

Configure SafeSearch and Application Control in Umbrella

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Introduction

This document describes how to configure SafeSearch and Application Controls in Cisco Umbrella.

Prerequisites

Requirements

There are no specific requirements for this document.

Components Used

The information in this document is based on Cisco Umbrella.

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.

Overview

SafeSearch is a functionality within major search engines to limit the results of search content to be void of adult content. For more details about SafeSearch enforcement within Umbrella, read more in the [Umbrella documentation on applying SafeSearch](#).

If you are not currently applying SafeSearch in your policy settings, this article does not apply to you. If you are enforcing SafeSearch and are or are considering using Application Control settings, please read on.

Application Controls

Application controls in Umbrella allow for the one-click blocking of allowing of a curated list of applications from across the web. These application settings apply over and beyond basic category settings. For more details, see the [Umbrella documentation on application control settings](#).

SafeSearch and Application Control

When Application Control is enabled for Google properties such as Google Drive, SafeSearch control over Google Search is immediately removed for all users of the policy. Other SafeSearch enforcement such as Bing and YouTube are not impacted unless Application Control is enabled for those services.

These application settings can currently disable SafeSearch for Google:

- Google Drive
- Google Hangouts and Talk
- Gmail

Current Options

Today in the Umbrella product, there are two options to ensure that SafeSearch is able to be enforced for your policies:

1. Disable any Application Control block or allow for any Google Services for any policy which requires Umbrella-enforced SafeSearch. Application Control is not compatible with SafeSearch while Google properties are enforced.
2. Utilize a third party application to apply localized SafeSearch.

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