



Using the Service Configuration Editor: Traffic Classification

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Introduction

Traffic classification is the first step in creating a Cisco SCA BB service configuration. Traffic is classified according to services.

For each commercial service that providers offer to their subscribers, a corresponding service is defined in the Cisco Service Control solution. You can use this service to classify and identify the traffic, report on its usage, and control it.

This module explains how to work with services and their elements and subelements:

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How to Search Traffic Classification Settings

You can search for any classification detail by name or numeric ID, such as services, protocols, port number, or counter assignments. You can also search for protocols or signatures that are not assigned to a service.


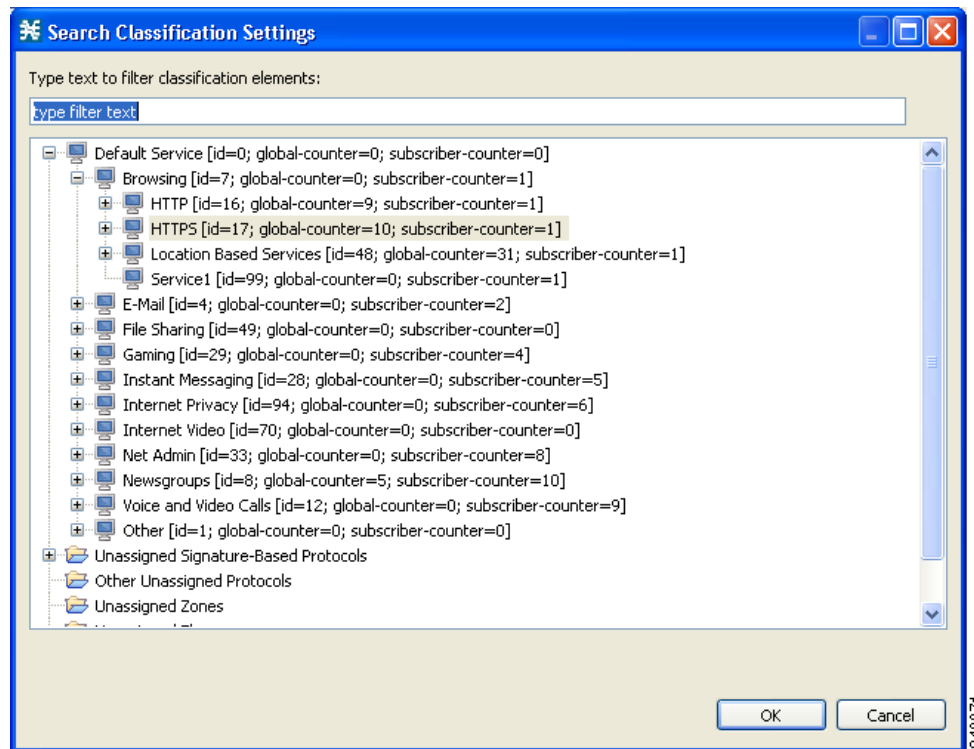
- Step 1** In the **Classification** tab, click the **Search Classification Settings** () icon.
The Search Classification Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-1).

Figure 7-1 Search Classification Settings



- Step 2** Enter the text to search.



Note You can include the following wildcards in the search:

- ?—any character
- *—any string

The dialog box is populated with the search results.

- Step 3** Double-click the item to take you to the screen where you can edit it. For example, if you double-click a protocol, the protocol dialog box opens on the selected protocol.

Managing Services

Services are used to classify controlled traffic.

A service consists of one or more service elements; different network traffic transaction types are mapped to different service elements.

Traffic is classified based on some or all of the following:

- Protocol—The protocol used by the transaction, as identified by the Cisco Service Control Engine (Cisco SCE) platform
- Initiating side—Where the transaction was initiated
- Zone—IP address of the network-side host of the transaction
- Flavor—Specific Layer 7 properties of the transaction; for example, host names of the network-side host of the transaction

A service configuration can contain up to 500 services and 10,000 service elements. Every service element in a service configuration must be unique.

Service Parameters

A service is defined by the following parameters:

- General parameters:
 - Name—A unique name
 - Description—(Optional) A description of the service
- Hierarchy parameters:
 - Parent Service

The default service, which is the base of the service hierarchy, does not have a parent.



Note

The parent service is important when services share usage counters (see next parameter).

- Service Usage Counters—Used by the system to generate data about the total use of each service. A service can use either its own usage counters, or those of the parent service.

Each usage counter has:

- A name assigned by the system (based on the service name).



Note

An asterisk is appended to a service usage counter name whenever the counter applies to more than one service.

- A unique counter index—A default value of the counter index provided by the system. Do not modify this value.
- Advanced parameter:
 - Service Index—A unique number by which the system recognizes the service (changing the service name does not affect Cisco SCE platform activity). The system provides a default value of the service index. Do not modify this value.

These parameters are defined when you add a new service (see “[How to Add a Service to a Service Configuration](#)” section on page 7-4). You can modify them at any time (see “[How to Edit Services](#)” section on page 7-9).

Adding and Defining Services

A number of services are predefined in the Console installation. You can add additional services to a service configuration, subject to the limit of 500 services (including predefined services) per service configuration.

After you have added and defined a new service, you can add service elements to the service (see “[How to Add Service Elements](#)” section on page 7-12).

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How to Add a Service to a Service Configuration

- Step 1** In the Services tab, select a service from the service tree. This service is the parent of the service you are adding.
- Step 2** In the left pane, click the **Add Service** (+) icon.
The Service Settings dialog box appears ([Figure 7-2](#)).

Figure 7-2 Service Settings

- Step 3** In the Name field, enter a unique and relevant name for the service.

- Step 4** In the Description field, enter a meaningful and useful description of the service.
- Step 5** To set exclusive usage counters for this service, or to change the parent service you selected when adding the service, continue with the instructions in the “[How to Define Hierarchical Settings for a Service](#)” section on page 7-5 section.
- Step 6** (Optional) To specify an index for this service, continue with the instructions in the “[How to Set the Service Index](#)” section on page 7-7 section.



Note The system automatically assigns a free number for the new service. Modify this number only where a specific index value must be assigned to a specific service.

- Step 7** Click **OK**.
- The Service Settings dialog box closes.
- The service is added to the service tree as a child to the service you selected in the hierarchy.

How to Define Hierarchical Settings for a Service

- Step 1** In the Service Settings dialog box, click the **Hierarchy** tab.
- The Hierarchy tab opens ([Figure 7-3](#)).

Figure 7-3 Hierarchy Tab



- Step 2** To set a different parent service, select the desired parent from the Parent Service drop-down list.

Step 3 By default, a new service uses the global usage counter of its parent service. To define an exclusive global usage counter, check the **Map this Service to an exclusive Global usage counter** check box.

The name in the read-only Global counter of this service field changes to reflect your choice.

The Counter Index drop-down list is enabled.

(Optional) Select a value for the counter index from the Counter Index drop-down list. Effective with Cisco SCE Release 4.0.0, you can select up to 192 counter index values.

**Note**

The system provides a default value of the counter index. Do not modify this value.

Step 4 By default, a new service uses the subscriber usage counter of its parent service. To define an exclusive subscriber usage counter, check the **Map this Service to an exclusive Subscriber usage counter** check box.

The name in the read-only Subscriber counter of this service field changes to reflect your choice.

The Counter Index drop-down list is enabled.

(Optional) Select a value for the counter index from the Counter Index drop-down list. Effective with Cisco SCE Release 4.0.0, you can select up to 48 counter index values.

**Note**

The system provides a default value of the counter index. Do not modify this value.

Step 5 To specify an index for this service, continue with the instructions in the [“How to Set the Service Index” section on page 7-7](#) section.

**Note**

The system automatically assigns a free number for the new service. Modify this number only where a specific index value must be assigned to a specific service.

Step 6 Click **OK**.

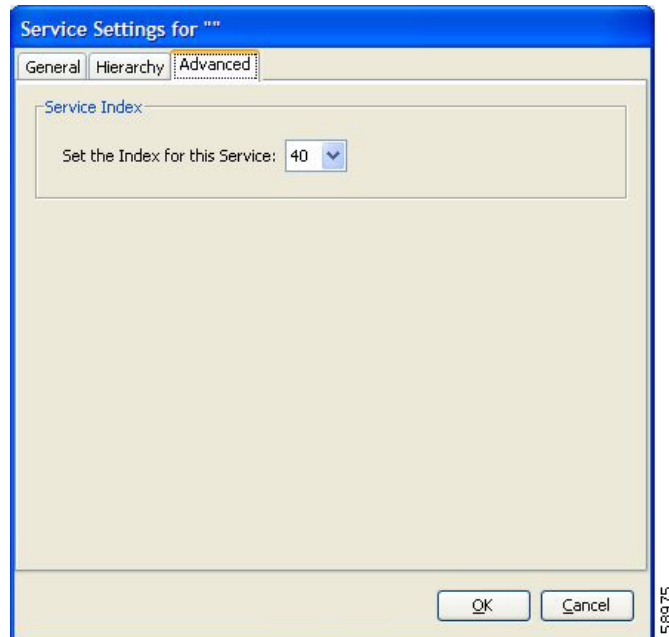
The Service Settings dialog box closes.

The service is added to the service tree as a child to the service selected in the Parent Service drop-down list.

How to Set the Service Index

- Step 1** In the Service Settings dialog box, click the **Advanced** tab.
The Advanced tab opens (Figure 7-4).

Figure 7-4 *Advanced Tab*



- Step 2** From the Set the Index for this Service drop-down list, select a service index.
The service index must be an integer in the range from 1 to 499; zero is reserved for the default service.



Note The system automatically assigns a free number for the new service. Modify this number only where a specific index value must be assigned to a specific service.

- Step 3** Click **OK**.
The Service Settings dialog box closes.
The service is added to the service tree as a child to the service selected in the Parent Service drop-down list.

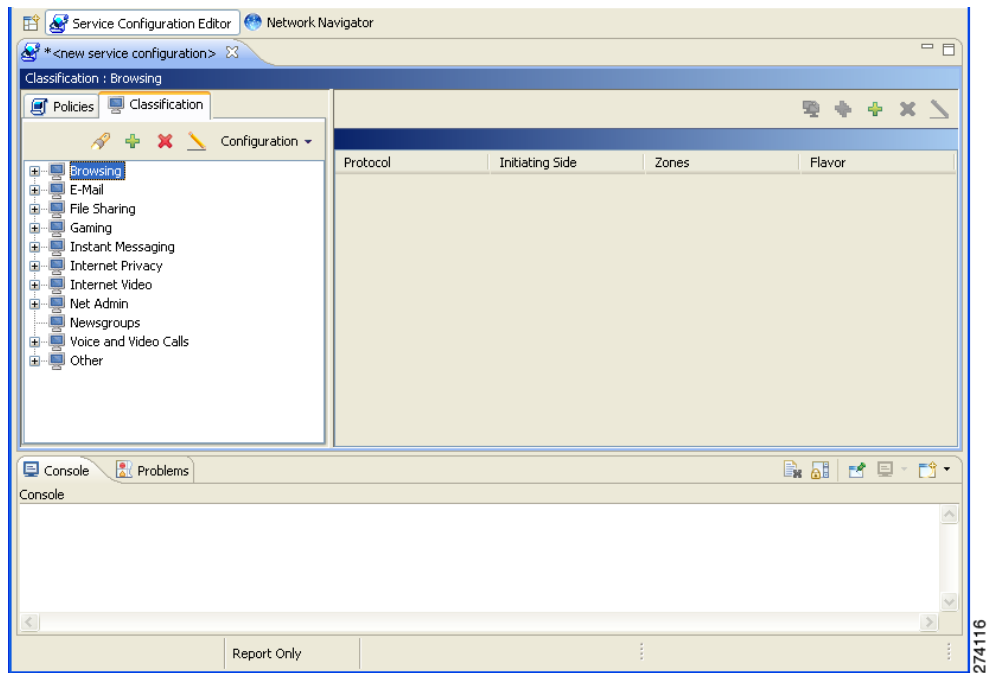
How to View Services

You can view a hierarchy tree of all existing services and see their associated service elements.

Step 1 In the current service configuration, click the **Classification** tab.

The Classification tab appears (Figure 7-5).

Figure 7-5 Classification Tab

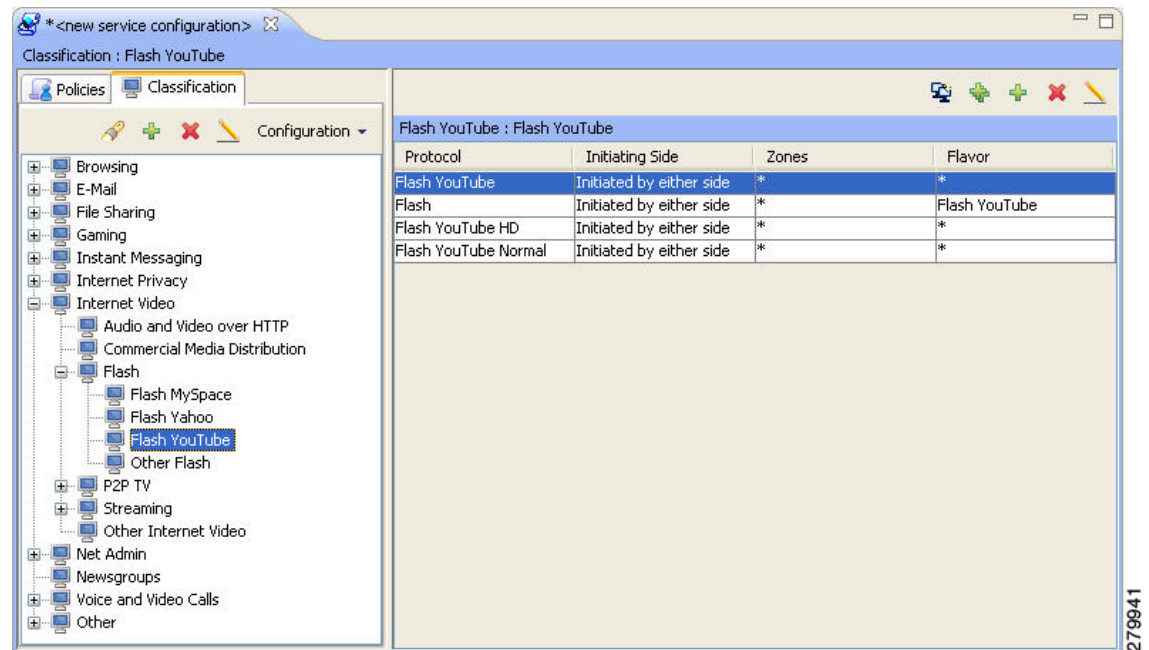


A list of all services is displayed in the service tree (left pane).

Step 2 Click a service in the hierarchy to display its service elements.

A list of all service elements defined for this service is displayed in the right (Service Elements) pane (Figure 7-6).

Figure 7-6 Service Elements



Step 3 To view more information about a service, select a service from the service tree and click the **Edit Service** (✎) icon.

The Service Settings dialog box appears.

Step 4 Click **OK**.

The Service Settings dialog box closes.

How to Edit Services

You can modify the parameters of a service, even those parameters included in the Console installation.

To add, modify, or delete service elements, see “[Managing Service Elements](#)” section on page 7-11.

Step 1 In the Services tab, select a service from the service tree.

Step 2 In the left pane, click the **Edit Service** (✎) icon.

The Service Settings dialog box appears.

Step 3 (Optional) Give a new name to the service.

Enter a new name in the Name field.

Step 4 (Optional) Give a new description for the service.

Enter a new description in the Description field.

Step 5 To change hierarchical settings, click the **Hierarchy** tab.

The Hierarchy tab opens.

- a. To set a different parent service, select the desired service from the Parent Service drop-down list.
- b. To share a global usage counter with the parent service, uncheck the **Map this Service to an exclusive Global usage counter** check box.

The name of the parent service's counter is displayed in the Global counter used by this service field.

- c. To define an exclusive global usage counter, check the **Map this Service to an exclusive Global usage counter** check box.

The name in the read-only Global counter of this service field changes to reflect your choice.

The Counter Index drop-down list is enabled.



Note

The system provides a default value of the counter index. Do not modify this value.

- d. To share a subscriber usage counter with the parent service, uncheck the **Map this Service to an exclusive Subscriber usage counter** check box.

The name of the parent service's counter is displayed in the Subscriber counter used by this service field.

- e. To define an exclusive subscriber usage counter, check the **Map this Service to an exclusive Subscriber usage counter** check box.

The name in the read-only Subscriber counter of this service field changes to reflect your choice.

The Counter Index drop-down list is enabled.



Note

The system provides a default value of the counter index. Do not modify this value.

Step 6 To change the service index:

- a. In the Service Settings dialog box, click the **Advanced** tab.

The Advanced tab opens.

- b. From the Set the Index for this Service drop-down list, select a service index.

The service index must be an integer in the range from 1 to 499; zero is reserved for the default service.



Note

The system provides a default value of the service index. Do not modify this value.

Step 7 Click **OK**.

The Service Settings dialog box closes.

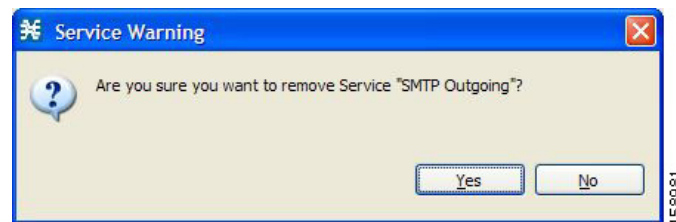
The changes to the service are saved.

How to Delete Services

You can delete all services, even those services in the Console installation, except for the default service.

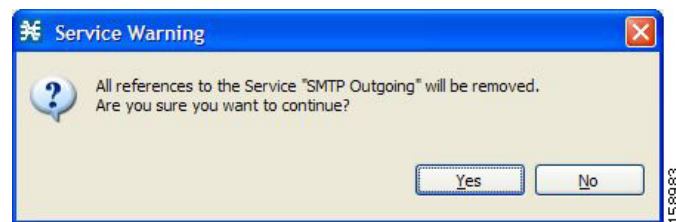
- Step 1** In the Services tab, select a service from the service tree.
- Step 2** In the left pane, click the **Delete Service** (✖) icon.
- Step 3** A Service Warning message appears (Figure 7-7).

Figure 7-7 Service Warning



- Step 4** Click **Yes**.
 - If any package has a rule for this service (see “[Managing Rules](#)” section on page 9-61), a second Service Warning message appears (Figure 7-8).

Figure 7-8 Service Warning



- Click **Yes**.

The service is deleted and is no longer displayed in the service tree. Any rules for the service are also deleted.

Children of the deleted service are not deleted; they move up one level in the service tree.

Managing Service Elements

A service is a collection of service elements; to complete the definition of a service, you must define its service elements. A service element maps a specific protocol, initiating side, zone, and flavor to the selected service.

For more information, see “[Managing Protocols](#)” section on page 7-22, “[Managing Zones](#)” section on page 7-34, and “[Managing Flavors](#)” section on page 7-59.

A service configuration can contain up to 10,000 service elements. Every service element must be unique.

A service element maps a traffic flow, that meets all the following criteria, to its service:

- The flow uses the specified protocol of the service element.
- The flow is initiated by the side (network, subscriber, or either) specified for the service element.
- The destination of the flow is an address that belongs to the specified zone of the service element.
- The flow matches the specified flavor of the service element.
- The service element is the most specific service element satisfying the first four criteria.

How to Add Service Elements

When necessary, you can add new service elements to a service. (The most useful service elements are included in the Console installation.) A service may have any number of service elements (subject to the limit of 10,000 service elements per service configuration).



Note

Every service element must be unique. If, at any stage, the new service element is the same as an existing one, an error message is displayed in the dialog box, and the Finish button is dimmed. To proceed, modify the value in at least one field.

Step 1 In the Services tab, select a service from the service tree.

Step 2 In the right (Service Elements) pane, click the **Add Service Element** (+).

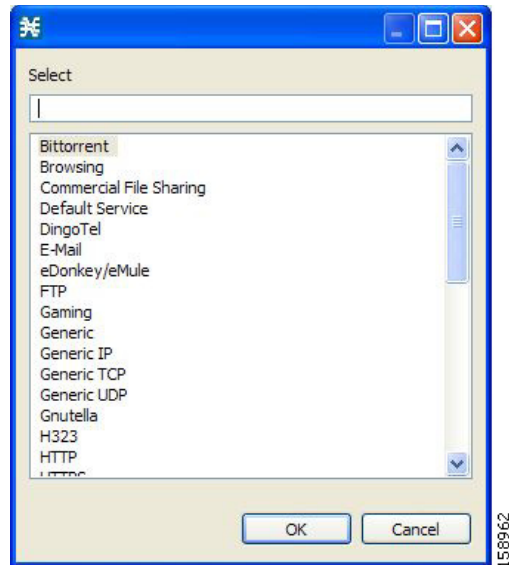
The New Service Element dialog box appears (Figure 7-9).

Figure 7-9 *New Service Element*

Step 3 To change the service to which this service element is assigned, click the **Select** button next to the Service field.

The Select a Service dialog box appears (Figure 7-10), displaying a list of all services.

Figure 7-10 Select a Service



Step 4 Select a service from the list.

Step 5 Click **OK**.

The Select a Service dialog box closes.

The selected service is displayed in the Service field of the New Service Element dialog box.

Step 6 Click the **Select** button next to the Protocol field.



Note

The default value (an asterisk, *) means that no protocol checking is performed when testing whether a flow maps to this service element.

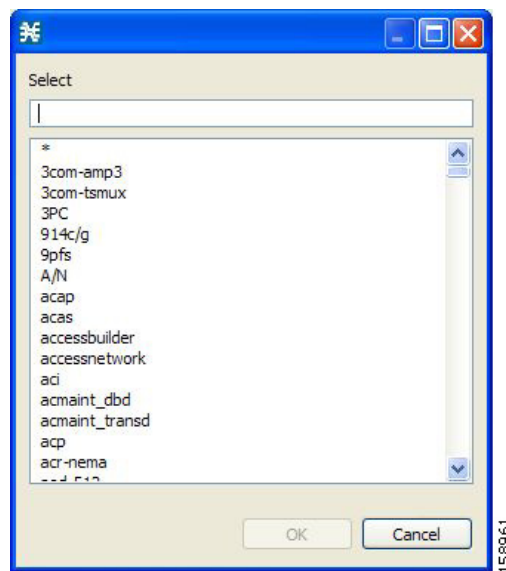
The Select a Protocol dialog box appears (Figure 7-11), displaying a list of all protocols.



Note

If you select a flavor (Step 15) before you select a protocol, only protocols relevant to the selected flavor are displayed.

Figure 7-11 *Select a Protocol*



Step 7 Select a protocol from the list. You can type in the field at the top of the dialog box to help locate the desired protocol.

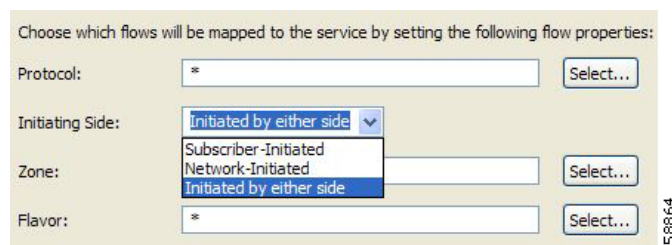
Step 8 Click **OK**.

The Select a Protocol dialog box closes.

The selected protocol is displayed in the Protocol field of the New Service Element dialog box.

Step 9 In the Initiating Side field (Figure 7-12), click the drop-down arrow.

Figure 7-12 *Initiating Side Field*



Step 10 Select the appropriate initiating side from the drop-down list.

The following options are available:

- **Subscriber-Initiated**—Transactions are initiated at the subscriber side towards (a server at) the network side.
- **Network-Initiated**—Transactions are initiated at the network side towards (a server at) the subscriber side.
- **Initiated by either side**

Step 11 Click the **Select** button next to the Zone field.

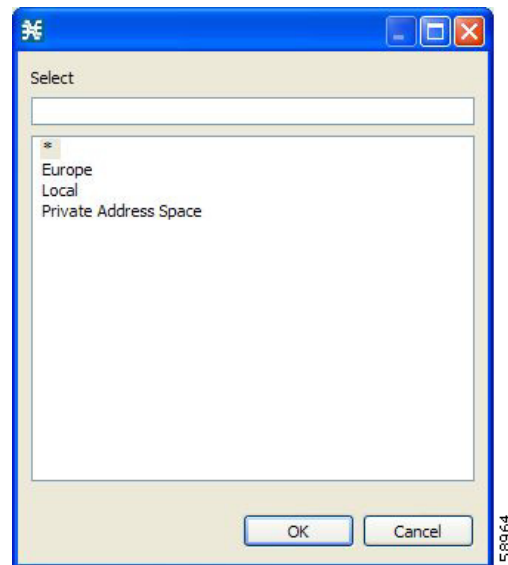


Note

The default value (an asterisk, *) means that no zone checking is performed when testing whether a flow maps to this service element.

The Select a Zone dialog box appears (Figure 7-13), displaying a list of all zones.

Figure 7-13 Select a Zone



Step 12 Select a zone from the list.

Step 13 Click **OK**.

The Select a Zone dialog box closes.

The selected zone is displayed in the Zone field of the New Service Element dialog box.



Note

If you select a zone in which data flows are classified using zones only, the Protocol, Initiating Side, and Flavor fields are disabled.

Step 14 Click the **Select** button next to the Flavor field.



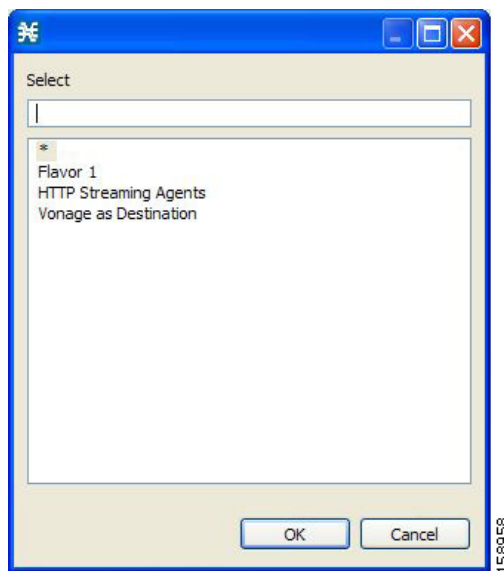
Note The default value (an asterisk, *) means that no flavor checking is performed when testing whether a flow maps to this service element.

The Select a Flavor dialog box appears (Figure 7-14), displaying a list of all flavors relevant to the protocol selected in Step 7.



Note You can only select a ToS flavor if you select the default value (*, meaning any protocol) for the protocol.

Figure 7-14 Select a Flavor



Step 15 Select a flavor from the list.

Step 16 Click **OK**.

The Select a Flavor dialog box closes.

The selected flavor is displayed in the Flavor field of the New Service Element dialog box.

Step 17 Click **Finish**.

The New Service Element dialog box closes.

The new service element is added to the service.

A new row, representing the service element, is added to the service element list in the Service Elements pane.

How to Duplicate Service Elements

Duplicating an existing service element is a useful way to add a new service element similar to an existing service element. It is faster to duplicate a service element and then modify it than to define the service element from beginning.

**Note**

Every service element must be unique. If, at any stage, the new service element is the same as an existing one, an error message is displayed in the dialog box, and the Finish button is dimmed. To proceed, modify the value in at least one field.


- Step 1** In the Services tab, select a service from the service tree.
A list of associated service elements is displayed in the Service Elements pane.
- Step 2** In the Service Elements pane, select a service element to duplicate.
- Step 3** Click the **Duplicate Service Element** () icon.
The Copy Service Element dialog box appears ([Figure 7-15](#)).

Figure 7-15 Copy Service Element

- Step 4** Modify the service element (see [“How to Edit Service Elements”](#) section on page 7-17).

**Note**

Before you can save the new service element, you must change the value in at least one field.

How to Edit Service Elements

You can modify all service elements, even those service elements that are included in the Console installation.

**Note**

Every service element must be unique. If, at any stage, the modified service element is the same as an existing one, an error message is displayed in the dialog box, and the Finish button is dimmed. To proceed, modify the value in at least one field.


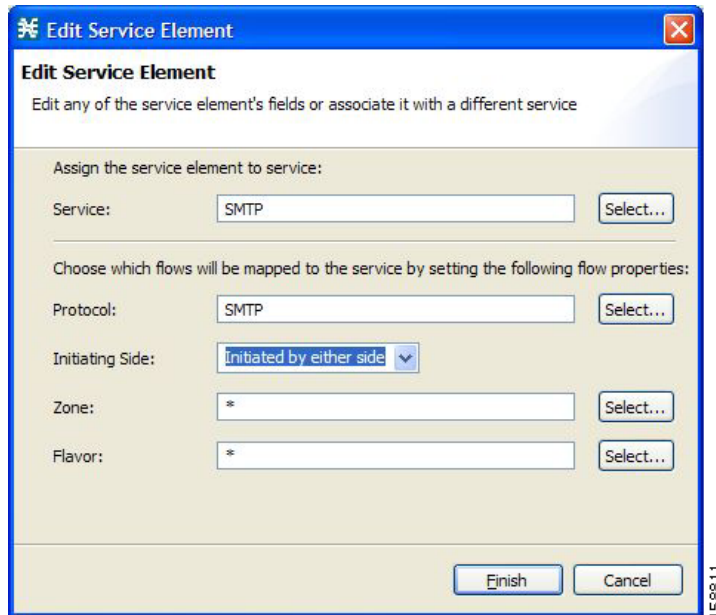
- Step 1** In the Services tab, select a service from the service tree.
A list of associated service elements is displayed in the Service Elements pane.
- Step 2** In the Service Elements pane, select a service element to edit.
- Step 3** In the Service Elements pane, click the **Edit Service Element** () icon.
The Edit Service Element dialog box appears (Figure 7-16).

Figure 7-16 Edit Service Element





- Step 4** To change the service to which this service element is assigned, click the **Select** button next to the Service field.
The Select a Service dialog box appears, displaying a list of all services.
- Step 5** Select a service from the list.
- Step 6** Click **OK**.
The Select a Service dialog box closes.
The selected service is displayed in the Service field of the Edit Service Element dialog box.
- Step 7** To change the protocol of this service element, click the **Select** button next to the Protocol field.



Note An asterisk (*) means that no protocol checking is performed when testing whether a flow maps to this service element.

The Select a Protocol dialog box appears, displaying a list of all protocols.

- Step 8** Select a protocol from the list; you can type in the field at the top of the dialog box to help locate the desired protocol.

- Step 9** Click **OK**.
- The Select a Protocol dialog box closes.
- The selected protocol is displayed in the Protocol field of the Edit Service Element dialog box.
- Step 10** To change the initiating side of this service element, click the drop-down arrow in the Initiating Side field.
- Step 11** Select the appropriate initiating side from the drop-down list.
- The following options are available:
- **Subscriber-Initiated**—Transactions are initiated at the subscriber side towards (a server at) the network side.
 - **Network-Initiated**—Transactions are initiated at the network side towards (a server at) the subscriber side.
 - **Initiated by either side**
- Step 12** To change the zone of this service element, click the **Select** button next to the Zone field.
-  **Note** An asterisk (*) means that no zone checking is performed when testing whether a flow maps to this service element.
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- The Select a Zone dialog box appears, displaying a list of all zones.
- Step 13** Select a zone from the list.
- Step 14** Click **OK**.
- The Select a Zone dialog box closes.
- The selected zone is displayed in the Zone field of the Edit Service Element dialog box.
- Step 15** To change the flavor of this service element, click the **Select** button next to the Flavor field.
-  **Note** An asterisk (*) means that no flavor checking is performed when testing whether a flow maps to this service element.
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- The Select a Flavor dialog box appears, displaying a list of all flavors.
- Step 16** Select a flavor from the list.
- Step 17** Click **OK**.
- The Select a Flavor dialog box closes.
- The selected flavor is displayed in the Flavor field of the Edit Service Element dialog box.
- Step 18** Click **Finish**.
- The Edit Service Element dialog box closes.
- The changes to the service element are saved.
- The changes to the service element appear in the service element list in the Service Elements pane.
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How to Delete Service Element

You can delete all service elements, even those service elements that are included in the Console installation.


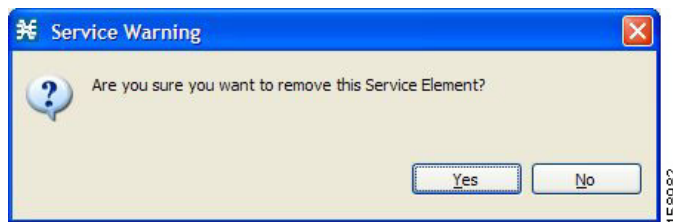
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- Step 1** In the Services tab, select a service from the service tree.
A list of associated service elements is displayed in the Service Elements pane.
- Step 2** In the Service Elements pane, select a service element to delete.
- Step 3** In the Service Elements pane, click the **Delete Service Element** () icon.
A Service Warning message appears ([Figure 7-17](#)).

Figure 7-17 Service Warning



- Step 4** Click Yes.
The service element is deleted and is no longer part of the selected service.
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How to Move Service Elements

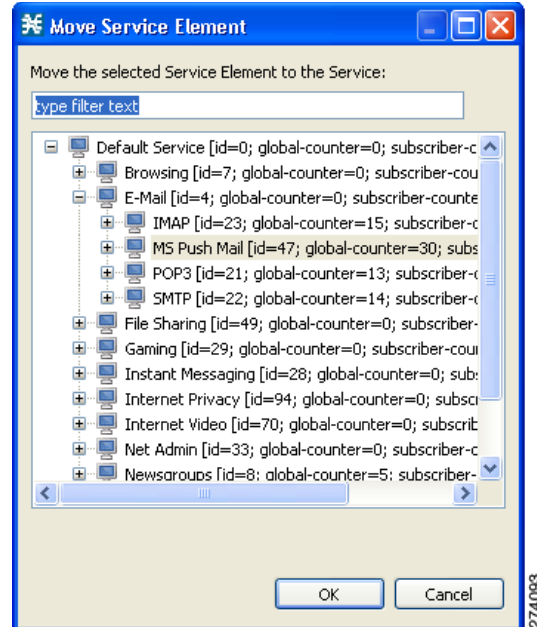
You can move an existing service element from one service to a different service.

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- Step 1** In the Services tab, select a service from the service tree.
A list of associated service elements is displayed in the Service Elements pane.
- Step 2** In the Service Elements pane, select a service element to move.

Step 3 Click the **Move Service Element to Another Service** () icon.

The Move Service Element dialog box appears ([Figure 7-18](#)), displaying the complete service tree.

Figure 7-18 *Move Service Element*



Step 4 From the service tree, select a service.

Step 5 Click **OK**.

The Move Service Element dialog box closes.

The service element is moved to the selected service.

Managing Protocols

A protocol is composed of an application protocol signature, the destination port or ports, a unique name, and an optional description.

Protocols are used to define service elements (see the [“Managing Service Elements”](#) section on page 7-11).

You can add new protocols (for example, to classify a new gaming protocol that uses a specific port). You can also edit or delete existing ones.

A service configuration can contain up to 10,000 protocols.

Cisco SCA BB supports many commercial and common protocols.

For a complete list of protocols included with the current release of Cisco SCA BB, see the “Information About Protocols” section in the “Default Service Configuration Reference Tables” chapter of *Cisco Service Control Application for Broadband Reference Guide*.

This section explains the following procedures:

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- [How to Add Protocols, page 7-26](#)
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- [Managing Protocol Elements, page 7-28](#)

As new protocols are released, Cisco provides files containing the new protocol signatures so that you can add the signatures to your service configuration. See the [“How to Import a Dynamic Signature Script into a Service Configuration”](#) section on page 7-51.

Viewing Protocols

This section explains the following procedures:

- [How to View Protocols, page 7-23](#)
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How to View Protocols

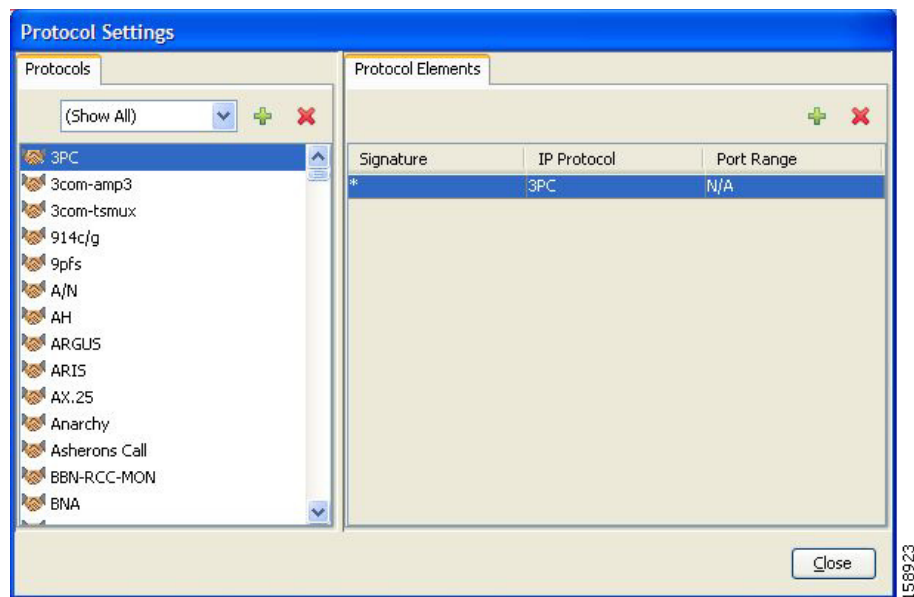
You can view a list of all protocols and their associated protocol elements.

The protocols are listed in ASCII sort order (that is, 0... 9, A... Z, a... z).

The protocol elements are not sorted; they are listed in the order in which they were added to the protocol.

- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Protocols**. The Protocol Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-19).

Figure 7-19 Protocol Settings

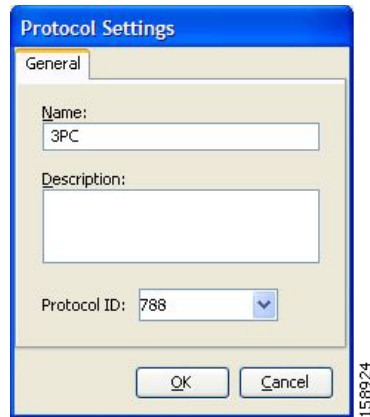


The Protocols tab displays a list of existing protocols.

Step 2 Double-click a protocol to view its description and ID.

The Protocol Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-20), displaying the protocol name, description, and ID.

Figure 7-20 Protocol Settings



Step 3 Click **Cancel**.

The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.

Step 4 To view a list of protocol elements, select a protocol in the list in the Protocol Settings dialog box.

Protocol elements are displayed in the Protocol Elements tab.

Step 5 Click **Close**.

The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.

How to Filter the Protocols List

You can filter the protocols by type, so that the Protocols tab displays only the selected type of protocol.

The categories of protocols include:

- **Generic Protocols**—Generic IP, Generic TCP, and Generic UDP protocols, used for transactions that are not specifically mapped to a protocol by any other protocol type.
- **IP Protocols**—Protocols (such as ICMP), other than TCP and UDP protocols, identified according to the IP protocol number of the transaction.
- **Port-Based Protocols**—TCP and UDP protocols, classified according to their well-known ports. The default service configuration includes more than 750 common port-based protocols.
- **Signature-Based Protocols**—Protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature. Includes the most common protocols, such as HTTP and FTP, and a large group of popular P2P protocols.
- **P2P Protocols**—Peer-to-peer file-sharing application protocols, classified according to a Layer 7 application signature.
- **VoIP Protocols**—Voice-over-IP application protocols, classified according to a Layer 7 application signature.

- SIP Protocols—Protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature that is SIP or has SIP characteristics.
- Worm Protocols—Protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature that is based on traffic patterns of internet worms.
- Packet Stream Pattern Based Protocols—Protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature that is based on the pattern of the packet stream (for example, the stream's symmetry, average packet size, and rate) rather than on the payload content of the packet.
- Unidirectionally Detected Protocols—Protocols having a unidirectional signature.
- Behavioral Protocols
- E-Mail and Newsgroup Protocols
- Gaming Protocols
- HTTP Protocols
- Instant Messaging Protocols
- Net Admin Protocols
- Video Protocols
- Tunneling Protocols
- ClickStream Protocols

**Note**

Some protocols belong to more than one category. In particular, all predefined P2P, VoIP, SIP, Worm, and Packet Stream Pattern-Based Protocols are also defined as Signature-Based Protocols.

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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Protocols**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** From the drop-down list in the Protocols tab, select the type of protocol to display.
The protocols of the selected type appear in the Protocols tab.
- Step 3** Click **Close**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.

**Note**

The setting in the drop-down list is not saved. The next time you open the Protocol Settings dialog box, all protocols are displayed.

How to Add Protocols

You can add new protocols to a service configuration, subject to the limit of 10,000 protocols per service configuration.


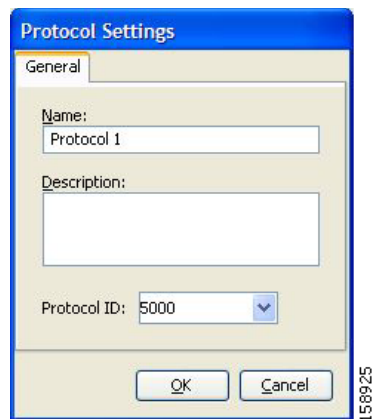
- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Protocols**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the Protocols tab, click the **Add Protocol** () icon.
The Protocol Settings dialog box appears ([Figure 7-21](#)).

Figure 7-21 Protocol Settings



- Step 3** In the Name field, enter a unique name for the new protocol.
- Step 4** (Optional) From the Protocol ID drop-down list, select an ID for the protocol.
The protocol ID must be an integer in the range from 5000 to 9998; lower values are reserved for protocols provided by Cisco SCA BB.



Note

The system provides the value of the protocol ID. Do not modify this field.

- Step 5** Click **OK**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.
The new protocol is displayed in the Protocols tab. You can now add protocol elements to it. See [“How to Add Protocol Elements”](#) section on page 7-29.

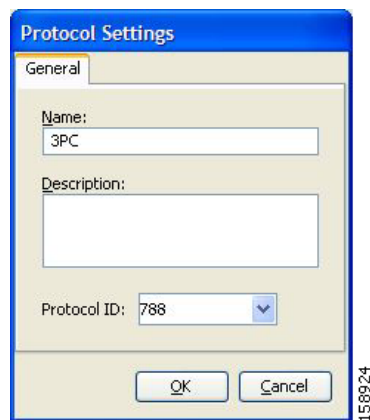
How to Edit Protocols

You can modify the parameters of a protocol, even those for those protocols that are included in the Console installation.

To add, modify, or delete protocol elements, see “[Managing Protocol Elements](#)” section on page 7-28.

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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Protocols**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the Protocols tab, double-click a protocol.
A second Protocol Settings dialog box appears ([Figure 7-22](#)).

Figure 7-22 Protocol Settings



- Step 3** Modify fields in the Protocol Settings dialog box.
- In the Name field, enter a new name for the protocol.
 - From the Protocol ID drop-down list, select an ID for the protocol.
- The protocol ID must be an integer in the range from 5000 to 9998; lower values are reserved for protocols provided by Cisco SCA BB.



Note The system provides the protocol ID. Do not modify this field.

- Step 4** Click **OK**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.
The new values of the protocol parameters are saved.
- Step 5** Click **Close**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.
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How to Delete Protocols

You can delete all protocols, even those protocols that are included in the Console installation.


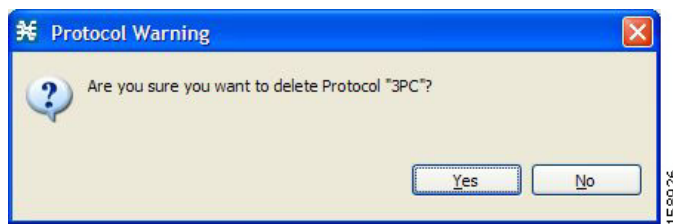
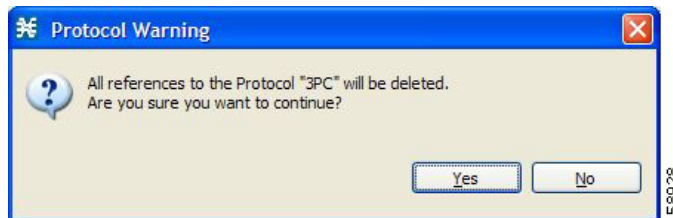
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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Protocols**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the Protocols tab, select a Protocol.
- Step 3** In the Protocols tab, click the **Delete Protocol** () icon.
A Protocol Warning message appears (Figure 7-23).

Figure 7-23 Protocol Warning



- Step 4** Click **Yes**.
- If any service element maps the selected protocol to a service (see [“Managing Service Elements” section on page 7-11](#)), a second Protocol Warning message appears (see [Figure 7-24](#)) (even if the service is not used by any package).

Figure 7-24 Protocol Warning



- Click **Yes**.

The Protocol is deleted from the Protocols tab.

- Step 5** Click **Close**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.
-

Managing Protocol Elements

A protocol is a collection of protocol elements.

To complete the definition of a protocol, you must define its protocol elements. A protocol element maps a specific signature, IP protocol, and port range to the selected protocol. Every protocol element in a service configuration must be unique.

If a traffic flow meets all of the following four criteria, it is mapped to a specific protocol:


- The flow belongs to the specified signature of the protocol element.
- The flow protocol is the specified IP protocol of the protocol element.
- (If the IP protocol is TCP or UDP) The destination port is within the specified port range of the protocol element.
- The protocol element is the most specific protocol element satisfying the first three criteria.

How to Add Protocol Elements

You can add any number of protocol elements to a protocol.

**Note**

When you set the parameters of the protocol element, the values of the parameters are saved as you enter them.

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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Protocols**. The Protocol Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the Protocols tab, select a protocol.
- Step 3** In the Protocol Elements tab, click the **Add Protocol Element** () icon. A protocol element is added to the protocol. A new row, representing the protocol element, is added to the protocol element list in the Protocol Element tab.

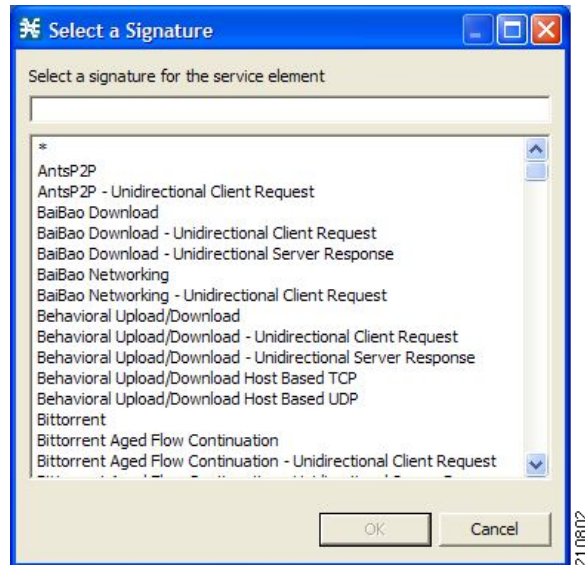
Step 4 Click in the Signature cell of the protocol element, and then click the **Browse** button that appears in the cell.

**Note**

The default value (an asterisk, *) means that no signature checking is performed when testing whether a flow maps to this protocol element.

The Select a Signature dialog box appears (Figure 7-25), displaying a list of all signatures.

Figure 7-25 Select a Signature



Step 5 Select a signature from the list.

**Note**

Select the Generic signature to allow a flow that has no matching signature in the protocol signature database to be mapped to this protocol element (if the flow also matches the IP protocol and port range of the protocol element).

Step 6 Click **OK**.

The Select a Signature dialog box closes.

The selected signature is displayed in the Signature cell of the Protocol Settings dialog box.

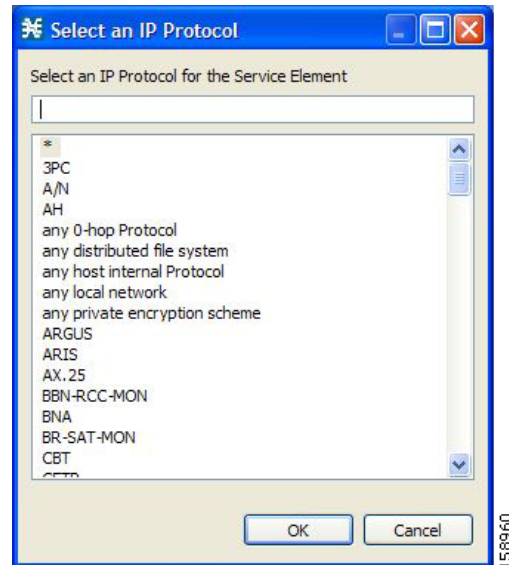
- Step 7** Click in the IP Protocol cell of the protocol element, and then click the **Browse** button that appears in the cell.



Note The default value (an asterisk, *) means that no IP protocol checking is performed when testing whether a flow maps to this protocol element.

The Select an IP Protocol dialog box appears (Figure 7-26), displaying a list of all IP protocols.

Figure 7-26 Select an IP Protocol



- Step 8** Select an IP protocol from the list.

- Step 9** Click **OK**.

The Select an IP Protocol dialog box closes

The selected IP protocol is displayed in the IP Protocol cell of the Protocol Settings dialog box.

- Step 10** In the Port Range cell, enter a port or range of ports. (For a range of ports, use a hyphen between the first and last ports in the range.)



Note Specifying a port range is only possible when the specified IP protocol is either TCP or UDP (or undefined, taking the wild-card value, *).

Only a flow whose port matches one of these ports are mapped to this protocol element.

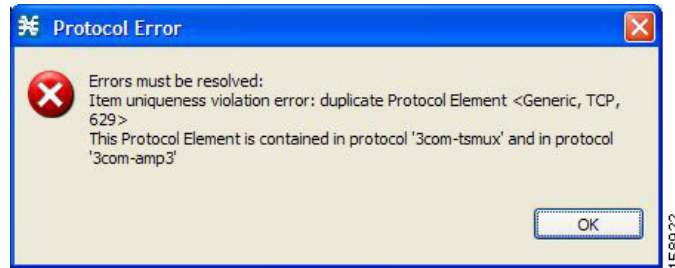
The protocol element is defined.

Step 11 Click **Close**.

The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.

- Instead, if the protocol element that you have defined is not unique in this service configuration, a Protocol Error message appears (Figure 7-27).

Figure 7-27 Protocol Error



- Click **OK**.
- Modify or delete the protocol element.
- Click **Close**.

The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.

How to Edit Protocol Elements

You can modify all protocol elements, even those protocol elements that are included in the Console installation.



Note

All changes to the protocol element are saved as you make them.

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Protocols**.

The Protocol Settings dialog box appears.

Step 2 In the Protocols tab, select a protocol.

Step 3 In the Protocol Elements tab, select a protocol element.

Step 4 Click in the Signature cell of the protocol element, and then click the **Browse** button that appears in the cell.

The Select a Signature dialog box appears.

Step 5 Select a signature from the list.

Step 6 Click **OK**.

The Select a Signature dialog box closes.

Step 7 Click in the IP Protocol cell of the protocol element, and then click the **Browse** button that appears in the cell.

The Select an IP Protocol dialog box appears.

Step 8 Select an IP protocol from the list.

- Step 9** Click **OK**.
The Select an IP Protocol dialog box closes.
- Step 10** In the Port Range cell of the protocol element, enter a port or range of ports.
Changes to the protocol element are saved as you make them.
- Step 11** Click **Close**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.
- Instead, if the protocol element that you have modified is not unique in this service configuration, a Protocol Error message appears.
 - a. Click **OK**.
 - b. Modify or delete the protocol element.
 - c. Click **Close**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.

How to Delete Protocol Elements

You can delete all protocol elements, even those protocol elements that are included in the Console installation.


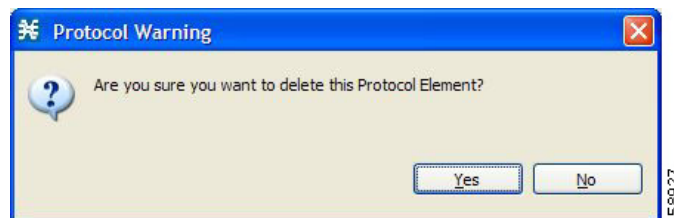
- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Protocols**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** Select a protocol in the Protocols tab.
- Step 3** In the Protocol Elements tab, select a protocol element.
- Step 4** In the Protocol Elements tab, click the **Delete Protocol Element** () icon.
A Protocol Warning message appears ([Figure 7-28](#)).

Figure 7-28 Protocol Warning



- Step 5** Click **Yes**.
The protocol element is deleted from the Protocol Elements tab.
- Step 6** Click **Close**.
The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.

Managing Zones

A zone is a collection of destination IP addresses; usually the addresses in one zone are related in some way.

Zones are used to classify network sessions; each network session is assigned to a service element based on its destination IP address.

A service configuration can contain up to 10,000 zone items on Cisco SCE 2000 and up to 20,000 on Cisco SCE 8000. Every zone item must be unique.

This section explains the following procedures:

- [How to View Zones, page 7-35](#)
- [How to Add Zones, page 7-36](#)
- [How to Edit Zones, page 7-38](#)
- [How to Delete Zones, page 7-39](#)
- [Managing Zone Items, page 7-40](#)
- Importing zones, see [“How to Import Service Configuration Data” section on page 6-11](#)
- Exporting zones, see [“How to Export Service Configuration Data” section on page 6-7](#)

BGP Autonomous System Dynamic Detection

The BGP Autonomous System (BGP AS) Dynamic Detection feature enables you to provision the BGP autonomous system as IP prefixes to the Cisco SCE zones.

With the BGP AS Dynamic Detection feature, you can:

- Add the complete AS number node and all the IP prefixes under it to a new zone.
- Add the IP Prefixes obtained from the AS number nodes to an existing zone.
- Add IP prefixes to a new zone.
- Delete IP prefixes from a zone.

For details, see the following sections:

- [BGP AS Dynamic Detection Workflow, page 7-42](#)
- [Enabling BGP AS Dynamic Detection, page 7-42](#)
- [Collecting and Storing the BGP Autonomous System \(AS\) Details, page 7-43](#)
- [Creating a New Zone with Select BGP AS Numbers and Prefixes, page 7-43](#)
- [Understanding BGP AS Numbers and Prefixes Color Schema, page 7-44](#)
- [Updating a Zone with Select BGP AS Numbers and Prefixes, page 7-45](#)
- [Deleting IP Prefixes from a Zone, page 7-45](#)

How to View Zones

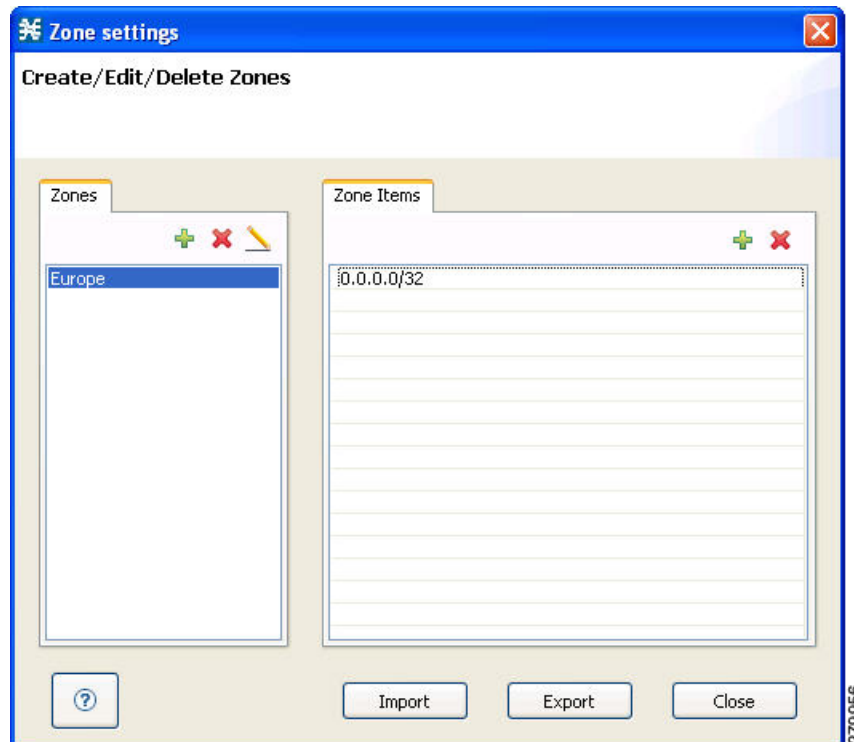
You can view a list of all zones and their associated zone items.

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Zones**.

The Zone Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-29).

The Zones tab displays a list of all zones. The first zone in the list is selected, and its zone items are displayed in the Zone Items tab.

Figure 7-29 Zone Settings



Step 2 Click a zone in the list to display its zone items.

The zone items of the selected zone are displayed in the Zone Items tab.

Step 3 Click **Close**.



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If you enable the automatic zone provisioning, an Advanced Import button will be available. Click the **Advanced Import** button to import the BGP AS numbers and prefixes to create Zones. See the [“Creating a New Zone with Select BGP AS Numbers and Prefixes”](#) section on page 7-43.

How to Add Zones


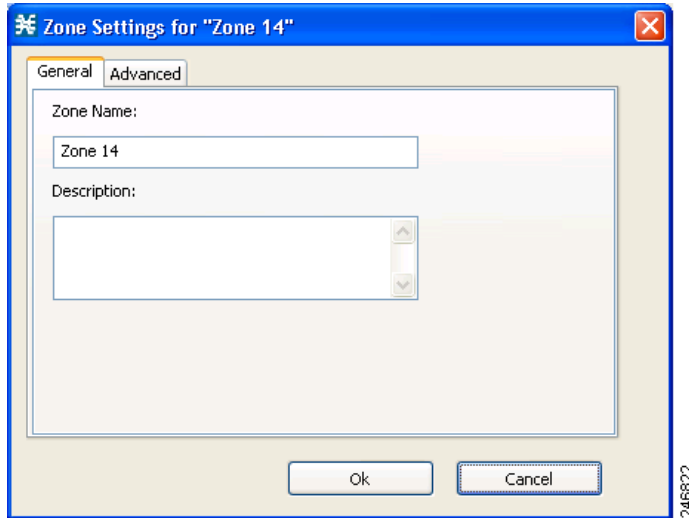
- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Zones**.
The Zone Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the Zones tab, click the **Add Zone** () icon.
The Zone Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-30).

Figure 7-30 Zone Settings



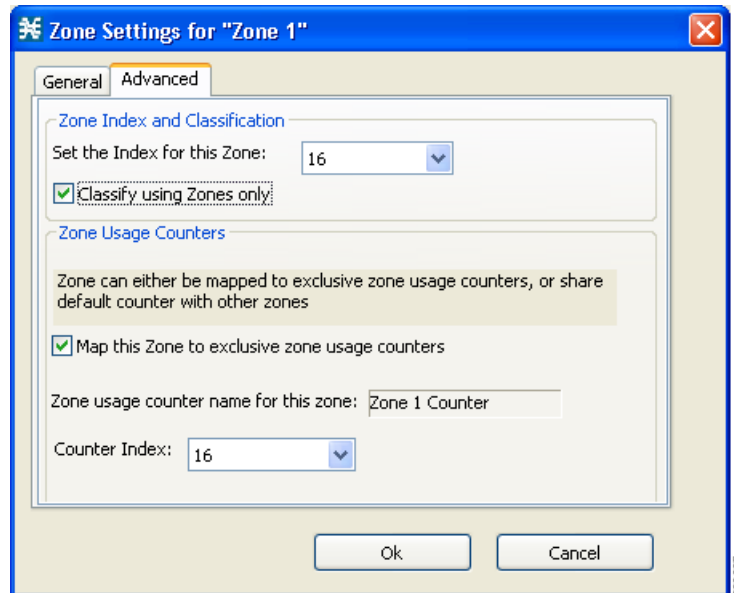
- Step 3** In the Name field, enter a unique name for the new zone.

- Step 4** From the Advanced tab, from the Zone Index drop-down list, select an ID for the zone. The zone ID must be a positive integer in the range from 1 to 32767.



Note The system provides the value of the zone ID. Do not modify this field.

Figure 7-31 Zone Settings - Advanced Tab



- Step 5** (Optional) Check the **Classify using zones only** check box. Click **Yes** in the pop up window to confirm. If you enable this option, the Cisco SCE classifies the data flows based on the zone to which the data flows belong.



Note If you enable this option on an existing zone, every service element that references the selected zone is deleted.

- Step 6** Check the **Map this Zone to exclusive zone usage counters** check box to map the Zone to exclusive zone usage counters, or share default counter with other zones.

The Zone Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-31).

- Step 7** From the Counter Index drop-down list, select an index for the zone.
The Counter Index must be a positive integer in the range from 1 to 1023.

- Step 8** Click **OK**.

The Zone Settings dialog box closes.

The new zone is added to the Zones tab. You can now add zone items. (See [“How to Add Zone Items”](#) section on page 7-40.)

How to Edit Zones

You can modify zone parameters at any time.

To add, modify, or delete zone items, see [“Managing Zone Items” section on page 7-40](#).

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Zones**.

The Zone Settings dialog box appears.

Step 2 In the Zones tab, select a zone.

Step 3 Click the **Edit Zone** () icon.

The Zone Settings dialog box appears.

Step 4 Modify fields in the dialog box.

- In the Name field, enter a new name for the zone.
- From the Zone Index drop-down list, select an ID for the zone.

The zone ID must be a positive integer in the range from 1 to 32767.



Note The system provides the value of the zone ID. Do not modify this field.

Step 5 Click **OK**.

The Zone Settings dialog box closes.

The new values of the zone parameters are saved.

Step 6 Click **Close**.

The Zone Settings dialog box closes.

How to Delete Zones

You can delete any or all zones.


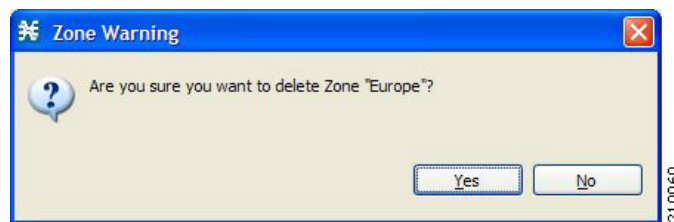
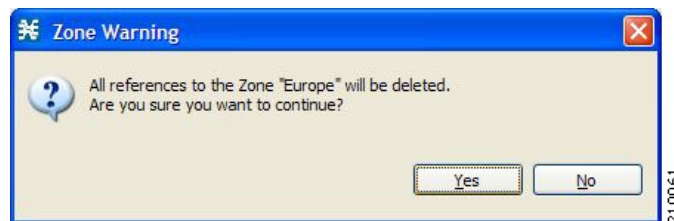
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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Zones**.
The Zone Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the Zones tab, select a zone.
- Step 3** In the Zones tab, click the **Delete Zone** () icon.
A Zone Warning message appears (Figure 7-32).

Figure 7-32 Zone Warning



- Step 4** Click **OK**.
- If any service element references the selected zone, a second Zone Warning message appears (Figure 7-33).

Figure 7-33 Zone Warning



- Click **Yes**.
Every service element that references the selected zone is deleted.
The zone is deleted and is no longer displayed in the Zones tab.
- Step 5** Click **Close**.
The Zone Settings dialog box closes.
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Managing Zone Items

A zone is a collection of related zone items. A zone item is an IP address or a range of IP addresses.

A service configuration can contain up to 20,000 zone items on SCE8000 and up to 10,000 zone items on SCE2000. Every zone item must be unique.

How to Add Zone Items

You can add several zone items to a zone. The limit is 10,000 zone items per service configuration on Cisco SCE 2000 and 20,000 zone items per service configuration on Cisco SCE 8000. From Cisco SCA BB Release 3.8.0, software-based support for IPv6 zones is available on Cisco SCE 8000 devices. You can add up to 5000 IPv6 zones per Cisco SCE 8000 device.

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Zones**.

The Zone Settings dialog box appears.

Step 2 In the Zones tab, select a zone.

Step 3 In the Zone Items tab, click the **Add Zone Item** () icon.

A new line is added to the Zone Items table.

Step 4 Double-click the new list item and enter a valid value.

A valid value is either a single IP address (for example, 63.111.106.7 or ABCD:1111:97EF:F641:0F2A:ABCD:1111:97EF) or a range of IP addresses (for example, 194.90.12.0/24 or ABCD:1111:97EF:F641:0F2A:ABCD:1111:97EF/128). For IPv6 zones, the valid range is from 0 to 128.

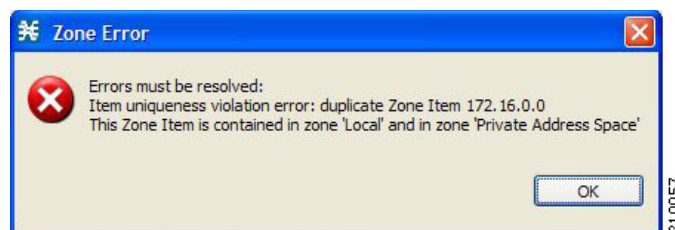
Step 5 Repeat Steps 3 and 4 for other IP addresses that are part of this zone.

Step 6 Click **Close**.

The Zone Settings dialog box closes.

- Instead, if the zone item that you have defined is not unique in this service configuration, a Zone Error message appears ([Figure 7-34](#)).

Figure 7-34 Zone Error




- Click **OK**.
- Modify or delete the zone item.
- Click **Close**.

The Zone Settings dialog box closes.

How to Edit Zone Items

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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Zones**.
The Zone Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the Zones tab, select a zone.
- Step 3** In the Zone Items tab, double-click a zone item.
- Step 4** Enter a new value for the zone item.
A valid value is either a single IP address (for example, 63.111.106.7 or ABCD:1111:97EF:F641:0F2A:ABCD:1111:97EF) or a range of IP addresses (for example, 194.90.12.0/24 or ABCD:1111:97EF:F641:0F2A:ABCD:1111:97EF/128). For IPv6 zones, the valid range is from 0 to 128.
- Step 5** Click **Close**.
The Zone Settings dialog box closes.
- Instead, if the zone item that you have modified is not unique in this service configuration, a Zone Error message appears.
- a. Click **OK**.
 - b. Modify or delete the zone item.
 - c. Click **Close**.
The Zone Settings dialog box closes.
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How to Delete Zone Items

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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Zones**.
The Zone Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the Zones tab, select a zone.
- Step 3** In the Zone Items tab, select a zone item.
- Step 4** In the Zone Items tab, click the **Delete Zone Item** () icon.
The zone item is deleted.
- Step 5** Click **Close**.
The Zone Settings dialog box closes.
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BGP AS Dynamic Detection Workflow

This section provides details on the BGP AS Dynamic Detection workflow:

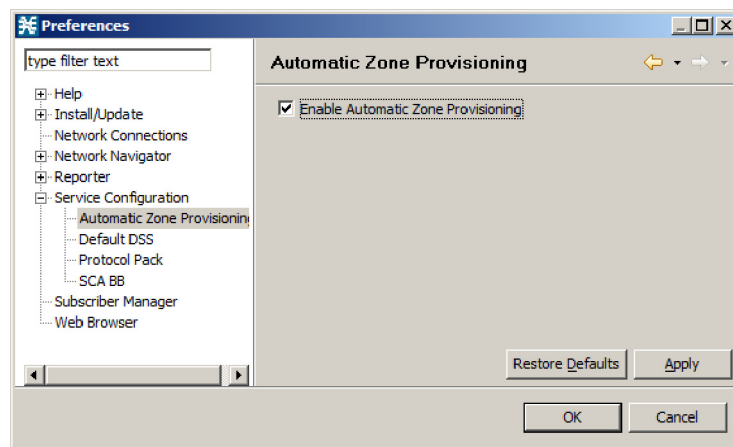
1. When you run the asFetch.bat script, the script downloads the AS number and IP prefixes from the configured BGP router using the SNMP MIBs
2. The script converts the prefixes to IP ranges and stores the details in a local file. If you configure a scheduler to run the script periodically, during each run, the IP file gets overwritten with a new one.
3. Cisco SCA BB:
 - a. Maps each zone name to the parameter of SCA BB zone configuration, such as Zone Index.
 - b. Pushes parameters such as zone and zone items (BGP routes) to the Cisco SCE while applying the configuration.
 - c. Configures the Services configured on various zones and pushes the configuration to the Cisco SCE.
4. Cisco SCE controls the service bandwidth based on the services configured on various zones.

Enabling BGP AS Dynamic Detection

By default, BGP AS Dynamic Detection is disabled on Cisco SCA BB.

To enable BGP AS Dynamic Detection, complete these steps:

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- Step 1** Choose **Windows > Preferences**.
 - Step 2** In the Preferences window, expand the Service Configuration.
 - Step 3** Click **Automatic Zone Provisioning**.
 - Step 4** Check the **Enable Automatic Zone Provisioning** check box.



- Step 5** Click **Apply**.
 - Step 6** Click **OK**.
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Collecting and Storing the BGP Autonomous System (AS) Details

The Cisco SCA BB asFetch script uses SNMP MIBs to fetch the BGP AS numbers and prefixes. Cisco SCA BB, Release 3.7.2, supports only SNMP version 2.

The routerInfo.properties file, asFetch.bat, and asFetch.sh are in the sca_bb_util\bin folder.

To collect and store the BGP AS details, complete these steps:

Step 1 Enter the router IP and SNMP community string in the routerInfo.properties file.

Step 2 Run the asFetch.bat script.

The script fetches the AS number and IP prefix details and saves them in the BGPRouter<number>.csv file that is present in the same folder in which you have extracted the asFetch script. Prior to performing Step 2, ensure that the following prerequisites are fulfilled:

- If AS numbers and IP prefixes have to be generated for more than one router IP, enter the router IP address of the community string separated by a comma (,) in the routerInfo.properties file.
 - Run the asFetch.bat file to generate the BGPRouter<number>.csv files based on the number of IP addresses entered in the properties file. For example, if two IP addresses are specified in the properties file, The BGPRouter1.csv and BGPRouter2.csv files get generated. These .csv files contain the AS number and IP prefix details. These files can be imported from the Zone settings window.
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You can run the script manually or use a scheduler to run the script periodically.

Creating a New Zone with Select BGP AS Numbers and Prefixes

Before attempting to add the BGP AS numbers and prefixes to zones, enable automatic zone provisioning and run the asFetch script to get the BGP AS details into the BGPRouter<number>.csv file.

To create a new zone and add select BGP AS numbers and prefixes, complete the following steps:

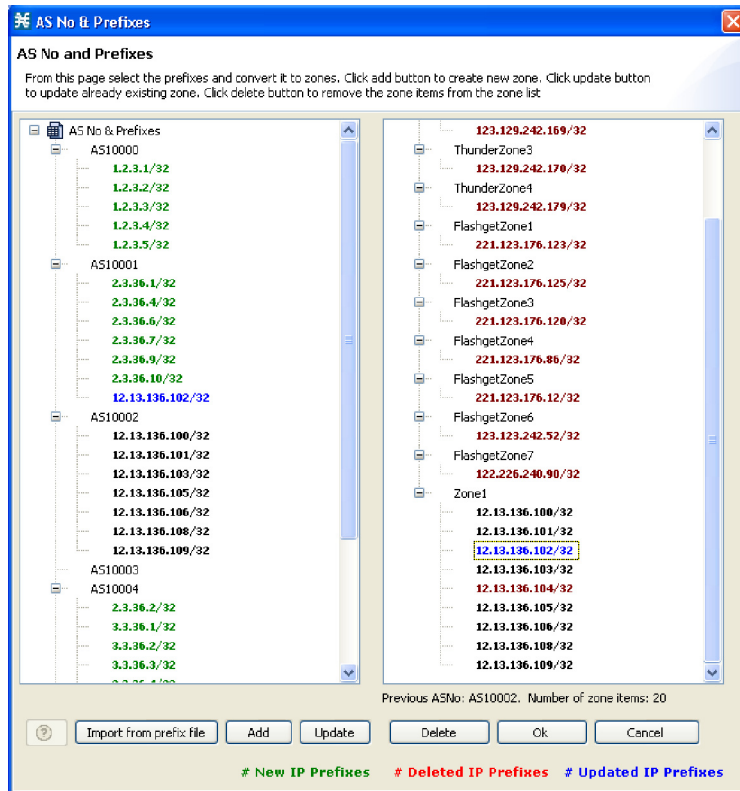
Step 1 From the Service Configuration Editor window, choose **Configuration > Classification > Zones**.

Step 2 In the Zone Settings window, click **Advanced Import**.

Step 3 Browse to the folder in which the BGPRouter<number>.csv file is saved, and select the BGPRouter<number>.csv file.

Step 4 Click **Open**.

The AS No & Prefixes dialog box appears.

**Step 5** Select the corresponding AS Number.**Step 6** Click **Add**.**Step 7** Enter a New Zone Name.**Step 8** Click **OK**.**Step 9** Click **OK**.

Understanding BGP AS Numbers and Prefixes Color Schema

The AS Number and Prefixes dialog box uses various colors to indicate new prefixes, prefixes added to a zone, or changes to the AS Number to which the prefix belongs.

Green color indicates a new prefix that does not belong to any zone. After you add the prefix to a zone, the color of the prefix in the prefix list and the zone changes to black. If you remove the prefix from the zone, the color of the prefix in the prefix list changes to green again.

Blue color indicates that the prefix has moved from one AS to another. This helps you decide whether to move the prefix to another zone.

Red color indicates that the prefix is not a part of the AS Numbers and Prefixes list.

Updating a Zone with Select BGP AS Numbers and Prefixes

To update a zone with select BGP AS numbers and prefixes, complete the following steps:

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- Step 1** From the Service Configuration Editor window, choose **Configuration > Classification > Zones**.
 - Step 2** In the Zone Settings window, click **Advanced Import**.
 - Step 3** Browse to the folder in which the BGPRouter<number>.csv file is saved and select the BGPRouter<number>.csv file.
 - Step 4** Click **Open**.
The AS No & Prefixes dialog box appears.
 - Step 5** Select the corresponding AS Number.
 - Step 6** Click **Update**.
 - Step 7** Choose a zone from the drop-down list.
 - Step 8** Click **OK**.
 - Step 9** Click **OK**.
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From the AS No & Prefixes dialog box, you can drag and drop the required AS numbers and IP prefixes to the required zones.

Deleting IP Prefixes from a Zone

You can delete IP prefixes only from a zone and not from the AS Numbers and Prefixes list.

To delete IP prefixes from a zone:

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- Step 1** Select the prefixes you want to delete.
 - Step 2** Click **Delete**.
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Managing Protocol Signatures

A protocol signature is a set of parameters that uniquely identify a protocol.

- [Viewing Signatures, page 7-46](#)
- [Dynamic Signatures, page 7-49](#)

Viewing Signatures

- [How to View Signatures, page 7-46](#)
- [How to Filter the Signatures List, page 7-48](#)

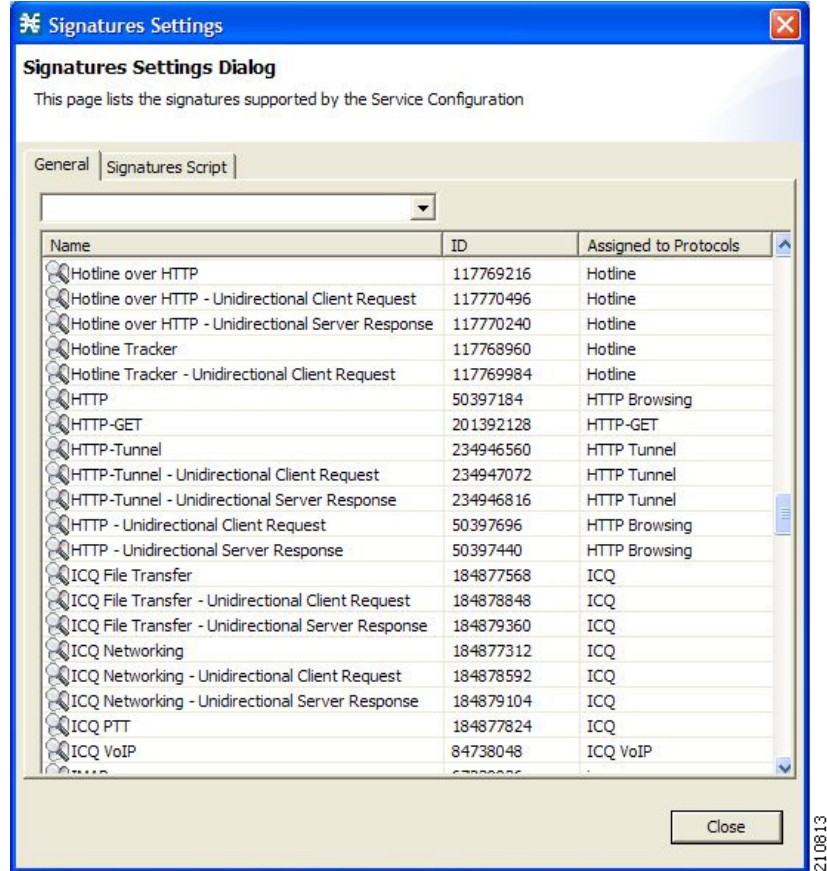
How to View Signatures

You can view a list of all signatures and the protocol to which each is assigned.

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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Signatures Settings**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box appears ([Figure 7-35](#)).

Figure 7-35 Signatures Settings



Step 2 Click **Close**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box closes.

How to Filter the Signatures List

You can filter the signature by type, so that the Signatures Settings dialog box lists only the selected type of signature.

The signature categories are:

- DSS Contributed Signatures
- Not Assigned to any Protocol
- P2P Signatures
- VoIP Signatures
- SIP Signatures
- Worm Signatures
- Packet Stream Pattern Based Protocols Signatures
- Unidirectionally Detected Signatures
- Behavioral Signatures
- E-Mail and Newsgroups Signatures
- Gaming Signatures
- HTTP Signatures
- Instant Messaging Signatures
- Net Admin Signatures
- Video Signatures
- Tunneling Signatures
- ClickStream Signatures



Note Some signatures belong to more than one category.

Step 1 From the Console main menu, choose **Configuration > Classification > Signatures Settings**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box appears.

Step 2 From the drop-down list, select the type of signature to display.

The signatures of the selected type appear in the dialog box.

Step 3 Click **Close**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box closes.

Dynamic Signatures

New protocols are being introduced all the time. Dynamic signatures is a mechanism that allows new protocols to be added to the protocol list and, from there, to service configurations. Dynamic Signature is especially useful for classifying the traffic of a new protocol (for example, a new P2P protocol in a P2P-Control solution).

- Installing new signatures to an active service configuration is described in [Working with Protocol Packs, page 4-18](#).
- Creating and modifying signatures is described in [Using the Signature Editor, page 13-1](#).
- Using **servconf**, the Cisco SCA BB Server Configuration Utility, to apply signatures is described in [The Cisco SCA BB Service Configuration Utility, page 14-2](#).

The following sections describe working with dynamic signatures in the Service Configuration Editor.

- [Dynamic Signature Script Files, page 7-49](#).
- [The Default DSS File, page 7-53](#).

Dynamic Signature Script Files

Dynamic signatures are provided in special Dynamic Signatures Script (DSS) files that you can add to a service configuration using either the Console or the Service Configuration API. After a DSS file is imported into a service configuration, the new protocols it describes:

- Appear in the protocol list.
- May be added to services.
- Are used when viewing reports.

To simplify the configuration of new protocols added by a DSS, the DSS may specify a Buddy Protocol for a new protocol. If, when loading a DSS, the application encounters the Buddy Protocol, it automatically duplicates the set of service elements that use the Buddy Protocol, and replaces all references to the Buddy Protocol with references to the new protocol. The association of the new protocol to services matches that of the Buddy Protocol.

The following configuration actions are performed automatically when you import a DSS into a service configuration:

- Signatures are updated and new signatures are loaded.
- Protocol elements are created for new signatures of existing protocols.
- New protocols are added to the protocol list, and protocol elements are created for them.
- Service elements are created for new protocols according to the configuration of Buddy Protocols.

The import procedure preserves all service and protocol settings.

**Note**

After importing a DSS, associate the newly added protocols with services.

Cisco or its partners releases DSS files periodically in accordance with customer requirements and market needs.

DSS files contain new protocols and signatures, and update previously defined signatures. Updating a service configuration with the new DSS is explained in [How to Import a Dynamic Signature Script into a Service Configuration, page 7-51](#).

**Note**

You can create your own DSS files or modify the Cisco release DSS file using the Signature Editor tool (see “[Managing DSS Files](#)” section on page 13-2).

- [How to View Information About the Current Dynamic Signatures](#), page 7-50
- [How to Import a Dynamic Signature Script into a Service Configuration](#), page 7-51
- [How to Remove Dynamic Signatures](#), page 7-52

How to View Information About the Current Dynamic Signatures

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Signatures Settings**.

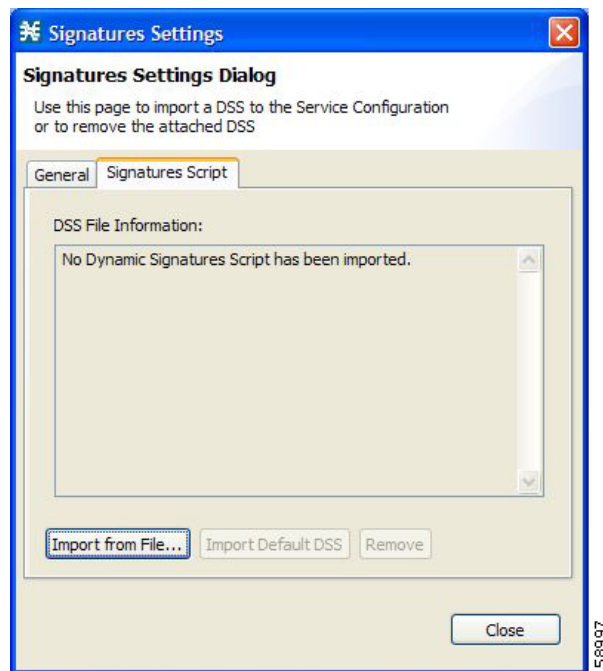
The Signatures Settings dialog box appears.

Step 2 Click the **Signatures Script** tab.

The Signatures Script tab opens ([Figure 7-36](#)).

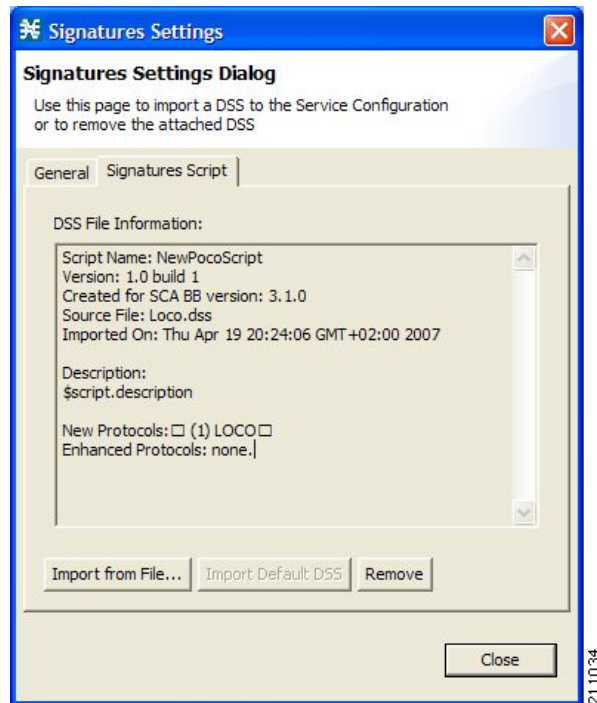
- If no DSS file was imported into the current service configuration, the Signatures Settings dialog box displays a message informing you of this.

Figure 7-36 *Signature Settings*



- If a DSS file was imported into the current service configuration, the Signatures Settings dialog box displays information about the current dynamic signatures and the DSS file from which they were imported (Figure 7-37).

Figure 7-37 **Signature Settings**



Step 3 Click **Close**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box closes.

How to Import a Dynamic Signature Script into a Service Configuration

You can import signatures into a service configuration from a DSS file provided by Cisco or one of its partners (described in this section), or from a DSS file that you have created or modified using the Signature Editor tool (see “[Managing DSS Files](#)” section on page 13-2).



Note

It is recommended that you import the latest default DSS file (see “[How to Import the Default DSS File Automatically](#)” section on page 7-57) when creating a service configuration, and that you use this option only to apply a new DSS to existing service configuration.

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Signatures Settings**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box appears.

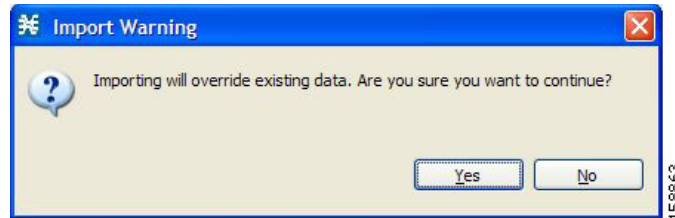
Step 2 Click the **Signatures Script** tab.

The Signatures Script tab opens.

Step 3 Click **Import from File**.

An Import Warning message appears (Figure 7-38).

Figure 7-38 *Import Warning*

**Step 4** Click **Yes**.

The Import from file dialog box appears.

Step 5 Browse to the DSS file and click **Open**.

The Import from file dialog box closes.

The signatures in the DSS file are imported into the service configuration.

Information about the imported signatures and their DSS file is displayed in the Signatures Settings dialog box.

Step 6 Click **Close**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box closes.

How to Remove Dynamic Signatures

You can remove the installed dynamic signatures from a service configuration.



Note The DSS file is not deleted.

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Signatures Settings**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box appears.

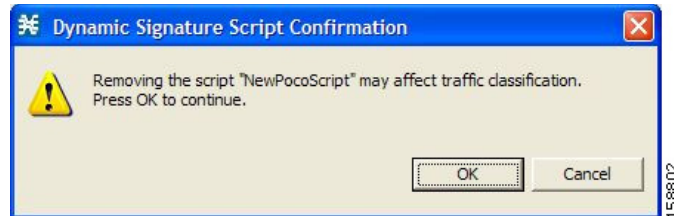
Step 2 Click the **Signatures Script** tab.

The Signatures Script tab opens.

Step 3 Click **Remove**.

A Dynamic Signature Script Confirmation message appears (Figure 7-39).

Figure 7-39 Dynamic Signature Script Confirmation



Step 4 Click **OK**.

- If any service element references a protocol whose signature is included in the imported DSS file, a Dynamic Signature Script Removal Error message appears (Figure 7-40).

Figure 7-40 Dynamic Signature Script Removal Error



- Click **Yes**.

Every service element that references a protocol whose signature is included in the imported DSS file is deleted.

The dynamic signatures are removed from the service configuration.

The Remove button is dimmed.

If the dynamic signatures were imported from the default DSS file, the Import Default DSS button is enabled.

Step 5 Click **Close**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box closes.

The Default DSS File

Whenever a protocol pack becomes available from Cisco (or one of its partners), you should update offline service configurations (stored as PQB files on the workstation). The protocol pack (see “[Protocol Packs](#)” section on page 4-18) is provided as either an SPQI file or a DSS file.

You can either offer updates automatically to every service configuration created or edited at the workstation, or apply them from the workstation to the Cisco SCE platform. You make the latest update available by installing the most recent DSS or SPQI file as the default DSS file. You can install the file on the workstation either from the Console or by using [The Cisco SCA BB Signature Configuration Utility, page 14-9](#).

- The default DSS file is automatically offered for import when you perform any service configuration operation (such as creating a new service configuration or editing an existing one) from the Console on a service configuration that was not yet updated.
- The default DSS file is imported by default when any service configuration operation (such as applying an existing service configuration) is performed using `servconf`, [The Cisco SCA BB Signature Configuration Utility, page 14-9](#). You can disable this option.

**Note**

Users are expected to update the default DSS on their management workstation whenever they obtain a new protocol pack, as explained in the following section.

- [Setting and Clearing the Default DSS File, page 7-54](#)
- [Importing Dynamic Signatures from the Default DSS File, page 7-57](#)

Setting and Clearing the Default DSS File

The default DSS file should normally be the latest protocol pack provided by Cisco (or one of its partners). If necessary, modify the protocol pack using the Signature Editor tool (see [“How to Edit DSS Files” section on page 13-16](#)) to add signatures of new protocols until they become available from Cisco.

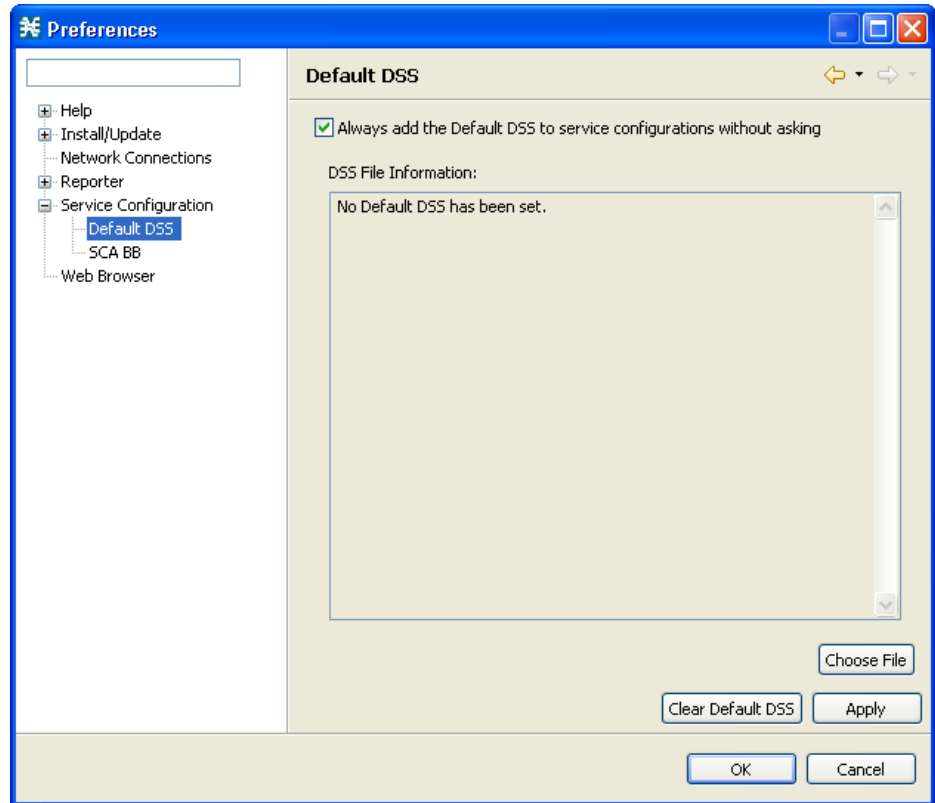
Whenever a new protocol pack becomes available, set it as the default DSS file. There is no need to clear the current default DSS file; it is overwritten by the new protocol pack.

- [How to Set a Protocol Pack as the Default DSS File, page 7-55](#)
- [How to Clear the Default DSS File, page 7-56](#)

How to Set a Protocol Pack as the Default DSS File

- Step 1** From the Console main menu, choose **Window > Preferences**.
The Preferences dialog box appears (Figure 7-41).
- Step 2** From the menu tree in the left pane of the dialog box, choose **Service Configuration > Default DSS**.
The Default DSS area opens in the right pane of the dialog box.

Figure 7-41 Preferences



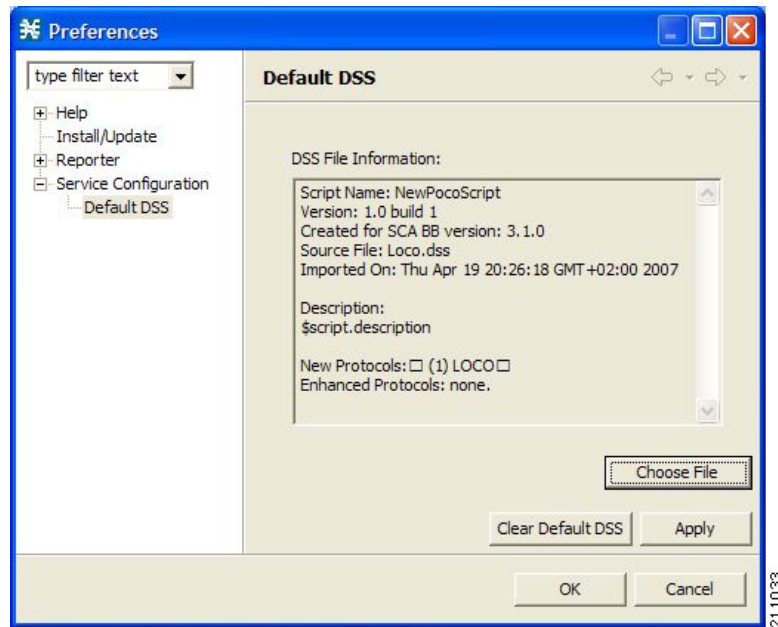
- Step 3** Click **Choose File**.
An Open dialog box appears.
- Step 4** From the Files of type drop-down list, select the file type of the protocol pack.
- Step 5** Browse to the protocol pack.

Step 6 Click **Open**.

The Open dialog box closes.

Information about the default DSS file is displayed in the Default DSS area of the Preferences dialog box (Figure 7-42).

Figure 7-42 Preferences - Default DSS

**Step 7** Click **OK**.

The DSS file is copied to C:\Documents and Settings\\.p-cube\default3.6.5.dss as the default DSS file. In Windows 7, the DSS file is copied to C:\Users\\.p-cube\.

The Preferences dialog box closes.

How to Clear the Default DSS File

Step 1 From the Console main menu, choose **Window > Preferences**.

The Preferences dialog box appears.

Step 2 From the menu tree in the left pane of the dialog box, choose **Service Configuration > Default DSS**.

The Default DSS area opens in the right pane of the dialog box.

Step 3 Click **Clear Default DSS**.

The default DSS file, C:\Documents and Settings\\.p-cube\default3.6.5.dss, is deleted. In Windows 7, the default DSS file is C:\Users\\.p-cube\default3.6.5.dss.

All information is deleted from the Default DSS area.

**Note**

Deleting the default DSS file does not remove the imported dynamic signatures from the current service configuration.

Step 4 Click **OK**.

The Preferences dialog box closes.

Importing Dynamic Signatures from the Default DSS File

If a default DSS file is installed, the application offers to import the dynamic signatures from the file when you create a new service configuration or when you open an existing service configuration that has not imported the signatures. Alternatively, you can manually import the dynamic signatures.

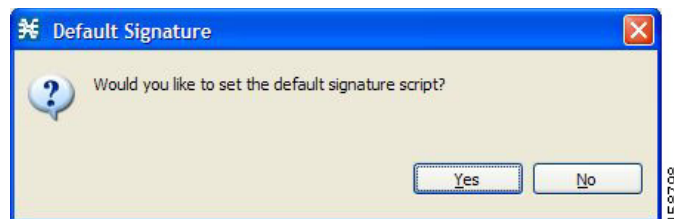
- [How to Import the Default DSS File Automatically, page 7-57](#)
- [How to Import the Default DSS File Manually, page 7-58](#)

How to Import the Default DSS File Automatically

Step 1 Open an existing service configuration or create a new one.

A Default Signature message appears ([Figure 7-43](#)).

Figure 7-43 *Default Signature*



Step 2 Click **Yes** to import the default DSS file; click **No** to continue without importing the default DSS file.

How to Import the Default DSS File Manually

- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Signatures Settings**.

The Signatures Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-44).

- Step 2** Click the **Signatures Script** tab.

The Signatures Script tab opens, with the Import Default DSS button enabled.

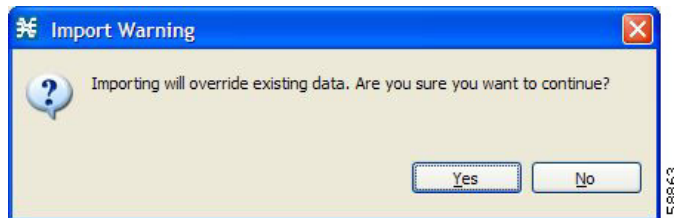
Figure 7-44 Signatures Settings



- Step 3** Click **Import Default DSS**.

An Import Warning message appears (Figure 7-45).

Figure 7-45 Import Warning



- Step 4** Click **Yes**.

The signatures in the default DSS file are imported into the service configuration.

The Import Default DSS button is dimmed.

Information about the imported signatures and the default DSS file is displayed in the Signatures Settings dialog box.

- Step 5** Click **Close**.
The Signatures Settings dialog box closes.
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Managing Flavors

Flavors are advanced classification elements that are used to classify network sessions.

Flavors are based on specific Layer 7 properties. For example, users can associate an HTTP flow with a service based on different parts of the destination URL of the flow.

Flavors are supported only for small number of protocols, and for each such protocol there are different applicable flavor types. Flavor types are listed in the table in the following section.

There is a maximum number of flavor items for each flavor type (see [“Maximum Number of Flavor Items per Flavor Type”](#) section on page 7-67). For each flavor type, every flavor item must be unique.



Note

If unidirectional classification is enabled in the active service configuration, flavors are not used for traffic classification.

- [Flavor Types and Parameters, page 7-59](#)
- [How to View Flavors, page 7-62](#)
- [How to Add Flavors, page 7-64](#)
- [How to Edit Flavors, page 7-65](#)
- [How to Delete Flavors, page 7-65](#)
- [Managing Flavor Items, page 7-66](#)
- Importing Flavor, see [How to Import Service Configuration Data, page 6-11](#)
- Exporting Flavor, see [How to Export Service Configuration Data, page 6-7](#)

Flavor Types and Parameters

Flavors are advanced classification elements that classify network sessions according to signature-specific Layer 7 properties.

When Layer 7 application properties are used as session parameters, such as with an HTTP User Agent, They are treated as character strings.

Layer 7 parameter-based flavor items may apply to the Layer 7 prefix (parameter beginning), Layer 7 suffix (parameter end), or a combination of Layer 7 prefixes and suffixes. A partial string must be followed by “*” in a prefix and preceded by “*” in a suffix.

Table 7-1 lists available flavor types.

Table 7-1 Cisco SCA BB Flavors

Flavor Type	Matched Session Parameters	Valid Values
HTTP Composite	HTTP User Agent, HTTP URL, HTTP Cookie and HTTP Referer flavors serve as session parameters.	<p><HTTP User Agent flavor, HTTP URL flavor, HTTP Cookie flavor, HTTP Referer flavor></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The flavors can be chosen using flavor browsing.
HTTP User Agent	<p>HTTP User-Agent retrieved from the HTTP <User-Agent prefix> Request header field, from the beginning of the Request header until the first “/”.</p> <p>For example, if the HTTP Request header field is Mozilla/4.0, the HTTP User Agent retrieved is Mozilla.</p> <p>If you want to configure the HTTP User Agent flavor with a Forward slash (/), set the value of the GT_CLS_ENABLE_FULL_USER_AGENT_BASED_FLAVOR_CALCULATION tunable to True.</p>	<p><User-Agent prefix></p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <Moz*> matches all HTTP sessions with User-Agent field starting with “Moz”. <Mozilla> matches all HTTP sessions with User-Agent field equal to “Mozilla”. The maximum key length is 32 characters.
HTTP URL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host—Retrieved either from the HTTP Host header field or from the Request URL. In the latter case, the section from the beginning of the URL until the first “/” is considered the Host. Path—Retrieved from the HTTP URL, the section from the first “/” to the “?”. URL parameters—Any string following the “?” (You do not need to start the parameters prefix with “?”). 	<p><host suffix, path prefix, path suffix, URL parameters prefix></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At least one parameter must be specified. Unspecified parameters should be left as “*”. For example: <*cisco.com,*,*,*> matches all HTTP sessions with the Host ending with “cisco.com”, regardless of the values of Path and Parameters. The maximum key length for all keys is 512 characters.
HTTP Cookie	<p>Cookie “Key-Value” pairs that are retrieved from the HTTP Request header Cookie field.</p> <p>A Cookie may consist of many “Key-Value” pairs; however, only the first three pairs are calculated. The Cookie flavor calculation stops when one of the “Key-Value” pairs matches the specification, or when it has exceeded the three pair limit.</p>	<p><key prefix, value prefix></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For example: <act*,*> matches any Cookie pair where the Key begins with “act”, regardless of the Value. A flavor can be configured so that the Value field is required to be empty. In this case, this field should be left empty in the flavor item. White spaces are not allowed, “=” is not allowed, and “*” is only allowed at the end of the Key or Value. The maximum key length is 100 characters for both the Key and Value fields

Table 7-1 Cisco SCA BB Flavors (continued)

Flavor Type	Matched Session Parameters	Valid Values
HTTP Referer	Similar to HTTP URL, but the parameters are retrieved from the Referer HTTP header field.	<p><host suffix, path prefix, path suffix, URL parameters prefix></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At least one parameter must be specified. Unspecified parameters should be left as “*”. For example: <*cisco.com,*,*,*> matches all HTTP sessions with the Host ending with “cisco.com”, regardless of the values of Path and Parameters. The maximum key length for all keys is 512 characters
HTTP Content Category	Content Categories can be imported using the Import dialog box or the HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box.	Value selected from Select a Content Category dialog box.
RTSP User Agent	RTSP User-Agent field that is retrieved from the RTSP message header.	<p><RTSP User Agent prefix></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For example: <abc*> matches all RTSP sessions where the User-Agent starts with “abc”. The maximum key length is 128 characters
RTSP Host Name	RTSP Host field that is retrieved from the RTSP message header.	<p><RTSP Host suffix></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For example: <*abc> matches all RTSP sessions where the Host ends with “abc”. The maximum key length is 128 characters
RTSP Composite	RTSP User Agent and RTSP Host Name flavors serve as session parameters.	<RTSP User Agent flavor, RTSP Host Name flavor>
SIP Source Domain	SIP Source Host field that is retrieved from the SIP message header.	<p><SIP Host suffix></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For example: <*abc> The maximum key length is 128 characters
SIP Composite	SIP Source Host and SIP Destination Host serve as session parameters.	<SIP source domain, SIP destination domain>
SIP Destination Domain	SIP Destination Host field that is retrieved from the SIP message header.	<p><SIP Host suffix></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For example: <*abc> The maximum key length is 128 characters
SMTP Host Name	SMTP Host field that is retrieved from the SMTP message header	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <SMTP Host suffix> For example: <*abc> The maximum key length is 128 characters
ToS	DSCP value extracted from the IP header	DSCP ToS (integer from 0 through 63)

**Note**

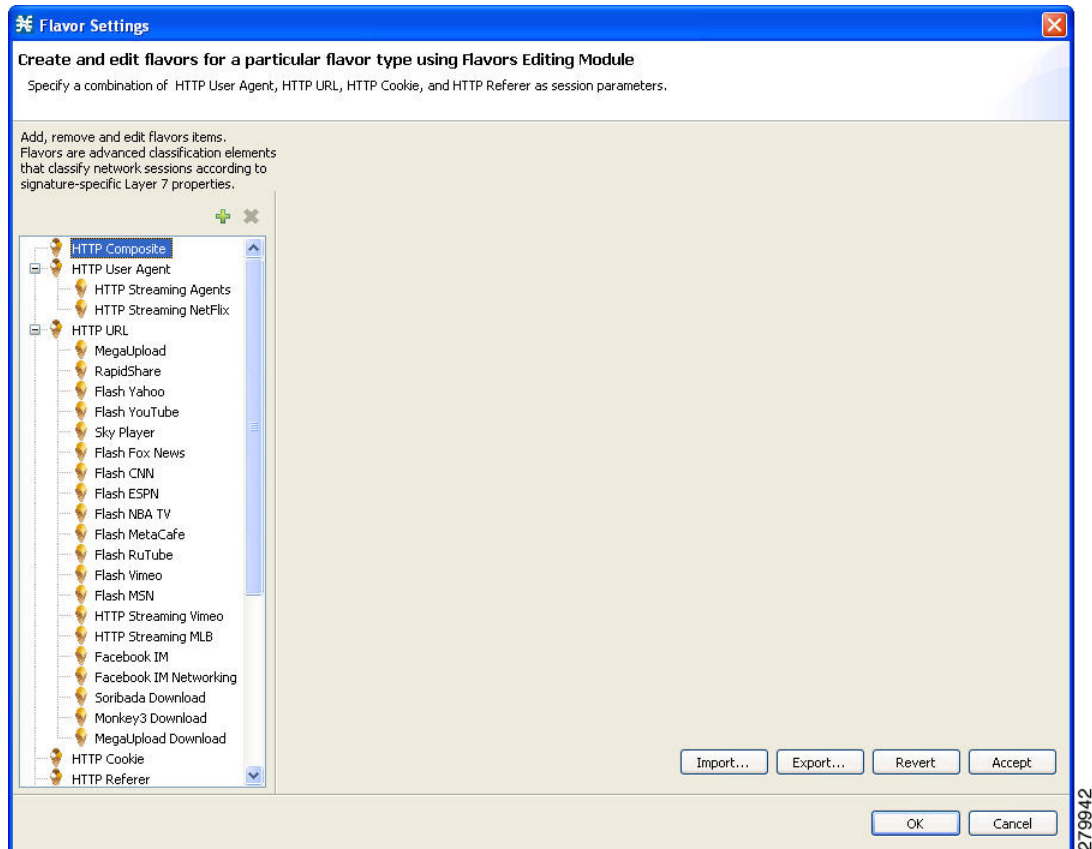
Composite Flavors are pairs of two defined flavors.

How to View Flavors

You can view a list of all flavors and their associated flavor items.

- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Flavors**. The dialog box appears (Figure 7-46).

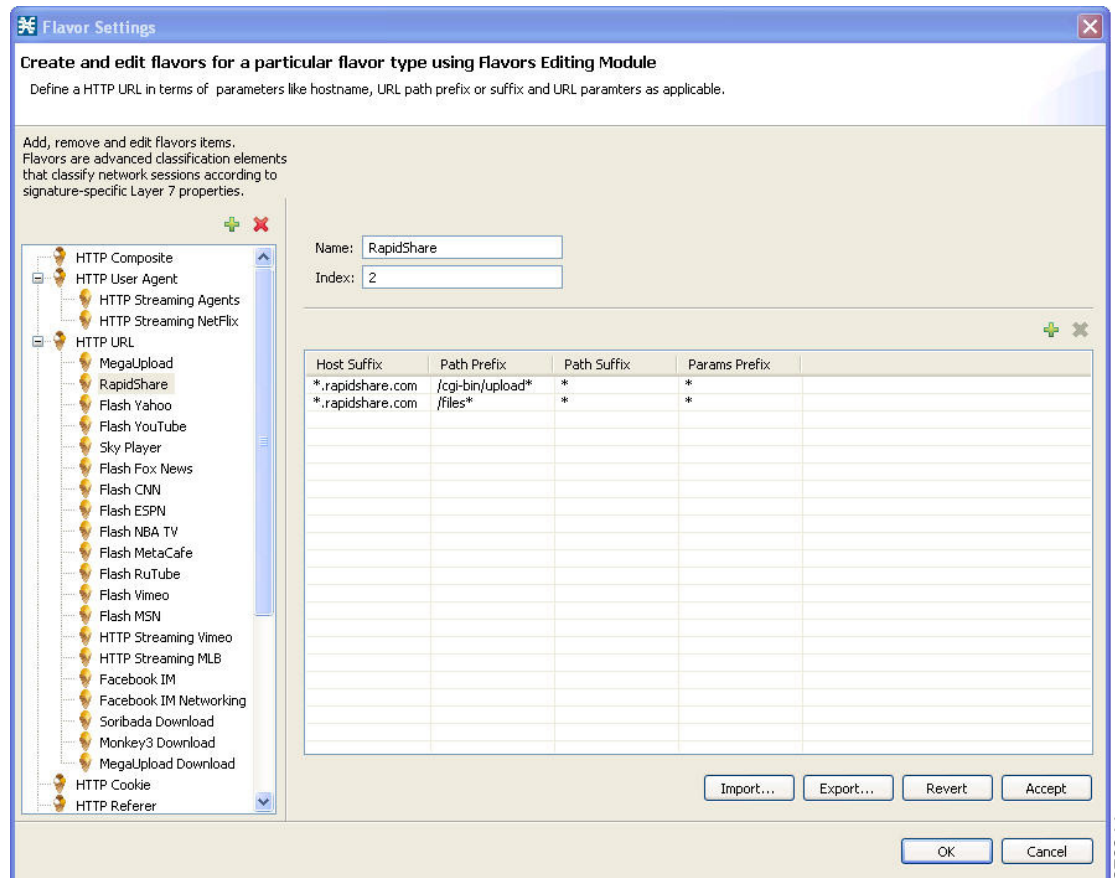
Figure 7-46 Flavor Settings



The left area displays a tree showing all flavors of each flavor type.

Step 2 Click a flavor in the tree to display its flavor items (Figure 7-47).

Figure 7-47 Flavor Settings



The flavor items are displayed in the right area.

Step 3 Click **OK**.

The Flavor Settings dialog box closes.

How to Add Flavors

You can import flavors from a CSV file. CSV files can be created by exporting flavors or created manually as described in the “CSV File Formats” chapter of *Cisco Service Control Application Suite for Broadband Reference Guide*.

You can add any number of flavors to a service configuration.

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Flavors**.

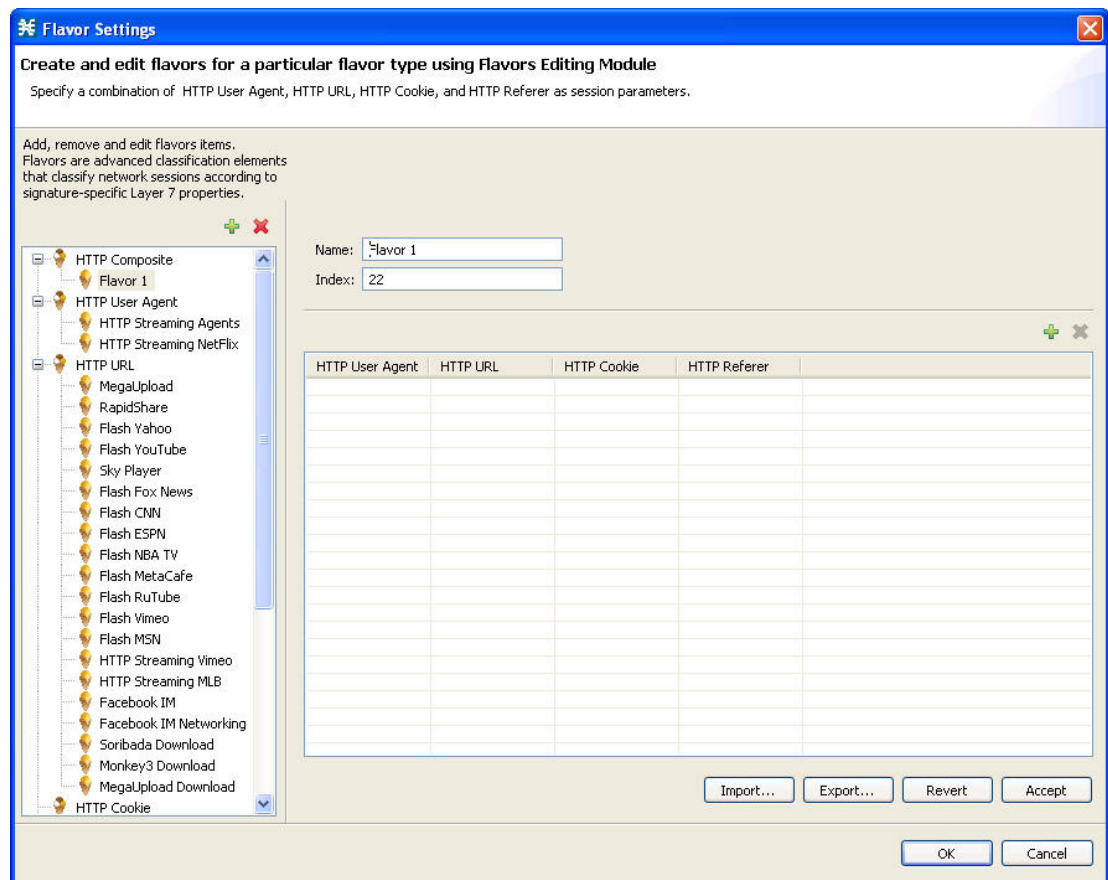
The Flavor Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-48).

Step 2 In the flavor tree, select a flavor type.

Step 3 Click the **Add Flavor** () icon.

A new flavor of the selected type is added to the flavor tree.

Figure 7-48 Flavor Settings - Adding Flavors



Step 4 In the Name field, enter a name for the new flavor.



Note

You can use the default name for the flavor. It is recommended that you enter a meaningful name.

Step 5 (Optional) In the Index field, enter a unique integer value.



Note Cisco SCA BB provides a value for the Index. There is no need to change it.

The flavor index must be a positive integer in the range from 1 to 2147483647.

You have defined the flavor. You can now add flavor items. (See [“How to Add Flavor Items”](#) section on page 7-68.)

How to Edit Flavors

You can modify flavor parameters at any time.

To add, modify, or delete flavor items, see [“Managing Flavor Items”](#) section on page 7-66.

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Flavors**.

The Flavor Settings dialog box appears.

Step 2 In the flavor tree, select a flavor.

The name and index of the flavor (and its flavor items) are displayed in the right area.

Step 3 Modify fields in the dialog box:

- In the Name field, enter a new name for the flavor.
- In the Index field, enter a new, unique index for the flavor.

The flavor index must be a positive integer in the range from 1 to 2147483647.

Step 4 Click **OK**.

The Flavor Settings dialog box closes.

How to Delete Flavors

You can delete any or all flavors.

Step 1 From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Flavors**.

The Flavor Settings dialog box appears.

Step 2 In the flavor tree, right-click a flavor.

A popup menu appears.


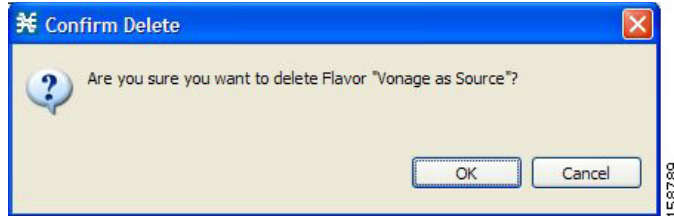
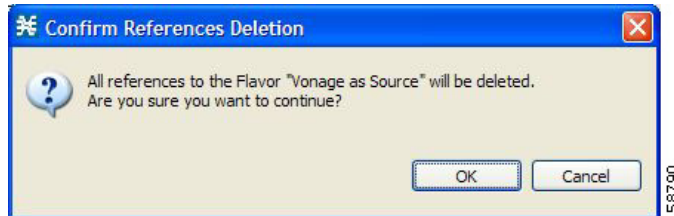
- Step 3** Click the **Delete** () icon.
A Confirm Delete message appears ([Figure 7-49](#)).

Figure 7-49 Confirm Delete



- Step 4** Click **OK**.
- If any service element references the selected flavor, a Confirm References Delete message appears ([Figure 7-50](#)).

Figure 7-50 Confirm References Deletion



- Click **Yes**.
Every service element that references the selected flavor is deleted.

The flavor is deleted and is no longer displayed in the flavor tree.

- Step 5** Click **Close**.
The Flavor Settings dialog box closes.

Managing Flavor Items

A flavor is a collection of related flavor items.

A flavor item is a value of a property or properties of a flow. These properties depend on the flavor type (see [“Flavor Types and Parameters”](#) section on page 7-59).

There is a maximum number of flavor items for each flavor type. For each flavor type, every flavor item must be unique.

- [Maximum Number of Flavor Items per Flavor Type, page 7-67](#)
- [How to Add Flavor Items, page 7-68](#)
- [How to Edit Flavor Items, page 7-69](#)
- [How to Delete Flavor Items, page 7-70](#)

Maximum Number of Flavor Items per Flavor Type

Table 7-2 lists the maximum number of flavor items for each flavor type.

Table 7-2 *Maximum Number of Flavor Items per Flavor Type*

Flavor Type	Maximum No. of Flavor Items
HTTP Composite	10,000
HTTP User Agent	128
HTTP URL	100,000
HTTP Cookie	100
HTTP Referer	100
HTTP Content Category	—
RTSP Composite	10,000
RTSP User Agent	128
RTSP Host Name	10,000
SIP Composite	10,000
SIP Source Domain	128
SIP Destination Domain	128
SMTP Host Name	10,000
ToS	64

How to Add Flavor Items

You can add any number of flavor items to a flavor (subject to the limitation of the total number of each type of flavor item per service configuration, as listed in the previous section).


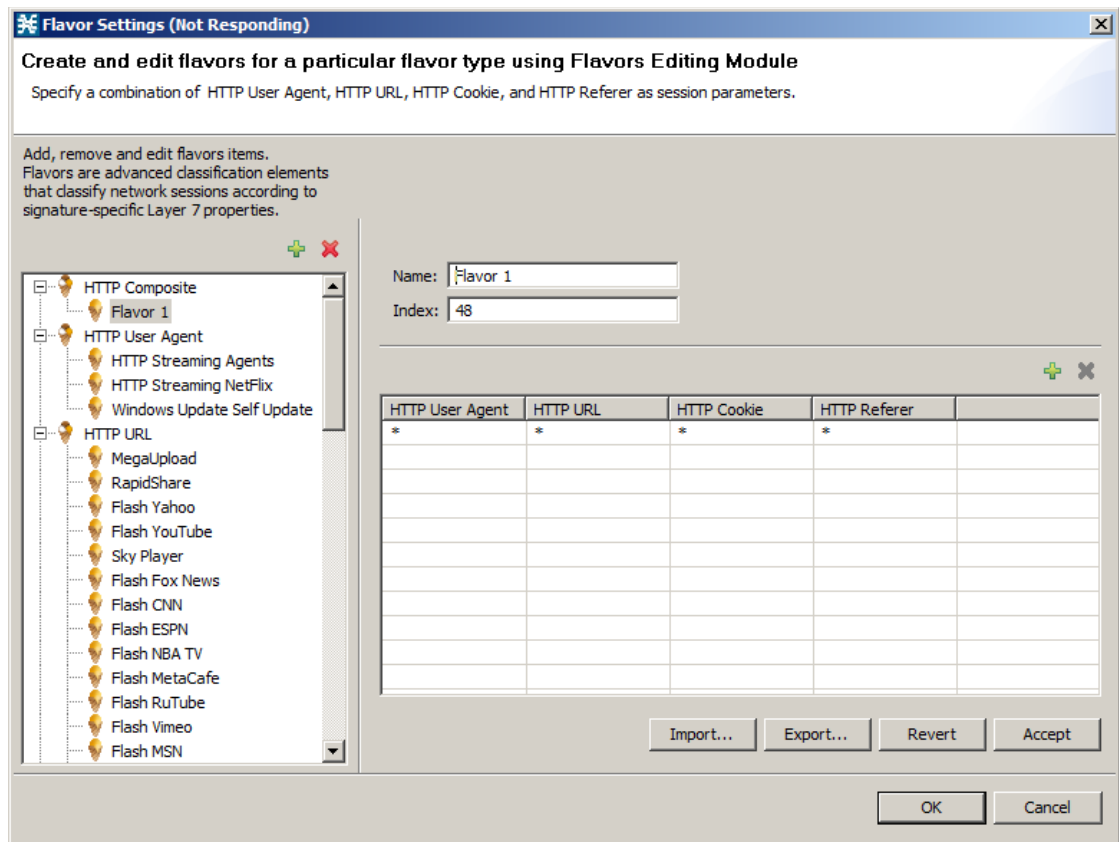
- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Flavors**.
The Flavor Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-51).
- Step 2** In the flavor tree, click a flavor.
- Step 3** Above the flavor item list, click the **Create New Flavor Item**  icon.

Figure 7-51 Flavor Settings

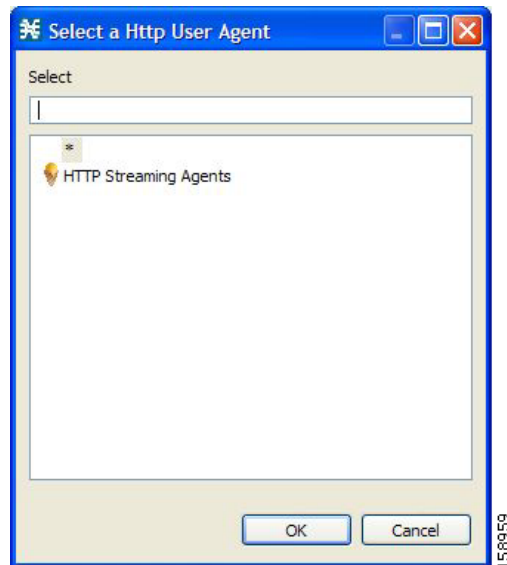


A new flavor item is added to the flavor item list. The number and type of parameters in the flavor item depend on the flavor type (see “[Flavor Types and Parameters](#)” section on page 7-59).

The new flavor item has a default value of all wild cards (*, asterisks).

- Step 4** For each cell of the new flavor item, click the asterisk and then enter an appropriate value.
For composite flavors and for the HTTP Content Category flavor:
- a. Click the asterisk.
A Browse button is displayed in the cell.
 - b. Click the **Browse** button.
A Select dialog box appears (Figure 7-52), displaying all valid values for the parameter.

Figure 7-52 Select an HTTP User Agent




- c. Select an appropriate value from the list.
 - d. Click **OK**.
The Select dialog box closes.
The selected value is displayed in the cell.
- Step 5** Repeat Steps 3 and 4 for other flavor items.
- Step 6** Click **OK**.
The Flavor Settings dialog box closes.

How to Edit Flavor Items

- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Flavors**.
The Flavor Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the flavor tree, select a flavor.
- Step 3** In the flavor item list, select a flavor item.

- Step 4** For each cell of the selected flavor item, click the asterisk and then enter an appropriate value.
For composite flavors and for the HTTP Content Category flavor:
- a. Click the asterisk.
A Browse button is displayed in the cell.
 - b. Click the **Browse** button.
A Select dialog box appears, displaying all valid values for the parameter.
 - c. Select an appropriate value from the list.
 - d. Click **OK**.
The Select dialog box closes.
The selected value is displayed in the cell.
- Step 5** Click **OK**.
The Flavor Settings dialog box closes.
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How to Delete Flavor Items

- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Flavors**.
The Flavor Settings dialog box appears.
- Step 2** In the flavor tree, select a flavor.
- Step 3** In the flavor item list, right-click anywhere in a flavor item.
A popup menu appears.
- Step 4** Click the **Delete** () icon.
The flavor item is deleted and is no longer displayed in the flavor item list.
- Step 5** Click **Close**.
The Flavor Settings dialog box closes.
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Example: How to Import a List of URLs and Block Them

The following example shows how to import a URL file and configure the Cisco SCE to block these URLs

- Step 1** Create a new flavor under the HTTP URL flavor type, as described in [How to Add Flavors, page 7-64](#).
- Step 2** Import a CSV file containing the URLs you wish to block.
For further information, see [“How to Import Service Configuration Data” section on page 6-11](#).



Note The CSV file formats are described in the “CSV File Formats” chapter of *Cisco Service Control Application Suit for Broadband Reference Guide*.

- Step 3** Define a Service.
For further information, see [“How to Add a Service to a Service Configuration” section on page 7-4.](#)
- Step 4** Within the defined Service, add a service element that uses the new Flavor.
For further information, see [“How to Add Service Elements” section on page 7-12.](#)
- Step 5** Add a rule to the package in which you want to block the URLs, and associate it with the new Service.
For further information, see [“How to Add Rules to a Package” section on page 9-63.](#)
- Step 6** Configure the rule to block the flow.
For further information, see [“How to Define Per-Flow Actions for a Rule” section on page 9-66.](#)
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Managing Content Filtering

Content filtering involves classification and control of HTTP flows according to the requested URL. The classification of the URL is performed by accessing an external database.

Cisco SCA BB provides content filtering by integrating with a SurfControl Content Portal Authority (CPA) server.



Note

Content filtering is not supported when unidirectional classification is enabled.

- [Information About Content Filtering, page 7-71](#)
- [The Content Filtering CLI, page 7-72](#)
- [How to Configure the RDR Formatter, page 7-73](#)
- [How to Enter Line Interface Configuration Mode, page 7-74](#)
- [Managing Content Filtering Settings, page 7-74](#)

Information About Content Filtering

The Cisco HTTP Content Filtering solution consists of:

- The Cisco SCE application
- The Cisco CPA client
- The SurfControl CPA server

The Cisco SCE application classifies each HTTP flow according to the category returned by the CPA server. This classification is then used for Cisco SCA BB traffic control and reporting. For example, you can define a rule to block browsing of the “Adult/Sexually Explicit” category or to generate reports on the volume consumed by browsing the “Kids” or “Shopping” categories.

- [The Cisco SCE Application, page 7-72](#)
- [The Cisco CPA Client, page 7-72](#)
- [The SurfControl CPA Server, page 7-72](#)

The Cisco SCE Application

The Cisco service control application runs on the Cisco SCE platform. It forwards HTTP URLs that it extracts from traffic to the CPA client and uses the categorization results to classify the original HTTP flow to a service. This classification is then used for normal Cisco SCA BB traffic control and reporting.

The Cisco SCE application communicates with the CPA client using Raw Data Records (RDRs). See [“How to Configure the RDR Formatter” section on page 7-73](#).

The Cisco CPA Client

The Cisco CPA client runs on the Cisco SCE platform. It sends URL queries to the CPA server for categorization, and updates Cisco SCA BB with the categorization results.

The CPA client is installed as part of the Cisco SCA BB application (PQI) installation. Use the Cisco SCE platform Command-Line Interface (CLI) (see [“The Content Filtering CLI” section on page 7-72](#)) to configure and monitor the client.

The SurfControl CPA Server

The CPA server runs on a dedicated machine. It receives categorization requests from the CPA client, connects to the SurfControl Content Database, and responds with the category ID of the queried URL.

The SurfControl CPA Server is installed on a separate server that must be accessible from the Cisco SCE platform. Details of the installation are not within the scope of this document.

The Content Filtering CLI

Use the Cisco SCE platform Command-Line Interface (CLI) to configure and monitor content filtering using SurfControl CPA. For more information about the Cisco SCE platform CLI, see the *Cisco SCE8000 CLI Command Reference*.

- [CPA Client CLI Commands, page 7-72](#)
- [Description of CPA Client CLI Commands, page 7-73](#)

CPA Client CLI Commands

The commands listed here are explained in the following section.

- Use the following CLI commands to configure the Cisco CPA client:

```
[no] cpa-client
cpa-client destination <address> [port <port>]
cpa-client retries <number_of_retries>
```

- These commands are line interface configuration commands. To run these commands you must enter line interface configuration mode (see [“How to Enter Line Interface Configuration Mode” section on page 7-74](#)).
- Use the following CLI command in EXEC mode to monitor the status of the Cisco CPA client:

```
show interface LineCard <slot> cpa-client
```


Description of CPA Client CLI Commands

Table 7-3 gives a description of the Cisco CPA client CLI commands listed in the previous section and their default values.

Table 7-3 CPA Client CLI Commands

Command	Description	Default Value
[no] <code>cpa-client</code>	Enables or disables the CPA client	Disabled
<code>cpa-client destination</code> <address> [<code>port</code> <port>]	Enables the CPA client and sets the CPA server IP address and port	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Address—not defined Port—9020
<code>cpa-client retries</code> <number_of_retries>	Sets the number of retries to send to the CPA server	3
<code>show interface LineCard</code> <slot> <code>cpa-client</code>	Monitors the CPA client status (See the following table)	—

Table 7-4 lists the information shown when monitoring the Cisco CPA client.

Table 7-4 CPA Client: Monitored Parameters

Parameter	Description
Mode	Enabled or disabled
CPA Address	—
CPA Port	—
CPA Retries	—
Status	(If enabled) Active or error (and last error description)
Counters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of successful queries Number of queries that failed because of no server response Number of pending queries Rate of queries per second (average over the last 5 seconds)
Timestamps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CPA started Last query Last response Last error

How to Configure the RDR Formatter

To enable the RDR formatter to issue HTTP categorization requests, configure the RDR formatter on the Cisco SCE platform.

Step 1 Make the appropriate Cisco SCE platform CLI command.

```
#>RDR-formatter destination 127.0.0.1 port 33001 category number 4 priority 100
```

Related Info

For more information about configuring the RDR formatter, see either the “Raw Data Formatting: The RDR Formatter and NetFlow Exporting” chapter of *Cisco SCE8000 10GBE Software Configuration Guide* or the “Raw Data Formatting: The RDR Formatter and NetFlow Exporting” chapter of *Cisco SCE8000 GBE Software Configuration Guide*.

How to Enter Line Interface Configuration Mode

To run line interface configuration commands you must enter line interface configuration mode and see the `SCE(config if)#` prompt displayed.

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- Step 1** At the Cisco SCE platform CLI prompt (`SCE#`), type `configure`.
- Step 2** Press **Enter**.
- The `SCE(config)#` prompt appears.
- Step 3** Type `interface LineCard 0`.
- Step 4** Press **Enter**.
- The `SCE(config if)#` prompt appears.
-

Managing Content Filtering Settings

Applying HTTP URL content filtering requires the following steps in the Service Configuration Editor:

1. Import the content filtering configuration file into your service configuration.

By default, Cisco SCA BB creates a separate flavor (of type HTTP Content Category) for each content category and a service element for each new flavor. A new top-level service, “HTTP Browsing with Categories”, is created, comprising these service elements.
2. Create new services and map the new category flavors to them.
3. Create additional rule entries for ClickStream services for each flavor.

You must configure ClickStream Services with the HTTP Browsing services for optimal HTTP content filtering.
4. Add content filtering rules to existing packages or create new packages that include content filtering rules.
5. Enable content filtering for selected packages.
6. Apply the service configuration.
 - [Importing Content Filtering Categories, page 7-75](#)
 - [How to Enable Content Filtering, page 7-82](#)
 - [How to View Content Filtering Settings, page 7-83](#)

- [How to Configure Content Filtering](#), page 7-83
- [How to Remove Content Filtering Settings](#), page 7-84

Importing Content Filtering Categories

Before you can control HTTP flows based on content, you must import an XML file provided with the installation.

After you unzip the installation package, this file is located in the URL Filtering subfolder.



Note

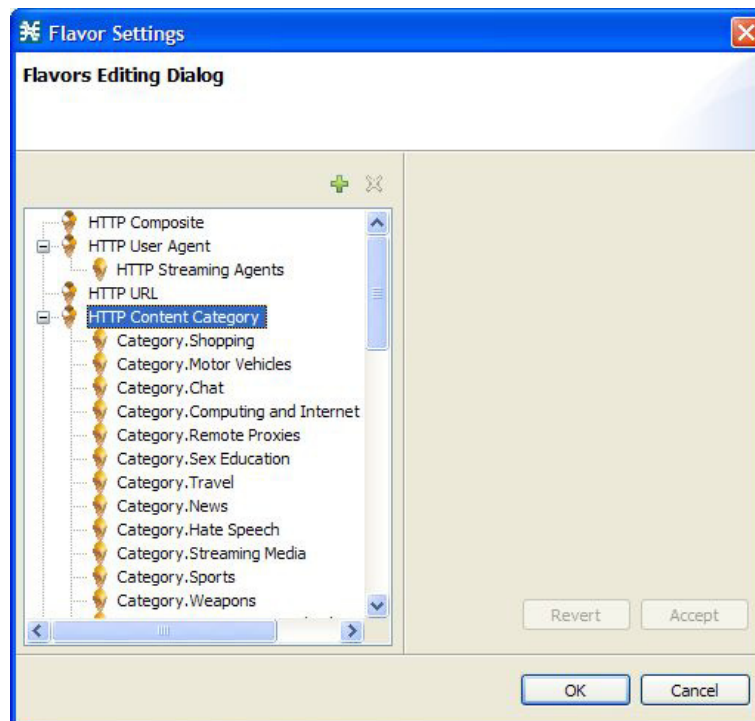
You cannot import content filtering categories when unidirectional classification is enabled.

- [HTTP Content Category Flavors](#), page 7-75
- [HTTP Browsing with Categories Service Elements](#), page 7-76
- [How to Import Content Filtering Categories Using the Import Dialog Box](#), page 7-76
- [How to Import Content Filtering Categories Using the HTTP Content Filtering Settings Dialog Box](#), page 7-80

HTTP Content Category Flavors

By default, Cisco SCA BB creates a separate flavor (of type HTTP Content Category) for each content category when importing the XML file ([Figure 7-53](#)).

Figure 7-53 Flavor Settings

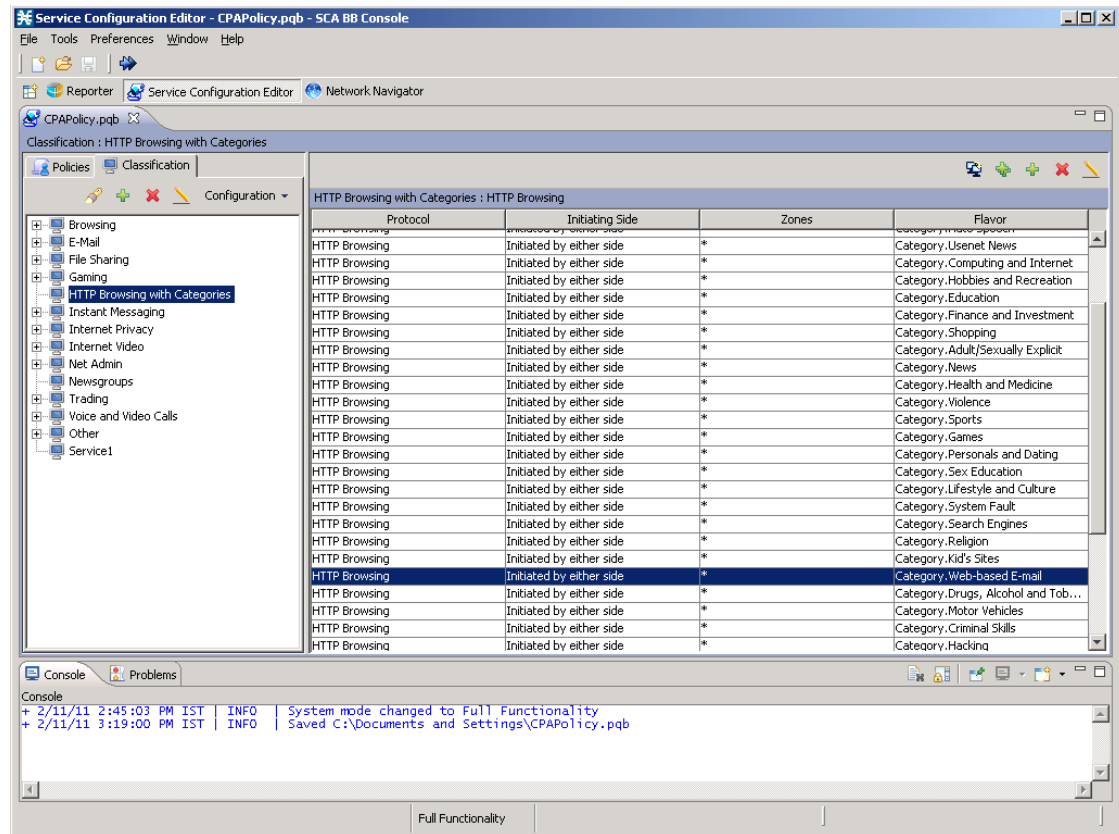


You can create additional HTTP Content Category Flavors that include two or more content categories. (See [“How to Add Flavors”](#) section on page 7-64.)

HTTP Browsing with Categories Service Elements

By default, Cisco SCA BB creates a service element for each flavor created when importing the XML file. A new top-level service, HTTP Browsing with Categories, is created, comprising these service elements (Figure 7-54).

Figure 7-54 Service Configuration Editor



Note

To view this new service, you must save and close the service configuration and then reopen it.

How to Import Content Filtering Categories Using the Import Dialog Box

You can import content filtering categories using either the **File > Import** menu option or the **Configuration > Classification > Content Filtering** menu option.

This procedure explains how to import using the **File > Import** menu option.

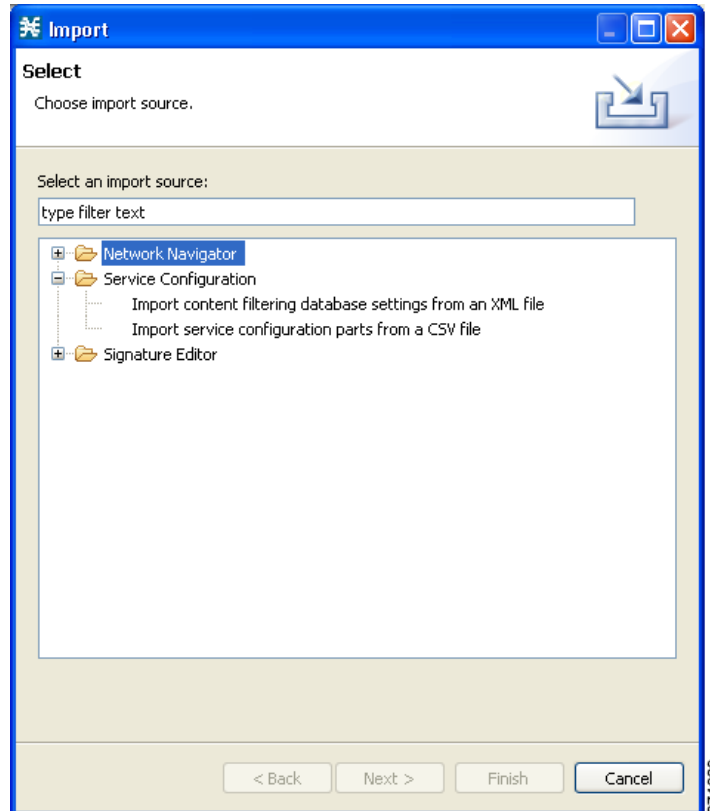


Note

This is equivalent to the following procedure.

- Step 1** From the Console main menu, choose **File > Import**.
The Import dialog box appears (Figure 7-55).

Figure 7-55 *Import*

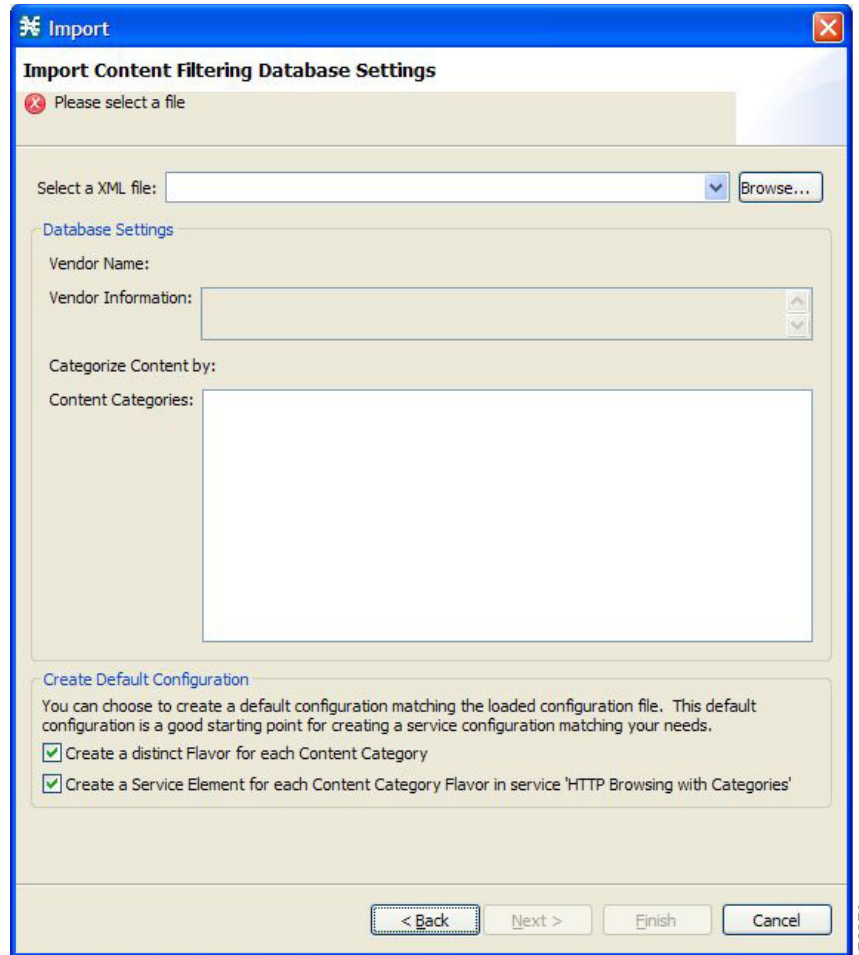


- Step 2** From the import source list, select **Import content filtering database settings from an XML file**.

Step 3 Click **Next**.

The Import Content Filtering Database Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-56).

Figure 7-56 Import Content Filtering Database Settings



Step 4 Click the **Browse** button next to the Select an XML file field.

An Open dialog box appears.

Step 5 Browse to the folder containing the file to import, and select it.



Note For CPAof SurfControl, the file is named surfcontrol.xml.

Step 6 Click **Open** to select the file.

The Open dialog box closes.

Information about the content of the XML file is displayed in the Database Settings pane of the Import Content Filtering Database Settings dialog box.

Step 7 By default, Cisco SCA BB creates a separate flavor (of type HTTP Content Category) for each content category when importing the XML file.

- To disable this option, uncheck the Create a distinct Flavor for each Content Category check box.



Note It is recommended that you do not disable this option.

Step 8 By default, Cisco SCA BB creates a service element for each flavor created in the previous Step. A new top-level service, HTTP Browsing with Categories, is created, comprising these service elements.

- To disable this option, uncheck the **Create a Service Element for each Content Category Flavor in Service 'HTTP Browsing with Categories'** check box.



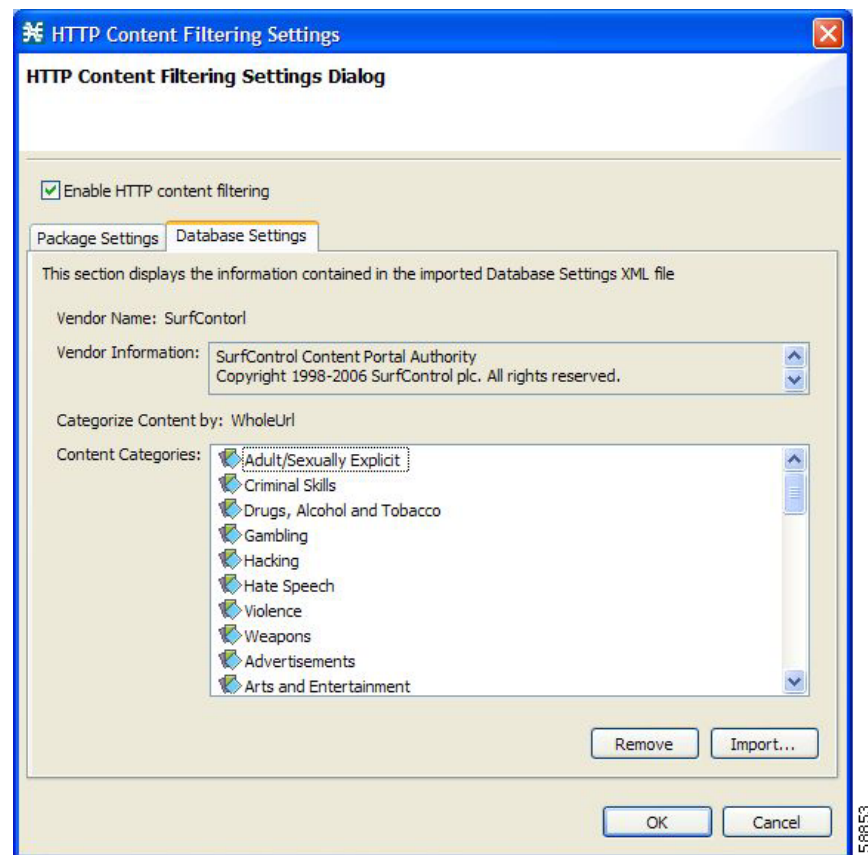
Note It is recommended that you do not disable this option.

Step 9 Click **Finish**.

The Import Content Filtering Database Settings dialog box closes.

Information from the imported file is displayed in the Database Settings tab of the HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box (Figure 7-57).

Figure 7-57 HTTP Content Filtering Settings



- Step 10** Click **OK**.
The HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box closes.
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How to Import Content Filtering Categories Using the HTTP Content Filtering Settings Dialog Box

You can import content filtering categories using either the **File > Import** menu option or the **Configuration > Classification > Content Filtering** menu option.

This procedure explains how to import using the **Configuration > Classification > Content Filtering** menu option.



Note This is equivalent to the [How to Import Content Filtering Categories Using the Import Dialog Box, page 7-76](#) procedure.

- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Content Filtering**.

The HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box appears.

- Step 2** Click the **Database Settings** tab.

The Database Settings tab opens.

- Step 3** Click **Import**.

The Import Content Filtering Database Settings dialog box appears.

- Step 4** Click the **Browse** button next to the Select an XML file field.

An Open dialog box appears.

- Step 5** Browse to the folder containing the file to import, and select it.



Note For the CPA of SurfControl, the file is named surfcontrol.xml.

- Step 6** Click **Open** to select the file.

The Open dialog box closes.

Information about the content of the XML file is displayed in the Database Settings pane of the Import Content Filtering Database Settings dialog box.

- Step 7** By default, Cisco SCA BB creates a separate flavor (of type HTTP Content Category) for each content category when importing the XML file.

- To disable this option, uncheck the Create a distinct Flavor for each Content Category check box.



Note It is recommended that you do not disable this option.

- Step 8** By default, Cisco SCA BB creates a service element for each flavor created in the previous Step. A new top-level service, HTTP Browsing with Categories, is created, comprising these service elements.
- To disable this option, uncheck the **Create a Service Element for each Content Category Flavor in Service ‘HTTP Browsing with Categories’** check box.



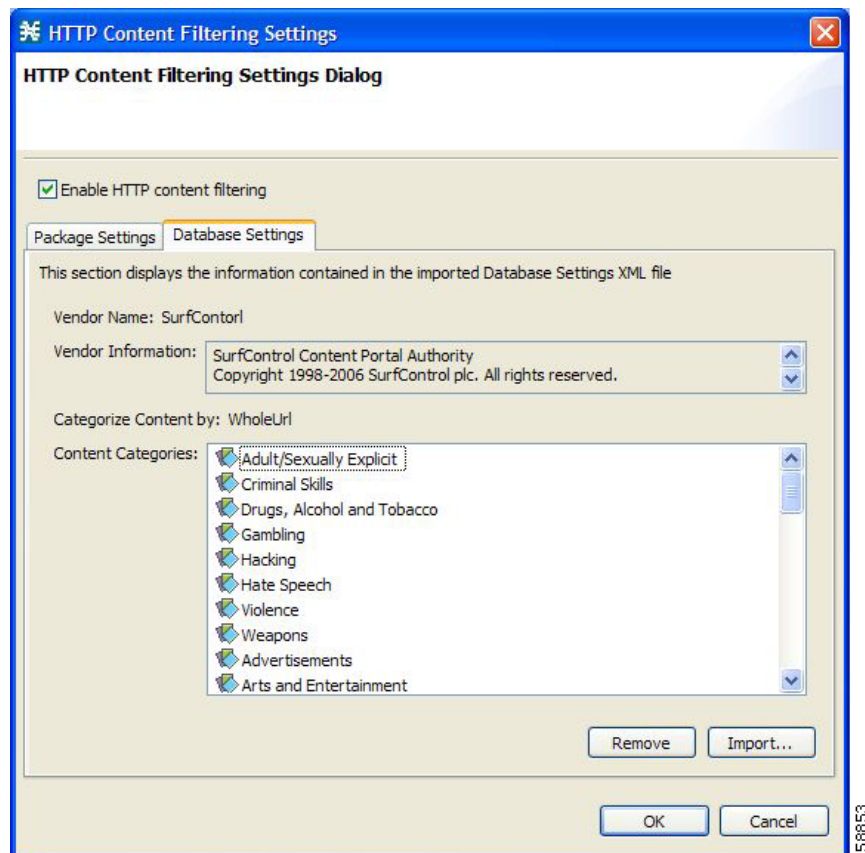
Note It is recommended that you do not disable this option.

- Step 9** Click **Finish**.

The Import Content Filtering Database Settings dialog box closes.

Information from the imported file is displayed in the Database Settings tab of the HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box (Figure 7-58).

Figure 7-58 HTTP Content Filtering Settings



- Step 10** Click **OK**.

The HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box closes.

How to Enable Content Filtering

You can specify the packages where content filtering is enabled. For packages where content filtering is disabled, HTTP flows are classified normally.

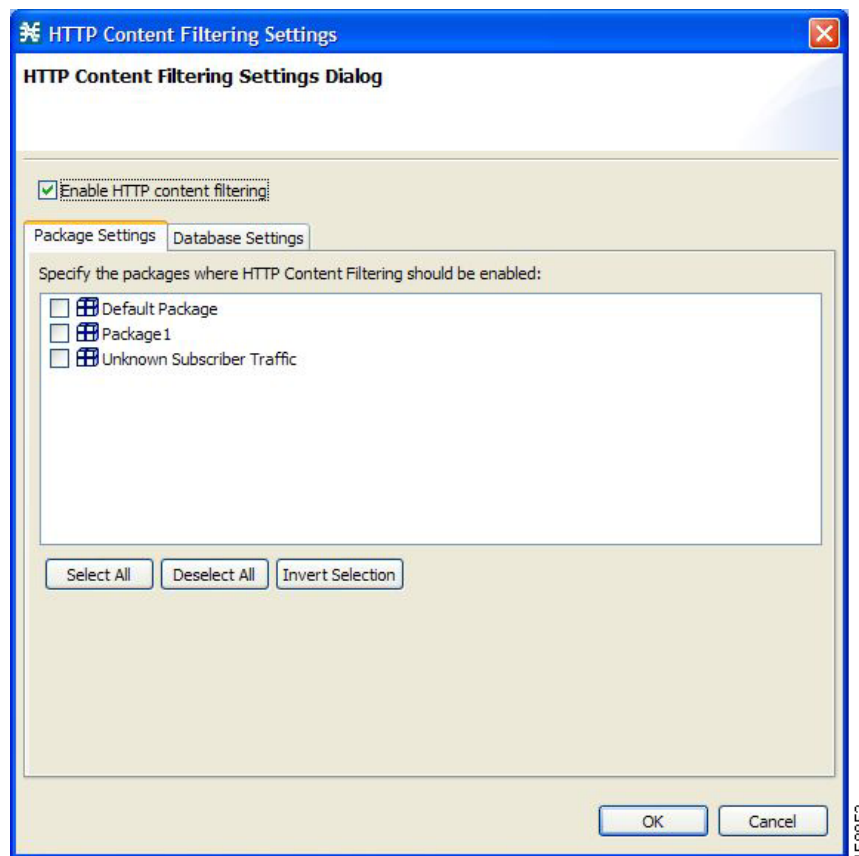
To configure content filtering, complete the following steps:

- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Content Filtering**.

The HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-59).

The Package Settings tab displays a list of all packages defined for the current service configuration.

Figure 7-59 HTTP Content Filtering Settings



- Step 2** Check the **Enable HTTP content filtering** check box.
- Step 3** Check the check box next to each package for which content filtering is to be applied.
- Step 4** Click **OK**.

The HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box closes.

How to View Content Filtering Settings

You can view whether content filtering is enabled and to which packages content filtering is applied, and information about the content filtering vendor and the content categories of the vendor.

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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Content Filtering**.
- The HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box appears.
- The Package Settings tab displays a list of all packages defined for the current service configuration, and shows for which packages content filtering is enabled.
- Step 2** Click the **Database Settings** tab.
- The Database Settings tab opens.
- This tab displays information about the content filtering vendor and the content categories of the vendor.
- Step 3** Click **OK**.
- The HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box closes.
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How to Configure Content Filtering

While configuring Content Filtering, you must enter the ClickStream-New Page and ClickStream-New Site services along with HTTP Browsing protocol services for optimal HTTP content filtering.

The term ClickStream refers to all events generated by user clicks, including enter. If configured, Cisco SCE identifies the HTTP transactions on the flows that were initialized due to direct user actions such as click on a link, enter a URL in the browser address bar and press enter.

To configure Content Filtering, complete the following steps:

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- Step 1** Open Cisco SCA BB Service Configuration Editor with the default content filtering file (PQB).
- Step 2** Add a new service *Service1*.
- Step 3** Verify that you do not have duplicate service elements. Cisco SCA BB does not allow duplicate service elements.
- Step 4** Move the desired service element from *HTTP Browsing with Categories* to *Service1*.
- Step 5** In *Service1*, add a service element using protocol *ClickStream–New Page* and with the same Flavor selected in Step 4.
- Step 6** In *Service1*, add a service element using protocol *ClickStream–New Site* and with the same Flavor selected in Step 4.
- Step 7** Save the service configuration file (PQB).
- Step 8** Use the service to create rules in the desired package.
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Example: Configuring Content Filtering for Web Based E-mail

To configure content filtering for Web Based E-mail, complete the following steps:

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- Step 1** Open Cisco SCA BB Service Configuration Editor with the default content filtering file (PQB).
- Step 2** Add a new service *Service1*.
- Step 3** Move the service element *Category.Web-based E-mail* from *HTTP Browsing with Categories* to *Service1*.
- Step 4** In *Service1*, add a service element using protocol *ClickStream–New Page* and Flavor *Category.Web-based E-mail*.
- Step 5** In *Service1*, add a service element using protocol *ClickStream–New Site* and Flavor *Category.Web-based E-mail*.
- Step 6** Save the service configuration file (PQB) and use the service to create rules in the desired package.
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How to Remove Content Filtering Settings

You can remove all content filtering settings at any time.

Removing the settings:

- Removes content category flavor items from flavors
- Deletes all the content category flavor items
- Disables content filtering

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- Step 1** From the Classification tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Content Filtering**.

The HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box appears.

- Step 2** Click the **Database Settings** tab.

The Database Settings tab opens.

- Step 3** Click **Remove**.

A Confirm Content Filtering Settings Removal dialog box appears (Figure 7-60).

Figure 7-60 Confirm Content Filtering Settings Removal



Step 4 Click **OK**.

All content filtering settings are removed.

Vendor Name, Vendor Information, and Content Categories are deleted from the HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box.

Step 5 Click **OK**.

The HTTP Content Filtering Settings dialog box closes.

- **Generic Protocols**—Generic IP, Generic TCP, and Generic UDP protocols, used for transactions that are not specifically mapped to a protocol by any other protocol type.
- **IP Protocols**—Protocols (such as ICMP), other than TCP and UDP protocols, identified according to the IP protocol number of the transaction.
- **Port-Based Protocols**—TCP and UDP protocols, classified according to their well-known ports. The default service configuration includes more than 750 common port-based protocols.
- **Signature-Based Protocols**—Protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature. Includes the most common protocols, such as HTTP and FTP, and a large group of popular P2P protocols.
- **P2P Protocols**—Peer-to-peer file-sharing application protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature.
- **VoIP Protocols**—Voice-over-IP application protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature.
- **SIP Protocols**—Protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature that is SIP or has SIP characteristics.
- **Worm Protocols**—Protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature that is based on traffic patterns of Internet worms.
- **Packet Stream Pattern Based Protocols**—Protocols classified according to a Layer 7 application signature that is based on the pattern of the packet stream (for example, the stream's symmetry, average packet size, and rate) rather than on the packet's payload content.
- **Unidirectionally Detected Protocols**—Protocols having a unidirectional signature.

**Note**

Some protocols belong to more than one category. In particular, all predefined P2P, VoIP, SIP, Worm, and Packet Stream Pattern-Based Protocols are also defined as Signature-Based Protocols.

Step 1 From the **Classification** tab in the left pane, choose **Configuration > Classification > Protocols**.

The Protocol Settings dialog box appears.

Step 2 From the drop-down list in the Protocols tab, select the type of protocol to display.

The protocols of the selected type appear in the Protocols tab.

Step 3 Click **Close**.

The Protocol Settings dialog box closes.

**Note**

The setting in the drop-down list is not saved. The next time you open the Protocol Settings dialog box, all protocols are displayed.

Managing OS Fingerprinting

Cisco SCE detects the operating system (OS) used by a subscriber by using the passive OS Fingerprinting. In passive OS fingerprinting, TCP and IP header received from target host is analyzed to identify the OS.

Cisco SCE uses OS fingerprinting signatures to identify the subscriber OS. By default, Cisco SCOS contains a signature file that contains a default set of OS. Details of unknown OS may be added to the signature files using the Cisco SCA BB Console.

Cisco SCE also determines whether the subscriber is behind a NAT and whether the same subscriber is connecting using multiple OS. If multiple OS is detected for the same subscriber, Cisco SCE considers the subscriber as using a NAT.

From the Cisco SCA BB Console, you can also configure Cisco SCE to send the OS information of the subscriber in Gx messages.

**Note**

The OS Fingerprinting feature is supported only on Cisco SCE 8000 devices.

Limitations:

- OS information is available only for logged-in or active subscribers.
- The signature database is built based on the default settings used by various OS. If the user changes the default parameters like TCP window size through registries, it would not be possible or may lead to wrong classification of the OS.
- If the subscriber has only one flow, then OS type is not detected. Subscribers that have only UDP flows are not detected.
- If all users behind a NAT use the same OS, it will not be possible to identify NAT.
- If a subscriber runs multiple OS using VMWare, it may be detected as NAT even though the subscriber is not in a NAT environment.
- OS fingerprinting is not done continuously for any subscriber. So, if a subscriber changes OS or moves to a NAT environment during the time when he is not sampled, OS Information and NAT cannot be detected.

Managing OS Fingerprinting

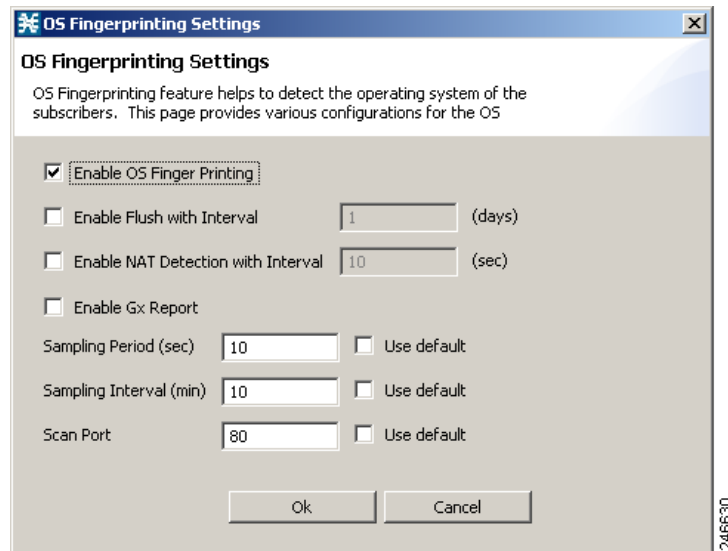
You can configure OS Fingerprinting using the Cisco SCA BB Console.

- [How to Enable OS Fingerprinting, page 7-87](#)
- [How to Install OS Fingerprinting Signatures, page 7-88](#)
- [How to View Subscriber OS Information, page 7-88](#)

How to Enable OS Fingerprinting

- Step 1** In Service Configuration Editor, select **Configuration > OS Finger Print...**
The OS Fingerprinting Settings dialog box appears (Figure 7-61).
- Step 2** Check the Enable OS Finger Printing check box.

Figure 7-61 OS Finger Print Settings Dialog Box



- Step 3** Enable Flush with Interval—Check the Enable Flush with Interval check box and enter the interval in days to configure the interval after which the OS information will be reset.
- Step 4** (Optional) Enable NAT Detection with Interval—Check the Enable NAT Detection with Interval check box and enter the interval in seconds to configure the time period with-in which multiple OS detection will trigger NAT identification. Default value is 10 seconds.
- Step 5** (Optional) Enable Gx Report—Check the Enable Gx Report check box to enable Gx Reports.
- Step 6** Sampling Period (sec)—Configure how long flows from a subscriber will finger-printed. Default is 10 seconds. Check the **Use default** check box to use the default period.
- Step 7** Sampling Interval (min)—Enter the time in minutes to configure the frequency at which flows will be finger-printed. Default is 10 minutes. Check the **Use default** check box to use default interval.
- Step 8** (Optional) Scan Port—Enter a value for Scan Port used for opening OS finger printing flows. Check the **Use default** check box to use the default port—port 80—for the flows. Ports 20, 21, 69, and 5060 are not allowed.
- Step 9** Click **Ok**.

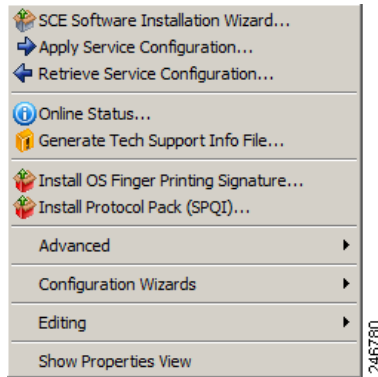


Note

After enabling OSFP in Cisco SCE using Cisco SCA BB console, enable the OSFP Reports in Cisco Service Control Collection Manager. For details on enabling the OSFP Reports in Cisco Service Control Collection Manager, see the *Cisco Service Control Collection Manager User Guide*.

How to Install OS Fingerprinting Signatures

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- Step 1** (Optional) Using Network Navigator, add the device on which you need to install the signatures.
 - Step 2** Enable OS Fingerprinting. See the [“How to Enable OS Fingerprinting”](#) section on page 7-87.
 - Step 3** Apply the configuration to the device.
 - Step 4** In the Site Manager tree, right-click a Cisco SCE device. A popup menu appears.
 - Step 5** From the menu, select **Install OS Finger Printing Signature...**



The Password Management dialog box appears. For details on password management, see the [“Password Management”](#) section on page 5-7.

- Step 6** Enter the User Name and Password, and click **Update**.
The Update OSFP Signature window appears.
 - Step 7** Enter the path to signature file in the Select OSFP Signature File field or Browse to the signature file.
 - Step 8** Click **Finish**.
A confirmation message appears in the Console.
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How to View Subscriber OS Information

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- Step 1** Enable OS Fingerprinting. See the [“How to Enable OS Fingerprinting”](#) section on page 7-87.
 - Step 2** Apply the configuration to the device.
 - Step 3** From Subscriber Manager, view the Subscriber list. See [Figure 11-6](#).
 - Step 4** Right-click on the device, and select **View Online Status**.
The online status of the subscriber appears near the console panel with the OS information. The OS Fingerprinting is available for Anonymous Groups through Anonymous Group Manager GUI Tool.
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How To Disable OS Fingerprinting

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- Step 1** In the Service Configuration Editor, select **Configuration > OS Finger Print...**

The OS Finger Printing Settings dialog box appears.

Step 2 Uncheck the Enable OS Finger Printing check box.

The OS Fingerprinting CLI

Use the following CLI command in EXEC mode to monitor the OS details of the subscriber:

```
show os-fingerprinting subscriber-name
```

The following is a sample output of the command. In this example, Cisco SCE has detected a NAT and behind the NAT two OS. One is iOS with an index number 65 and another OS that is not known to Cisco SCE:

```
SCE8000#> show os-fingerprinting subscriber-name 192.168.0.5@testofp
Subscriber 192.168.0.5@testofp OS-Info:
IP Address:192.168.0.5
OS-INFO:
  1. INDEX: 65          OS Name: iOS
    UNKNOWN OS FOUND
    NAT DETECTED
```

