Policer Enhancement Multiple Actions

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Feature History

Release	Modification
Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1	This feature was introduced on Cisco ASR 1000 Series Routers.

This document describes the Policer Enhancement Multiple Actions feature and includes the following sections:

Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest feature information and caveats, see the release notes for your platform and software release. To find information about the features documented in this module, and to see a list of the releases in which each feature is supported, see the Feature Information Table at the end of this document.

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Feature Overview

This feature further extends the functionality of the Cisco IOS XE single-rate policer and the Two-Rate Policer feature. The Traffic Policing and Two-Rate Policer features are traffic policing mechanisms that allow you to control the maximum rate of traffic sent or received on an interface. Both of these traffic

policing mechanisms mark packets as either conforming to, exceeding, or violating a specified rate. After a packet is marked, you can specify an action to be taken on the packet based on that marking.

With both the Traffic Policing feature and the Two-Rate Policer feature, you can specify only one conform action, one exceed action, and one violate action. Now with the new Policer Enhancement Multiple Actions feature, you can specify multiple conform, exceed, and violate actions for the marked packets.

You specify the multiple actions by using the *action* argument of the **police** command. The resulting actions are listed in the table below.

Table 1   *police Command Action Arguments*

Specified Action	Result
drop	Drops the packet.
set-clp-transmit	Sets the ATM Cell Loss Priority (CLP) bit from 0 to 1 on the ATM cell and transmits the packet.
set-cos-transmit	Sets the Class of Service (CoS) value and transmits the packet.
set-discard-class-transmit	Sets the discard-class value and transmits the packet.
set-dscp-transmit *new-dscp*	Sets the IP differentiated services code point (DSCP) value and transmits the packet with the ATM CLP bit set to 1.
set-frde-transmit	Sets the Frame Relay Discard Eligibility (DE) bit from 0 to 1 on the Frame Relay frame and transmits the packet.
set-mpls-exp-transmit	Sets the Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) experimental (EXP) bits from 0 to 7 and transmits the packet.
set-mpls-exp-imposition-transmit	Sets the MPLS EXP bits from 0 to 7 at tag imposition and transmits the packet.
set-prec-transmit *new-prec*	Sets the IP Precedence level and transmits the packet.
set-qos-transmit *new-qos*	Sets the Quality of Service (QoS) group value and transmits the packet.
transmit	Transmits the packet.

Benefits

Before this feature, you could specify only *one* marking action for a packet, in addition to transmitting the packet. This feature provides enhanced flexibility by allowing you to specify *multiple* marking actions for a packet, as required. For example, if you know the packet will be transmitted through both a TCP/IP and a Frame Relay environment, you can change the DSCP value of the exceeding or violating packet, and also set the Frame Relay Discard Eligibility (DE) bit from 0 to 1 to indicate lower priority.

Restrictions

- Multiple policer actions can be configured on an interface, a subinterface, a Frame Relay data-link connection identifier (DLCI), and an ATM permanent virtual circuit (PVC) only.
- When using this feature, you can specify a maximum of four actions at one time.
- Multiple policer actions are not supported on EtherChannel interfaces.

Related Features and Technologies

- Modular Quality of Service (QoS) Command-Line Interface (CLI) (MQC)
- Class-Based Weighted Fair Queueing (CBWFQ)
- Class-Based Packet Marking
- Traffic Policing
- Two-Rate Policing

Related Documents

- "Applying QoS Features Using the MQC" module
- "Marking Network Traffic" module
- "Policing and Shaping Overview" module
- "Traffic Policing" module
- "Two-Rate Policer" module
- Cisco IOS Quality of Service Solutions Command Reference

Supported Standards MIBs and RFCs

Standards

No new or modified standards are supported by this feature.

MIBs

- CISCO-CLASS-BASED-QOS-MIB
- CISCO-CLASS-BASED-QOS-CAPABILITY-MIB

To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS XE Software releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL:

http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs

RFCs

- RFC 2697, *A Single Rate Three Color Marker*
- RFC 2698, *A Two Rate Three Color Marker*

Prerequisites

- To configure the Policer Enhancement Multiple Actions feature, a traffic class and a service policy must be created, and the service policy must be attached to a specified interface.

Configuration Tasks

Configuring Multiple Policer Actions

SUMMARY STEPS

1. Router(config)# **policy-map***policy-map-name*
2. Router(config-pmap)# **class***class-default*
3. Router(config-pmap-c)# **police** {**cir***cir*}[**bc** *conform-burst*]{**pir***pir*} [**be***peak-burst*] [**conform-action***action* [**exceed-action***action* [**violate-action** *action*]]]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	Router(config)# **policy-map***policy-map-name*	Creates a policy map. Enters policy-map configuration mode.
Step 2	Router(config-pmap)# **class***class-default*	Specifies the default traffic class for a service policy. Enters policy-map class configuration mode.
Step 3	Router(config-pmap-c)# **police** {**cir***cir*}[**bc** *conform-burst*]{**pir***pir*} [**be***peak-burst*] [**conform-action***action* [**exceed-action***action* [**violate-action** *action*]]]	Configures traffic policing and specifies multiple actions applied to packets marked as conforming to, exceeding, or violating a specific rate. Use one line per action that you want to specify. Enters policy-map class police configuration mode.

Verifying the Multiple Policer Actions Configuration

Command	Purpose
`Router#` **show policy-map interface**	Displays statistics and configurations of all input and output policies attached to an interface.

Troubleshooting Tips

Check the interface type. Verify that this feature is supported on your interface. See the .

Monitoring and Maintaining the Multiple Policer Actions

Command	Purpose
`Router#` **show policy-map**	Displays all configured policy maps.
`Router#` **show policy-map** *policy-map-name*	Displays the user-specified policy map.
`Router#` **show policy-map interface**	Displays statistics and configurations of all input and output policies that are attached to an interface.

Configuration Examples

Example Multiple Actions in a Two-Rate Policer

In the following example, a policy map called police is configured to use a two-rate policer to police traffic leaving an interface. Two rates, a committed information rate (CIR) of 1 Mbps and a peak information rate (PIR) of 2 Mbps, have been specified.

```
Router(config)# policy-map police
Router(config-pmap)# class class-default
Router(config-pmap-c)# police cir 1000000 pir 2000000

Router(config-pmap-c-police)# conform-action transmit
Router(config-pmap-c-police)# exceed-action set-prec-transmit 4
Router(config-pmap-c-police)# exceed-action set-frde-transmit
Router(config-pmap-c-police)# violate-action set-prec-transmit 2
Router(config-pmap-c-police)# violate-action set-frde-transmit

Router(config-pmap-c-police)# end
```

The following actions will be performed on packets associated with the policy map called police:

- All packets marked as conforming to these rates (that is, packets conforming to the CIR) will be transmitted unaltered.
- All packets marked as exceeding these rates (that is, packets exceeding the CIR but not exceeding the PIR) will be assigned an IP Precedence level of 4, the DE bit will be set to 1, and then transmitted.
- All packets marked as violating the rate (that is, exceeding the PIR) will be assigned an IP Precedence level of 2, the DE bit will be set to 1, and then transmitted.

Example Verifying the Multiple Policer Actions

The following sample output of the **show policy-map**command displays the configuration for a service policy called police. In this service policy, multiple actions for packets marked as exceeding the specified CIR rate have been configured. For those packets, the IP Precedence level is set to 4, the DE bit is set to 1, and the packet is transmitted. Multiple actions for packets marked as violating the specified PIR rate have also been configured. For those packets, the IP Precedence level is set to 2, the DE bit is set to 1, and the packet is transmitted.

```
Router# show policy-map police
  Policy Map police
    Class class-default
     police cir 1000000 bc 31250 pir 2000000 be 31250
       conform-action transmit
       exceed-action set-prec-transmit 4
       exceed-action set-frde-transmit
       violate-action set-prec-transmit 2
       violate-action set-frde-transmit
```