

Configure ThousandEyes Agent-to-Server SD-WAN Service-Side with DSCP Marking

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Introduction

This document describes configuring ThousandEyes Agent-to-Server SD-WAN with DSCP marking for traffic monitoring in a Cisco SD-WAN overlay.

Prerequisites

Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics.

- SD-WAN general overview
- Templates
- Thousand Eyes

Components Used

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

- Cisco Manager Version 20.15.3
- Cisco Validator Version 20.15.3
- Cisco Controller Version 20.15.3
- Integrated Service Routers (ISR)4331/K9 Version 17.12.3a
- thousandeyes-enterprise-agent-5.5.1.cisco

Preliminary configurations

- **Configure DNS: The Router can resolve DNS and access the internet on VPN 0.**
- **Configure NAT DIA: The DIA configuration needs to be present on the router.**

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

Agent to Server Test

To run an Agent to Server test, the ThousandEyes agent must be configured on the Service VPN. In this scenario, the server is the TLOC IP address that is monitored. Typically, an Agent to Server test is used to monitor a server; however, in this case, it is used to monitor a TLOC interface located at a different site from where the agent is hosted.

If there are multiple TLOC interfaces, use NAT Direct Internet Access (DIA) and a data policy to redirect traffic to the desired VPN 0 TLOC interface. Set the match criteria based on the DSCP value configured on the agent side in ThousandEyes to be redirected to and through the VPN 0 while at the same time doing the demarking to avoid any overstepping the ISP could have with their own DSCP marking.

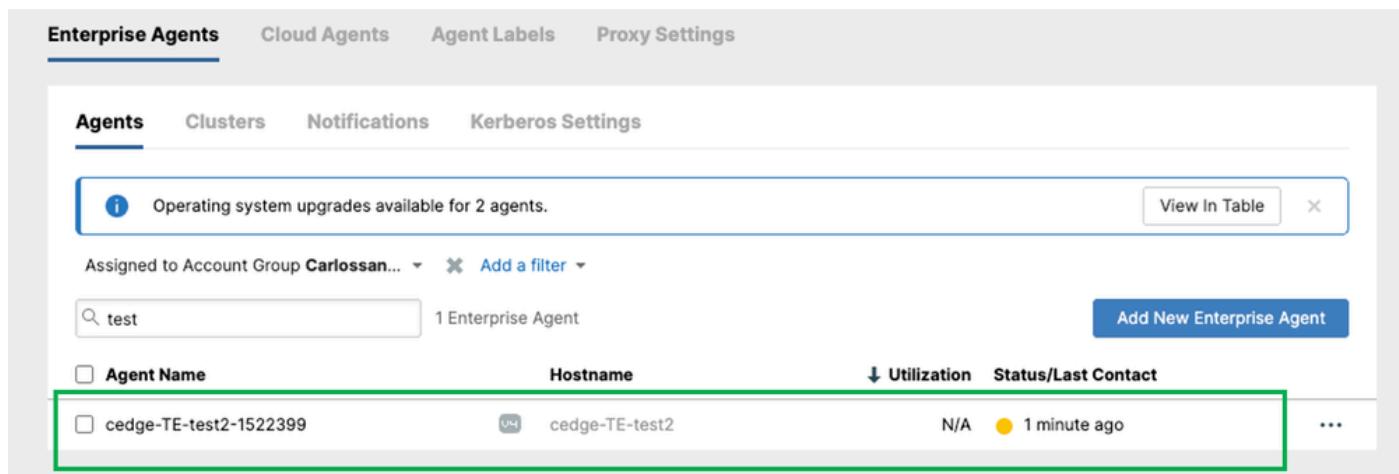
Configure

Configure ThousandEyes Test and DSCP

To configure Differentiated Services Code Point (DSCP):

1. Log in ThousandEyes account from the [Cisco ThousandEyes Agent](#) page.

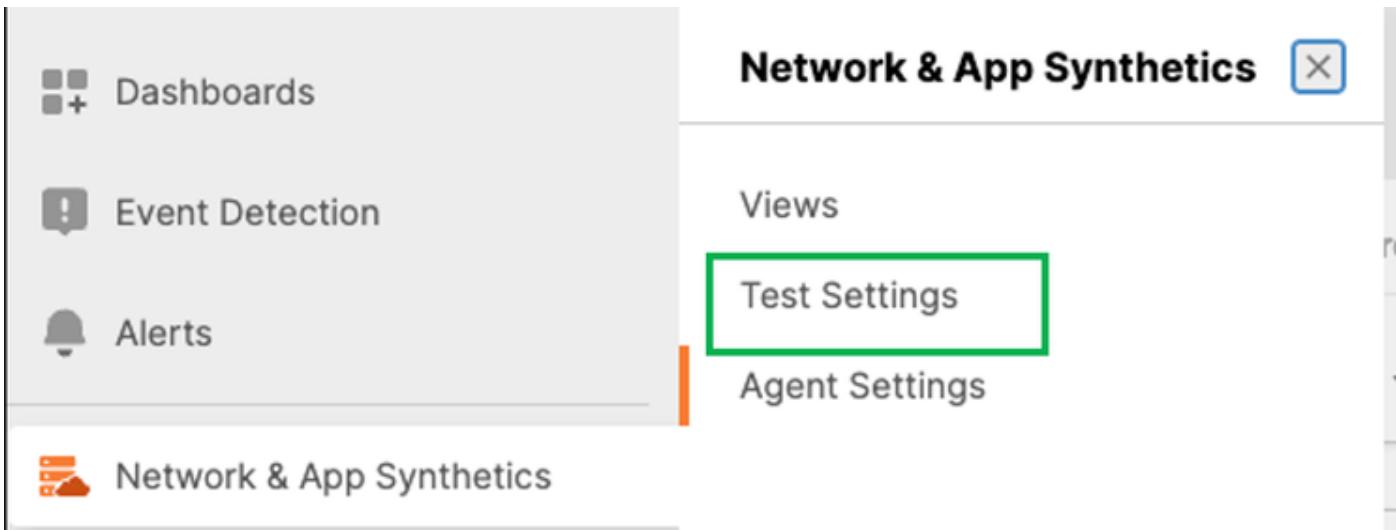
Verify the Agent installed in the router has communication to ThousandEyes Cloud.



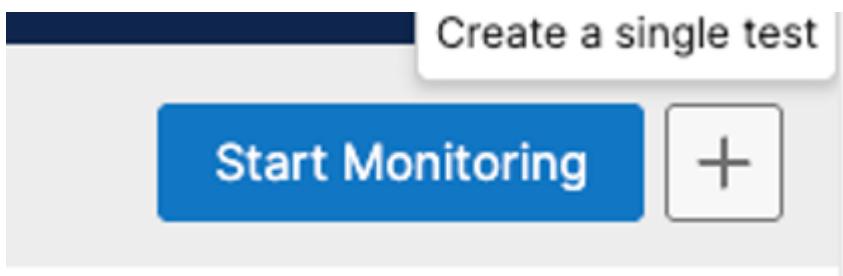
The screenshot shows the ThousandEyes Agent configuration page. At the top, there are tabs for Enterprise Agents, Cloud Agents, Agent Labels, and Proxy Settings. Below that, there are sub-tabs for Agents, Clusters, Notifications, and Kerberos Settings. A message box indicates 'Operating system upgrades available for 2 agents.' A search bar shows 'test' and a button to 'Add New Enterprise Agent'. The main table lists agents with columns for Agent Name, Hostname, Utilization, and Status/Last Contact. The row for 'cedge-TE-test2-1522399' is highlighted with a green box. The 'Utilization' column shows 'N/A' and the 'Status/Last Contact' column shows '1 minute ago' with a yellow dot.

Agent Name	Hostname	Utilization	Status/Last Contact
cedge-TE-test2-1522399	cedge-TE-test2	N/A	1 minute ago

After the agent is installed on the device and communication with the ThousandEyes Cloud is confirmed, create a test. To create a test navigate on **Network & App Synthetics >Test Settings**.



In the upper right screen, click on + icon.



In the new Dashboard select **Agent to Server Test**.

In the "**Target**" section, select the IP address needed to use for the test. In this example, in this example used 192.168.1.47, which is the IP address of another TLOC on a different router within the same subnet.

On "**Where test runs From**", select the agent created for your router (contains the hostname of your router) as show below:

Select Agents

Advanced

Enterprise Agents Projected usage this month **73%**

Group By: Location 1 / 19 Agents

Select All Show:

Agents without labels
1 Agent
 cedge-TE-test2-1522399



1 Agent selected
(1 Enterprise, 0 Cloud)

Select ICMP Protocol

On Network Settings (Optional) section, select the DSCP and click Update.

In the same section click Instant Test.

Basic Settings

Target: 192.168.1.47 (highlighted with a green arrow)

How often test runs: 2 minutes

Where test runs from: 1 Agent (highlighted with a green arrow)

Protocol: TCP (highlighted with a green box)

Alerts: 1 of 11 alert rules selected

Labels: 0 of 16 labels applied

Test name (optional): TLOC-Router

Network Settings (Optional)

Define which data to collect:

- View packet loss in 1 second intervals
- Bandwidth
- Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU)
- Collect BGP data

Ping payload size: Auto (highlighted with a green box)

Transmission rate: Not Fixed (highlighted with a green box)

Number of path traces: 3 (highlighted with a green box)

DSCP: CS 6 (DSCP 48) (highlighted with a green box)

IPv6 policy: Agent's policy

This setting will override the IPv6 policy configured at the agent level

Additional Settings (Optional)

Cancel Instant Test Update

Configure SD-WAN

Use the reference document to configure Thousand Eyes Agent on Edge Router [Configure ThousandEyes on SD-WAN Devices](#)

Once the ThousandEyes Agent is installed on the router, the ThousandEyes template display the information:

Configure DSCP

Navigate to **Configuration > Policies >Centralized Policy** > Click on **Add policy**. On create group of

interest add Site, VPN and Data Prefix.

Site (Site where ThousandEyes Agent was installed)

Site List					
Name	Entries	Reference Count	Updated By	Last Updated	Action
Branch-sites	101080, 102080	1	admin	04 Jul 2025 7:53:28 AM CST	  
site_170_171	170-171	1	ciscotacrw	21 Aug 2025 7:26:34 AM CST	  

VPN (Service VPN)

VPN List					
Name	Entries	Reference Count	Updated By	Last Updated	Action
Service-vpn	1-100	1	admin	04 Jul 2025 8:01:12 AM CST	  
VPN_10	10	1	daarella	16 Aug 2025 8:11:42 PM CST	  

Data Prefix (Include the subnet configured on ThousandEyes Template) in this example used the subnet **192.168.2.0/24**.

Data Prefix List						
Name	Entries	Internet Protocol	Reference Count	Updated By	Last Updated	Action
VPN_10_TE	192.168.2.0/24	IPv4	3	ciscotacrw	18 Aug 2025 10:45:58 AM ...	  
service-lan	192.168.1.0/24	IPv4	2	admin	01 Aug 2025 9:19:03 AM C...	  
source-0-test	0.0.0.0/0	IPv4	1	admin	04 Jul 2025 7:56:59 AM C...	  

Click **Next > Next**, On **Configure Traffic Rules** section, select **Traffic Data** and Click on **Add Policy**.

Select DSCP, in this example used **48**

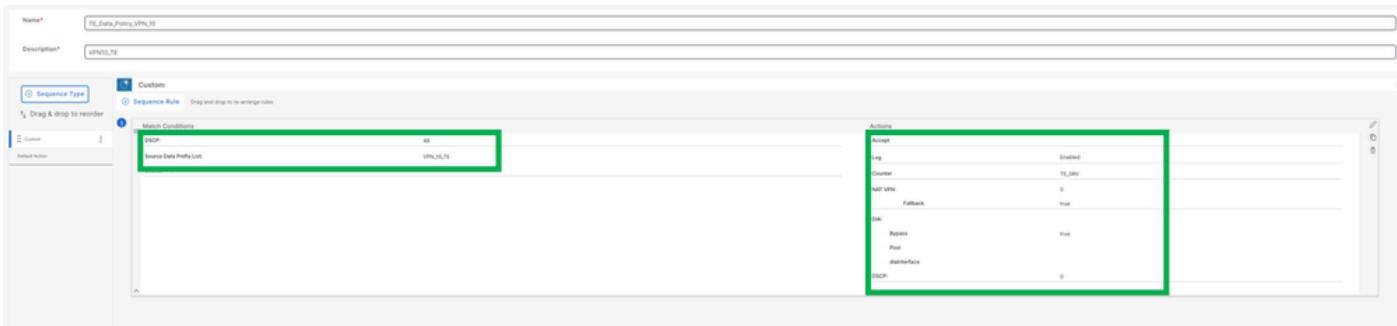
Choose the "**Source Data Prefix List**" option. Use "**VPN_10_TE**" (as documented previously), which is the network used for the ThousandEyes configuration on the router.

On actions section:

Select **NAT VPN**

Fallback

DSCP in this example the DSCP configured is **0**



Default action Enabled.

Click **Next**, add Policy name and Policy Description. On Traffic Data section, click **New Site/WAN Region List** and **VPN List**, save policy and activate it,

Once the policy has been activated, verify in the router the policy applied:

Run the command **show sdwan policy from-vsmart**

```
cedge-TE-test2#show sdwan policy from-vsmart
from-vsmart data-policy _VPN_10_TE_Data_Policy_VPN_10
direction from-service
vpn-list VPN_10
sequence 1
  match
    source-data-prefix-list VPN_10_TE
    dscp          48
  action accept
    count TE_SRV_1549695060
    nat use-vpn 0
    nat fallback
    log
    set
      dscp 0

  default-action accept
from-vsmart lists vpn-list VPN_10
vpn 10
from-vsmart lists data-prefix-list VPN_10_TE
ip-prefix 192.168.2.0/24
```

Verify

To run a Test click on **Instat Test** and open a new windows.

Once the test has finished, you can see the path that took to reach the 192.168.1.47

Agent192.168.2.2 >>>>>DG TE 192.168.2.1 >>>>>Test 192.168.1.47



Where was marked as dscp48 before to go for the underlay and after go over the underlay is mark as 0.

**Enterprise Agent
cedge-TE-test2-1522399**

Agent Details

Private IP Address	192.168.2.2
Public Address	
Network	Cisco Systems, Inc. ()
Location	Texas

Interface Details

IP Address	192.168.2.2
Prefix	

Measurements from this agent

Number of Targets	1
Loss	0%
Latency	0.633 ms
Jitter	0.199 ms
Min. Path MTU	1500 bytes
Probing Mode	icmp-echo-mode
Path Trace Mode	classic

[Show only this agent](#)
[Hide this agent](#)
[Show traceroute style output](#)

Configure a FIA trace on the Edge Router:

```
debug platform condition ipv4 <ip address> both
debug platform packet-trace packet 2048 circular fia-trace data-size 4096
debug platform packet-trace copy packet both size 128 L2
```

Open a a packet:

```
<#root>

cedge-TE-test2#show platform packet-trace packet 0 decode
Packet: 0          CBUG ID: 3480
Summary
  Input      : VirtualPortGroup4
  Output     : GigabitEthernet0/0/0
  State      : FWD
  Timestamp
    Start    : 149091925690917 ns (08/19/2025 19:30:43.807639 UTC)
    Stop     : 149091925874126 ns (08/19/2025 19:30:43.807822 UTC)
Path Trace
  Feature: IPV4(Input)
    Input      : VirtualPortGroup4
    Output     : <unknown>
    Source     : 192.168.2.2
    Destination : 192.168.1.47
    Protocol   : 1 (ICMP)
  <Omitted output>
  Feature: NBAR
    Packet number in flow: N/A
    Classification state: Final
    Classification name: ping
    Classification ID: 1404 [CANA-L7:479]
    Candidate classification sources:
      DPI: ping [1404]
    Early cls priority: 0
    Permit apps list id: 0
    Sdavc Early prioirty as app: 0
    Classification visibility name: ping
    Classification visibility ID: 1404 [CANA-L7:479]
    Number of matched sub-classifications: 0
    Number of extracted fields: 0
    Is PA (split) packet: False
    Is FIF (first in flow) packet: False
    TPH-MQC bitmask value: 0x0
    Source MAC address: 52:54:DD:82:B5:F8
    Destination MAC address: 00:27:90:64:D6:D0
    Traffic Categories: N/A
  Feature: IPV4_INPUT_STILE_LEGACY
    Entry      : Input - 0x8142ecc0
    Input      : VirtualPortGroup4
    Output     : <unknown>
    Lapsed time : 23615 ns
  <Omitted output>
  Feature: SDWAN Data Policy IN
    VPN ID     : 10
```

Related Information

- [Configure ThousandEyes on SD-WAN Devices](#)
- [Technical Support & Documentation - Cisco Systems](#)