



NBAR2 Protocol Pack

The NBAR2 Protocol Pack provides an easy way to update protocols supported by NBAR2 without replacing the base IOS image that is already present in the device. A Protocol Pack is a set of protocols developed and packaged together. To view the list of protocols supported in a Protocol Pack, see [NBAR2 Protocol Library](#).

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Prerequisites for the NBAR2 Protocol Pack

The Protocol Pack must be copied to your local disk to avoid any errors after rebooting.



Note

It is strongly recommended to load the NBAR2 Protocol Pack that is the exact match for the NBAR2 engine, and also load the latest rebuild of Cisco software. See the [NBAR2 Protocol Library page](#) for compatibility information.

Information About the NBAR Protocol Pack

Protocol Pack Overview

NBAR2 Protocol Packs are software packages that update the protocol support on a device without replacing the Cisco software on the device. A Protocol Pack contains a set of signatures supported by NBAR2.

Protocol Packs are sets of protocols developed and packaged together. Each Cisco IOS image comes with a built-in Protocol Pack. With a standard license, a subset of protocols and Protocol Pack features are supported. With an advanced license, all protocols and features are supported. Updating the Protocol Pack on a Cisco IOS release requires an advanced license. For information about licensing, see [AVC Licensing and Feature Activation](#).

To view the list of protocols supported in a Protocol Pack, see [NBAR2 Protocol Library](#).

The NBAR2 taxonomy file contains the information such as common name, description, underlying protocol, for every protocol that is available in the Protocol Pack. Use the **show ip nbar protocol-pack active taxonomy**, **show ip nbar protocol-pack inactive taxonomy**, and **show ip nbar protocol-pack loaded taxonomy** commands to view the taxonomy file for an active, inactive, and all loaded Protocol Packs respectively.

The NBAR2 taxonomy file generally contains the information for more than 1000 protocols, and the taxonomy file size is ~2 MB. It is recommended to redirect the output from the **show ip nbar protocol-pack [active | inactive | loaded]** taxonomy command to a file by using the redirect output modifier, for example, **show ip nbar protocol-pack active taxonomy | redirect harddisk:nbar_taxonomy.xml**.

Protocols Available with Standard License

The default Protocol Pack available with a standard license includes the protocols shown below. For information about the Protocol Packs available with an advanced license, see the [NBAR2 Protocol Library](#).

- bgp
- bittorrent
- cifs
- citrix
- cuseeme
- dhcp
- dht
- directconnect
- dns
- edonkey
- egp
- eigrp
- exchange
- fasttrack
- finger
- ftp
- gnutella
- gopher
- gre
- http
- http-local-net
- https
- icmp
- imap
- ipinip
- ipsec
- ipv6-icmp
- irc
- kazaa2
- kerberos
- l2tp
- ldap
- mgcp

ms-rpc
netbios
nfs
nntp
notes
novadigm
ntp
ospf
pop3
pptp
printer
rip
rsvp
rtcp
rtp
rtsp
secure-ftp
secure-http
secure-imap
secure-irc
secure-ldap
secure-nntp
secure-pop3
secure-telnet
sip
skinny
skype
smtp
snmp
socks
sqlnet
sqlserver
ssh
ssl
stun-nat
sunrpc
syslog
telepresence-control
telnet
teredo-ipv6-tunneled
tftp
winmx
xmpp-client
xwindows

SSL Unique-name Sub-classification

The "unique-name" sub-classification parameter can be used to match SSL sessions of servers that are not known globally, or are not yet supported by NBAR2. The unique-name will match the server name indication (SNI) field in the client request if the SNI field exists, or it will match the common name (CN) field in the first certificate of the server's response.



Note The SSL sub-classification parameters have priority over the built in signatures. Therefore, when a unique-name defined by a user matches a known application such as Facebook, it will not match the built-in protocol but will match SSL with the configured sub-classification.



Note Similar to the other sub-classification features, the classification result (for example, as seen in protocol-discovery), does not change and will remain as SSL. However, the flows matching the class maps will receive the services such as QoS and Performance monitor configured for them. To view the detailed matching statistics, refer to the policy map counters.

For more information on SSL, see <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6101>.

RTP Dynamic Payload Type Sub-classification

The sub-classification parameters for Real-time Transport Protocol (RTP) audio and RTP video detect RTP flows that use dynamic payload types (PT). Dynamic PTs are PTs in the dynamic range from 96 to 127, as defined in the RTP RFC, and are used by protocols such as SIP and RTSP.



Note The RTP audio/video sub-classification parameters are generic in nature and will match only on generic RTP traffic. More specific classification such as ms-lync-audio, cisco-jabber-audio, facetime, and cisco-phone will not match as RTP, and therefore will not match the audio/video sub-classification.

How to Load the NBAR Protocol Pack

Loading the NBAR2 Protocol Pack

Before you begin

Loading a new Protocol Pack requires an advanced license.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip nbar protocol-pack *protocol-pack* [force]**

4. **exit**
5. **show ip nbar protocol-pack** {protocol-pack | **active**} [**detail**]

DETAILED STEPS

Procedure

| | Command or Action | Purpose |
|---------------|---|---|
| Step 1 | enable Example: <pre>Device> enable</pre> | Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted. |
| Step 2 | configure terminal Example: <pre>Device# configure terminal</pre> | Enters global configuration mode. |
| Step 3 | ip nbar protocol-pack <i>protocol-pack</i> [force] Example: <pre>Device(config)# ip nbar protocol-pack harddisk:defProtoPack</pre> | Loads the protocol pack. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the force keyword to specify and load a Protocol Pack of a lower version, which is different from the base protocol pack version. Doing so also removes any configurations that are not supported by the lower version Protocol Pack. |
| Step 4 | exit Example: <pre>Device(config)# exit</pre> | Returns to privileged EXEC mode. |
| Step 5 | show ip nbar protocol-pack {protocol-pack active } [detail] Example: <pre>Device(config)# show ip nbar protocol-pack active</pre> | Displays the protocol pack information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verify the loaded protocol pack version, publisher, and other details using this command. • Use the <i>protocol-pack</i> argument to display information about the specified protocol pack. • Use the active keyword to display active protocol pack information. • Use the detail keyword to display detailed protocol pack information. |

Configuration Examples for the NBAR2 Protocol Pack

Example: Loading the NBAR2 Protocol Pack

The following example shows how to load an NBAR2 Protocol Pack named `defProtoPack` from the harddisk:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# ip nbar protocol-pack harddisk:defProtoPack
Device(config)# exit
```

The following example shows how to revert to the base image version of NBAR2 Protocol Pack:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# default ip nbar protocol-pack
Device(config)# exit
```

The following example shows how to load a Protocol Pack of a lower version using the **force** keyword:

```
Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# ip nbar protocol-pack harddisk:olddefProtoPack force
Device(config)# exit
```

Example: Verifying the Loaded NBAR2 Protocol Pack

The following sample output from the **show ip nbar protocol-pack active** command shows information about the Protocol Pack that is provided by default with a licensed Cisco image on a device:

```
Device# show ip nbar protocol-pack active

ACTIVE protocol pack:
Name:                  Advanced Protocol Pack
Version:                1.0
Publisher:              Cisco Systems Inc.
NBAR Engine Version:    14
```

The following sample output from the **show ip nbar protocol-pack active detail** command shows detailed information about the active Protocol Pack that is provided by default with a licensed Cisco image on a device:

```
Device# show ip nbar protocol-pack active detail

ACTIVE protocol pack:
Name:                  Advanced Protocol Pack
Version:                1.0
Publisher:              Cisco Systems Inc.
NBAR Engine Version:    14
Protocols:
base                   Mv: 4
ftp                    Mv: 5
```

```

http                Mv: 18
static              Mv: 6
socks               Mv: 2
nntp                Mv: 2
tftp                Mv: 2
exchange            Mv: 3
vdolive             Mv: 1
sqlnet              Mv: 2
netshow             Mv: 3
sunrpc              Mv: 3
streamwork          Mv: 2
citrix              Mv: 11
fasttrack           Mv: 3
gnutella            Mv: 7
kazaa2              Mv: 11

```

The following sample output from the **show ip nbar protocol-pack** command shows the protocol pack information of an advanced Protocol Pack that is present in the specified device location:

```

Device# show ip nbar protocol-pack disk:0ppsmall_higherversion

Name:                Advanced Protocol Pack
Version:              2.0
Publisher:            Cisco Systems Inc.
NBAR Engine Version:  14
Creation time:        Mon Jul 16 09:29:34 UTC 2012

```

The following sample output from the **show ip nbar protocol-pack** command shows detailed protocol pack information present in the specified disk location:

```

Device# show ip nbar protocol-pack disk:0ppsmall_higherversion detail

Name:                Advanced Protocol Pack
Version:              2.0
Publisher:            Cisco Systems Inc.
NBAR Engine Version:  14
Creation time:        Mon Jul 16 09:29:34 UTC 2012
Protocol Pack contents:
iana                  Mv: 1
base                  Mv: 4
tftp                  Mv: 2

```

The following sample output from the **show ip nbar protocol-pack** command shows information about the active Protocol Pack with an unlicensed Cisco image on a device:

```

Device# show ip nbar protocol-pack active

ACTIVE protocol pack:
Name:                Standard Protocol Pack
Version:              1.0
Publisher:            Cisco Systems Inc.

```

Example: Viewing the NBAR2 Taxonomy Information

The following sample output from the **show ip nbar protocol-pack active taxonomy** command shows the information about the protocols in the active Protocol Pack:

Example: Viewing the NBAR2 Taxonomy Information

```
Device# show ip nbar protocol-pack active taxonomy
```

```
Protocol Pack Taxonomy for Advanced Protocol Pack:
```

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<NBAR2-Taxonomy>
  <protocol>
    <name>active-directory</name>
    <engine-id>7</engine-id>
    <enabled>true</enabled>
    <selector-id>473</selector-id>
    <help-string>Active Directory Traffic</help-string>
    <global-id>L7:473</global-id>
    <common-name>Active Directory</common-name>
    <static>false</static>
    <attributes>
      <category>net-admin</category>
      <application-group>other</application-group>
      <p2p-technology>false</p2p-technology>
      <tunnel>false</tunnel>
      <encrypted>false</encrypted>
      <sub-category>network-management</sub-category>
    </attributes>
    <ip-version>
      <ipv4>true</ipv4>
      <ipv6>true</ipv6>
    </ip-version>

    <references>http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/server-cloud/windows-server/active-directory.aspx</references>

    <id>1194</id>
    <underlying-protocols>cifs,ldap,ssl,ms-rpc</underlying-protocols>
    <long-description-is-final>true</long-description-is-final>
    <long-description>a directory service created by Microsoft for Windows domain networks,
    responsible for authenticating and authorizing all users and computers within a network
    of Windows domain type, assigning and enforcing security policies for all computers in a
    network and installing or updating software on network computers</long-description>
    <pdl-version>1</pdl-version>
    <uses-bundling>false</uses-bundling>
  </protocol>
  <protocol>
    <name>activesync</name>
    <engine-id>7</engine-id>
    <enabled>true</enabled>
    <selector-id>490</selector-id>
    <help-string>Microsoft Activesync protocol </help-string>
    <global-id>L7:490</global-id>
    <common-name>ActiveSync</common-name>
    <static>false</static>
    <attributes>
      <category>business-and-productivity-tools</category>
      <application-group>other</application-group>
      <p2p-technology>false</p2p-technology>
      <tunnel>false</tunnel>
      <encrypted>true</encrypted>
      <sub-category>client-server</sub-category>
    </attributes>
    <ip-version>
      <ipv4>true</ipv4>
      <ipv6>true</ipv6>
    </ip-version>
    <references>http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/dd299446(v=exchg.80).aspx</references>

    <id>1419</id>
```



```

    <underlying-protocols>http</underlying-protocols>
    <long-description-is-final>true</long-description-is-final>
    <long-description>ActiveSync is a mobile data synchronization technology and protocol
based on HTTP, developed by Microsoft. There are two implementations of the technology: one
which synchronizes data and information with handheld devices with a specific desktop
computer, and another technology, commonly known as Exchange ActiveSync (or EAS), which
provides push synchronization of contacts, calendars, tasks, and email between
ActiveSync-enabled servers and devices.</long-description>
    <pdl-version>1</pdl-version>
    <uses-bundling>>false</uses-bundling>
  </protocol>
.
.
.
.

```

Example: Classifying SSL Sessions

The following example shows how an SSL-based service with the server name as 'finance.cisco.com' is matched using **unique-name**:

```

Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# class-map match-any cisco-finance
Device(config-cmap)# match protocol ssl unique-name finance.cisco.com

```

Additional References for NBAR2 Protocol Pack

Related Documents

| Related Topic | Document Title |
|---|---|
| Cisco IOS commands | Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases |
| Cisco IOS LAN Switching commands | Cisco IOS LAN Switching Command Reference |
| Cisco IOS QoS configuration information | QoS Configuration Guide |

Standards and RFCs

| Standards/RFCs | Document Title |
|----------------|--|
| RFC 3551 | RTP Profile for Audio and Video Conferences with Minimal Control |
| RFC 6101 | The Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) Protocol Version 3.0 |

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