

# Cisco ISE 2.7 Admin Guide: Troubleshooting

## Troubleshoot

### Monitoring and Troubleshooting Service in Cisco ISE

The Monitoring and Troubleshooting (MnT) service is a comprehensive identity solution for all Cisco ISE run-time services. The **Operations** menu contains the following components and can be viewed only from the Primary Policy Administration Node (PAN). Note that the **Operations** menu does not appear in the primary Monitoring node.

- **Monitoring:** Provides real-time presentation of meaningful data representing the state of access activities on a network. This insight allows you to easily interpret and affect operational conditions.
- **Troubleshooting:** Provides contextual guidance for resolving access issues on networks. You can then address user concerns and provide resolution in a timely manner.
- **Reporting:** Provides a catalog of standard reports that you can use to analyze trends and monitor system performance and network activities. You can customize reports in various ways and save them for future use. You can search records using wild cards and multiple values in all the reports for the **Identity**, **Endpoint ID**, and **ISE Node** (except the **Health Summary** report) fields.

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For a complete list of troubleshooting TechNotes, see [ISE Troubleshooting TechNotes](#).

### Network Privilege Framework Event Flow Process

The Network Privilege Framework (NPF) authentication and authorization event flow uses the process described in the following table:

| Process Stage | Description   |
|---------------|---|
| 1             | Network Access Device (NAD) performs either a normal authorization or a flex authorization. |
| 2             | An unknown agentless identity is profiled with web authorization.                           |
| 3             | A RADIUS server authenticates and authorizes the identity.                                  |
| 4             | Authorization is provisioned for the identity at the port.                                  |
| 5             | Unauthorized endpoint traffic is dropped.   |

## User Roles and Permissions for Monitoring and Troubleshooting Capabilities

Monitoring and troubleshooting capabilities are associated with default user roles. The tasks you are allowed to perform are directly related to your assigned user role.

See the "Cisco ISE Administrator Groups" section in for information on the permissions and restrictions set for each user role.

## Data Stored in the Monitoring Database

The Cisco ISE monitoring service collects and stores data in a specialized monitoring database. The rate and amount of data utilized to monitor network functions may require a node dedicated solely to monitoring. If your Cisco ISE network collects logging data at a high rate from policy service nodes or network devices, we recommend a Cisco ISE node dedicated to monitoring.

To manage the information stored in the monitoring database, perform full and incremental backups of the database. This includes purging unwanted data and then restoring the database.

## Smart Call Home

Smart Call Home (SCH) monitors Cisco ISE devices in your network and notifies you via email about the critical events. Emails contain real-time alerts with environmental information and remediation advice.

When you activate Smart Licensing from Cisco ISE, the SCH capabilities are enabled by default. Otherwise, to enable SCH, you must register Cisco ISE for the SCH service. See [Register for Smart Call Home Service, on page 3](#) for information on how to enable the SCH feature.

- **Cisco Account:** Enter your Cisco account so you can get emails from SCH. We may also use this ID to contact you if SCH finds any serious issues that may affect you.
- **Transport Gateway:** You can use a proxy between your Cisco ISE and Cisco's external telemetry servers for extra security. If you do, check this option and enter the FQDN of your proxy server.

Cisco provides software for Transport Gateway, which you can download from Cisco.com. This software runs on a Linux server. Refer to the [Smart Call Home Deployment Guide](#) for information on how to deploy the Transport Gateway software on an RHEL server.

For more information about enabling the SCH capabilities, see [Register for Smart Call Home Service, on page 3](#).

## Smart Call Home Profiles

Smart Call Home profiles determine the types of events that are monitored on your device. Cisco ISE includes the following default profiles:

- **ciscotac-1** - Used for anonymous reporting
- **isesch-1** - Used for Smart Call Home functionality

You cannot edit the default profile that is used for anonymous reporting (ciscotac-1).

## Anonymous Reporting

Cisco ISE securely collects non-sensitive information about your deployment, network access devices, profiler, and other services that you are using. This data is collected to better understand Cisco ISE usage and to improve the product and the various services that it offers.

By default, anonymous reporting is enabled. If you want to disable anonymous reporting, you can do so from the ISE Admin Portal (Administration > System > Settings > Smart Call Home).

## Register for Smart Call Home Service



**Note** If you have activated Smart Licensing from Cisco ISE, you don't have to register for the Smart Call Home (SCH) service. With Smart Licensing, the SCH capabilities are enabled by default. The Registration Status in the Smart Call Home page would be Active. You can choose to enable only Anonymous Reporting or enable the full set of features offered by SCH.

To enable SCH services without Smart Licensing, you must first register Cisco ISE for the SCH service. You can only do so from a standalone node or a Primary Administration Node.

### Procedure

- Step 1** Choose **Administration > System > Settings > Smart Call Home**.
- Step 2** Choose one of the following:
  - Turn on full SCH capability
  - Keep the default SCH telemetry settings and send only anonymous data
  - Disable everything
- Step 3** (Only if you choose the **Turn on full SCH Capability** option) Enter your e-mail address in the Registration Status area.
- Step 4** (Optional) Check the **Transport Gateway** check box and enter the Transport Gateway URL.
- Step 5** Click **Save**.

You will receive an e-mail with the activation link, if you have chosen to turn on full SCH capability. Click the activation link and follow the instructions provided to complete the registration.

## Cisco ISE Telemetry

Telemetry monitors your system and devices in your network to provide feedback to Cisco on how you use the product. Cisco uses this information to improve the product.

Telemetry is enabled by default. To disable this feature:

- Go to **Administration > System > Settings > Network Success Diagnostics > Telemetry**.
- Click the **Enable Telemetry** check box to uncheck it and disable telemetry.

It may take up to 24 hours after the feature is disabled for Cisco ISE to stop sharing telemetry data.

- **Cisco Account:** Enter your Cisco account so you can get emails from Telemetry. We may also use this ID to contact you if Telemetry finds any serious issues that may affect you.
- **Transport Gateway:** You can use a proxy between your Cisco ISE and Cisco's external telemetry servers for extra security. If you do, check this option and enter the FQDN of your proxy server. Telemetry does not require a proxy.

Cisco provides software for Transport Gateway, which you can download from Cisco.com. This software runs on a Linux server. Refer to the [Smart Call Home Deployment Guide](#) for information on how to deploy the Transport Gateway software on an RHEL server. If you are using this Cisco software, the URL value is <**FQDN of proxyserver**>/Transportgateway/services/DeviceRequestHandler. You can use this gateway to connect to the Smart Licensing server, too. Starting with version 3.5 of the Transport Gateway, you cannot change the port, but you can enter IP address instead of the FQDN.

### Related Topics

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## Information That Telemetry Gathers

Telemetry sends the following information to Cisco.

### Nodes:

For each PAN Node:

- Current number of postured endpoints
- Current number of PxGrid Clients
- Current number of endpoints managed by MDM
- Current number of Guest users
- Start and end date of this telemetry record

### For each PSN Node:

- Number of profiler probes
- Node service type
- Passive ID used?

### For All Nodes

- Number of CPU cores
- VM available disk space
- System Name
- Serial number
- VID and PID
- Uptime

- Last CLI login

MnT node count

pxGrid node count

### Licenses

- Have any licenses expired?
- Number of Apex licenses available, maximum ever used
- Number of Base licenses available, maximum ever used
- Number of Plus licenses available, maximum ever used
- Number of Apex licenses available, maximum ever used
- Number of small, medium and large VM licenses
- Is an evaluation license in use?
- Name of the smart account
- Number of TACACS devices
- Expiration date, remaining days, license term
- service types, primary and secondary UDI

### Posture

- Number of inactive policies
- Last Posture Feed update
- Number of active policies

### Guest Users

- Maximum number of authenticated guests for the day
- Maximum number of active guests for the day
- Maximum number of BYOD users for the day

### Network Access

For each NAD:

- Authorization: Activated ACLs, VLANs, Policy size
- NDG map and NAD hierarchy
- Authentication:
  - Number of RADIUS, RSA ID, LDAP, ODBC, and Active Directory ID stores
  - Number of local (non-admin) users
  - NDG map and NAD map

- Number of policy lines

For authorizations, active VLANs, policy count, number of activated ACLs

Status, VID, PT

Average load, memory usage

Number of PAP, MnT, pxGrid, and PIC nodes

Name, profile name, profile ID

### **NAD Profile**

For each NAD profile:

- Name and ID
- Cisco device
- TACACS support
- RADIUS support
- Trustsec support
- Default profile

### **Profiler**

- Date of last feed update
- Are automatic updates enabled?
- Endpoints profiled, endpoint type, unknown endpoints, percentage unknown, and total endpoint count
- Number of custom profiles
- Serial number, scope, endpoint types, custom profiles

### **MDM**

- List of MDM nodes
- For a date range, current MDM endpoint count, current guest user count, current postured users count
- pxGrid client count
- Node count

## **SNMP Traps to Monitor Cisco ISE**

### **Generic SNMP Traps in Cisco ISE**

SNMP traps help you to monitor the status of Cisco ISE. If you want to monitor Cisco ISE without accessing the Cisco ISE server, you can configure a MIB browser as an SNMP host in Cisco ISE. You can then monitor the status of Cisco ISE from the MIB browser.

See the [Cisco Identity Services Engine CLI Reference Guide](#) for information on the **snmp-server host** and **snmp-server trap** commands.

Cisco ISE supports SNMPv1, SNMPv2c, and SNMPv3.

Cisco ISE sends the following generic system traps if you configure the SNMP host from the CLI:

- Cold start—When the device reboots
- Linkup—When Ethernet interface is up
- Linkdown—When Ethernet interface is down
- Authentication failure—When the community strings do not match

The following generic SNMP traps are generated by default in Cisco ISE:

**Table 1: Generic SNMP Traps Generated by Default in Cisco ISE**

| OID   | Description  | Trap Example   |
|---|--|--|
| .1.3.6.1.4.1.8072.4.0.3<br>NET-SNMP-MIB::nsNotifyRestart  | An indication that the agent has been restarted.   | DISMAN-EVENT-MIB::sysUpTimeInstance = Timeticks: (478) 0:00:04.78<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapOID.0 = OID: NET-SNMP-AGENT-MIB::nsNotifyRestart<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapEnterprise.0 = OID: NET-SNMP-MIB::netSnmpNotificationPrefix   |
| .1.3.6.1.4.1.8072.4.0.2<br>NET-SNMP-MIB::nsNotifyShutdown | An indication that the agent is in the process of being shut down.   | DISMAN-EVENT-MIB::sysUpTimeInstance = Timeticks: (479) 0:00:04.79<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapOID.0 = OID: NET-SNMP-AGENT-MIB::nsNotifyShutdown<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapEnterprise.0 = OID: NET-SNMP-MIB::netSnmpNotificationPrefix  |
| .1.3.6.1.6.3.1.1.5.4<br>IF-MIB::linkUp                    | A linkUp trap signifies that the SNMP entity, acting in an agent role, has detected that the ifOperStatus object for one of its communication links left the Down state and transitioned into some other state (but not into the notPresent state). This other state is indicated by the included value of ifOperStatus. | DISMAN-EVENT-MIB::sysUpTimeInstance = Timeticks: (478) 0:00:04.78<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapOID.0 = OID: IF-MIB::linkUp IF-MIB::ifIndex.12 = INTEGER: 12 IF-MIB::ifAdminStatus.12 = INTEGER: up(1)<br>IF-MIB::ifOperStatus.12 = INTEGER: up(1)<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapEnterprise.0 = OID: NET-SNMP-MIB::netSnmpAgentOIDs.10 |

| OID   | Description  | Trap Example   |
|---|--|--|
| .1.3.6.1.6.3.1.1.5.3<br>IF-MIB::linkDown      | A linkDown trap signifies that the SNMP entity, acting in an agent role, has detected that the ifOperStatus object for one of its communication links is about to enter the Down state from some other state (but not from the notPresent state). This other state is indicated by the included value of ifOperStatus. | DISMAN-EVENT-MIB::sysUpTimeInstance = Timeticks: (479) 0:00:04.79<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapOID.0 = OID: IF-MIB::linkDown IF-MIB::ifIndex.5 = INTEGER: 5 IF-MIB::ifAdminStatus.5 = INTEGER: up(1) IF-MIB::ifOperStatus.5 = INTEGER: down(2)<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapEnterprise.0 = OID:<br>NET-SNMP-MIB::netSnmpAgentOIDs.10 |
| .1.3.6.1.6.3.1.1.5.1<br>SNMPv2-MIB::coldStart | A coldStart trap signifies that the SNMP entity, supporting a notification originator application, is reinitializing itself and that its configuration may have been altered.  | DISMAN-EVENT-MIB::sysUpTimeInstance = Timeticks: (8) 0:00:00.08<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapOID.0 = OID: SNMPv2-MIB::coldStart<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapEnterprise.0 = OID:<br>NET-SNMP-MIB::netSnmpAgentOIDs.10  |

### Process Monitoring SNMP Traps in Cisco ISE

Cisco ISE allows you to send hrSWRunName traps for Cisco ISE process statuses to the SNMP manager if you configure an SNMP host from the Cisco ISE CLI. Cisco ISE uses a cron job to trigger these traps. The cron job retrieves the Cisco ISE process status from Monit. After you configure the **SNMP-Server Host** command from the CLI, a cron job runs every five minutes and monitors Cisco ISE.



#### Note

When an ISE process is manually stopped by an admin, Monit for the process is also stopped and no traps are sent to the SNMP manager. A process stop SNMP trap is sent to the SNMP manager only when a process accidentally shuts down and is not automatically revived.



**Table 2: Process Monitoring SNMP Traps in Cisco ISE**

| OID  | Description  | Trap Example   |
|--|--|--|
| .1.3.6.1.2.1.25.4.2.1.2<br>HOST-RESOURCES-MIB::hrSWRunName | A textual description of this running piece of software, including the manufacturer, revision, and the name by which it is commonly known. If this software was installed locally, this should be the same string as that used in the corresponding hrSWInstalledName. The services taken into consideration are app-server, rsyslog, redis-server, ad-connector, mnt-collector, mnt-processor, ca-server est-server, and elasticsearch. | DISMAN-EVENT-MIB::sysUpTimeInstance = Timeticks: (63692139) 7 days, 8:55:21.39<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapOID.0 = OID: HOST-RESOURCES-MIB::hrSWRunName<br>HOST-RESOURCES-MIB::hrSWRunName = STRING: "redis-server:Running" |

Cisco ISE sends traps for the following statuses to the configured SNMP server:

- Process Start (monitored state)
- Process Stop (not monitored state)
- Execution Failed: When the process state changes from *Monitored* to *Execution failed*, a trap is sent.
- Does Not Exist: When the process state changes from *Monitored* to *Does not exist*, a trap is sent.

A unique object ID (OID) is generated for every object in the SNMP server and a value is assigned to the OID. You can find the object with its OID value in the SNMP server. The OID value for a running trap is *running*, and the OID value for the not monitored, does not exist, and execution failed traps is *stopped*.

Cisco ISE sends traps using the OID of hrSWRunName that belongs to the HOST-RESOURCES MIB and sets the OID value as < *PROCESS NAME* > - < *PROCESS STATUS* >, for example, runtime - running.

To stop Cisco ISE from sending SNMP traps to the SNMP server, remove the SNMP configuration from the Cisco ISE CLI. This operation stops sending SNMP traps and polling from the SNMP manager.

### Disk Utilization SNMP Traps in Cisco ISE

When a Cisco ISE partition reaches its threshold disk utilization limit and the configured amount of free space is reached, the disk utilization trap is sent.

The following disk utilization SNMP traps can be configured in Cisco ISE:

Table 3: Disk Utilization SNMP Traps in Cisco ISE

| OID  | Description   | Trap Example   |
|--|---|--|
| .1.3.6.1.4.1.2021.9.1.9<br>UCDSNMP-MIB::dskPercent | Percentage of space used on disk.   | DISMAN-EVENT-MIB::sysUpTimeInstance = Timeticks: (118198297) 13 days, 16:19:42.97<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapOID.0 = OID: UCD-SNMP-MIB::dskPercent<br>UCD-SNMP-MIB::dskPercent = INTEGER: 13 |
| .1.3.6.1.4.1.2021.9.1.2<br>UCDSNMP-MIB::dskPath    | Path where the disk is mounted.<br><br>dskPath can send traps for all the mount points in the output of the ISE admin command <b>show disks</b> . | DISMAN-EVENT-MIB::sysUpTimeInstance = Timeticks: (118198304) 13 days, 16:19:43.04<br>SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapOID.0 = OID: UCD-SNMP-MIB::dskPath<br>UCD-SNMP-MIB::dskPath = STRING: /opt      |

## Cisco ISE Alarms

Alarms notify you of critical conditions on a network and are displayed in the Alarms dashlet. They also provide information on system activities, such as data purge events. You can configure how you want to be notified about system activities, or disable them entirely. You can also configure the threshold for certain alarms.

Most alarms do not have an associated schedule and are sent immediately after an event occurs. At any given point in time, only the latest 15,000 alarms are retained.

If the event re-occurs, then the same alarms are suppressed for about an hour. During the time that the event re-occurs, depending up on the trigger, it may take about an hour for the alarms to re-appear.

The following table lists all the Cisco ISE alarms, descriptions and their resolution.

Table 4: Cisco ISE Alarms

| Alarm Name                                      | Alarm Description                                     | Alarm Resolution  |
|---|---|---|
| Administrative and Operational Audit Management |   |   |
| Deployment Upgrade Failure                      | An upgrade has failed on an ISE node.                 | Check the ADE.log on the failed node for upgrade failure reason and corrective actions. |
| Upgrade Bundle Download failure                 | An upgrade bundle download has failed on an ISE node. | Check the ADE.log on the failed node for upgrade failure reason and corrective actions. |
| SXP Connection Failure                          | SXP Connection has failed.                            | Verify that the SXP service is running. Check peer for compatibility.                   |

| Alarm Name   | Alarm Description  | Alarm Resolution  |
|--|--|---|
| Cisco profile applied to all devices                                     | Network device profiles define the capabilities of network access devices, such as MAB, Dot1X, CoA, Web Redirect. As part of the ISE 2.0 upgrade, the default Cisco network device profile was applied to all network devices. | Consider editing the configuration of non-Cisco network devices to assign the appropriate profile.  |
| Secure LDAP connection reconnect due to CRL found revoked certificate    | CRL check result is that the certificate used for LDAP connection is revoked.  | Check the CRL configuration and verify that it is valid. Check that the LDAP server certificate and its issuer certificates are not revoked. If revoked issue new certificate and install it on LDAP server.      |
| Secure LDAP connection reconnect due to OCSP found revoked certificate   | OCSP check result is that the certificate used for LDAP connection is revoked.   | Check the OCSP configuration and verify that it is valid. Check that the LDAP server certificate and its issuer certificates are not revoked. If revoked issue new certificate and install it on LDAP server.     |
| Secure syslog connection reconnect due to CRL found revoked certificate  | CRL check result is that the certificate used for syslog connection is revoked.  | Check the CRL configuration and verify that it is valid. Check that the syslog server certificate and its issuer certificates are not revoked. If revoked issue new certificate and install it on syslog server.  |
| Secure syslog connection reconnect due to OCSP found revoked certificate | OCSP check result is that the certificate used for syslog connection is revoked.   | Check the OCSP configuration and verify that it is valid. Check that the syslog server certificate and its issuer certificates are not revoked. If revoked issue new certificate and install it on syslog server. |
| Administrator account Locked/Disabled                                    | Administrator account is locked or disabled due to password expiration or incorrect login attempts. For more details, refer to the administrator password policy.  | Administrator password can be reset by another administrator using the GUI or CLI.  |
| ERS identified deprecated URL  | ERS identified deprecated URL  | The request URL is deprecated and it is recommended to avoid using it.  |
| ERS identified out-dated URL   | ERS identified out-dated URL   | The requested URL is outdated and it is recommended to use a newer one. This URL will not be removed in future releases.  |

| Alarm Name   | Alarm Description  | Alarm Resolution  |
|--|--|---|
| ERS request content-type header is outdated            | ERS request content-type header is out-dated.  | The request resource version stated in the request content-type header is outdated. That means that the resource schema has been modified. One or more attributes may have been added or removed. To overcome that with the outdated schema, the ERS Engine will use default values.  |
| ERS XML input is a suspect for XSS or Injection attack | ERS XML input is a suspect for XSS or Injection attack.  | Please review your xml input.   |
| Backup Failed  | The ISE backup operation failed.   | Check the network connectivity between Cisco ISE and the repository. Ensure that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The credentials used for the repository is correct.</li> <li>• There is sufficient disk space in the repository.</li> <li>• The repository user has write privileges.</li> </ul>                             |
| CA Server is down                                      | CA server is down.   | Check to make sure that the CA services are up and running on the CA server.  |
| CA Server is Up  | CA server is up.   | A notification to inform the administrator that the CA server is up.  |
| Certificate Expiration                                 | This certificate will expire soon. When it expires, Cisco ISE may fail to establish secure communication with clients. | Replace the certificate. For a trust certificate, contact the issuing Certificate Authority (CA). For a CA-signed local certificate, generate a CSR and have the CA create a new certificate. For a self-signed local certificate, use Cisco ISE to extend the expiration date. You can delete the certificate if it is no longer used. |
| Certificate Revoked                                    | Administrator has revoked the certificate issued to an Endpoint by the Internal CA.                                    | Go through the BYOD flow from the beginning to be provisioned with a new certificate.   |

| Alarm Name                                    | Alarm Description   | Alarm Resolution  |
|---|---|---|
| Certificate Provisioning Initialization Error | Certificate provisioning initialization failed  | More than one certificate found with the same value of CN (CommonName) attribute in the subject, cannot build certificate chain. Check all the certificates in the system including those from the SCEP server.   |
| Certificate Replication Failed                | Certificate replication to secondary node failed  | The certificate is not valid on the secondary node, or there is some other permanent error condition. Check the secondary node for a pre-existing, conflicting certificate. If found, delete the pre-existing certificate on the secondary node, and export the new certificate on the primary, delete it, and import it in order to reattempt replication. |
| Certificate Replication Temporarily Failed    | Certificate replication to secondary node temporarily failed  | The certificate was not replicated to a secondary node due to a temporary condition such as a network outage. The replication will be retried until it succeeds.  |
| Certificate Expired                           | This certificate has expired. Cisco ISE may fail to establish secure communication with clients. Node-to-node communication may also be affected. | Replace the certificate. For a trust certificate, contact the issuing Certificate Authority (CA). For a CA-signed local certificate, generate a CSR and have the CA create a new certificate. For a self-signed local certificate, use Cisco ISE to extend the expiration date. You can delete the certificate if it is no longer used.                     |
| Certificate Request Forwarding Failed         | Certificate request forwarding failed.  | Make sure that the certification request coming in matches with attributes from the sender.   |
| Configuration Changed                         | Cisco ISE configuration is updated. This alarm is not triggered for any configuration change in users and endpoints.                              | Check if the configuration change is expected.  |
| CRL Retrieval Failed                          | Unable to retrieve CRL from the server. This could occur if the specified CRL is unavailable.   | Ensure that the download URL is correct and is available for the service.   |

| Alarm Name                             | Alarm Description   | Alarm Resolution  |
|--|---|---|
| DNS Resolution Failure                 | DNS resolution failed on the node.  | Check if the DNS server configured by the command <b>ip name-server</b> is reachable.<br><br>If you get the alarm as 'DNS Resolution failed for CNAME <hostname of the node>', then ensure that you create CNAME RR along with the A record for each Cisco ISE node.          |
| Firmware Update Required               | A firmware update is required on this host.   | Contact Cisco Technical Assistance Center to obtain firmware update   |
| Insufficient Virtual Machine Resources | Virtual Machine (VM) resources such as CPU, RAM, Disk Space, or IOPS are insufficient on this host. | Ensure that a minimum requirements for the VM host, as specified in the Cisco ISE Hardware Installation Guide.  |
| NTP Service Failure                    | The NTP service is down on this node.   | This could be because there is a large time difference between NTP server and Cisco ISE node( more than 1000s). Ensure that your NTP server is working properly and use the <b>ntp server &lt;servername&gt;</b> CLI command to restart the NTP service and fix the time gap. |
| NTP Sync Failure                       | All the NTP servers configured on this node are unreachable.  | Execute <b>show ntp</b> command from the CLI for troubleshooting. Ensure that the NTP servers are reachable from Cisco ISE. If NTP authentication is configured, ensure that the key ID and value matches with that of the server.  |
| No Configuration Backup Scheduled      | No Cisco ISE configuration backup is scheduled.   | Create a schedule for configuration backup.   |
| Operations DB Purge Failed             | Unable to purge older data from the operations database. This could occur if M&T nodes are busy.    | Check the Data Purging Audit report and ensure that the used_space is lesser than the threshold_space. Login to M&T nodes using CLI and perform the purge operation manually.   |
| Profiler SNMP Request Failure          | Either the SNMP request timed out or the SNMP community or user authentication data is incorrect.   | Ensure that SNMP is running on the NAD and verify that SNMP configuration on Cisco ISE matches with NAD.  |

| Alarm Name                               | Alarm Description  | Alarm Resolution   |
|--|--|--|
| Replication Failed                       | The secondary node failed to consume the replicated message.                         | Login to the Cisco ISE GUI and perform a manual syncup from the deployment page. De-register and register back the affected Cisco ISE node.  |
| Restore Failed                           | Cisco ISE restore operation failed.  | Ensure the network connectivity between Cisco ISE and the repository. Ensure that the credentials used for the repository is correct. Ensure that the backup file is not corrupted. Execute the <b>reset-config</b> command from the CLI and restore the last known good backup. |
| Patch Failure                            | A patch process has failed on the server.  | Re-install the patch process on the server.  |
| Patch Success                            | A patch process has succeeded on the server.   | -  |
| External MDM Server API Version Mismatch | External MDM server API version does not match with what is configured in Cisco ISE. | Ensure that the MDM server API version is the same as what is configured in Cisco ISE. Update Cisco ISE MDM server configuration if needed.  |
| External MDM Server Connection Failure   | Connection to the external MDM server failed.  | Ensure that the MDM server is up and Cisco ISE-MDM API service is running on the MDM server.   |
| External MDM Server Response Error       | External MDM Server response error.  | Ensure that the Cisco ISE-MDM API service is properly running on the MDM server.   |
| Replication Stopped                      | ISE node could not replicate configuration data from the PAN.                        | Login to the Cisco ISE GUI to perform a manual syncup from the deployment page or de-register and register back the affected ISE node with required field.   |
| Endpoint certificates expired            | Endpoint certificates were marked expired by daily scheduled job.                    | Please re-enroll the endpoint device to get a new endpoint certificate.  |
| Endpoint certificates purged             | Expired endpoint certificates were purged by daily scheduled job.                    | No action needed - this was an administrator-initiated cleanup operation.  |

| Alarm Name   | Alarm Description   | Alarm Resolution  |
|--|---|---|
| Endpoints Purge Activities                           | Purge activities on endpoints for the past 24 hours. This alarm is triggered at mid-night.          | Review the purge activities under <b>Operations &gt; Reports &gt; Endpoints and Users &gt; Endpoint Purge Activities</b>          |
| Slow Replication Error                               | Slow or a stuck replication is detected .   | Please verify that the node is reachable and part of the deployment.  |
| Slow Replication Info                                | Slow or a stuck replication is detected .   | Please verify that the node is reachable and part of the deployment.  |
| Slow Replication Warning                             | Slow or a stuck replication is detected .   | Please verify that the node is reachable and part of the deployment.  |
| PAN Auto Failover - Failover Failed                  | Promotion request to the Secondary administration node failed.                                      | Please refer to the alarm details for further action.   |
| PAN Auto Failover - Failover Triggered               | Successfully triggered the failover of the Secondary Administration node to Primary role.           | Wait for promotion of secondary PAN to complete and bring up the old primary PAN.   |
| PAN Auto Failover - Health Check Inactivity          | PAN did not receive the health check monitoring request from the designated monitoring node.        | Please verify if the reported monitoring node is down or out-of-sync and trigger a manual sync if needed.                         |
| PAN Auto Failover - Invalid Health Check             | Invalid health check monitoring request received for auto-failover.                                 | Please verify if the health check monitoring node is out-of-sync and trigger a manual sync if needed.                             |
| PAN Auto Failover - Primary Administration Node Down | Primary Admin node is down or is not reachable from the monitoring node.                            | Bring up the PAN or wait for failover to happen.  |
| PAN Auto Failover - Rejected Failover Attempt        | Secondary administration node rejected the promotion request made by the health check monitor node. | Refer to the alarm details for further action.  |
| EST Service is down                                  | EST Service is down.  | Make sure that the CA and EST services are up and running and Certificate services endpoint Sub CA certificate chain is complete. |
| EST Service is up                                    | EST Service is up.  | A notification to inform the administrator that the EST service is up.  |



| Alarm Name                                      | Alarm Description   | Alarm Resolution   |
|---|---|--|
| Smart Call Home Communication Failure           | Smart Call Home messages were not sent successfully.  | Ensure that there is network connectivity between Cisco ISE and Cisco systems.   |
| Telemetry Communication Failure                 | Telemetry messages were not sent successfully.  | Ensure that there is network connectivity between Cisco ISE and Cisco systems.   |
| Adapter not reachable                           | Cisco ISE cannot connect to the adapter.  | Check the adapter logs for more details about the failure.   |
| Adapter Error                                   | Adapter has encountered an error.   | Check the description of the alarm.  |
| Adapter Connection Failed                       | The adapter cannot connect to the source server.  | Ensure that the source server is reachable   |
| Adapter Stopped Due to Error                    | The adapter has encountered an error and is not in the desired state.                                     | Ensure that the adapter configuration is correct and the source server is reachable. Refer to the adapter logs for more details about the error. |
| Service Component Error                         | The service component has encountered an error.   | Check the description of the alarm.  |
| Service Component Info                          | The service component has sent a notification.  | None.  |
| ISE Services                                    |   |  |
| Excessive TACACS Authentication Attempts        | The ISE Policy Service nodes are experiencing higher than expected rate of TACACS Authentications.        | Check the re-auth timer in the network devices. Check the network connectivity of the ISE infrastructure.  |
| Excessive TACACS Authentication Failed Attempts | The ISE Policy Service nodes are experiencing higher than expected rate of Failed TACACS Authentications. | Check the authentication steps to identify the root cause. Check the ISE/NAD configuration for Identity and Secret mismatch.                     |
| MSE Location Server accessible again            | MSE Location Server is accessible again.  | None.  |
| MSE Location Server not accessible.             | MSE Location Server is not accessible or is down.   | Please check if MSE Location Server is up and running and is accessible from ISE node(s).  |
| AD Connector had to be restarted                | AD Connector stopped unexpectedly and had to be restarted.  | If this issue persists, contact the Cisco TAC for assistance.  |

| Alarm Name                             | Alarm Description   | Alarm Resolution   |
|--|---|--|
| Active Directory forest is unavailable | Active Directory forest GC (Global Catalog) is unavailable, and cannot be used for authentication, authorization and group and attribute retrieval. | Check DNS configuration, Kerberos configuration, error conditions, and network connectivity.   |
| Authentication domain is unavailable   | Authentication domain is unavailable, and cannot be used for authentication, authorization and group and attribute retrieval.                       | Check DNS configuration, Kerberos configuration, error conditions, and network connectivity.   |
| ISE Authentication Inactivity          | Cisco ISE policy service nodes are not receiving authentication requests from the network devices.  | Check the ISE/NAD configuration. Check the network connectivity of the ISE/NAD infrastructure.   |
| ID Map. Authentication Inactivity      | No User Authentication events were collected by the Identity Mapping service in the last 15 minutes.  | If this is a time when User Authentications are expected (e.g. work hours), then check the connection to Active Directory domain controllers.  |
| COA Failed                             | Network device has denied the Change of Authorization (CoA) request issued by Cisco ISE policy service nodes.                                       | Ensure that the network device is configured to accept Change of Authorization (CoA) from Cisco ISE. Ensure if CoA is issued on a valid session.   |
| Configured nameserver is down          | Configured nameserver is down or unavailable.   | Check DNS configuration and network connectivity.  |
| Supplicant Stopped Responding          | Cisco ISE sent last message to the client 120 seconds ago but there is no response from the client.   | Verify that the supplicant is configured properly to conduct a full EAP conversation with Cisco ISE. Verify that NAS is configured properly to transfer EAP messages to/from the supplicant. Verify that the supplicant or NAS does not have a short timeout for EAP conversation. |

| Alarm Name                             | Alarm Description   | Alarm Resolution  |
|--|---|---|
| Excessive Authentication Attempts      | Cisco ISE policy service nodes are experiencing higher than expected rate of authentications.                         | <p>Check the re-auth timer in the network devices. Check the network connectivity of the Cisco ISE infrastructure.</p> <p>Once the threshold is met, the Excessive Authentication Attempts and Excessive Failed Attempts alarms are triggered. The numbers displayed next to the Description column are the total number of authentications that are authenticated or failed against Cisco ISE in last 15 minutes.</p>                    |
| Excessive Failed Attempts              | Cisco ISE policy service nodes are experiencing higher than expected rate of failed authentications.                  | <p>Check the authentication steps to identify the root cause. Check the Cisco ISE/NAD configuration for identity and secret mismatch.</p> <p>Once the threshold is met, the Excessive Authentication Attempts and Excessive Failed Attempts alarms are triggered. The numbers displayed next to the Description column are the total number of authentications that are authenticated or failed against Cisco ISE in last 15 minutes.</p> |
| AD: Machine TGT refresh failed         | ISE server TGT (Ticket Granting Ticket) refresh has failed; it is used for AD connectivity and services.              | Check that the ISE machine account exists and is valid. Also check for possible clock skew, replication, Kerberos configuration and/or network errors.  |
| AD: ISE account password update failed | ISE server has failed to update its AD machine account password.  | Check that the ISE machine account password is not changed and that the machine account is not disabled or restricted. Check the connectivity to KDC.   |
| Joined domain is unavailable           | Joined domain is unavailable, and cannot be used for authentication, authorization and group and attribute retrieval. | Check DNS configuration, Kerberos configuration, error conditions, and network connectivity.  |
| Identity Store Unavailable             | Cisco ISE policy service nodes are unable to reach the configured identity stores.                                    | Check the network connectivity between Cisco ISE and identity store.  |

| Alarm Name                            | Alarm Description  | Alarm Resolution   |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Misconfigured Network Device Detected | Cisco ISE has detected too many RADIUS accounting information from NAS   | Too many duplicate RADIUS accounting information has been sent to ISE from NAS. Configure NAS with accurate accounting frequency.  |
| Misconfigured Supplicant Detected     | Cisco ISE has detected mis-configured supplicant on the network  | Ensure that the configuration on Supplicant is correct.  |
| No Accounting Start                   | Cisco ISE policy service nodes have authorized a session but did not receive accounting start from the network device.   | Ensure that RADIUS accounting is configured on the network device. Check the network device configuration for local authorization.   |
| Unknown NAD                           | Cisco ISE policy service nodes are receiving authentication requests from a network device that is not configured in Cisco ISE.  | Check if the network device is a genuine request and add it to the configuration. Ensure that the secret matches.  |
| SGACL Drops                           | Secure Group Access (SGACL) drops occurred. This occurs if a Trustsec capable device drops packets due to SGACL policy violations.                                       | Run the RBACL drop summary report and review the source causing the SGACL drops. Issue a CoA to the offending source to reauthorize or disconnect the session.   |
| RADIUS Request Dropped                | The authentication/accounting request from a NAD is silently discarded. This may occur due to unknown NAD, mismatched shared secrets, or invalid packet content per RFC. | Check that the NAD/AAA client has a valid configuration in Cisco ISE. Check whether the shared secrets on the NAD/AAA client and Cisco ISE matches. Ensure that the AAA client and the network device, have no hardware problems or problems with RADIUS compatibility. Also ensure that the network that connects the device to Cisco ISE has no hardware problems. |
| EAP Session Allocation Failed         | A RADIUS request was dropped due to reaching EAP sessions limit. This condition can be caused by too many parallel EAP authentication requests.                          | Wait for a few seconds before invoking another RADIUS request with new EAP session. If system overload continues to occur, try restarting the ISE Server.  |

| Alarm Name  | Alarm Description   | Alarm Resolution  |
|---|---|---|
| RADIUS Context Allocation Failed  | A RADIUS request was dropped due to system overload. This condition can be caused by too many parallel authentication requests. | Wait for a few seconds before invoking a new RADIUS request. If system overload continues to occur, try restarting the ISE Server.  |
| AD: ISE machine account does not have the required privileges to fetch groups | Cisco ISE machine account does not have the required privileges to fetch groups.  | Check if the Cisco ISE machine account has rights to fetch user groups in Active Directory.   |
| System Health   |   |   |
| High Disk I/O Utilization   | Cisco ISE system is experiencing high disk I/O utilization.   | Check if the system has sufficient resources. Check the actual amount of work on the system for example, number of authentications, profiler activity etc. Add additional server to distribute the load.  |
| High Disk Space Utilization   | Cisco ISE system is experiencing high disk space utilization.   | Check if the system has sufficient resources. Check the actual amount of work on the system for example, number of authentications, profiler activity etc. Add additional server to distribute the load.  |
| High Load Average   | Cisco ISE system is experiencing high load average.   | Check if the system has sufficient resources. Check the actual amount of work on the system for example, number of authentications, profiler activity etc. Add additional server to distribute the load.<br><br>If the High Load Average alarm is seen against 2:00 a.m. time stamps for Primary and Secondary MNT nodes, note that CPU usage might be high due to DBMS stats being run at that hour. CPU usage will be back to normal when the DBMS stats is complete. |
| High Memory Utilization   | Cisco ISE system is experiencing high memory utilization.   | Check if the system has sufficient resources. Check the actual amount of work on the system for example, number of authentications, profiler activity etc. Add additional server to distribute the load.  |

| Alarm Name                            | Alarm Description  | Alarm Resolution  |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| High Operations DB Usage              | Cisco ISE monitoring nodes are experiencing higher volume of syslog data than expected.  | Check and reduce the purge configuration window for the operations data.  |
| High Authentication Latency           | Cisco ISE system is experiencing high authentication latency.  | Check if the system has sufficient resources. Check the actual amount of work on the system for example, number of authentications, profiler activity etc. Add additional server to distribute the load.                      |
| Health Status Unavailable             | The monitoring node has not received health status from the Cisco ISE node.  | Ensure that Cisco ISE nodes are up and running. Ensure that Cisco ISE nodes are able to communicate with the monitoring nodes.  |
| Process Down                          | One of the Cisco ISE processes is not running.   | Restart the Cisco ISE application.  |
| Profiler Queue Size Limit Reached     | The ISE Profiler queue size limit has been reached. Events received after reaching the queue size limit will be dropped.       | Check if the system has sufficient resources, and ensure EndPoint attribute filter is enabled.  |
| OCSP Transaction Threshold Reached    | The OCSP transaction threshold has been reached. This alarm is triggered when internal OCSP service reach high volume traffic. | Please check if the system has sufficient resources.  |
| Licensing                             |  |   |
| License About to Expire               | License installed on the Cisco ISE nodes are about to expire.  | View the Licencing page in Cisco ISE to view the license usage.   |
| License Expired                       | License installed on the Cisco ISE nodes has expired.  | Contact Cisco Accounts team to purchase new licenses.   |
| License Violation                     | Cisco ISE nodes have detected that you are exceeding or about to exceed the allowed license count.                             | Contact Cisco Accounts team to purchase additional licenses.  |
| Smart Licensing Authorization Expired | Authorization for Smart Licensing has expired.   | Refer to the Cisco ISE License Administration page to manually renew registration for Smart Licensing or check your network connectivity with Cisco Smart Software Manager. Contact your Cisco partner if the issue persists. |

| Alarm Name                                    | Alarm Description  | Alarm Resolution   |
|---|--|--|
| Smart Licensing Authorization Renewal Failure | Renewal of Authorization with Cisco Smart Software Manager has failed.         | Refer to the Cisco ISE License Administration page to manually renew authorization with Cisco Smart Software Manager using the Refresh button in the Licenses table. Contact your Cisco partner if issue persists. |
| Smart Licensing Authorization Renewal Success | Renewal of Authorization with Cisco Smart Software Manager was successful.     | Notification to inform that authorization renewal of Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager was successful.   |
| Smart Licensing Communication Failure         | Communication of Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager has failed.       | Check your network connectivity with Cisco Smart Software Manager. Login to Cisco Smart Software Manager or contact your Cisco partner if issue persists.  |
| Smart Licensing Communication Restored        | Communication of Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager was restored.     | Notification to inform that your network connectivity with Cisco Smart Software Manager has been restored.   |
| Smart Licensing De-Registration Failure       | De-Registration of Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager has failed.     | Refer to the Cisco ISE License Administration page for additional details. Login to Cisco Smart Software Manager or contact your Cisco partner if issue persists.  |
| Smart Licensing De-Registration Success       | De-Registration of Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager was successful. | Notification to inform that de-registration of Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager was successful.   |
| Smart Licensing Disabled                      | Smart Licensing is disabled on Cisco ISE and Traditional Licensing is in use.  | Refer to the License Administration page to enable Smart Licensing again. Refer to the admin guide or contact your Cisco partner to learn about using Smart Licensing on Cisco ISE.                                |
| Smart Licensing Evaluation Period Expired     | Evaluation period of Smart Licensing has expired.                              | Refer to the Cisco ISE License Administration page to register Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager.  |
| Smart Licensing HA Role changed               | High Availability role change has occurred while using Smart Licensing.        | Notification to inform that High Availability role of Cisco ISE has changed.   |

| Alarm Name                                     | Alarm Description   | Alarm Resolution   |
|--|---|--|
| Smart Licensing Id Certificate Expired         | Smart Licensing certificate has expired.  | Refer to the Cisco ISE License Administration page to manually renew registration for Smart Licensing. Contact your Cisco partner if the issue persists.     |
| Smart Licensing Id Certificate Renewal Failure | Registration renewal for Smart Licensing with Cisco Smart Software Manager has failed.                              | Refer to the Cisco ISE License Administration page to manually renew registration for Smart Licensing. Contact your Cisco partner if the issue persists.     |
| Smart Licensing Id Certificate Renewal Success | Registration renewal for Smart Licensing with Cisco Smart Software Manager was successful.                          | Notification to inform that registration renewal with Cisco Smart Software Manager was successful.   |
| Smart Licensing Invalid Request                | Invalid request was made to Cisco Smart Software Manager.   | See the Cisco ISE License Administration page for additional details. Login to Cisco Smart Software Manager or contact your Cisco partner if issue persists. |
| Smart Licensing Out of Compliance              | Cisco ISE licenses are Out Of Compliance.   | See the ISE License Administration page for additional details. Contact your partner or Cisco account team to purchase new licenses.                         |
| Smart Licensing Registration Failure           | Registration of Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager has failed.   | See the ISE License Administration page for additional details. Login to Cisco Smart Software Manager or contact your Cisco partner if issue persists.       |
| Smart Licensing Registration Successful        | Registration of Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager was successful.   | Notification to inform that registration of Cisco ISE with Cisco Smart Software Manager was successful.  |
| System Error                                   |   |  |
| Log Collection Error                           | Cisco ISE monitoring collector process is unable to persist the audit logs generated from the policy service nodes. | This will not impact the actual functionality of the Policy Service nodes. Contact TAC for further resolution.   |
| Scheduled Report Export Failure                | Unable to copy the exported report (CSV file) to configured repository.   | Verify the configured repository. If it has been deleted, add it back. If it is not available or not reachable, reconfigure the repository to a valid one.   |



| Alarm Name  | Alarm Description  | Alarm Resolution   |
|---|--|--|
| Trustsec  |  |  |
| Unknown SGT was provisioned   | Unknown SGT was provisioned.   | ISE provisioned the Unknown SGT as part of the authorization flow. Unknown SGT should not be assigned as part of a known flow.   |
| Some TrustSec network devices do not have the latest ISE IP-SGT mapping configuration | Some TrustSec network devices do not have the latest ISE IP-SGT mapping configuration. | ISE identified some network devices that have a different IP-SGT mapping sets. Use the IP-SGT mapping Deploy option to update the devices.   |
| TrustSec SSH connection failed  | TrustSec SSH connection failed   | ISE failed to establish SSH connection to a network device. Verify if the network device SSH credentials in the Network Device page are similar to the credentials configured on the network device. Check the network device enabled ssh connections from ISE (ip address). |
| TrustSec identified ISE was set to work with TLS versions other then 1.0              | TrustSec identified ISE was set to work with TLS versions other then 1.0.              | TrustSec supports only TLS version 1.0.  |
| Trustsec PAC validation failed  | Trustsec PAC validation failed   | ISE could not validate a PAC which was sent by the network device. Check the Trustsec device credentials in the Network Device page and in the device CLI. Make sure the device uses a valid pac which was provisioned by the ISE server.                                    |
| Trustsec environment data download failed   | Trustsec environment data download has failed  | <p>Cisco ISE has received illegal Environment Data request.</p> <p>Verify the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PAC exists in the request and is valid.</li> <li>• All attributes exist in the request.</li> </ul>                                     |

| Alarm Name                                  | Alarm Description                            | Alarm Resolution   |
|---|--|--|
| TrustSec CoA message ignored                | TrustSec CoA message was ignored             | Cisco ISE has sent a TrustSec CoA message and did not receive a response. Verify if the network device is CoA capable. Check the network device configuration. |
| TrustSec default egress policy was modified | TrustSec default egress policy was modified. | The TrustSec default egress policy cell was modified. Make sure it is aligned with your security policy.   |

Alarms are not triggered when you add users or endpoints to Cisco ISE.

## Alarm Settings

The following table describes the fields in the Alarm Settings page. (**Administration > System > Settings > Alarm Settings**)

| Field                                      | Description   |
|--|---|
| Alarm Type                                 | Choose the alarm type from the drop-down list.  |
| Alarm Name                                 | Enter the name of the alarm.  |
| Description                                | Enter a description for the alarm.  |
| Suggested Actions                          | Enter any suggested action to be performed when the alarm is triggered.   |
| Status                                     | Select the status to Enable or Disable the alarm rule.  |
| Severity                                   | Use the drop-down list box to select the severity level for your alarm. Valid options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Critical—Indicates a critical error condition.</li> <li>• Warning—Indicates a normal but significant condition. This is the default condition.</li> <li>• Info—Indicates an informational message.</li> </ul> |
| Send Syslog Message                        | Check this check box to send a syslog message for each system alarm that Cisco ISE generates.   |
| Enter Multiple Emails Separated with Comma | Enter a comma-separated list of e-mail addresses or ISE administrator names or both.  |
| Custom Text in Email                       | Enter custom text messages that you want associated with your system alarm.   |

## Add Custom Alarms

Cisco ISE contains 12 default alarm types, such as High Memory Utilization and Configuration Changes. Cisco-defined system alarms are listed in the Alarms Settings page (Administration > System > Settings > Alarms Settings). You can only edit the system alarms.

In addition to the existing system alarms, you can add, edit, or delete custom alarms under the existing alarm types.

For each alarm type, you can create a maximum of 5 alarms and the total number of alarms is limited to 200.

To add an alarm:

### Procedure

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**Step 1** Choose **Administration > System > Settings > Alarm Settings**.

**Step 2** In the **Alarm Configuration** tab, click **Add**.

**Step 3** Enter the required details. Refer to the [Alarm Settings](#) section for more information.

Based on the alarm type (High Memory Utilization, Excessive RADIUS Authentication Attempts, Excessive TACACS Authentication Attempts, and so on), additional attributes are displayed in the Alarm Configuration page. For example, Object Name, Object Type, and Admin Name fields are displayed for Configuration Change alarms. You can add multiple instances of same alarm with different criteria.

**Step 4** Click **Submit**.

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## Cisco ISE Alarm Notifications and Thresholds

You can enable or disable Cisco ISE alarms and configure alarm notification behavior to notify you of critical conditions. For certain alarms you can configure thresholds like maximum failed attempts for Excessive Failed Attempts alarm or maximum disk utilization for High Disk Utilization alarm.

You can configure the notification settings on per-alarm basis. You can enter the email IDs of the users that need to be notified for each alarm (both system-defined and user-defined alarms).



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**Note** The recipient email address specified at the alarm rule level overrides the global recipient email address setting.

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## Enable and Configure Alarms

### Procedure

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**Step 1** Choose **Administration > System > Settings > Alarm Settings**.

**Step 2** Select an alarm from the list of default alarms and click **Edit**.

**Step 3** Select **Enable** or **Disable**.

**Step 4** Configure alarm threshold if applicable.

**Step 5** Click **Submit**.

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## Cisco ISE Alarms for Monitoring

Cisco ISE provides system alarms which notify you whenever any critical system condition occurs. Alarms that are generated by Cisco ISE are displayed in the Alarm dashlet. These notifications automatically appear in the alarm dashlet.

The Alarm dashlet displays a list of recent alarms, which you can select from to view the alarm details. You can also receive notification of alarms through e-mail and syslog messages.

## View Monitoring Alarms

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Go to the Cisco ISE **Dashboard**.
- Step 2** Click on an alarm in the **Alarms** dashlet. A new window opens with the alarm details and a suggested action.
- Step 3** Click **Refresh** to refresh the alarms.
- Step 4** Click **Acknowledge** to acknowledge selected alarms. You can select the alarms by clicking the check box available prior to the timestamp. This reduces the alarm counters (number of times an alarm is raised) when marked as read.
- Step 5** Click the **Details** link corresponding to the alarm that you select. A new window opens with the details corresponding to the alarm that you select.

**Note** The Details link corresponding to the previous alarms that were generated prior to persona change shows no data.

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## Log Collection

Monitoring services collect log and configuration data, store the data, and then process it to generate reports and alarms. You can view the details of the logs that are collected from any of the servers in your deployment.

## Alarm Syslog Collection Location

If you configure monitoring functions to send alarm notifications as syslog messages, you need a syslog target to receive the notification. Alarm syslog targets are the destinations where alarm syslog messages are sent.

You must also have a system that is configured as a syslog server to be able to receive syslog messages. You can create, edit, and delete alarm syslog targets.



**Note** Cisco ISE monitoring requires that the logging-source interface configuration use the network access server (NAS) IP address. You must configure a switch for Cisco ISE monitoring.

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# RADIUS Live Logs

The following table describes the fields in the RADIUS Live logs page, which displays the recent RADIUS authentications. The navigation path for this page is: **Operations** > **RADIUS** > **Live Logs**. You can view the RADIUS live logs only in the Primary PAN.

**Table 5: RADIUS Live Logs**

| Options      | Usage Guidelines  |
|--------------|---|
| Time         | Shows the time that the log was received by the monitoring and troubleshooting collection agent. This column is required and cannot be deselected.  |
| Status       | Shows if the authentication was successful or a failure. This column is required and cannot be deselected. Green is used to represent passed authentications. Red is used to represent failed authentications.  |
| Details      | <p>Clicking the icon under the Details column opens the <b>Authentication Detail Report</b> in a new browser window. This report offers information about authentication and related attributes, and authentication flow. In the <b>Authentication Details</b> box, <b>Response Time</b> is the total time it takes Cisco ISE to process the authentication flow. For example, if authentication consists of three roundtrip messages, which took 300 ms for the initial message, 150 ms for the next message, and 100 ms for the last, Response Time is <math>300 + 150 + 100 = 550</math> ms.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You cannot view the details for endpoints that are active for more than 48 hours. You might see a page with the following message when you click the Details icon for endpoints that are active for more than 48 hours: No Data available for this record. Either the data is purged or authentication for this session record happened a week ago. Or if this is an 'PassiveID' or 'PassiveID Visibility' session, it will not have authentication details on ISE but only the session.</p> |
| Repeat Count | Shows the number of time the authentication requests were repeated in last 24 hours, without any change in the context of identity, network devices, and authorization  |

| Options                | Usage Guidelines   |
|------------------------|--|
| Identity               | Shows the logged in username that is associated with the authentication.<br><br>If the username is not present in any ID Store, it is displayed as INVALID. If the authentication fails due to any other reason, it is displayed as USERNAME. To aid debugging, you can force ISE to disclose (display) USERNAME for invalid usernames, check the <b>Disclose invalid usernames</b> checkbox under <b>Administration &gt; System &gt; Settings &gt; Security Settings</b> . You can also configure display invalid username to time out, so you don't have to turn it off. |
| Endpoint ID            | Shows the unique identifier for an endpoint, usually a MAC or IP address.  |
| Endpoint Profile       | Shows the type of endpoint that is profiled, for example, profiled to be an iPhone, Android, MacBook, Xbox, and so on.   |
| Authentication Policy  | Shows the name of the policy selected for specific authentication.   |
| Authorization Policy   | Shows the name of the policy selected for specific authorization.  |
| Authorization Profiles | Shows an authorization profile that was used for authentication.   |
| IP Address             | Shows the IP address of the endpoint device.   |
| Network Device         | Shows the IP address of the Network Access Device.   |
| Device Port            | Shows the port number at which the endpoint is connected.  |
| Identity Group         | Shows the identity group that is assigned to the user or endpoint, for which the log was generated.  |
| Posture Status         | Shows the status of posture validation and details on the authentication.  |
| Server                 | Indicates the Policy Service from which the log was generated.   |
| MDM Server Name        | Shows the names of the MDM servers.  |
| Event                  | Shows the event status.  |
| Failure Reason         | Shows a detailed reason for failure, if the authentication failed.   |

| Options                 | Usage Guidelines   |
|-------------------------|--|
| Auth Method             | Shows the authentication method that is used by the RADIUS protocol, such as Microsoft Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol version 2 (MS-CHAPv2), IEE 802.1x or dot1x, and the like. |
| Authentication Protocol | Shows the authentication protocol used, such as Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol (PEAP), Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP), and the like.                                 |
| Security Group          | Shows the group that is identified by the authentication log.  |
| Session ID              | Shows the session ID.  |



**Note** In the **RADIUS Live Logs** and **TACACS+ Live Logs** details page, a “Queried PIP” entry will appear for the first Attribute for each Policy authorization rule. If all the attributes within the authorization rule are related to a dictionary that was already queried for previous Rules, then no additional “Queried PIP” entry will appear.

You can do the following in the RADIUS Live Logs page:

- Export the data in csv or pdf format.
- Show or hide the columns based on your requirements.
- Filter the data using quick or custom filter. You can also save your filters for later use.
- Rearrange the columns and adjust the width of the columns.
- Sort the column values.



**Note** All the user customizations will be stored as user preferences.

#### Related Topics

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## Live Authentications

You can monitor recent RADIUS authentications as they happen from the Live Authentications page. The page displays the top 10 RADIUS authentications in the last 24 hours. This section explains the functions of the Live Authentications page.

The Live Authentications page shows the live authentication entries corresponding to the authentication events as they happen. In addition to authentication entries, this page also shows the live session entries corresponding

to the events. You can also drill-down the desired session to view a detailed report corresponding to that session.

The Live Authentications page provides a tabular account of recent RADIUS authentications, in the order in which they happen. The last update shown at the bottom of the Live Authentications page shows the date of the server, time, and timezone.



**Note** If the password attribute in a Access-Request packet is empty, an error message is triggered and the access request will fail.

When a single endpoint authenticates successfully, two entries appear in the Live Authentications page: one corresponding to the authentication record and another corresponding to the session record (pulled from session live view). Subsequently, when the device performs another successful authentication, the repeat counter corresponding to the session record is incremented. The Repeat Counter that appears in the Live Authentications page shows the number of duplicate radius authentication success messages that are suppressed.

See the Live Authentication data categories that are shown by default that are described in the Recent RADIUS Authentications section.

You can choose to view all of the columns, or to display only selected data columns. After selecting the columns that you want to appear, you can save your selections.

## Monitor Live Authentications

### Procedure

- Step 1** Choose **Operations** > **RADIUS Livelog**.
- Step 2** Select a time interval from the **Refresh** drop-down list to change the data refresh rate.
- Step 3** Click the **Refresh** icon to manually update the data.
- Step 4** Choose an option from the **Show** drop-down list to change the number of records that appear.
- Step 5** Choose an option from the **Within** drop-down list to specify a time interval.
- Step 6** Click **Add or Remove Columns** and choose the options from the drop-down list to change the columns that are shown.
- Step 7** Click **Save** at the bottom of the drop-down list to save your modifications.
- Step 8** Click **Show Live Sessions** to view live RADIUS sessions.

You can use the dynamic Change of Authorization (CoA) feature for the Live Sessions that allows you to dynamically control active RADIUS sessions. You can send reauthenticate or disconnect requests to a Network Access Device (NAD).

### Filter Data in Live Authentications Page

With the filters in the Live Authentications page, you can filter out information that you need and troubleshoot network authentication issues quickly. You can filter records in the Authentication (live logs) page and view only those records that you are interested in. The authentication logs contain many details and filtering the authentications from a particular user or location helps you scan the data quickly. You can use several operators



that are available on various fields in the Live Authentications page to filter out records based on your search criteria.

- 'abc' - Contains 'abc'
- '!abc' - Does not contain 'abc'
- '{}' - Is empty
- '!{}' - Is not empty
- 'abc\*' - Starts with 'abc'
- '\*abc' - Ends with 'abc'
- '\!', '\\*', '\{', '\' - Escape

The Escape option allows you to filter text with special characters (including the special characters used as filters). You must prefix the special character with a backward slash (\). For example, if you want to view the authentication records of users with identity "Employee!", enter "Employee\!" in the identity filter text box. In this example, Cisco ISE considers the exclamation mark (!) as a literal character and not as a special character.

In addition, the Status field allows you to filter out only passed authentication records, failed authentications, live sessions, and so on. The green check mark filters all passed authentications that occurred in the past. The red cross mark filters all failed authentications. The blue i icon filters all live sessions. You can also choose to view a combination of these options.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Operations > RADIUS Livelog**.
- Step 2** Filter data based on any of the fields in the Show Live Authentications page.
- You can filter the results based on passed or failed authentications, or live sessions.
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## RADIUS Live Sessions

The following table describes the fields in the RADIUS Live Sessions page, which displays live authentications. The navigation path for this page is: **Operations > RADIUS > Live Sessions**. You can view the RADIUS live sessions only in the Primary PAN.

**Table 6: RADIUS Live Sessions**

| Field                | Description  |
|----------------------|--|
| Initiated            | Shows the timestamp when the session was initiated.                      |
| Updated              | Shows the timestamp when the session was last updated due to any change. |
| Account Session Time | Shows the time span (in seconds) of a user's session.                    |

| Field                   | Description  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Session Status          | Shows the current status of the endpoint device.   |
| Action                  | Click the Actions icon to re-authenticate an active RADIUS session or disconnect an active RADIUS session.   |
| Repeat Count            | Shows the number of times the user or endpoint is re-authenticated.  |
| Endpoint ID             | Shows the unique identifier for an endpoint, usually a MAC or IP address.  |
| Identity                | Shows the username of the endpoint device.   |
| IP Address              | Shows the IP address of the endpoint device.   |
| Audit Session ID        | Shows a unique session identifier.   |
| Account Session ID      | Shows a unique ID provided by the network device.  |
| Endpoint Profile        | Shows the endpoint profile for the device.   |
| Posture Status          | Shows the status of posture validation and details on the authentication.  |
| Security Group          | Shows the group that is identified by the authentication log.  |
| Server                  | Indicates the Policy Service node from which the log was generated.  |
| Auth Method             | Shows the authentication method that is used by the RADIUS protocol, such as Password Authentication Protocol (PAP), Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP), IEEE 802.1x or dot1x, and the like. |
| Authentication Protocol | Shows the authentication protocol used, such as Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol (PEAP), Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP), and the like.   |
| Authentication Policy   | Shows the name of the policy selected for specific authentication.   |
| Authorization Policy    | Shows the name of the policy selected for specific authorization.  |
| Authorization Profiles  | Shows an authorization profile that was used for authentication.   |
| NAS IP Address          | Shows IP address of the network devices.   |
| Device Port             | Shows the connected port to the network device.  |

| Field             | Description   |
|-------------------|---|
| PRA Action        | Shows the periodic reassessment action taken on a client after it is successfully postured for compliance on your network.  |
| ANC Status        | Adaptive Network Control status of a device as Quarantine, Unquarantine, or Shutdown.   |
| WLC Roam          | Shows the boolean (Y/N) used to track that an endpoint has been handed off during roaming, from one WLC to another. It has the value of <code>cisco-av-pair=nas-update=Y</code> or <code>N</code> .<br><br><b>Note</b> Cisco ISE relies on <code>nas-update=true</code> attribute from WLC to identify whether the session is in roaming state. When the original WLC sends an accounting stop attribute with <code>nas-update=true</code> , the session is not deleted in ISE to avoid reauthentication. If roaming fails due to some reason, ISE clears the session after 5 days of inactivity. |
| Packets In        | Shows the number of packets received.   |
| Packets Out       | Shows the number of packets sent.   |
| Bytes In          | Shows the number of bytes received.   |
| Bytes Out         | Shows the number of bytes sent.   |
| Session Source    | Indicates whether it is a RADIUS session or PassiveID session.  |
| User Domain Name  | Shows the registered DNS name of the user.  |
| Host Domain Name  | Shows the registered DNS name of the host.  |
| User NetBIOS Name | Shows the NetBIOS name of the user.   |
| Host NetBIOS Name | Shows the NetBIOS name of the host.   |
| License Type      | Shows the type of license used—Base, Plus, Apex, or Plus and Apex.  |
| License Details   | Shows the license details.  |

| Field                 | Description   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Provider              | <p>Endpoint events are learned from different syslog sources. These syslog sources are referred to as providers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI)—WMI is a Windows service that provides a common interface and object model to access management information about operating system, devices, applications, and services.</li> <li>• Agent—A program that runs on a client on behalf of the client or another program.</li> <li>• Syslog—A logging server to which a client sends event messages.</li> <li>• REST—A client is authenticated through a terminal server. The TS Agent ID, Source Port Start, Source Port End, and Source First Port values are displayed for this syslog source.</li> <li>• Span—Network information is discovered using span probes.</li> <li>• DHCP—DHCP event.</li> <li>• Endpoint</li> </ul> <p>When two events from different providers are learned from an endpoint session, the providers are displayed as comma-separated values in the live sessions page.</p> |
| MAC Address           | Shows the MAC address of a client.  |
| Endpoint Check Time   | Shows the time at which the endpoint was last checked by the endpoint probe.  |
| Endpoint Check Result | <p>Shows the result of an endpoint probe. The possible values are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unreachable</li> <li>• User Logout</li> <li>• Active User</li> </ul>  |
| Source Port Start     | <p>(Values are displayed only for the REST provider)</p> <p>Shows the first port number in a port range.</p>  |
| Source Port End       | <p>(Values are displayed only for the REST provider)</p> <p>Shows the last port number in a port range.</p>   |

| Field                       | Description  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Source First Port           | (Values are displayed only for the REST provider)<br>Shows the first port allocated by the Terminal Server (TS) Agent.<br><br>A Terminal Server (TS) refers to a server or network device that allows multiple endpoints to connect to it without a modem or network interface and facilitates the connection of the multiple endpoints to a LAN network. The multiple endpoints appear to have the same IP address and therefore it is difficult to identify the IP address of a specific user. Consequently, to identify a specific user, a TS Agent is installed in the server, which allocates a port range to each user. This helps create an IP address-port-user mapping. |
| TS Agent ID                 | (Values are displayed only for the REST provider)<br>Shows the unique identity of the Terminal Server (TS) agent that is installed on an endpoint.   |
| AD User Resolved Identities | (Values are displayed only for AD user) Shows the potential accounts that matched.   |
| AD User Resolved DNs        | (Values are displayed only for AD user) Shows the Distinguished Name of AD user, for example, CN=chris,CN=Users,DC=R1,DC=com   |

**Related Topics**

[Change Authorization for RADIUS Sessions](#)  
[Cisco ISE Active RADIUS Sessions](#)

## Authentication Summary Report

You can troubleshoot network access for a specific user, device, or search criteria based on attributes that are related to the authentication requests. You do this by running an Authentication Summary report.

### Troubleshoot Network Access Issues

**Procedure**

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- Step 1** Choose **Operations > Reports > Authentication Summary Report**.
  - Step 2** Filter the report for Failure Reasons.
  - Step 3** Review the data in the Authentication by Failure Reasons section of the report to troubleshoot your network access problem.

**Note** As the Authentication Summary report collects and displays the latest data corresponding to failed or passed authentications, the contents of the report appear after a delay of a few minutes.

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## Cisco Support Diagnostics for Deployment and Support Information

### Overview

The Cisco Support Diagnostics Connector is a new feature that helps Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) and Cisco support engineers obtain deployment information from the primary administration node. TAC can get support information of any particular node in your deployment through the connector. This data enables quicker and better-informed troubleshooting.

You can enable the Cisco Support Diagnostics Connector through the Cisco ISE administration portal. The feature allows a two-way connection between the primary policy administration node in your deployment and Cisco Support Diagnostics, leveraging the Security Services Exchange (SSE) cloud portal.

### Pre-requisites

- You must have Super Admin or System Admin role to enable or disable Cisco Support Diagnostics.

### Configure Cisco Support Diagnostics Connector

To enable the Cisco Support Diagnostics feature:

- Go to **Administration > System > Settings > Network Success Diagnostics > Cisco Support Diagnostics > Cisco Support Diagnostics Setting**
- Check the **Enable Cisco Support Diagnostics** check box to activate Cisco Support Diagnostics. This feature is disabled by default.

### Verify Cisco Support Diagnostics Bi-Directional Connection

To verify that Cisco ISE is successfully registered/enrolled with Cisco Support Diagnostics, and that a bi-directional connection has been established through the Security Services Exchange portal:

- Go to **Operations > Reports > Audit > Change Configuration Audit**
- Look for the following event reports:
  1. Cisco Support Diagnostics is enabled.
  2. The ISE server is registered to Cisco Support Diagnostics.
  3. The ISE SSE services were enrolled to Cisco Support Diagnostics.
  4. The Cisco Support Diagnostics bi-directional connectivity is enabled.
- You can also refer to the Operations Audit window (**Operations > Reports > Audit > Operations Audit**) for details of the services enabled, disabled, registered, un-registered, enrolled, or un-enrolled as part of Cisco Support Diagnostics.

### Troubleshooting Information

If the Cisco Support Diagnostics bi-directional connection appears as to be broken, check for the following:

- **Smart licensing:** Disabling smart licensing would disable Cisco Support Diagnostics automatically. Re-enable smart licensing to enable the connector.
- **Connectivity to Security Services Exchange cloud:** When Cisco Support Diagnostics is enabled, Cisco ISE continuously checks the persistent connectivity established with the Security Services Exchange portal. If this connection is found to be broken, the following critical alarm is triggered: “Alarms: The Cisco Support Diagnostics bi-directional connectivity is broken”. Re-enable the feature using the configuration steps provided above.

### Related Information

An administrator can use ERS APIs to perform these specific tasks:

- Trigger support information on a specific node.
- Get the status of the triggered support bundle.
- Download the support bundle.
- Pull the deployment information.

Please refer to [ERS SDK page](#) for the usage and other information.

## Diagnostic Troubleshooting Tools

Diagnostic tools help you diagnose and troubleshoot problems on a Cisco ISE network and provide a detailed instructions on how to resolve problems. You can use these tools to troubleshoot authentications and evaluate the configuration of any network device on your network, including Trustsec devices.

### RADIUS Authentication Troubleshooting Tool

This tool allows you to search and select a RADIUS authentication or an Active Directory related RADIUS authentication for troubleshooting when there is an unexpected authentication result. You might use this tool if you expected an authentication to pass, but it failed or if you expected a user or machine to have a certain level of privileges, and the user or machine did not have those privileges.

- Searching RADIUS authentications based on Username, Endpoint ID, Network Access Service (NAS) IP address, and reasons for authentication failure for troubleshooting, Cisco ISE displays authentications only for the system (current) date.
- Searching RADIUS authentications based on NAS Port for troubleshooting, Cisco ISE displays all NAS Port values since the beginning of the previous month to the current date.



#### Note

When searching RADIUS authentications based on NAS IP address and Endpoint ID fields, a search is first performed in the operational database, and then in the configuration database.

## Troubleshoot Unexpected RADIUS Authentication Results

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Operations** > **Troubleshoot** > **Diagnostic Tools** > > **General Tools** > **RADIUS Authentication Troubleshooting**.
- Step 2** Specify the search criteria in the fields as needed.
- Step 3** Click **Search** to display the RADIUS authentications that match your search criteria.  
If you are searching for AD related authentication, and an Active Directory server is not configured in your deployment, a message saying 'AD not configured' is displayed.
- Step 4** Select a RADIUS authentication record from the table, and click **Troubleshoot**.  
If you need to troubleshoot AD related authentication, go to the Diagnostics Tool under **Administration** > **Identity Management** > **External Identity Sources** > **Active Directory** > **AD node**.
- Step 5** Click **User Input Required**, modify the fields as needed, and then click **Submit**.
- Step 6** Click **Done**.
- Step 7** Click **Show Results Summary** after the troubleshooting is complete.
- Step 8** To view a diagnosis, the steps to resolve the problem, and a troubleshooting summary, click **Done**.
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## Execute Network Device Command Diagnostic Tool

The Execute Network Device Command diagnostic tool allows you to run the **show** command on any network device. The results are exactly what you would see on a console, and can be used to identify problems in the configuration of the device. You can use it when you suspect that the configuration is wrong, you want to validate it, or if you are just curious about how it is configured.

## Execute IOS Show Commands to Check Configuration

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Operations** > **Troubleshoot** > **Diagnostic Tools** > **General Tools** > **Execute Network Device Command**.
- Step 2** Enter the information in the appropriate fields.
- Step 3** Click **Run** to execute the command on the specified network device.
- Step 4** Click **User Input Required**, and modify the fields as necessary.
- Step 5** Click **Submit** to run the command on the network device, and view the output.
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## Evaluate Configuration Validator Tool

You can use this diagnostic tool to evaluate the configuration of a network device and identify any configuration problems. The Expert Troubleshooter compares the configuration of the device with the standard configuration.



## Troubleshoot Network Device Configuration Issues

### Procedure

- 
- Step 1** Choose **Operations > Troubleshoot > Diagnostic Tools > General Tools > Evaluate Configuration Validator** .
  - Step 2** Enter the Network Device IP address of the device whose configuration you want to evaluate, and specify other fields as necessary.
  - Step 3** Select the configuration options to compare against the recommended template.
  - Step 4** Click **Run**.
  - Step 5** Click **User Input Required**, and modify the fields as necessary.
  - Step 6** Check the check boxes next to the interfaces that you want to analyze, and click **Submit**.
  - Step 7** Click **Show Results Summary**.
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## Troubleshoot Endpoint Posture Failure

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Operations > Troubleshoot > Diagnostic Tools > General Tools > Posture Troubleshooting**.
  - Step 2** Enter the information in the appropriate fields.
  - Step 3** Click **Search**.
  - Step 4** To find an explanation and determine a resolution for an event, select the event in the list and click **Troubleshoot**.
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## Session Trace Test Cases

This tool allows you to test the policy flow in a predictable way to check and verify the way that the policy is configured, without needing to have real traffic originate from a real device.

You can configure the list of attributes and their values to be used in the Test Case. These details are used to perform interactions with the Policy system to simulate the runtime invocation of policy.

The attributes can be configured by using the dictionaries. All the dictionaries that are applicable to Simple RADIUS authentication are listed in the Attributes field.




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**Note** You can configure the Test Cases only for Simple RADIUS authentication.

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## Configure Session Trace Test Case

### Before you begin

To perform the following task, you must be a Super Admin or System Admin.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Operations > Troubleshoot > Diagnostic Tools > General Tools > Session Trace Test Cases**.
- Step 2** Click **Add**.
- Step 3** In the **Test Details** tab, enter a name and description for the Test Case.
- Step 4** Select one of the predefined Test Cases or configure the required attributes and their values. The following predefined Test Cases are available:
- Basic Authenticated Access
  - Profiled Cisco Phones
  - Compliant Devices Access
  - Wi-Fi Guest (Redirect)
  - Wi-Fi Guest (Access)
- When you select a predefined Test Case, Cisco ISE automatically populates the relevant attributes for the Test Case. You can use the default values for these attributes or select the desired value from the displayed options. You can also add additional custom attributes to the Test Case.
- The attributes and the values that you add to the Test Case are listed in the Text field (below the Custom Attributes field). When you edit the content in the Text field, Cisco ISE checks the validity and syntax of the updated content.
- You can view the summary of all the attributes at the bottom of the Test Details page.
- Step 5** Click **Submit** to create a Test Case.
- Cisco ISE validates the attributes and their values and indicates any errors before saving the test details.
- Step 6** In the **Test Visualizer** tab, select the node on which you want to run this Test Case.
- Only the nodes with Policy Service persona are displayed in the **ISE Node** drop-down list.
- Click **User Groups/Attributes** to retrieve the groups and attributes for a user from an external identity store.
- Step 7** Click **Execute**.
- Cisco ISE executes the Test Case and displays the step-by-step results of the Test Case in a tabular format. It displays the policy stages, matching rules, and result objects. Click the green icon to view the details for each step.
- Step 8** Click the **Previous Test Executions** tab to view the results of previous test executions. You can also select and compare any two Test Cases. Cisco ISE displays the comparative view of the attributes for each Test Case in a tabular format.
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You can launch the Session Trace Test Case tool from the RADIUS Live Logs page. You can select an entry on the Live Logs page and click the Actions icon (on the Details column) to launch the Session Trace Test Case tool. Cisco ISE extracts the relevant attributes and their values from the corresponding log entry. You can modify these attributes and values, if required, and execute the Test Case.

## Technical Support Tunnel for Advanced Troubleshooting

Cisco ISE uses the Cisco IronPort Tunnel infrastructure to create a secure tunnel for Cisco technical support engineers to connect to an ISE server and troubleshoot issues with the system. Cisco ISE uses SSH to create the secure connection through the tunnel.

As an administrator, you can control the tunnel access; you can choose when and how long to grant access to the support engineer. Cisco Customer Support cannot establish the tunnel without your intervention. You will receive notifications about the service logins. You can disable the tunnel connection at any point of time. By default, the technical support tunnel remains open for 72 hours; however, we recommend that you or the support engineer close the tunnel when all troubleshooting work is complete. You can choose to extend the tunnel beyond 72 hours, if needed.

You can use the **tech support-tunnel enable** command to initiate a tunnel connection.

The **tech support-tunnel status** command displays the status of the connection. This command provides information on whether the connection is established or not, or if there is an authentication failure, or if the servers are unreachable. If the tunnel server is reachable, but ISE is unable to authenticate, ISE tries to authenticate again every 5 minutes for a period of 30 minutes, after which the tunnel is disabled.

You can disable the tunnel connection using the **tech support-tunnel disable** command. This command disconnects an existing tunnel even if a support engineer is currently logged in.

If you have already established a tunnel connection from an ISE server, the SSH keys that are generated are available on the ISE server. When you try to enable the support tunnel at a later point of time, the system prompts you about reusing the SSH keys that were generated earlier. You can choose to use the same keys or generate new keys. You can also manually reset the keys using the **tech support-tunnel resetkey** command. If you execute this command when a tunnel connection is enabled, the system prompts you to disable the connection first. If you choose to continue with the existing connection and not disable it, the keys are reset after the existing connection is disabled. If you choose to disable the connection, the tunnel connection is dropped and the keys are reset immediately.

After you establish a tunnel connection, you can extend it using the **tech support-tunnel extend** command.

See the Cisco Identity Services Engine CLI Reference Guide for usage guidelines of the **tech support-tunnel** command.

## Establish a Technical Support Tunnel

You can establish a secure tunnel through the Cisco ISE Command Line Interface (CLI).

### Procedure

**Step 1** Enter the following command from the Cisco ISE CLI:

**tech support-tunnel enable**

The system prompts you for a password and a nickname for the tunnel.

**Step 2** Enter the password.

**Step 3** (Optional) Enter a nickname for the tunnel.

The system generates an SSH key and displays the password, device serial number, and the SSH key. You must pass this information to Cisco Customer Support for the support engineer to connect to your system.

**Step 4** Copy the password, device serial number, and SSH key and send it to Cisco Customer Support.

The support engineer can now securely connect to your ISE server. You will receive periodic notifications about service logins.

## TCP Dump Utility to Validate the Incoming Traffic

This is a tool to sniff the packet, when you want to examine that the expected packet really reached a node. For example, when there is no incoming authentication or log indicated in the report, you may suspect that there is no incoming traffic or that the incoming traffic cannot reach Cisco ISE. In such cases, you can run this tool to validate.

You can configure the TCP Dump options and then collect data from the network traffic to help you troubleshooting a network issue.



### Caution

Starting a TCP Dump automatically deletes a previous dump file. To save a previous dump file, perform the task, as described in the Saving a TCP Dump File section before you begin a new TCP Dump session.

## Use TCP Dump to Monitor Network Traffic

### Before you begin

- The Network Interface drop-down list in the TCP Dump page displays only the network interface cards (NICs) that have an IPv4 or IPv6 address configured. By default, all NICs are connected on a VMware, and therefore, NICs are configured with an IPv6 address and displayed in the Network Interface drop-down list.

### Procedure

**Step 1** Choose **Operations > Troubleshoot > Diagnostic Tools > General Tools > TCP Dump**.

**Step 2** Choose a **Host Name** as the source for the TCP Dump utility.

**Step 3** Choose a **Network Interface** to monitor from the drop-down list.

**Step 4** Set Promiscuous Mode by clicking the radio button to On or Off. The default is On.

Promiscuous mode is the default packet sniffing mode in which the network interface passes all traffic to the system's CPU. We recommend that you leave it set to On.

**Step 5** In the Filter text box, enter a boolean expression on which to filter.

Supported standard tcpdump filter expressions:

ip host 10.77.122.123  
 ip host 10.77.122.123 and not 10.77.122.119  
 ip host ISE123

**Step 6** Click **Start** to begin monitoring the network.

**Step 7** Click **Stop** when you have collected a sufficient amount of data, or wait for the process to conclude automatically after accumulating the maximum number of packets which is 500,000.



**Note** Cisco ISE does not support frames greater than 1500 MTU (jumbo frames).

## Save a TCP Dump File

### Before you begin

You should have successfully completed the task, as described in the Using TCP Dump to Monitor network Traffic section.



**Note** You can also access TCPdump through the Cisco ISE CLI. For more information, refer to the *Cisco Identity Services Engine CLI Reference Guide*.

### Procedure

**Step 1** Choose **Operations > Troubleshoot > Diagnostic Tools > General Tools > TCP Dump**.

**Step 2** Choose a Format from the drop-down list. Human Readable is the default.

**Step 3** Click **Download**, navigate to the desired location, and then click **Save**.

**Step 4** To get rid of the previous dump file without saving it first, click **Delete**.

## Compare Unexpected SGACL for an Endpoint or User

### Procedure

**Step 1** Choose **Operations > Troubleshoot > Diagnostic Tools > Trustsec Tools > Egress (SGACL) Policy**.

**Step 2** Enter the Network Device IP address of the Trustsec device whose SGACL policy you want to compare.

**Step 3** Click **Run**.

**Step 4** Click **User Input Required** and modify the fields as necessary.

**Step 5** Click **Submit**.

**Step 6** Click **Show Results Summary** to view the diagnosis and suggested resolution steps.

## Egress Policy Diagnostic Flow

The egress policy diagnostic tool uses the process described in the following table for its comparison:

| Process Stage | Description   |
|---------------|---|
| 1             | Connects to the device with the IP address that you provided, and obtains the access control lists (ACLs) for each source and destination SGT pair. |
| 2             | Checks the egress policy that is configured in Cisco ISE and obtains the ACLs for each source and destination SGT pair.                             |
| 3             | Compares the SGACL policy that is obtained from the network device with the SGACL policy that is obtained from Cisco ISE.                           |
| 4             | Displays the source and destination SGT pair if there is a mismatch. Also, displays the matching entries as additional information.                 |

## Troubleshoot Connectivity Issues in a Trustsec-Enabled Network with SXP-IP Mappings

### Procedure

**Step 1** Choose **Operations > Troubleshoot > Diagnostic Tools > Trustsec Tools > SXP-IP Mappings**.

**Step 2** Enter the network device IP address of the network device, and click **Select**.

**Step 3** Click **Run**, and then click **User Input Required** and modify the necessary fields.

The Expert Troubleshooter retrieves Trustsec SXP connections from the network device and again prompts you to select the peer SXP devices.

**Step 4** Click **User Input Required**, and enter the necessary information.

**Step 5** Check the check box of the peer SXP devices for which you want to compare SXP mappings, and enter the common connection parameters.

**Step 6** Click **Submit**.

**Step 7** Click **Show Results Summary** to view the diagnosis and resolution steps.

## Troubleshoot Connectivity Issues in a Trustsec-Enabled Network with IP-SGT Mappings

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Operations** > **Troubleshoot** > **Diagnostic Tools** > **Trustsec Tools** > **IP User SGT**.
  - Step 2** Enter the information in the fields as needed.
  - Step 3** Click **Run**.  
You are prompted for additional input.
  - Step 4** Click **User Input Required**, modify the fields as necessary, and then click **Submit**.
  - Step 5** Click **Show Results Summary** to view the diagnosis and resolution steps.
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### Device SGT Tool

For devices that are enabled with the Trustsec solution, each network device is assigned an SGT value through RADIUS authentication. The Device SGT diagnostic tool connects to the network device (with the IP address that you provide) and obtains the network device SGT value. It then checks the RADIUS authentication records to determine the SGT value that was assigned most recently. Finally, it displays the Device-SGT pairs in a tabular format, and identifies whether the SGT values are the same or different.

## Troubleshoot Connectivity Issues in a Trustsec-Enabled Network by Comparing Device SGT Mappings

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Operations** > **Troubleshoot** > **Diagnostic Tools** > **Trustsec Tools** > **Device SGT**.
  - Step 2** Enter the information in the fields as needed.  
The default port number for Telnet is 23 and SSH is 22.
  - Step 3** Click **Run**.
  - Step 4** Click **Show Results Summary** to view the results of the device SGT comparison.
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## Obtaining Additional Troubleshooting Information

Cisco ISE allows you to download support and troubleshooting information from the Admin portal. You can use the support bundle to prepare diagnostic information for the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) to troubleshoot problems with Cisco ISE.



**Note** The support bundles and debug logs provide advanced troubleshooting information for TAC and are difficult to interpret. You can use the various reports and troubleshooting tools that Cisco ISE provides to diagnose and troubleshoot issues that you are facing in your network.

## Cisco ISE Support Bundle

You can configure the logs that you want to be part of your support bundle. For example, you can configure logs from a particular service to be part of your debug logs. You can also filter the logs based on dates.

The logs that you can download are categorized as follows:

- Full configuration database—The Cisco ISE configuration database is downloaded in a human-readable XML format. When you are trying to troubleshoot issues, you can import this database configuration in another Cisco ISE node to recreate the scenario.
- Debug logs—Captures bootstrap, application configuration, run-time, deployment, public key infrastructure (PKI) information and monitoring and reporting.

Debug logs provide troubleshooting information for specific Cisco ISE components. To enable debug logs, see Chapter 11, “Logging”. If you do not enable the debug logs, all the informational messages (INFO) will be included in the support bundle. For more information, see [Cisco ISE Debug Logs, on page 50](#).

- Local logs—Contains syslog messages from the various processes that run on Cisco ISE.
- Core files—Contains critical information that would help identify the cause of a crash. These logs are created when the application crashes and includes heap dumps.
- Monitoring and reporting logs—Contains information about alerts and reports.
- System logs—Contains Cisco Application Deployment Engine (ADE)-related information.
- Policy configuration—Contains policies configured in Cisco ISE in human readable format.

You can download these logs from the Cisco ISE CLI by using the **backup-logs** command. For more information, refer to the *Cisco Identity Services Engine CLI Reference Guide*.



**Note** For Inline Posture nodes, you cannot download the support bundle from the Admin portal. You must use the **backup-logs** command from the Cisco ISE CLI to download logs for Inline Posture nodes.

If you choose to download these logs from the Admin portal, you can do the following:

- Download only a subset of logs based on the log type such as debug logs or system logs.
- Download only the latest “*n*” number of files for the selected log type. This option allows you to control the size of the support bundle and the time taken for download.

Monitoring logs provide information about the monitoring, reporting, and troubleshooting features. For more information about downloading logs, see [Download Cisco ISE Log Files, on page 49](#).



## Support Bundle

You can download the support bundle to your local computer as a simple tar.gpg file. The support bundle will be named with the date and time stamps in the format `ise-support-bundle_ise-support-bundle-mm-dd-yyyy--hh-mm.tar.gpg`. The browser prompts you to save the support bundle to an appropriate location. You can extract the content of the support bundle and view the README.TXT file, which describes the contents of the support bundle, as well as how to import the contents of the ISE database if it is included in the support bundle.

## Download Cisco ISE Log Files

You can download the Cisco ISE log files to look for more information while troubleshooting issues in your network.

You can also download system logs that includes ADE-OS and other log files to troubleshoot installation and upgrade issues.

While downloading support bundle, instead of entering an encryption key manually, you can now choose to use a public key for encryption. If you choose this option, Cisco PKI will be used for encryption and decryption of the support bundle. Cisco TAC maintains the public and private keys. Cisco ISE uses the public keys to encrypt the support bundle. Cisco TAC can decrypt the support bundle using the private keys. Use this option if you want to provide the support bundle to Cisco TAC for troubleshooting. Use the shared key encryption if you are going to troubleshoot the issues on premise.

### Before you begin

- You must have Super Admin or System Admin privileges to perform the following task.
- Configure debug logs and the debug log levels.

### Procedure

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| <b>Step 1</b> | Choose <b>Operations &gt; Troubleshoot &gt; Download Logs &gt; &gt; Appliance node list</b> .  |
| <b>Step 2</b> | Click the node from which you want to download the support bundles.  |
| <b>Step 3</b> | In the Support Bundle tab, choose the parameters that you want to be populated in your support bundle.<br><br>If you include all the logs, your support bundle will be excessively large and the download will take a long time. To optimize the download process, choose to download only the most recent <i>n</i> number of files.   |
| <b>Step 4</b> | Enter the From and To dates for which you want to generate the support bundle.   |
| <b>Step 5</b> | Choose one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Key Encryption—Choose this option if you want to provide the support bundle to Cisco TAC for troubleshooting purposes.</li> <li>• Shared Key Encryption—Choose this option if you want to troubleshoot the issues locally on premise. If you choose this option, you must enter the encryption key for the support bundle.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Step 6</b> | Enter and re-enter the encryption key for the support bundle.  |
| <b>Step 7</b> | Click <b>Create Support Bundle</b> .   |
| <b>Step 8</b> | Click <b>Download</b> to download the newly-created support bundle.  |

The support bundle is a tar.gpg file that is downloaded to the client system that is running your application browser.

### What to do next

Download debug Logs for specific components.

## Cisco ISE Debug Logs

Debug logs provide troubleshooting information for various Cisco ISE components. Debug logs contain critical and warning alarms generated in the last 30 days and info alarms generated in the last 7 days. While reporting problems, you might be asked to enable these debug logs and send them for diagnosis and resolution of your problems.

### Obtain Debug Logs

#### Procedure

- Step 1** Configure the components for which you want to obtain the debug logs on the Debug Log Configuration page.
- Step 2** Download the debug logs.

### Cisco ISE Components and the Corresponding Debug Logs

*Table 7: Components and Corresponding Debug Logs*

| Component                         | Debug Log       |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Active Directory                  | ad_agent.log    |
| Cache Tracker                     | tracking.log    |
| Entity Definition Framework (EDF) | edf.log         |
| JMS                               | ise-psc.log     |
| License                           | ise-psc.log     |
| Notification Tracker              | tracking.log    |
| Replication-Deployment            | replication.log |
| Replication-JGroup                | replication.log |
| Replication Tracker               | tracking.log    |
| RuleEngine-Attributes             | ise-psc.log     |
| RuleEngine-Policy-IDGroups        | ise-psc.log     |
| accessfilter                      | ise-psc.log     |
| admin-infra                       | ise-psc.log     |

| Component              | Debug Log   |
|------------------------|-------------|
| boot-strap wizard      | ise-psc.log |
| cisco-mnt              | ise-psc.log |
| client                 | ise-psc.log |
| cpm-clustering         | ise-psc.log |
| cpm-mnt                | ise-psc.log |
| epm-pdp                | ise-psc.log |
| epm-pip                | ise-psc.log |
| anc                    | ise-psc.log |
| anc                    | ise-psc.log |
| ers                    | ise-psc.log |
| guest                  | ise-psc.log |
| Guest Access Admin     | guest.log   |
| Guest Access           | guest.log   |
| MyDevices              | guest.log   |
| Portal                 | guest.log   |
| Portal-Session-Manager | guest.log   |
| Portal-web-action      | guest.log   |
| guestauth              | ise-psc.log |
| guestportal            | ise-psc.log |
| identitystore-AD       | ise-psc.log |
| infrastructure         | ise-psc.log |
| mdm                    | ise-psc.log |
| mdm-pip                | ise-psc.log |
| mnt-report             | reports.log |
| mydevices              | ise-psc.log |
| nsf                    | ise-psc.log |
| nsf-session            | ise-psc.log |
| org-apache             | ise-psc.log |
| org-apache-cxf         | ise-psc.log |
| org-apache-digester    | ise-psc.log |
| posture                | ise-psc.log |

| Component       | Debug Log           |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| profiler        | profiler.log        |
| provisioning    | ise-psc.log         |
| prrt-JNI        | prrt-management.log |
| runtime-AAA     | prrt-management.log |
| runtime-config  | prrt-management.log |
| runtime-logging | prrt-management.log |
| sponsorportal   | ise-psc.log         |
| swiss           | ise-psc.log         |

## Download Debug Logs

### Before you begin

To perform the following task, you must be a Super Admin or System Admin.

### Procedure

**Step 1** Choose **Operations** > **Troubleshoot** > **Download Logs** > > **Appliance node list**.

**Step 2** From the Appliance node list, click the node from which you want to download the debug logs.

**Step 3** Click the **Debug Logs** tab.

A list of debug log types and debug logs is displayed. This list is based on your debug log configuration.

**Step 4** Click the log file that you want to download and save it to the system that is running your client browser.

You can repeat this process to download other log files as needed. The following are additional debug logs that you can download from the Debug Logs page:

- isebootstrap.log—Provides bootstrapping log messages
- monit.log—Provides watchdog messages
- pki.log—Provides the third-party crypto library logs
- iseLocalStorage.log—Provides logs about the local store files
- ad\_agent.log—Provides Microsoft Active Directory third-party library logs
- catalina.log—Provides third-party logs

