

Integration of FireSIGHT System with ISE for RADIUS User Authentication

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Introduction

This document describes the configuration steps required to integrate a Cisco FireSIGHT Management Center (FMC) or Firepower Managed Device with Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) for Remote Authentication Dial In User Service (RADIUS) user authentication.

Prerequisites

Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics:

- FireSIGHT System and Managed Device initial configuration via GUI and/or shell
- Configuring authentication and authorization policies on ISE
- Basic RADIUS knowledge

Components Used

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

- Cisco ASA v9.2.1
- ASA FirePOWER module v5.3.1
- ISE 1.2

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.

Configure

ISE Configuration


Tip: There are multiple ways to configure ISE authentication and authorization policies to support integration with Network Access Devices (NAD) such as Sourcefire. The example below is one way to configure the integration. The sample configuration is a point of reference and can be adapted to suit the needs of the specific deployment. Note that the authorization configuration is a two step process. One or more authorization policies will be defined on ISE with ISE returning RADIUS attribute value pairs (av-pairs) to the FMC or Managed Device. These av-pairs are then mapped to a local user group defined in the FMC system policy configuration.

Configuring Network Devices and Network Device Groups

- From the ISE GUI, navigate to **Administration > Network Resources > Network Devices**. Click **+Add** to add a new Network Access Device (NAD). Provide a descriptive name and device IP address. The FMC is defined in the example below.

Network Devices

* Name
Description
* IP Address: /

- Under **Network Device Group**, click on the **orange arrow** next to **All Device Types**. Click on the  icon and select **Create New Network Device Group**. In the example screenshot that follows, the Device Type Sourcefire has been configured. This Device Type will be referenced in the authorization policy rule definition in a later step. Click **Save**.

Create New Network Device Group... ✕

Network Device Groups

* Parent ⌵


* Name

Description

* Type

- Click the **orange arrow** again and select the Network Device Group configured in the step above

* Network Device Group

Location 

Device Type 

- Check the box next to **Authentication Settings**. Enter the RADIUS shared secret key that will be used for this NAD. Note the same shared secret key will be used again later when configuring the RADIUS server on the FireSIGHT MC. To review the plain text key value, click the **Show** button. Click **Save**.

Authentication Settings

Enable Authentication Settings

Protocol **RADIUS**

* Shared Secret

Enable KeyWrap ⓘ

* Key Encryption Key

* Message Authenticator Code Key

Key Input Format ASCII HEXADECIMAL

- Repeat the above steps for all FireSIGHT MCs and Managed Devices that will require RADIUS user authentication/authorization for GUI and/or shell access.

Configuring ISE Authentication Policy:

- From the ISE GUI, navigate to **Policy > Authentication**. If using Policy Sets, navigate to **Policy > Policy Sets**. The example below is taken from an ISE deployment that uses the default authentication and authorization policy interfaces. The authentication and authorization rule logic is the same regardless of the configuration approach.
- The **Default Rule (If no match)** will be used to authenticate RADIUS requests from NADs where the method in use is not MAC Authentication Bypass (MAB) or 802.1X. As configured by default, this rule will look for user accounts in ISE's local **Internal Users** identity source. This configuration can be modified to refer to an external identity source such as Active Directory, LDAP, etc as defined under **Administration > Identity Management > External Identity Sources**. For sake of simplicity, this example will define user accounts locally on ISE so no further modifications to the authentication policy are required.

Authentication Policy

Define the Authentication Policy by selecting the protocols that ISE should use to communicate with the network devices, and the identity sources that it should use for authentication.

Policy Type Simple Rule-Based

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MAB	: If	Wired_MAB OR Wireless_MAB	Allow Protocols :	Default Network Access	and
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Default	: use	Internal Endpoints			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dot1X	: If	Wired_802.1X OR Wireless_802.1X	Allow Protocols :	Default Network Access	and
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Default	: use	Guest_Portal_Sequence			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Default Rule (If no match)	: Allow Protocols :	Default Network Access	and use :	Internal Users	

Adding a Local User to ISE

- Navigate to **Administration > Identity Management > Identities > Users**. Click **Add**. Enter a meaningful username and password. Under the **User Groups** selection, select an existing group name or click the **green + sign** to add a new group. In this example, the user "sfadmin" is assigned to the custom group "Sourcefire Administrator". This user group will be linked to the authorization profile defined in the **Configuring ISE Authorization Policy** step below. Click **Save**.

▼ Network Access User

* Name

Status Enabled ▼

Email

▼ Password

* Password Need help with password policy ? ⓘ

* Re-Enter Password

▼ User Information

First Name

Last Name

▼ Account Options

Description

Change password on next login

▼ User Groups

▼ - +

Configuring ISE Authorization Policy

- Navigate to **Policy > Policy Elements > Results > Authorization > Authorization Profiles**. Click the **green + sign** to add a new authorization profile.
- Provide a descriptive Name such as Sourcefire Administrator. Select **ACCESS_ACCEPT** for the **Access Type**. Under **Common Tasks**, scroll to the bottom and check the box next to **ASA VPN**. Click the **orange arrow** and select **InternalUser:IdentityGroup**. Click **Save**.

Tip: Because this example uses the ISE local user identity store, the InternalUser:IdentityGroup group option is used to simplify the configuration. If using an external identity store, the ASA VPN authorization attribute is still used, however, the value to be returned to the Sourcefire device is manually configured. For example, manually typing Administrator in the ASA VPN drop down box will result in a Class-25 av-pair value of Class = Administrator being sent to the Sourcefire device. This value can then be mapped to a sourcefire user group as part of the system policy configuration. For internal users, either configuration method is acceptable.

Internal User Example

* Name

Description

* Access Type ▼

Service Template

▼ Common Tasks

MACSEC Policy

NEAT

Web Authentication (Local Web Auth)

Airespace ACL Name

ASA VPN

▼

▼ Advanced Attributes Settings

▼ = ▼ - +

▼ Attributes Details

Access Type = ACCESS_ACCEPT
Class = InternalUser:IdentityGroup

External User Example

Advanced Attributes Settings

Select an item = [] - +

Attributes Details

Access Type = ACCESS_ACCEPT
Class = Administrator

- Navigate to **Policy > Authorization** and configure a new authorization policy for the Sourcefire administration sessions. The example below uses the **DEVICE:Device Type** condition to match the device type configured in the **Configuring Network Devices and Network Device Groups** section above. This policy is then associated with the Sourcefire Administrator authorization profile configured above. Click **Save**.

Status	Rule Name	Conditions (identity groups and other conditions)	Permissions
✓	Wireless Black List Default	if Blacklist AND Wireless_Access	then Blackhole_Wireless_Access
✓	Profiled Cisco IP Phones	if Cisco-IP-Phone	then Cisco_IP_Phones
✓	Profiled Non Cisco IP Phones	if Non_Cisco_Profiled_Phones	then Non_Cisco_IP_Phones
✓	Sourcefire Administrator	if DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Sourcefire	then Sourcefire Administrator
✓	CWA-PSN1	if Network Access:ISE Host Name EQUALS ise12-psn1	then CWA-PSN1
✓	CWA-PSN2	if Network Access:ISE Host Name EQUALS ise12-psn2	then CWA-PSN2

Sourcefire System Policy Configuration

- Login to the FireSIGHT MC and navigate to **System > Local > User Management**. Click on the **Login Authentication** tab. Click the **+ Create Authentication Object** button to add a new RADIUS server for user authentication/authorization.
- Select **RADIUS** for the **Authentication Method**. Enter a descriptive name for the RADIUS server. Enter the **Host Name/IP Address** and **RADIUS Secret Key**. The secret key should match the key previously configured on ISE. Optionally enter a backup ISE server **Host Name/IP address** if one exists.

Authentication Object

Authentication Method

RADIUS

Name *

ISE

Description

Primary Server

Host Name/IP Address *

10.1.1.254

Port *

1812

RADIUS Secret Key

••••••••

Backup Server (Optional)

Host Name/IP Address

Port

1812

RADIUS Secret Key

- Under the **RADIUS-Specific Parameters** section, enter the Class-25 av-pair string in the text box next to the Sourcefire local group name to be matched for GUI access. In this example, the Class=User Identity Groups:Sourcefire Administrator value is mapped to the Sourcefire Administrator group. This is the value that ISE returns as part of the ACCESS-ACCEPT. Optionally, select a **Default User Role** for authenticated users who do not have Class-25 groups assigned. Click **Save** to save the configuration or proceed to the Verify section below to test authentication with ISE.

RADIUS-Specific Parameters

Timeout (Seconds)	<input type="text" value="30"/>
Retries	<input type="text" value="3"/>
Access Admin	<input type="text"/>
Administrator	<input type="text" value="Class=User Identity
Groups:Sourcefire Administrator"/>
Discovery Admin	<input type="text"/>
External Database User	<input type="text"/>
Intrusion Admin	<input type="text"/>
Maintenance User	<input type="text"/>
Network Admin	<input type="text"/>
Security Analyst	<input type="text"/>
Security Analyst (Read Only)	<input type="text"/>
Security Approver	<input type="text"/>
Default User Role	<input type="text" value="Access Admin
Administrator
Discovery Admin
External Database User"/>

- Under **Shell Access Filter**, enter a comma separated list of users to restrict shell/SSH sessions.

Shell Access Filter

Administrator Shell Access User List	<input type="text" value="user1, user2, user3"/>
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Enable External Authentication

Finally, complete these steps in order to enable external authentication on the FMC:

Navigate to **System > Local > System Policy**. Select **External Authentication** on the left panel. Change the *Status* to **Enabled** (disabled by default). Enable the added ISE RADIUS server. Save the policy and reapply the policy on the appliance.

The screenshot shows the 'External Authentication' configuration page in the Cisco FMC. On the left is a navigation menu with 'External Authentication' selected. The main area shows the 'Status' dropdown set to 'Enabled'. Below it, the 'Default User Role' dropdown is open, showing options: 'Access Admin', 'Administrator', 'Discovery Admin', and 'External Database User'. 'Shell Authentication' and 'CAC Authorization' are both set to 'Disabled'. At the bottom, a table lists the configured RADIUS servers:

Name	Description	Method	Server:Port	Encryption	
ISE		RADIUS	10.1.1.254:1812	no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Buttons for 'Save Policy and Exit' and 'Cancel' are at the bottom left.

Verify

- To test user authentication against ISE, scroll down to the **Additional Test Parameters** section and enter a username and password for the ISE user. Click **Test**. A successful test will result in a **green** Success: Test Complete message at the top of the browser window.

The screenshot shows the 'Additional Test Parameters' section. It contains two input fields: 'User Name' with the value 'sfadmin' and 'Password' with masked characters. A red asterisk indicates that both fields are required. At the bottom are three buttons: 'Save', 'Test', and 'Cancel'.

- To view the results of the test authentication, go to the **Test Output** section and click the **black** arrow next to **Show Details**. In the example screenshot below, note the "radiusauth - response: |Class=User Identity Groups:Sourcefire Administrator|" value received from ISE. This should match the Class value associated with the local Sourcefire group configured on the FireSIGHT MC above. Click **Save**.

Test Output

Show Details

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check_auth_radius: szUser: sfadmin
RADIUS config file: /var/tmp/OPMTH1T3qLx/radiusclient_0.conf
radiusauth - response: [User-Name=sfadmin]
radiusauth - response: [State=ReauthSession:0ac9e8cb0000006539F4896]
radiusauth - response: [Class=User Identity Groups:Sourcefire Administrator]
radiusauth - response: [Class=CACS:0ac9e8cb0000006539F4896:ise12-psn1/191969386/7]
"sfadmin" RADIUS Authentication OK
check_is_radius_member attrib match found: [Class=User Identity Groups:Sourcefire Administrator] - [Class=User Identity Groups:Sourcefire Administrator] *****
role_bee2eb18-e129-11df-a04a-42c66f0a3b36:
```


User Test

- From the ISE Admin GUI, navigate to **Operations > Authentications** to verify the success or failure of the user authentication test.


Time	Status	Details	Repeat Count	Identity	Endpoint ID	Endpoint Profile	Network Device	Device Port	Authorization Profiles	Identity Group	Posture Status	Server	Event
2014-06-16 18:41:55.940	✓		0	sfadmin			Sourcefire3D-DC		Sourcefire_Admin	User Identity Groups...	NotApplicable	ise12-psn1	Authentication ...
2014-06-16 18:41:24.947	✗		0	sfadmin			Sourcefire3D-DC			User Identity Groups...		ise12-psn1	Authentication f...
2014-06-16 18:41:10.088	✗		0	sfadmin			Sourcefire3D-DC			User Identity Groups...		ise12-psn1	Authentication f...
2014-06-16 18:46:00.856	✓		0	sfadmin			SFR-DC		Sourcefire_Admin	User Identity Groups...	NotApplicable	ise12-psn1	Authentication ...
2014-06-16 18:44:55.751	✓		0	sfadmin			SFR-DC		Sourcefire_Admin	User Identity Groups...	NotApplicable	ise12-psn1	Authentication ...
2014-06-16 18:41:02.876	✓		0	sfadmin			SFR-DC		Sourcefire_Admin	User Identity Groups...	NotApplicable	ise12-psn1	Authentication ...
2014-06-16 18:39:30.388	✗		0	sfadmin			SFR-DC					ise12-psn1	Authentication f...

Troubleshoot

- When testing user authentication against ISE, the following error is indicative of a RADIUS Secret Key mismatch or an incorrect username/password.

 **Error** ✕

Test Failed: Bind failed. Please verify your Authentication Method Specific parameters.

- From the ISE admin GUI, navigate to **Operations > Authentications**. A **red** event is indicative of a failure while a **green** event is indicative of a successful authentication/authorization/Change of Authorization. Click on the  icon to review the details of the authentication event.

Overview

Event	5400 Authentication failed
Username	sfadmin
Endpoint Id	
Endpoint Profile	
Authorization Profile	
ISEPolicySetName	Default
IdentitySelectionMatchedRule	Default

Authentication Details

Source Timestamp	2014-06-16 20:01:17.438
Received Timestamp	2014-06-16 20:00:58.439
Policy Server	ise12-psn1
Event	5400 Authentication failed
Failure Reason	22040 Wrong password or invalid shared secret
Resolution	Check the Device shared secret in Administration > Network Resources > Network Devices and user for credentials.
Root cause	Wrong password or invalid shared secret
Username	sfadmin
User Type	User
Endpoint Id	
Endpoint Profile	
IP Address	
Identity Store	Internal Users

Related Information

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