

## **IP Theft**

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### Introduction to IP Theft

The IP Theft feature prevents the usage of an IP address that is already assigned to another device. If the controller finds that two wireless clients are using the same IP address, it declares the client with lesser precedence binding as the IP thief and allows the other client to continue. If blocked list is enabled, the client is put on the exclusion list and thrown out.

The IP Theft feature is enabled by default on the controller. The preference level of the clients (new and existing clients in the database) are also used to report IP theft. The preference level is a learning type or source of learning, such as Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP), Address Resolution Protocol (ARP), data glean (looking at the IP data packet that shows what IP address the client is using), and so on. The wired clients always get a higher preference level. If a wireless client tries to steal the wired IP, that client is declared as a thief.



Note

Some devices might use different MAC addresses but the same IPv6 link-local addresses, for different WLANs. If the devices switch WLANs when they are not in range of the APs, an IP theft event is triggered. To avoid this, we recommend that you lower the idle timeout for the devices. When the devices are out of the APs' range, the idle timeout takes effect and the old entries in the initial WLAN are deleted.

The order of preference for IPv4 clients are:

- 1. DHCPv4
- **2.** ARP
- 3. Data packets

The order of preference for IPv6 clients are:

- 1. DHCPv6
- 2. NDP
- 3. Data packets



Note

The static wired clients have a higher preference over DHCP.

## **Configuring IP Theft (GUI)**

### **Procedure**

- **Step 1** Choose Configuration > Security > Wireless Protection Policies > Client Exclusion Policies.
- Step 2 Check the IP Theft or IP Reuse check box.
- Step 3 Click Apply.

# **Configuring IP Theft**

Follow the procedure given below to configure the IP Theft feature:

### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 2	wireless wps client-exclusion ip-theft	Configures the client exclusion policy.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# wireless wps client-exclusion ip-theft	

# **Configuring the IP Theft Exclusion Timer**

Follow the procedure given below to configure the IP theft exclusion timer:

#### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose		
Step 1	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.		
	Example:			
	Device# configure terminal			
Step 2	wireless profile policy profile-policy	Configures a WLAN policy profile and enters		
	Example:	wireless policy configuration mode.		
	Device(config)# wireless profile policy default-policy-profile			
Step 3	exclusionlist timeout time-in-seconds	Specifies the timeout, in seconds. The valid		
	Example:	range is from 0-2147483647. Enter zero (0) for no timeout.		
	Device(config-wireless-policy)# exclusionlist timeout 5	no unicout.		

# **Adding Static Entries for Wired Hosts**

Follow the procedure given below to create static wired bindings:



Note

The statically configured wired bindings and locally configured SVI IP addresses have a higher precedence than DHCP.

### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 2	Use the first option to configure an IPv4 static entry or the second option to create an IPv6 static entry.	Configures IPv4 or IPv6 static entry.
	• device-tracking binding vlan vlan-id ipv4-address interface gigabitEthernetge-intf-num hardware-or-mac-address	
	<ul> <li>device-tracking binding vlan vlan-id ipv6-address interface gigabitEthernetge-intf-num hardware-or-mac-address</li> </ul>	
	Example:	

Command or Action	Purpose
Device(config)# device-tracking binding vlan 20 20.20.20.5 interface gigabitEthernet 1 0000.1111.2222	
Example:	
Device(config)# device-tracking binding vlan 20 2200:20:20::6 interface gigabitEthernet 1 0000.444.3333	

# **Verifying IP Theft Configuration**

Use the following command to check if the IP Theft feature is enabled or not:

Device# show wireless wps summary

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Client Exclusion Policy
 Excessive 802.11-association failures : Enabled
 Excessive 802.11-authentication failures: Enabled
 Excessive 802.1x-authentication
                                       : Enabled
 IP-theft
                                       : Enabled
 Excessive Web authentication failure : Enabled
                                       : Enabled
 Cids Shun failure
 Misconfiguration failure
                                       : Enabled
 Failed Qos Policy
                                       : Enabled
 Failed Epm
                                        : Enabled
```

Use the following commands to view additional details about the IP Theft feature:

Device# show wireless client summary

### Number of Local Clients: 1

MAC Address	AP Name	WLAN	State	Protocol	Method	Role
000b.bbb1.0001	SimAP-1	2	Run	 11a	None	Local

Number of Excluded Clients: 1

MAC Address	AP Name	WLAN	State	Protocol	Method
10da.4320.cce9	charlie2	2	Excluded	11ac	None

#### Device# show wireless device-tracking database ip

IP	VLAN	STATE	DISCOVERY	MAC
20.20.20.2	20	Reachable	Local	001e.14cc.cbff
20.20.20.6	20	Reachable	IPv4 DHCP	000b.bbb1.0001

#### Device# show wireless exclusionlist

Excluded Clients

MAC Address Description Exclusion Reason Time Remaining

10da.4320.cce9

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#### Device# show wireless exclusionlist client mac 12da.4820.cce9 detail

Client State : Excluded

Client MAC Address: 12da.4820.cce9 Client IPv4 Address: 20.20.20.6

Client IPv6 Address: N/A Client Username: N/A

#### Exclusion Reason : IP address theft

Authentication Method : None

Protocol: 802.11ac

AP MAC Address : 58ac.780e.08f0

AP Name: charlie2
AP slot : 1

Wireless LAN Id : 2

Wireless LAN Name: mhe-ewlc

VLAN Id : 20

**Verifying IP Theft Configuration**