A Commands

This chapter describes the Cisco NX-OS security commands that begin with A.

aaa accounting default

To configure authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) methods for accounting, use the **aaa accounting default** command. To revert to the default, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa accounting default {**group** {*group-list*} | **local**}

no aaa accounting default {**group** {*group-list*} | **local**}

Syntax Description

group	Specifies that a server group be used for accounting.
group-list	Space-delimited list that specifies one or more configured RADIUS server groups.
local	Specifies that the local database be used for accounting.

Command Default

The local database is the default.

Command Modes

Global configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

The **group** *group-list* method refers to a set of previously defined RADIUS or TACACS+ servers. Use the **radius-server host** command to configure the host servers. Use the **aaa group server** command to create a named group of servers.

If you specify the **group** method, or **local** method and they fail, then the accounting authentication can fail.

Examples

This example shows how to configure any RADIUS server for AAA accounting:

```
switch(config)# aaa accounting default group
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
aaa group server radius	Configures AAA RADIUS server groups.
radius-server host	Configures RADIUS servers.
show aaa accounting	Displays AAA accounting status information.
tacacs-server host	Configures TACACS+ servers.

aaa authentication login console

To configure authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) authentication methods for console logins, use the **aaa authentication login console** command. To revert to the default, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa authentication login console {**group** *group-list*} [**none**] | **local** | **none**}

no aaa authentication login console {**group** *group-list* [**none**] | **local** | **none**}

Syntax Description

group	Specifies to use a server group for authentication.
group-list	Space-separated list of RADIUS or TACACS+ server groups. The list can include the following: • **radius** for all configured RADIUS servers. • **tacacs+** for all configured TACACS+ servers. • Any configured RADIUS or TACACS+ server group name.
none	(Optional) Specifies to use the username for authentication.
local	(Optional) Specifies to use the local database for authentication.

Command Default

The local database

Command Modes

Global configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

The **group radius, group tacacs+**, and **group** *group-list* methods refer to a set of previously defined RADIUS or TACACS+ servers. Use the **radius-server host** or **tacacs-server host** command to configure the host servers. Use the **aaa group server** command to create a named group of servers.

If you specify the **group** method or **local** method and they fail, then the authentication can fail. If you specify the **none** method alone or after the **group** method, then the authentication always succeeds.

Examples

This example shows how to configure the AAA authentication console login method:

```
switch(config)# aaa authentication login console group radius
```

This example shows how to revert to the default AAA authentication console login method:

```
switch(config)# no aaa authentication login console group radius
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
aaa group server	Configures AAA server groups.
radius-server host	Configures RADIUS servers.
show aaa authentication	Displays AAA authentication information.
tacacs-server host	Configures TACACS+ servers.

aaa authentication login default

To configure the default authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) authentication methods, use the **aaa authentication login default** command. To revert to the default, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa authentication login default {**group** *group-list*} [**none**] | **local** | **none**}

no aaa authentication login default {**group** *group-list*} [**none**] | **local** | **none**}

Syntax Description

group	Specifies that a server group be used for authentication.
group-list	Space-separated list of RADIUS or TACACS+ server groups that can include the following: • **radius** for all configured RADIUS servers. • **tacacs+** for all configured TACACS+ servers. • Any configured RADIUS or TACACS+ server group name.
none	(Optional) Specifies that the username be used for authentication.
local	(Optional) Specifies that the local database be used for authentication.

Command Default

The local database

Command Modes

Global configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

The **group radius, group tacacs+**, and **group** *group-list* methods refer to a set of previously defined RADIUS or TACACS+ servers. Use the **radius-server host** or **tacacs-server host** command to configure the host servers. Use the **aaa group server** command to create a named group of servers.

If you specify the **group** method or **local** method and they fail, then the authentication fails. If you specify the **none** method alone or after the **group** method, then the authentication always succeeds.

Examples

This example shows how to configure the AAA authentication console login method:

```
switch(config)# aaa authentication login default group radius
```

This example shows how to revert to the default AAA authentication console login method:

```
switch(config)# no aaa authentication login default group radius
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
aaa group server	Configures AAA server groups.
radius-server host	Configures RADIUS servers.
show aaa authentication	Displays AAA authentication information.
tacacs-server host	Configures TACACS+ servers.

aaa authentication login error-enable

To configure that the authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) authentication failure message displays on the console, use the **aaa authentication login error-enable** command. To revert to the default, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa authentication login error-enable

no aaa authentication login error-enable

Syntax Description

This command has no arguments or keywords.

Command Default

Disabled

Command Modes

Global configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

When you log in, the login is processed by rolling over to the local user database if the remote AAA servers do not respond. In this situation, the following message is displayed if you have enabled the displaying of login failure messages:

```
Remote AAA servers unreachable; local authentication done.
Remote AAA servers unreachable; local authentication failed.
```

Examples

This example shows how to enable the display of AAA authentication failure messages to the console:

```
switch(config)# aaa authentication login error-enable
```

This example shows how to disable the display of AAA authentication failure messages to the console:

```
switch(config)# no aaa authentication login error-enable
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
show aaa authentication	Displays the status of the AAA authentication failure message display.

aaa authentication login mschap enable

To enable Microsoft Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (MS-CHAP) authentication at login, use the **aaa authentication login mschap enable** command. To revert to the default, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa authentication login mschap enable

no aaa authentication login mschap enable

Syntax Description

This command has no arguments or keywords.

Command Default

Disabled

Command Modes

Global configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Examples

This example shows how to enable MS-CHAP authentication:

```
switch(config)# aaa authentication login mschap enable
```

This example shows how to disable MS-CHAP authentication:

```
switch(config)# no aaa authentication login mschap enable
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
show aaa authentication	Displays the status of MS-CHAP authentication.

aaa authentication rejected

To configure the login block per user, use the **aaa authentication rejected** command. To remove the login block per user, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa authentication rejected *attempts* **in** *seconds* **ban** *block-seconds*

no aaa authentication rejected

Syntax Description

attempts	Number of login attempts fail before a user is blocked.
seconds	Time period within which the login attempt fails.
block-seconds	Time period in which the user is blocked after a failed login attempt.

Defaults

None

Command Modes

Global configuration

Command History

Release	Modification
7.3(0)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

The login block per user feature is applicable only for local users.

Examples

The following example shows how to configure the login parameters to block a user for 300 seconds when 5 login attempts fail within a period of 60 seconds.

```
switch# configure terminal
swtich(config)# aaa authentication rejected 5 in 60 ban 300
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
clear aaa local user blocked	Clears the blocked local user.
show aaa authentication	Displays the AAA authentication configuration.
show aaa local user blocked	Displays the blocked local users.

aaa authorization commands default

To configure default authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) authorization methods for all EXEC commands, use the **aaa authorization commands default** command. To revert to the default, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa authorization commands default [**group** *group-list*] [**local** | **none**]

no aaa authorization commands default [**group** *group-list*] [**local** | **none**]

Syntax Description

group	(Optional) Specifies to use a server group for authorization.
group-list	List of server groups. The list can include the following: • **tacacs+** for all configured TACACS+ servers. • Any configured TACACS+ server group name. The name can be a space-separated list of server groups, and a maximum of 127 characters.
local	(Optional) Specifies to use the local role-based database for authorization.
none	(Optional) Specifies to use no database for authorization.

Command Default

None

Command Modes

Global configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

To use this command, you must enable the TACACS+ feature by using the **feature tacacs+** command.

The **group tacacs+** and **group** *group-list* methods refer to a set of previously defined TACACS+ servers. Use the **tacacs-server host** command to configure the host servers. Use the **aaa group server** command to create a named group of servers. Use the **show aaa groups** command to display the server groups on the device.

If you specify more than one server group, the Cisco NX-OS software checks each group in the order that you specify in the list. The local method or the none method is used only if all the configured server groups fail to respond and you have configured **local** or **none** as the fallback method.

If you specify the **group** method or **local** method and it fails, then the authorization can fail. If you specify the **none** method alone or after the **group** method, then the authorization always succeeds.

Examples

This example shows how to configure the default AAA authorization methods for EXEC commands:

```
switch(config)# aaa authorization commands default group TacGroup local
switch(config)#
```

This example shows how to revert to the default AAA authorization methods for EXEC commands:

```
switch(config)# no aaa authorization commands default group TacGroup local
switch(config)#
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
aaa authorization config-commands default	Configures default AAA authorization methods for configuration commands.
aaa server group	Configures AAA server groups.
feature tacacs+	Enables the TACACS+ feature.
show aaa authorization	Displays the AAA authorization configuration.
tacacs-server host	Configures a TACACS+ server.

aaa authorization config-commands default

To configure the default authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) authorization methods for all configuration commands, use the **aaa authorization config-commands default** command. To revert to the default, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa authorization config-commands default [**group** *group-list*] [**local** | **none**]

no aaa authorization config-commands default [**group** *group-list*] [**local** | **none**]

Syntax Description

group	(Optional) Specifies to use a server group for authorization.
group-list	List of server groups. The list can include the following: • **tacacs+** for all configured TACACS+ servers. • Any configured TACACS+ server group name. The name can be a space-separated list of server groups, and a maximum of 127 characters.
local	(Optional) Specifies to use the local role-based database for authorization.
none	(Optional) Specifies to use no database for authorization.

Command Default

None

Command Modes

Global configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

To use this command, you must enable the TACACS+ feature by using the **feature tacacs+** command.

The **group tacacs+** and **group** *group-list* methods refer to a set of previously defined TACACS+ servers. Use the **tacacs-server host** command to configure the host servers. Use the **aaa group server** command to create a named group of servers. Use the **show aaa groups** command to display the server groups on the device.

If you specify more than one server group, the Cisco NX-OS software checks each group in the order that you specify in the list. The local method or the none method is used only if all the configured server groups fail to respond and you have configured **local** or **none** as the fallback method.

If you specify the **group** method or **local** method and it fails, then the authorization can fail. If you specify the **none** method alone or after the **group** method, then the authorization always succeeds.

Examples

This example shows how to configure the default AAA authorization methods for configuration commands:

```
switch(config)# aaa authorization config-commands default group TacGroup local
switch(config)#
```

This example shows how to revert to the default AAA authorization methods for configuration commands:

```
switch(config)# no aaa authorization config-commands default group TacGroup local
switch(config)#
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
aaa authorization commands default	Configures default AAA authorization methods for EXEC commands.
aaa server group	Configures AAA server groups.
feature tacacs+	Enables the TACACS+ feature.
show aaa authorization	Displays the AAA authorization configuration.
tacacs-server host	Configures a TACACS+ server.

aaa authorization ssh-certificate

To configure the default authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) authorization method for TACACS+ servers, use the **aaa authorization ssh-certificate** command. To disable this configuration, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa authorization ssh-certificate default {**group** *group-list* | **local**}

no aaa authorization ssh-certificate default {**group** *group-list* | **local**}

Syntax Description

group	Specifies to use a server group for authorization.
group-list	Space-separated list of server groups. The list can include the following: • **tacacs+** for all configured TACACS+ servers. • Any configured TACACS+ server group name. The server group name can be a maximum of 127 characters.
local	Specifies to use the local database for authentication.

Command Default

local

Command Modes

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

To use this command, you must enable the TACACS+ feature using the **feature tacacs+** command.

The **group tacacs+** and **group** *group-list* methods refer to a set of previously defined TACACS+ and LDAP servers. Use the **tacacs-server host** command to configure the host servers. Use the **aaa group server** command to create a named group of servers. Use the **show aaa groups** command to display the server groups on the device.

If you specify more than one server group, the Cisco NX-OS software checks each group in the order that you specify in the list. The **local** method is used only if all the configured server groups fail to respond and you have configured **local** as the fallback method.

If you specify the **group** method or **local** method and it fails, the authorization can fail. If you have not configured a fallback method after the TACACS+ or LDAP server group method, authorization fails if all server groups fail to respond.

This command does not require a license.

Examples

This example shows how to configure the local database with certificate authentication as the default AAA authorization method:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# aaa authorization ssh-certificate default local
switch(config)#
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
aaa authorization ssh-publickey	Configures local authorization with the SSH public key as the default AAA authorization method.
feature tacacs+	Enables the TACACS+ feature.
show aaa authorization	Displays the AAA authorization configuration.

aaa authorization ssh-publickey

To configure local authorization with the Secure Shell (SSH) public key as the default AAA authorization method for TACACS+ servers, use the **aaa authorization ssh-publickey** command. To revert to the default, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa authorization ssh-publickey default {**group** *group-list* | **local**}

no aaa authorization ssh-publickey default {**group** *group-list* | **local**}

Syntax Description

group	Specifies to use a server group for authorization.
group-list	Space-separated list of server groups. The server group name can be a maximum of 127 characters.
local	Specifies to use the local database for authentication.

Command Default

local

Command Modes

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

If you specify more than one server group, the Cisco NX-OS software checks each group in the order that you specify in the list. The **local** method is used only if all the configured server groups fail to respond and you have configured **local** as the fallback method.

If you specify the **group** method or **local** method and it fails, the authorization can fail. If you have not configured a fallback method after the server group method, authorization fails if all server groups fail to respond.

This command does not require a license.

Examples

This example shows how to configure local authorization with the SSH public key as the default AAA authorization method:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# aaa authorization ssh-publickey default local
switch(config)#
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
aaa authorization ssh-certificate	Configures local authorization with certificate authentication as the default AAA authorization method.
show aaa authorization	Displays the AAA authorization configuration.

aaa group server radius

To create a RADIUS server group and enter RADIUS server group configuration mode, use the **aaa group server radius** command. To delete a RADIUS server group, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa group server radius *group-name*

no aaa group server radius *group-name*

Syntax Description

group-name	RADIUS server group name.

Command Default

None

Command Modes

Global configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Examples

This example shows how to create a RADIUS server group and enter RADIUS server configuration mode:

```
switch(config)# aaa group server radius RadServer
switch(config-radius)#
```

This example shows how to delete a RADIUS server group:

```
switch(config)# no aaa group server radius RadServer
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
show aaa groups	Displays server group information.

aaa user default-role

To enable the default role assigned by the authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) server administrator for remote authentication, use the **aaa user default-role** command. To disable the default role, use the **no** form of this command.

aaa user default-role

no aaa user default-role

Syntax Description

This command has no arguments or keywords.

Command Default

Enabled

Command Modes

Global configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Examples

This example shows how to enable the default role assigned by the AAA server administrator for remote authentication:

```
switch(config)# aaa user default-role
switch(config)#
```

This example shows how to disable the default role assigned by the AAA server administrator for remote authentication:

```
switch(config)# no aaa user default-role
switch(config)#
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
show aaa user default-role	Displays the status of the default user for remote authentication.
show aaa authentication	Displays AAA authentication information.

access-class

To restrict incoming and outgoing connections between a particular VTY and the addresses in an access list, use the **access-class** command. To remove access restrictions, use the **no** form of this command.

access-class *access-list-name* {**in** | **out**}

no access-class *access-list-name* {**in** | **out**}

Syntax Description

access-list-name	Name of the IPv4 ACL class. The name can be a maximum of 64 alphanumeric characters. The name cannot contain a space or quotation mark.
in	Specifies that incoming connections be restricted between a particular Cisco Nexus 5000 Series switch and the addresses in the access list.
out	Specifies that outgoing connections be restricted between a particular Cisco Nexus 5000 Series switch and the addresses in the access list.

Command Default

None

Command Modes

Line configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.0(2)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

When you allow telnet or SSH to a Cisco device, you can secure access to the device by binding an access class to the VTYs.

To display the access lists for a particular terminal line, use the **show line** command.

When you use the **access-class** command to restrict traffic on VTY, the FTP, TFTP, Secure Copy Protocol (SCP), and Secure FTP (SFTP) traffic are also affected.

Examples

This example shows how to configure an access class on a VTY line to restrict inbound packets:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# line vty
switch(config-line)# access-class ozi2 in
switch(config-line)#
```

This example shows how to remove an access class that restricts inbound packets:

```
switch(config)# line vty
switch(config-line)# no access-class ozi2 in
switch(config-line)#
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
ip access-class	Configures an IPv4 access class.
show access-class	Displays the access classes configured on the switch.
show line	Displays the access lists for a particular terminal line.
show running-config aclmgr	Displays the running configuration of ACLs.
ssh	Starts an SSH session using IPv4.
telnet	Starts a Telnet session using IPv4.

action

To specify what the switch does when a packet matches a **permit** command in a VLAN access control list (VACL), use the **action** command. To remove an **action** command, use the **no** form of this command.

action {**drop forward**}

no action {**drop forward**}

Syntax Description

drop	Specifies that the switch drops the packet.
forward	Specifies that the switch forwards the packet to its destination port.

Command Default

None

Command Modes

VLAN access-map configuration mode

Command History

Release	Modification
5.2(1)N1(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines

The **action** command specifies the action that the device takes when a packet matches the conditions in the ACL specified by the **match** command.

Examples

This example shows how to create a VLAN access map named vlan-map-01, assign an IPv4 ACL named ip-acl-01 to the map, specify that the switch forwards packets matching the ACL, and enable statistics for traffic matching the map:

```
switch(config)# vlan access-map vlan-map-01
switch(config-access-map)# match ip address ip-acl-01
switch(config-access-map)# action forward
switch(config-access-map)# statistics
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
match	Specifies an ACL for traffic filtering in a VLAN access map.
show vlan access-map	Displays all VLAN access maps or a VLAN access map.
show vlan filter	Displays information about how a VLAN access map is applied.
statistics	Enables statistics for an access control list or VLAN access map.
vlan access-map	Configures a VLAN access map.
vlan filter	Applies a VLAN access map to one or more VLANs.