote Access Permissions** is selected.
4. Click **Edit Profile** and check these settings: On the Authentication tab, check **Unencrypted authentication (PAP, SPAP)**. On the Encryption tab, ensure that the option for **No Encryption** is selected. Click **OK** when you are



finished.

5. Choose **Administrative Tools > Computer Management > System Tools > Local Users and Groups**, right-click on **Users** and select **New Users** in order to add a user into the local computer account.
6. Add a user with Cisco password **password1** and check this profile information: On the General tab, ensure that the option for **Password Never Expired** is selected instead of the option for User Must Change Password. On the Dial-in tab, select the option for **Allow access** (or leave the default setting of **Control access through Remote Access Policy**). Click **OK** when you are



finished.

[Extended Authentication for L2TP over IPsec using Active Directory](#)

Use this configuration on the ASA in order to allow the authentication for the L2tp connection to take place from the Active Directory:

```
ciscoasa(config-tunnel-general)# tunnel-group DefaultRAGroup ppp-attributes
ciscoasa(config-ppp)# authentication pap
```

Also, on the L2tp client, go to **Advanced Security Settings (Custom)** and choose only the option for **Unencrypted password (PAP)**.

[Verify](#)

This section provides information you can use to confirm your configuration is working properly.

Certain **show** commands are supported by the [Output Interpreter Tool](#) [\(registered customers only\)](#), which allows you to view an analysis of **show** command output.

- **show crypto ipsec sa**—Shows all current IKE security associations (SAs) at a peer.

```
peer.pixfirewall#show crypto ipsec sa interface: outside Crypto map tag: outside_dyn_map,
seq num: 20, local addr: 172.16.1.1 access-list 105 permit ip host 172.16.1.1 host
192.168.0.2 local ident (addr/mask/prot/port): (172.16.1.1/255.255.255.255/17/0) remote
ident (addr/mask/prot/port): (192.168.0.2/255.255.255.255/17/1701) current_peer:
192.168.0.2, username: test dynamic allocated peer ip: 10.4.5.15 #pkts encaps: 23, #pkts
encrypt: 23, #pkts digest: 23 #pkts decaps: 93, #pkts decrypt: 93, #pkts verify: 93 #pkts
compressed: 0, #pkts decompressed: 0 #pkts not compressed: 23, #pkts comp failed: 0, #pkts
decomp failed: 0 #post-frag successes: 0, #post-frag failures: 0, #fragments created: 0
#PMTUs sent: 0, #PMTUs rcvd: 0, #decapsulated frgs needing reassembly: 0 #send errors: 0,
#rcv errors: 0 local crypto endpt.: 172.16.1.1, remote crypto endpt.: 192.168.0.2 path mtu
1500, ipsec overhead 58, media mtu 1500 current outbound spi: C16F05B8 inbound esp sas: spi:
0xEC06344D (3959829581) transform: esp-3des esp-md5-hmac in use settings = {RA, Transport, }
slot: 0, conn_id: 3, crypto-map: outside_dyn_map sa timing: remaining key lifetime (sec):
3335 IV size: 8 bytes replay detection support: Y outbound esp sas: spi: 0xC16F05B8
(3245278648) transform: esp-3des esp-md5-hmac in use settings = {RA, Transport, } slot: 0,
conn_id: 3, crypto-map: outside_dyn_map sa timing: remaining key lifetime (sec): 3335 IV
size: 8 bytes replay detection support: Y
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- **show crypto isakmp sa**—Shows all current IKE SAs at a peer.

```
peer.pixfirewall#show crypto isakmp
sa Active SA: 1 Rekey SA: 0 (A tunnel will report 1 Active and 1 Rekey SA during rekey)
Total IKE SA: 1 1 IKE Peer: 192.168.0.2 Type : user Role : responder Rekey : no State :
MM_ACTIVE
```
- **show vpn-sessiondb**—Includes protocol filters that you can use in order to view detailed information about L2TP over IPsec connections. The full command from global configuration mode is **show vpn-sessiondb detailed remote filter protocol L2TPOverIPsec**. This example shows the details of a single L2TP over IPsec connection:

```
peer.pixfirewall#show vpn-sessiondb
detail remote filter protocol L2TPOverIPSec Session Type: Remote Detailed Username : test
Index : 1 Assigned IP : 10.4.5.15 Public IP : 192.168.0.2 Protocol : L2TPOverIPSec
Encryption : 3DES Hashing : MD5 Bytes Tx : 1336 Bytes Rx : 14605 Client Type : Client Ver :
Group Policy : DefaultRAGroup Tunnel Group : DefaultRAGroup Login Time : 18:06:08 UTC Fri
Jan 1 1993 Duration : 0h:04m:25s Filter Name : NAC Result : N/A Posture Token: IKE Sessions:
1 IPSec Sessions: 1 L2TPOverIPSec Sessions: 1 IKE: Session ID : 1 UDP Src Port : 500 UDP Dst
Port : 500 IKE Neg Mode : Main Auth Mode : preSharedKeys Encryption : 3DES Hashing : MD5
Rekey Int (T): 28800 Seconds Rekey Left(T): 28536 Seconds D/H Group : 2 IPSec: Session ID :
2 Local Addr : 172.16.1.1/255.255.255.255/17/1701 Remote Addr :
192.168.0.2/255.255.255.255/17/1701 Encryption : 3DES Hashing : MD5 Encapsulation: Transport
Rekey Int (T): 3600 Seconds Rekey Left(T): 3333 Seconds Idle Time Out: 30 Minutes Idle TO
Left : 30 Minutes Bytes Tx : 1336 Bytes Rx : 14922 Pkts Tx : 25 Pkts Rx : 156 L2TPOverIPSec:
Session ID : 3 Username : test Assigned IP : 10.4.5.15 Encryption : none Auth Mode :
msCHAPV1 Idle Time Out: 30 Minutes Idle TO Left : 30 Minutes Bytes Tx : 378 Bytes Rx : 13431
Pkts Tx : 16 Pkts Rx : 146
```

[Troubleshoot](#)

This section provides information to troubleshoot your configuration. Sample debug output is also shown.

[Troubleshooting Commands](#)

Certain commands are supported by the [Output Interpreter Tool](#) ([registered](#) customers only), which allows you to view an analysis of **show** command output.

Note: Refer to [Important Information on Debug Commands](#) and [IP Security Troubleshooting - Understanding and Using debug Commands](#) before you use **debug** commands.

- **debug crypto ipsec 7**—Displays the IPsec negotiations of Phase 2.
- **debug crypto isakmp 7**—Displays the ISAKMP negotiations of Phase 1.

[Sample debug Output](#)

[PIX Firewall](#)

```
PIX#debug crypto isakmp 7 pixfirewall# Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2,
IKE_DECODE RECEIVED Mess age (msgid=0) with payloads : HDR + SA (1) + VENDOR (13) +
VENDOR (13) + VENDOR (13) + NONE (0) total length : 256 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1
DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, processing SA payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP =
192.168.0.2, Oakley proposal is acceptable Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP =
192.168.0.2, processing VID payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2,
processing VID payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, Received
Fragmentation VID Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, processing VID
payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, Received NAT-Traversal ver
02 V ID Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, processing IKE SA payload
Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE SA Proposal # 1, Transform # 2
acceptable Matches global IKE entry # 2 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP =
192.168.0.2, constructing ISAKMP SA payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP =
192.168.0.2, constructing Fragmentation VID + extended capabilities payload Jan 02
18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE_DECODE SENDING Message (msgid=0) with
payloads : HDR + SA (1) + VENDOR (13) + NONE (0) total length : 104 Jan 02 18:26:44
[IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE_DECODE RECEIVED Message (msgid=0) with payloads : HDR
+ KE (4) + NONCE (10) + NONE (0) total length : 184 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP
= 192.168.0.2, processing ke payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2,
processing ISA_KE payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, processing
nonce payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing ke
payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing nonce payload
Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing Cisco Unity VID pa
yload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing xauth V6 VID
paylo ad Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, Send IOS VID Jan 02
18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP = 192.168.0.2, Constructing ASA spoofing IOS V endor ID
payload (version: 1.0.0, capabilities: 20000001) Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP =
192.168.0.2, constructing VID payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: IP =
192.168.0.2, Send Altiga/Cisco VPN3000/Cisco ASA GW VID Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP =
192.168.0.2, Connection landed on tunnel_group Def aultrAGroup Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1
DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Generat ing keys for Responder...
Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE_DECODE SENDING Message (msgid=0) with
payloads : HDR + KE (4) + NONCE (10) + VENDOR (13) + VENDOR (13) + VENDOR ( 13) +
VENDOR (13) + NONE (0) total length : 256 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2,
IKE_DECODE RECEIVED Message (msgid=0) with payloads : HDR + ID (5) + HASH (8) + NONE
(0) total length : 60 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP =
192.168.0.2, process ing ID payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group =
DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, process ing hash payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1
DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Computi ng hash for ISAKMP Jan 02
18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, Connection landed on tunnel_group Def aultrAGroup
```


Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Freeing previously allocated memory for authorization-dn-attributes Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing ID payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing hash payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Computing hash for ISAKMP Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing dpd vid payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE_DECODE SENDING Message (msgid=0) with payloads : HDR + ID (5) + HASH (8) + VENDOR (13) + NONE (0) total length : 80 **!--- Phase 1 completed successfully.** Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, **PHASE 1 COMPLETED** Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, Keep-alive type for this connection: None Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, Keep-alives configured on but peer does not support keep-alives (type = None) Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Starting P1 rekey timer: 21600 seconds. Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE_DECODE RECEIVED Message (msgid=el b84b0) with payloads : HDR + HASH (8) + SA (1) + NONCE (10) + ID (5) + ID (5) + NONE (0) total length : 164 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, processing hash payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, processing SA payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, processing nonce payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, processing ID payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Received remote Proxy Host data in ID Payload: Address 192.168.0.2, Protocol 17, Port 1701 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, processing ID payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Received local Proxy Host data in ID Payload: Address 172.16.1.1, Protocol 17, Port 1701 **!--- PIX identifies the L2TP/IPsec session.** Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, **L2TP/IPsec session detected.** Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, QM IsRekeyed old sa not found by addr Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE Remote Peer configured for crypto map: outside_dyn_map Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, processing IPsec SA payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, IPsec S A Proposal # 1, Transform # 1 acceptable Matches global IPsec SA entry # 20 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE: requesting SPI! Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE got SPI from key engine: SPI = 0xce9f6e19 **!--- Constructs Quick mode in Phase 2.** Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, **oakley constructing quick mode** Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing blank hash payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing IPsec SA payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing IPsec nonce payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing proxy ID Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Transmitting Proxy Id: Remote host: 192.168.0.2 Protocol 17 Port 1701 Local host: 172.16.1.1 Protocol 17 Port 1701 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, constructing qm hash payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE_DECODE SENDING Message (msgid=el b84b0) with payloads : HDR + HASH (8) + SA (1) + NONCE (10) + ID (5) + ID (5) + NONE (0) total length : 144 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE_DECODE RECEIVED Message (msgid=el b84b0) with payloads : HDR + HASH (8) + NONE (0) total length : 48 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, processing hash payload Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, loading all IPSEC SAs Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Generating Quick Mode Key! Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Generating Quick Mode Key! Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Security negotiation complete for User () Responder, Inbound SPI = 0xce9f6e19, Outbound SPI = 0xd08f711b Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, IKE got a KEY_ADD msg for SA: SPI = 0xd08f711b Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Pitcher : received KEY_UPDATE, spi 0xce9f6e19 Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1 DEBUG]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, Starting P2 rekey timer: 3059 seconds. **!--- Phase 2 completes successfully.** Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]: Group = DefaultRAGroup, IP = 192.168.0.2, **PHASE 2 COMPLETED** (msgid=0elb84b0) Jan 02 18:26:44 [IKEv1]:

```
IKEQM_Active() Add L2TP classification rules: ip <192.1 68.0.2> mask <0xFFFFFFFF>
port <1701> PIX#debug crypto ipsec 7 pixfirewall# IPSEC: Deleted inbound decrypt
rule, SPI 0x71933D09 Rule ID: 0x028D78D8 IPSEC: Deleted inbound permit rule, SPI
0x71933D09 Rule ID: 0x02831838 IPSEC: Deleted inbound tunnel flow rule, SPI
0x71933D09 Rule ID: 0x029134D8 IPSEC: Deleted inbound VPN context, SPI 0x71933D09 VPN
handle: 0x0048B284 IPSEC: Deleted outbound encrypt rule, SPI 0xAF4DA5FA Rule ID:
0x028DAC90 IPSEC: Deleted outbound permit rule, SPI 0xAF4DA5FA Rule ID: 0x02912AF8
IPSEC: Deleted outbound VPN context, SPI 0xAF4DA5FA VPN handle: 0x0048468C IPSEC: New
embryonic SA created @ 0x01BFCF80, SCB: 0x01C262D0, Direction: inbound SPI :
0x45C3306F Session ID: 0x0000000C VPIF num : 0x00000001 Tunnel type: ra Protocol :
esp Lifetime : 240 seconds IPSEC: New embryonic SA created @ 0x0283A3A8, SCB:
0x028D1B38, Direction: outbound SPI : 0x370E8DD1 Session ID: 0x0000000C VPIF num :
0x00000001 Tunnel type: ra Protocol : esp Lifetime : 240 seconds IPSEC: Completed
host OBSA update, SPI 0x370E8DD1 IPSEC: Creating outbound VPN context, SPI 0x370E8DD1
Flags: 0x00000205 SA : 0x0283A3A8 SPI : 0x370E8DD1 MTU : 1500 bytes VCID : 0x00000000
Peer : 0x00000000 SCB : 0x028D1B38 Channel: 0x01693F08 IPSEC: Completed outbound VPN
context, SPI 0x370E8DD1 VPN handle: 0x0048C164 IPSEC: New outbound encrypt rule, SPI
0x370E8DD1 Src addr: 172.16.1.1 Src mask: 255.255.255.255 Dst addr: 192.168.0.2 Dst
mask: 255.255.255.255 Src ports Upper: 1701 Lower: 1701 Op : equal Dst ports Upper:
1701 Lower: 1701 Op : equal Protocol: 17 Use protocol: true SPI: 0x00000000 Use SPI:
false IPSEC: Completed outbound encrypt rule, SPI 0x370E8DD1 Rule ID: 0x02826540
IPSEC: New outbound permit rule, SPI 0x370E8DD1 Src addr: 172.16.1.1 Src mask:
255.255.255.255 Dst addr: 192.168.0.2 Dst mask: 255.255.255.255 Src ports Upper: 0
Lower: 0 Op : ignore Dst ports Upper: 0 Lower: 0 Op : ignore Protocol: 50 Use
protocol: true SPI: 0x370E8DD1 Use SPI: true IPSEC: Completed outbound permit rule,
SPI 0x370E8DD1 Rule ID: 0x028D78D8 IPSEC: Completed host IBSA update, SPI 0x45C3306F
IPSEC: Creating inbound VPN context, SPI 0x45C3306F Flags: 0x00000206 SA : 0x01BFCF80
SPI : 0x45C3306F MTU : 0 bytes VCID : 0x00000000 Peer : 0x0048C164 SCB : 0x01C262D0
Channel: 0x01693F08 IPSEC: Completed inbound VPN context, SPI 0x45C3306F VPN handle:
0x0049107C IPSEC: Updating outbound VPN context 0x0048C164, SPI 0x370E8DD1 Flags:
0x00000205 SA : 0x0283A3A8 SPI : 0x370E8DD1 MTU : 1500 bytes VCID : 0x00000000 Peer :
0x0049107C SCB : 0x028D1B38 Channel: 0x01693F08 IPSEC: Completed outbound VPN
context, SPI 0x370E8DD1 VPN handle: 0x0048C164 IPSEC: Completed outbound inner rule,
SPI 0x370E8DD1 Rule ID: 0x02826540 IPSEC: Completed outbound outer SPD rule, SPI
0x370E8DD1 Rule ID: 0x028D78D8 IPSEC: New inbound tunnel flow rule, SPI 0x45C3306F
Src addr: 192.168.0.2 Src mask: 255.255.255.255 Dst addr: 172.16.1.1 Dst mask:
255.255.255.255 Src ports Upper: 1701 Lower: 1701 Op : equal Dst ports Upper: 1701
Lower: 1701 Op : equal Protocol: 17 Use protocol: true SPI: 0x00000000 Use SPI: false
IPSEC: Completed inbound tunnel flow rule, SPI 0x45C3306F Rule ID: 0x02831838 IPSEC:
New inbound decrypt rule, SPI 0x45C3306F Src addr: 192.168.0.2 Src mask:
255.255.255.255 Dst addr: 172.16.1.1 Dst mask: 255.255.255.255 Src ports Upper: 0
Lower: 0 Op : ignore Dst ports Upper: 0 Lower: 0 Op : ignore Protocol: 50 Use
protocol: true SPI: 0x45C3306F Use SPI: true IPSEC: Completed inbound decrypt rule,
SPI 0x45C3306F Rule ID: 0x028DAC90 IPSEC: New inbound permit rule, SPI 0x45C3306F Src
addr: 192.168.0.2 Src mask: 255.255.255.255 Dst addr: 172.16.1.1 Dst mask:
255.255.255.255 Src ports Upper: 0 Lower: 0 Op : ignore Dst ports Upper: 0 Lower: 0
Op : ignore Protocol: 50 Use protocol: true SPI: 0x45C3306F Use SPI: true IPSEC:
Completed inbound permit rule, SPI 0x45C3306F Rule ID: 0x02912E50
```

[Troubleshoot using ASDM](#)

You can use ASDM in order to enable logging and to view the logs.

1. Choose **Configuration > Properties > Logging > Logging Setup**, select **Enable Logging** and click **Apply** in order to enable logging.
2. Choose **Monitoring > Logging > Log Buffer > On Logging Level**, select **Logging Buffer**, and click **View** in order to view the logs.

[Problem: Frequent Disconnects](#)

Idle / Session Timeout

If the idle timeout is set to 30 minutes (default), it means that it drops the tunnel after no traffic passes through it for 30 minutes. The VPN client gets disconnected after 30 minutes regardless of the setting of idle timeout and encounters the `PEER_DELETE-IKE_DELETE_UNSPECIFIED` error message.

Configure idle timeout and session timeout as none in order to make the tunnel always be up and so that the tunnel is never dropped.

Enter the **vpn-idle-timeout** command in group-policy configuration mode or in username configuration mode in order to configure the user timeout period:

```
hostname(config)#group-policy DfltGrpPolicy attributes hostname(config-group-policy)#vpn-idle-timeout none
```

Configure a maximum amount of time for VPN connections with the **vpn-session-timeout** command in group-policy configuration mode or in username configuration mode:

```
hostname(config)#group-policy DfltGrpPolicy attributes hostname(config-group-policy)#vpn-session-timeout none
```

Troubleshoot Windows Vista


Simultaneous User

Windows Vista L2TP/IPsec introduced some architectural changes that prohibited more than one simultaneous user from being connected to a head-end PIX/ASA. This behavior does not occur on Windows 2K/XP. Cisco has implemented a workaround for this change as of Release 7.2(3) and greater.

Vista PC Not Able to Connect

If the Windows Vista computer is not able to connect the L2TP server, then verify that you have configured ONLY mschap-v2 under the ppp-attributes on the DefaultRAGroup.

Related Information

- [Most Common L2L and Remote Access IPsec VPN Troubleshooting Solutions](#)
- [Cisco PIX 500 Series Security Appliances](#)
- [Cisco ASA 5500 Series Adaptive Security Appliances](#)
- [Cisco PIX Firewall Software Product Support](#)
- [Cisco Secure PIX Firewall Command References](#)
- [RADIUS Support Page](#)
- [IPsec Negotiation/IKE Protocols Support Page](#)
- [Requests for Comments \(RFCs\)](#) 
- [Layer Two Tunnel Protocol \(L2TP\)](#)
- [Technical Support & Documentation - Cisco Systems](#)