

Configuration of Port Security on Sx500 Series Stackable Switches

Objective

Port Security can be used with dynamically learned and static MAC addresses to limit the ingress traffic of a port, because it limits the MAC addresses which are allowed to send traffic to the port. When a secure MAC address is assigned to a secure port the port does not forward ingress traffic for those which have source MAC addresses that are not similar to the addresses which are defined.

The objective of this document is to explain the configuration of port security on Sx500 Series Switches.

Applicable Devices

- Sx500 Series Stackable Switches

Software Version

- v1.2.7.76

Configuration of Port Security

Step 1. Log in to the web configuration utility and choose **Security > Port Security**. The *Port Security* page opens:

Port Security								
Port Security Table								
Filter: Interface Type equals to Port of Unit 1/2 <input type="button" value="Go"/>								
	Entry No.	Interface	Interface Status	Learning Mode	Max No. of Address Allowed	Action on Violation	Trap	Trap Frequency (sec.)
<input type="radio"/>	1	GE1	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
<input type="radio"/>	2	GE2	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
<input type="radio"/>	3	GE3	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
<input type="radio"/>	4	GE4	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
<input type="radio"/>	5	GE5	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
<input type="radio"/>	6	GE6	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
<input type="radio"/>	7	GE7	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
<input type="radio"/>	8	GE8	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
<input type="radio"/>	9	GE9	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
<input type="radio"/>	10	GE10	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1		Disabled	10
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Step 2. From the Filter: Interface Type drop-down list, choose the type of interface on which the packet is expected.

Filter: *Interface Type equals to* Port of Unit 2/1 Go

Entry No.	Interface	Interface Status	Learning Mode	Max No. of Address Allowed	Action on Violation	Trap	Trap Frequency (sec.)
1	GE1	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
2	GE2	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
3	GE3	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
4	GE4	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
5	GE5	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
6	GE6	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
7	GE7	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
8	GE8	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
9	GE9	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
10	GE10	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	

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Step 3. Click **Go**, which displays the status of the interfaces.

Step 4. Click the interface to be modified and click **Edit**. The *Edit Port Security Interface Settings* window appears.

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<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1	GE1	Unlocked	Classic Lock	1	Disabled	10	
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Step 5. (Optional) To change the interface you configure, click the desired radio button in the *Interface* field and choose the desired interface from the drop-down list.

Interface: ☒ Unit/Slot 1/1 Port GE1 ☐ LAG 1

Interface Status: ☒ Lock

Learning Mode: ☐ Classic Lock ☒ Limited Dynamic Lock ☐ Secure Permanent ☐ Secure Delete on Reset

Max No. of Address Allowed: (Range: 0 - 256, Default: 1)

Action on Violation: ☒ Discard ☐ Forward ☐ Shutdown

Trap: ☒ Enable

Trap Frequency: sec. (Range: 1 - 1000000, Default: 10)

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- **Unit/Slot** — From the Unit/Slot drop-down lists choose the appropriate Unit/Slot. The unit identifies whether the switch is active or a member in the stack. The slot identifies which switch is connected to which slot (slot 1 is SF500 and slot 2 is SG500). If you are unfamiliar with the terms used, check out [Cisco Business: Glossary of New Terms](#).
- **Port** — From the Port drop-down list, choose the appropriate port to configure.
- **LAG** — Choose the LAG from the LAG drop-down list. A Link Aggregate Group (LAG) is

used to link multiple ports together. LAGs multiply bandwidth, increase port flexibility, and provide link redundancy between two devices to optimize port usage

Step 6. (Optional) To lock the port immediately and not learn any new MAC addresses, check **Lock** in the *Interface Status* field.

Timesaver: If Lock is checked, skip to Step 9.

Step 7. Click the radio button that corresponds to the desired type of port locking needed from the *Learning Mode* field. There are four options.

- Classic Lock — Locks the port instantly with no consideration for the number of addresses that have already been learned. The port does not learn any new MAC addresses. The addresses which are learned cannot be re-learned or aged.
- Limited Dynamic Lock — Locks the port, removes the present dynamic MAC addresses related to the port, and then the port learns addresses up to its maximum limit. The port can be re-learned and aged.
- Secure Permanent — The current dynamic MAC address related to the port is kept and it learns the maximum number of permitted addresses on the port. This is set by the *Max No. of Address Allowed* field. Relearning and Aging are enabled.
- Secure Delete on Reset — Once the port is reset it deletes the current dynamic MAC address. MAC addresses can be learned based on the number of permitted addresses on the port. This is set by the *Max No. of Address Allowed* field. Relearning and Aging are disabled.

Step 8. If Classic Lock is not clicked in Step 7, enter the maximum number of MAC addresses that can be learned on a port if the Limited Dynamic Lock Learning mode is clicked. The number 0 indicates only static addresses are supported on the interface.

Step 9. If Lock is checked in Step 6, then click a radio button in the *Action on Violation* field to choose the action that is to be performed on the packets received at the locked port.

- Discard — Discards packets from any unlearned source.
- Forward — Forwards packets from an unknown source without knowing the MAC address.
- Shutdown — Drops packets from any unlearned source, and the port is shutdown. This port is kept shutdown until reactivated or until the switch is rebooted.

Step 10. (Optional) To enable traps when a locked port gets a packet, check **Enable** in the *Trap* field. It is applicable for lock violations. In case of Classic Lock, this is any new address received. In case of Limited Dynamic Lock, this is any new address which exceeds the number of permitted addresses.

Timesaver: If Enable is not checked in Step 10, skip to Step 12.

Step 11. Enter the minimum time, in seconds, which passes between traps in the *Trap Frequency* field.

Step 12. Click **Apply** to apply the settings.

Copy Settings

Step 1. Click the Interface to be modified and click **Copy Settings**. The *Copy Settings* window appears.

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Step 2. Enter the interface(s) or range(s) of interfaces to which the configuration needs to be copied in the provided field.

Copy configuration from entry 1 (GE1)

to: (Example: 1,3,5-10 or: GE1,GE3-GE5)

Apply

Close

Step 3. Click **Apply** to modify the port security and update the running configuration file.