



MACMON NAC WHITEPAPER Connection with Barracuda CloudGen Firewall

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Introduction

Barracuda simplifies IT with cloud-enabled solutions that empower customers to protect their networks, applications and data regardless of where they reside. These powerful, easy-to-use and affordable solutions are trusted by more than 150,000 organizations worldwide and are delivered in appliance, virtual appliance, cloud and hybrid deployments. Barracuda's customer-centric business model focuses on delivering high-value, subscription-based IT solutions that provide end-to-end network and data security. It uses scanners to detect threats to the network and infected endpoint devices, that can be reported to macmon secure's NAC solution. As a reaction to this report, macmon NAC is able to isolate this very device and physically disconnect it from the network. On the other hand, macmon NAC can pass MAC addresses of new devices to Barracuda CloudGen Firewall so that they are immediately known to the firewall system.

Use Cases

macmon NAC passes new trustworthy endpoint devices to Barracuda CloudGen Firewall

In a hospital it might make sense to separate medical devices from management computers by segmenting the network. Nevertheless, a few specially protected and therefore suitable computers are supposed to be able to access the result database of a medical device. Since macmon NAC permits or denies access to an entire network segment, an interface to a firewall that can control access via certain policies is an ideal solution. Once an endpoint device connects to the network, it gets its IP address assigned by the DHCP server and has access to the network. If this endpoint device was assigned to a trusted devices group the MAC address with currently valid IP address can be passed to a Barracuda CloudGen Firewall via the interface presented in this document. macmon NAC gains the ability to grant exactly this device access to a specially protected network segment.

Barracuda CloudGen Firewall passes infected endpoint devices to macmon NAC

Threats could be lurking on the same network. An endpoint device can be infected by various mechanisms of malware and thus behave conspicuously on the network. Barracuda CloudGen Firewall detects the malicious behavior and can inform the network administrator about the discovered threat who in turn can take the necessary steps to remediation. The reaction to the discovery of an infected endpoint device can be automated with the interface presented in this document. After the discovery Barracuda CloudGen Firewall passed the identity of this device to macmon NAC, it gets treated or is isolated according to pre-defined or own policies. This gives Barracuda CloudGen Firewall the ability to selectively remove a device from a network segment for remediation.

Requirements

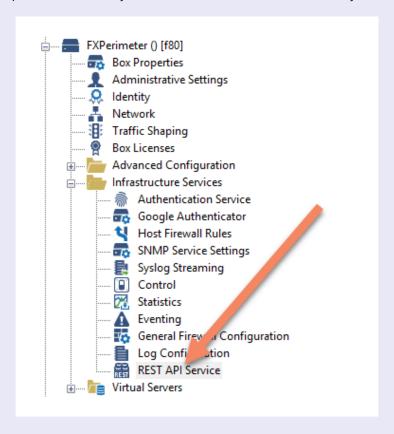
In order to integrate the Barracuda CloudGen Firewall with macmon NAC the macmon premium bundle subscription is required.



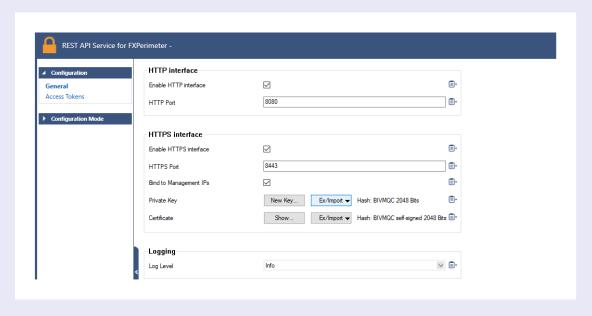
Configuration of Barracuda CloudGen Firewall

Preparation of the REST API service

Please start the application Firewall Admin and connect to your Barracuda CloudGen Firewall. In the configuration tree, please find the entry Infrastructure Services and the sub-entry REST API Service.



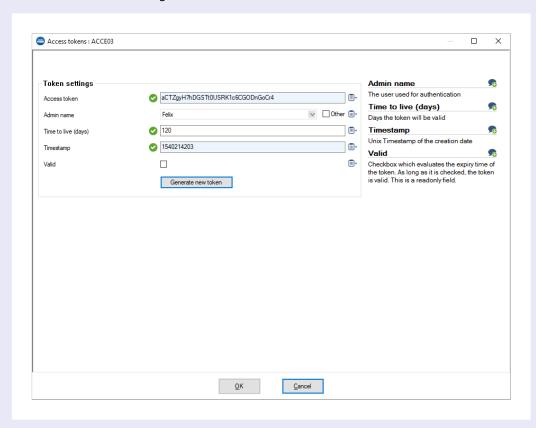
In the new dialog, please activate the option *Enable HTTPS interface*. Please set the value of the parameter *HTTPS Port* to *8443*.



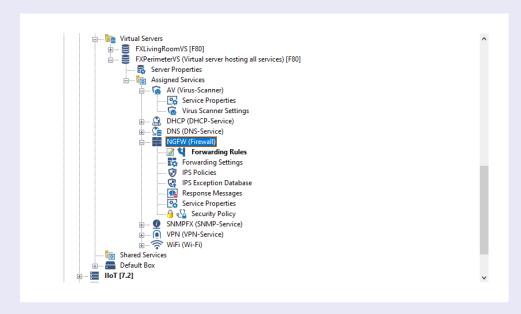


Please generate an Access Token to enable macmon NAC authenticating at the CloudGen Firewall.

Please make sure to choose a reasonable *Time to live* for the access token because its expiration prevents macmon NAC from authenticating at the firewall. Once your token is expired, please generate a new one and use the new value in the configuration file.

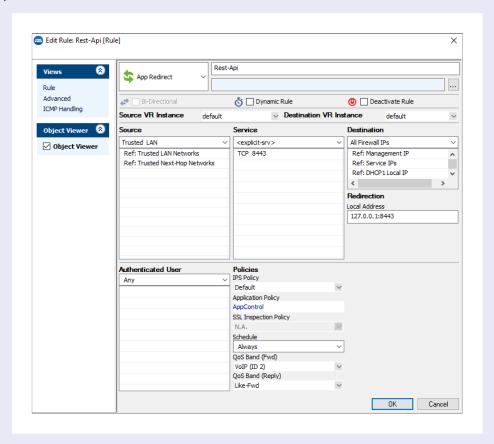


In the next step you will define a firewall rule that forwards incoming connection on port 8443 to the REST API service.





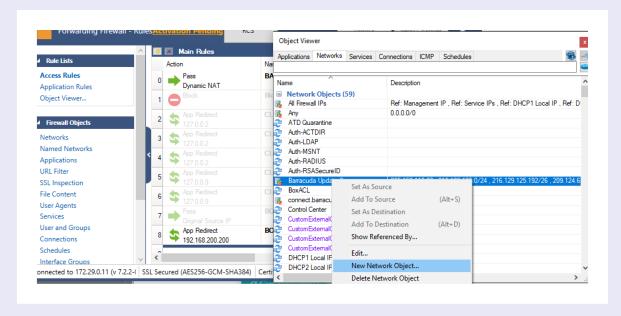
Please adapt the rule for the REST API as follows:



Create an object for trustworthy endpoint devices

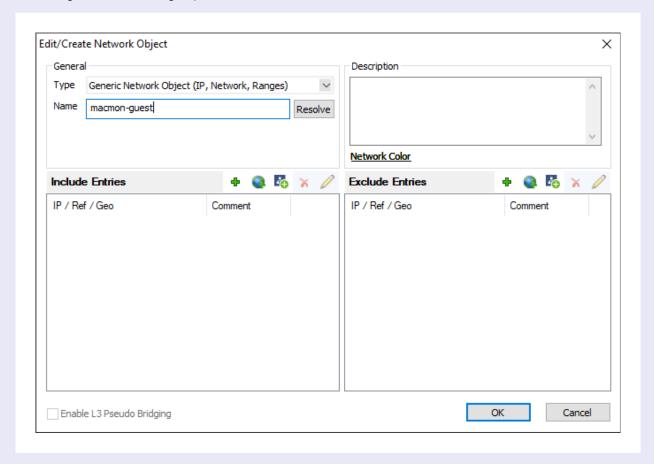
This object will be used to identify trustworthy endpoint devices passed by macmon NAC. To use this object, corresponding firewall rules must be set.

Please right-click in the Object Viewer and click on New Network Object.





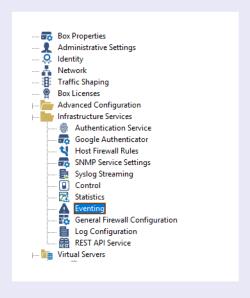
In the appearing windows you will set up a new object. Please choose a name. We recommend a name like *macmon-guest* or *macmon-group*.



Rules for outbound communication

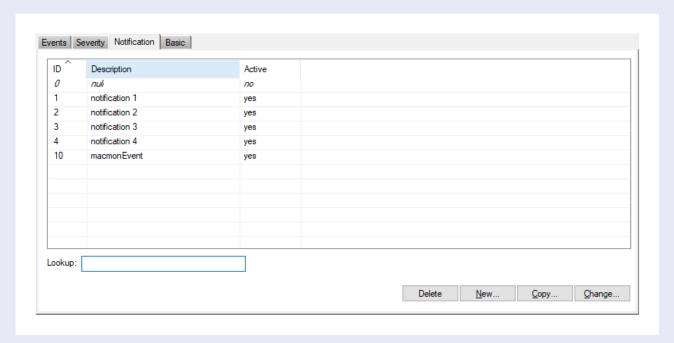
With this configuration you will set up rules that enable Barracuda CloudGen Firewall to pass the MAC address of an infected device automatically to macmon NAC and set the corresponding compliance status.

In the configuration tree of your Barracuda CloudGen Firewall, please find the entry *Infrastructure Services* and the sub-entry *Eventing*.





In the following dialog please click on the tab *Notification*. To create a new notification, please click on the button *New*.



In the tab *Server Action* please select *Execute Program* in the *Type* select box. Afterwards, please enter the following in the input field *Parameter*:

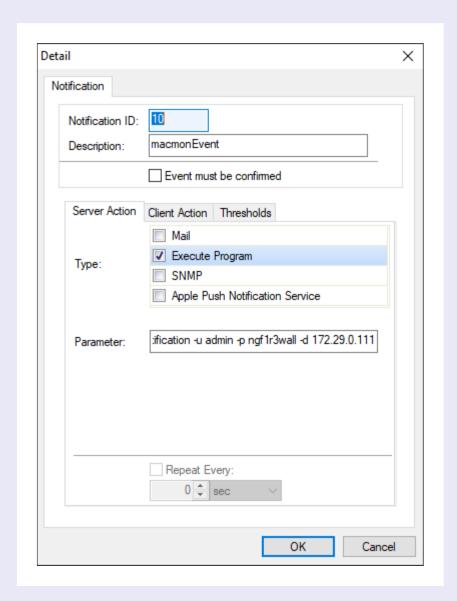
/opt/phion/bin/macmonEventNotification -u [username] -p [passwort] -d [ipadresse]

Parameter overview:

- -u passes the username of your macmon NAC installation
- -p passes the password of the corresponding user.
- -d passes the FQDN/the IP address of your macmon NAC installation

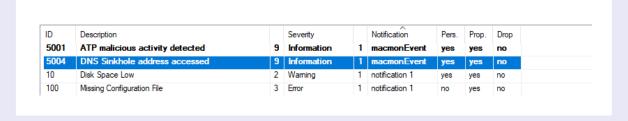
This would be an example call: /opt/phion/bin/macmonEventNotification -u admin -p ngflr3wall -d 172.29.0.111





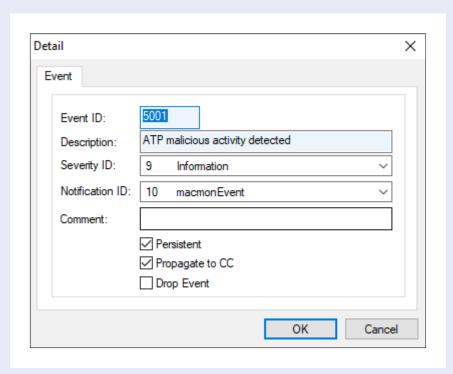
Please make sure to remember the *Notification ID* that is automatically assigned. You can see this ID in the upper third of the Detail window. (In the screenshot, the ID is 10.)

You now bind the new notification to the events with the IDs 5001 and 5004. For this, please click on the tab *Events* in the menu *Eventing*. Afterwards please double-click on the entry with the ID 5001.

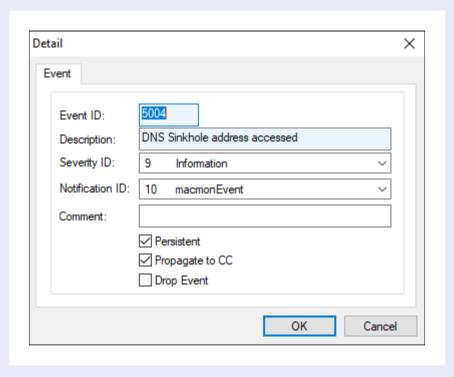




Please select the *Notification ID* of the previous step in the dropdown menu with the same name. This is to bind the event 5001 on the notification.



Please proceed in the same way with the event 5004. Please double-click on the entry with the ID 5004. Please select the *Notification ID* of the previous step in the dropdown menu with the same name. This is to bind the event 5004 on the notification.



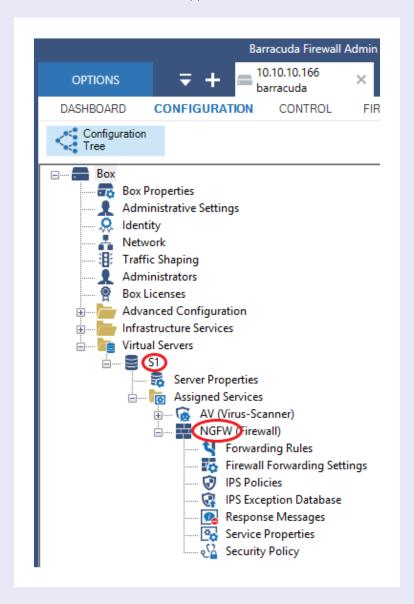


Configuration of macmon NAC

Barracuda

Please note the following data regarding apikey, server and service:

You have already set up the API key in a previous step. This value is now used as *apikey*. You can find the values for *server* and *service* in the Firewall Admin application.



The value *name of the firewall object* refers to the object name you have chosen for the firewall object in a previous step.

This could be an example configuration:

URL: https://10.10.10.123:8443

API key: example-api-key

API version: v1 Server: S1 Service: NGFW



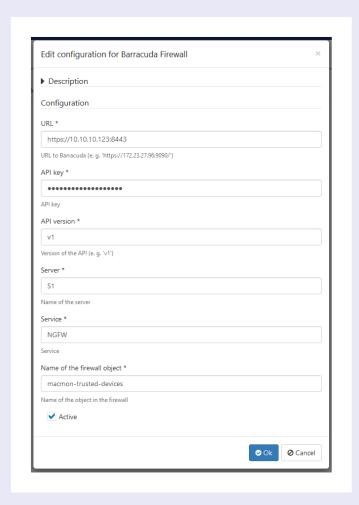
Name of the firewall object: macmon-trusted-devices

macmon NAC

The configuration is done via the web GUI. Please tap on *Settings* and *Third party integrations*, then on *Compliance*.



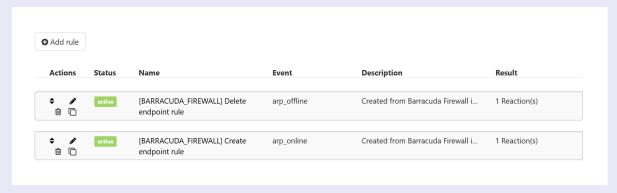
If the border of the Barracuda tile appears gray the integration is not yet activated. Please tap on the tile for the configuration dialog to be shown and enter the credentials you've set up on your Barracuda CloudGen Firewall instance. Please make sure to check the box with the label "Active" and confirm by tapping "Ok".





Policies configuration

When activating the Barracuda CloudGen Firewall integration, all necessary rules are set up automatically. Both rules will appear in *Policies – Events*. If you need to customize them, please tap on the pen icon.



Further use cases

The use case of trustworthy endpoint devices can also be easily transferred to guest devices. For this purpose, an object for the guest portal can be created in Barracuda CloudGen Firewall (e.g., macmon-guest-portal) and the triggering policy rule can be adapted so that it triggers when a new guest device logs on. This enables Barracuda CloudGen Firewall to take over the routing for new guest devices automatically.

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