

DEPLOYMENT GUIDE

Implementing Infoblox TIDE feeds into Palo Alto Networks Firewalls



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Introduction

Infoblox Threat Intelligence Data Exchange (TIDE) leverages highly accurate machine-readable threat intelligence (MRTI) data to aggregate and selectively distribute data across a broad range of security infrastructure. The threat intelligence team curates, normalizes, and refines the high quality threat data to minimize false positives. Our threat feeds begin with information gained from native investigations and harvesting techniques. We then combine them with verified and observed data from trusted partners including government agencies, academics, several premier Internet infrastructure providers, and law enforcement. The end result is a highly refined feed with a very low historical false-positive rate.

This deployment guide shows how to incorporate the feeds into a Palo Alto Networks Firewall.

Infoblox Threat Intelligence Data Exchange Feeds

Infoblox provides the following feeds from the BloxOne Threat Defense website:

- IP list - this is a list of IP addresses that have been found to be malicious.
- Domain list – this is a list of domains that have been found to be malicious.
- URL list – this is a list of URLs that have been found to be malicious.

Requirements

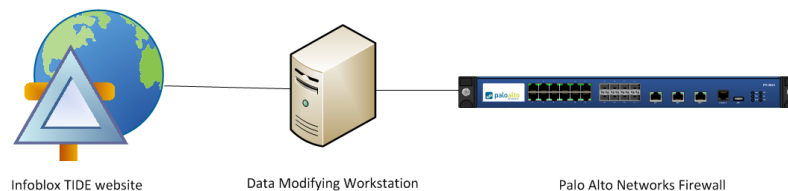
The following items are required to incorporate the Infoblox TIDE feeds into the Palo Alto Networks Firewall:

- Palo Alto Networks Firewall with Threat Protection and URL filtering licenses.
- Access to the Infoblox TIDE website to download the data feeds.
- A VM (virtual machine) or workstation to modify the feeds per the Palo Alto Networks data formats. Per the 'Formatting Guidelines for an External Dynamic List' section in the PAN OS administrators guide for formatting information:
 - Remove the quotes.
 - Remove the field headers (i.e. IP, URL, host).
 - Remove HTTP:// and HTTPS:// from the URLs.
 - Here is a same SED command for removing the items above in the feeds:
 - `sed -e 's/^ip$//' -e 's/^url$//' -e 's/^host$//' -e '/^s*$d' -e 's"/"g' -e 's#http://##g' -e 's#https://##g'`

Tested Hardware and Software

- Palo Alto Networks Firewall model 3020.
- PAN OS version 7.1.7.

Sample Test Network for importing data feeds into Palo Alto firewall



Data is downloaded to the workstation to be modified per the formatting requirements. The workstation must run a webserver for the Palo Alto firewall to access the feeds. The Palo Alto firewall then downloads the newly formatted data using External Dynamic Lists.

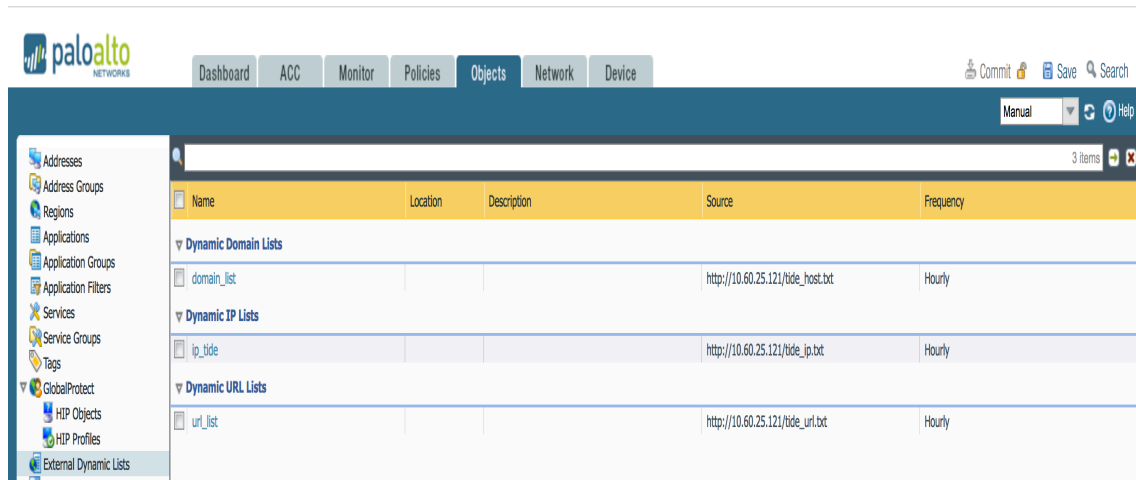
Deployment Summary

- After downloading the feeds to the VM or workstation, create External Dynamic Lists for: IP address, Domains, and/or URLs.
- Create an Anti-Spyware entry for the domain list.
- Create a URL Filtering entry for the URL list.
- Create a policy for the IP list.
- Create a policy for the domain list and URL list.

Deployment Instructions

Creating External Dynamic Lists

1. Log into the Palo Alto Networks Firewall GUI.
2. Navigate to Objects → External Dynamic Lists.



3. Click on the 'Add' button to add an External Dynamic List entry.
 - a. Enter the name of the External Dynamic List.
 - b. Select the type of list. Choices are: IP List, Domain List, and URL List.
 - c. Enter a description.
 - d. Enter the URL source. For example, http://<IP address or FQDN>/tide_url.txt. HTTP and HTTPS are supported.
 - e. Select the download intervals. Choices are: hourly, five minute, daily, weekly, or monthly .
 - f. Click OK.
 - g. You can test the source URL to ensure connectivity. If the test fails, then there is either a network connectivity problem or there is a data format problem.

The dialog box 'External Dynamic Lists' contains the following fields and controls:

- Name:
- Type: **IP List** (dropdown menu)
- Description:
- Source: **http://** (text field)
- Repeat: **Hourly** (dropdown menu)
- Buttons: **Test Source URL**, **OK**, **Cancel**

4. Click on the Commit button.

Create DNS Sinkholing entry for the domain list

1. Navigate to Objects → Security Profiles → Anti-Spyware.

The screenshot shows the 'Security Profiles' console with the 'Anti-Spyware' section selected. The left sidebar lists various security features, and the main pane shows a table of rules for two profiles: 'sinkhole2' and 'active trust domain list'.

Profile Name	Rules	Rule Name	Severity	Action	Packet Capture
sinkhole2	Rules: 4	simple-critical	critical	default	disable
		simple-high	high	default	disable
		simple-medium	medium	default	disable
		simple-low	low	default	disable
active trust domain list	Rules: 4	simple-critical	critical	default	disable
		simple-high	high	default	disable
		simple-medium	medium	default	disable
		simple-low	low	default	disable

2. Click Add or Clone to create an entry.

- a. Enter or modify the name.
- b. Optionally, enter a description.

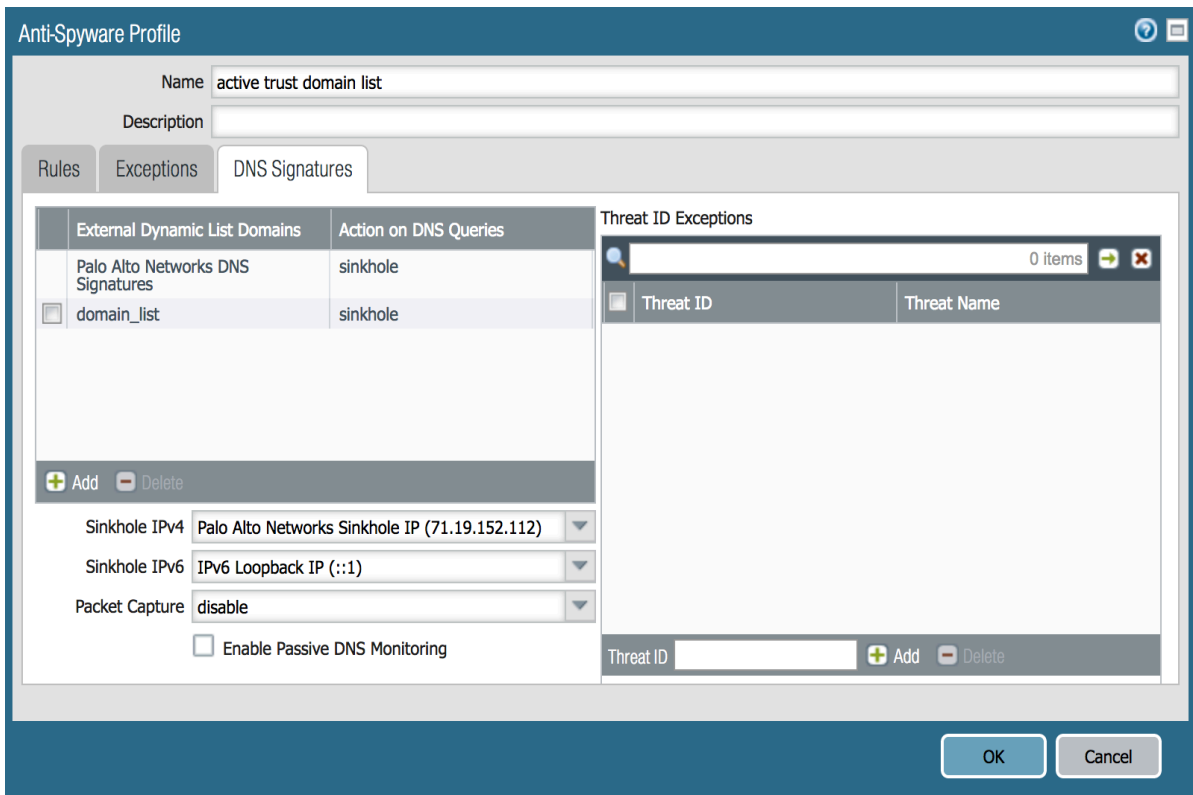
The 'Anti-Spyware Profile' dialog box shows the configuration for the 'active trust domain list' profile. The 'Rules' tab is active, displaying a table of rules.

Rule Name	Severity	Action	Packet Capture
simple-critical	critical	default	disable
simple-high	high	default	disable
simple-medium	medium	default	disable
simple-low	low	default	disable

At the bottom of the dialog, there are buttons for **Add**, **Delete**, **Move Up**, **Move Down**, **Clone**, and **Find Matching Signatures**. The **OK** and **Cancel** buttons are at the bottom right.

- c. Click on the DNS Signatures tab to enter the domain list.
- d. Click on the Add button and select the external dynamic domain list that was created previously.

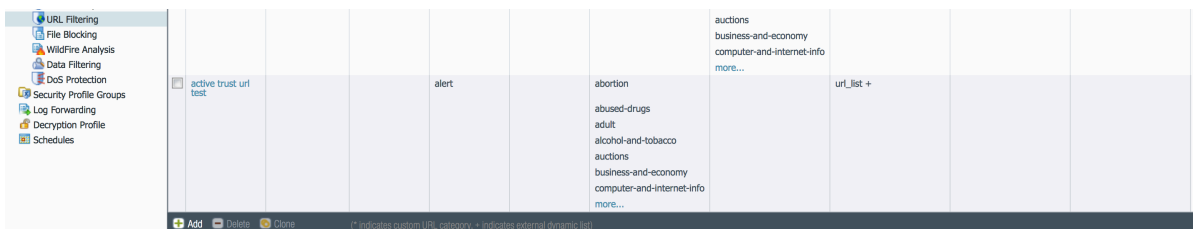
- e. Select the Action on DNS queries to sinkhole.
- f. Select the sinkhole IPv4 and IPv6 sinkhole addresses.
- g. Click OK.



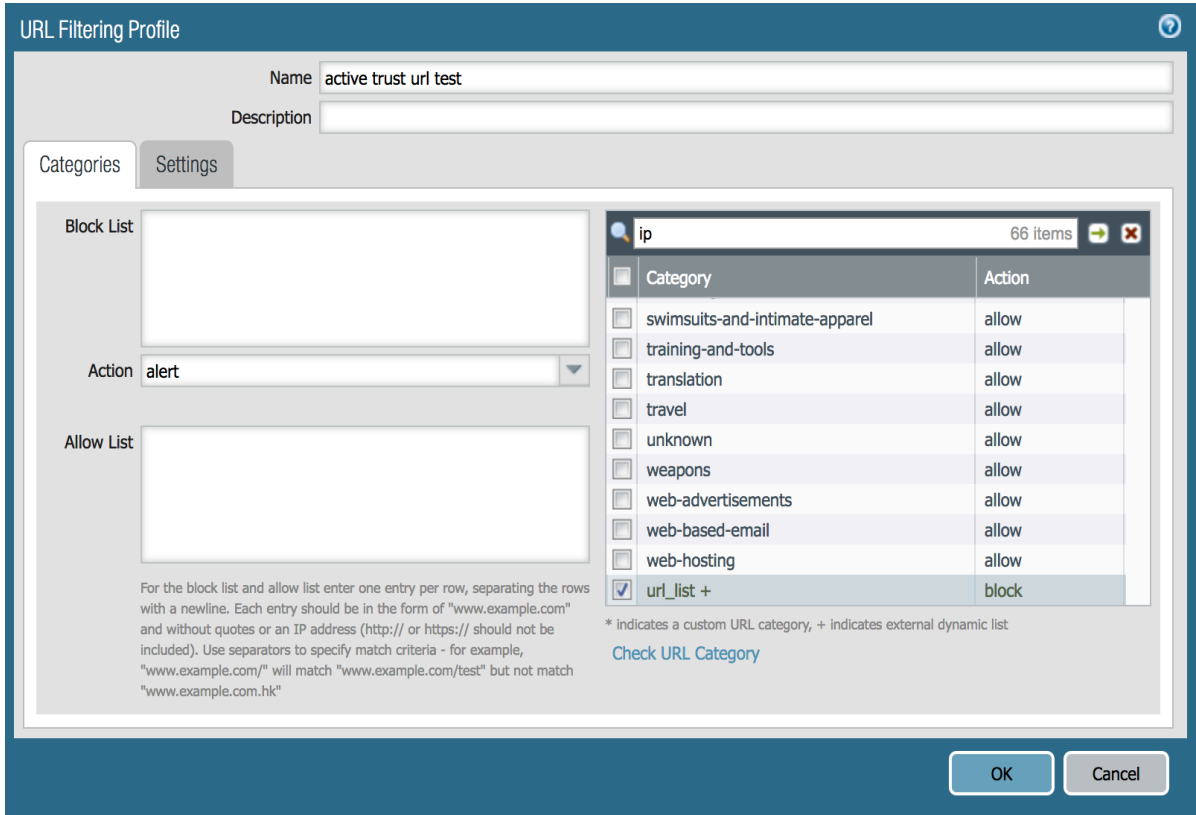
3. Click on the Commit button.

Creating a URL Filtering entry for the URL List

1. Navigate to Objects → Security Profiles → URL Filtering.



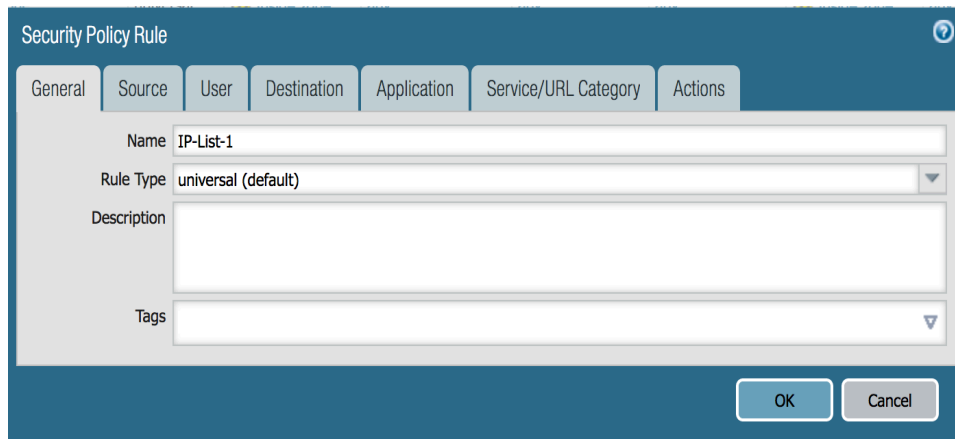
2. Click Add or Clone to create an entry.
 - a. Add a name for the entry.
 - b. Optionally, add a description.
 - c. Scroll down the list to the entry name created previously. The entry will have a '+' sign appended to it.
 - d. Select the action for this entry. Choices are block, alert, allow, continue, override, or none.
 - e. Click OK.



3. Click on the Commit button.

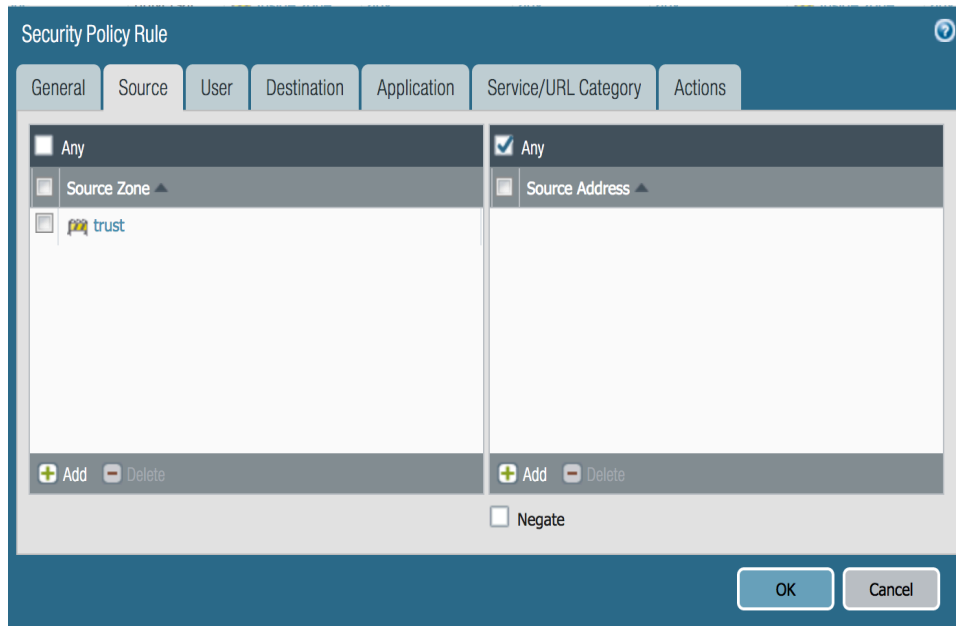
Create the Security Policies

1. Navigate to Policies → Security.
2. Click Add or Clone to create the entry for the IP list.
 - a. Enter a name for the policy.
 - b. Enter a rule type or use the default.
 - c. Optionally, enter a description.
 - d. Optionally, enter tags.



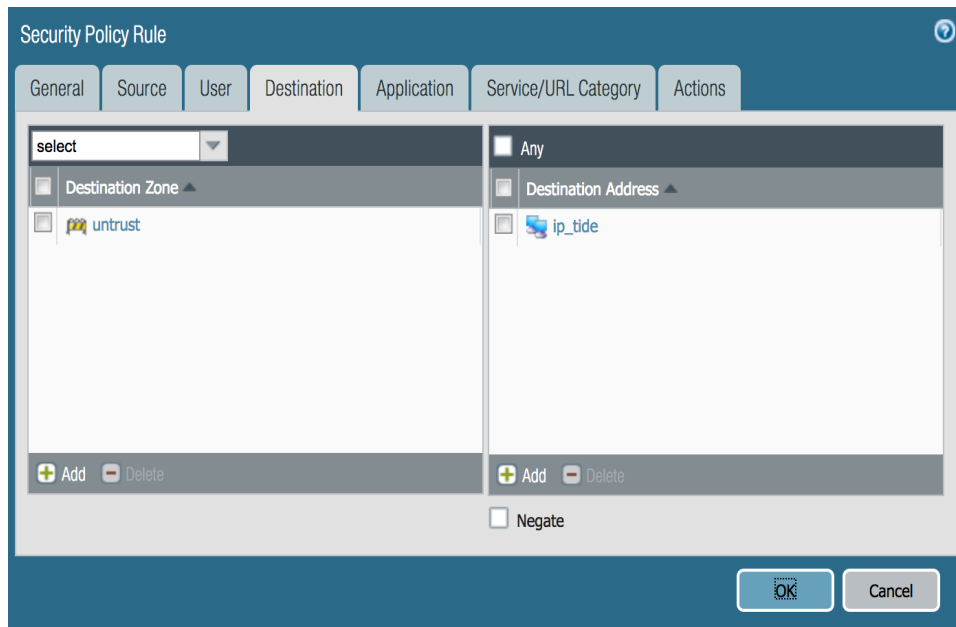
3. Click on the Source tab.

4. Add a Source Zone. In this example, the trust zone is entered.

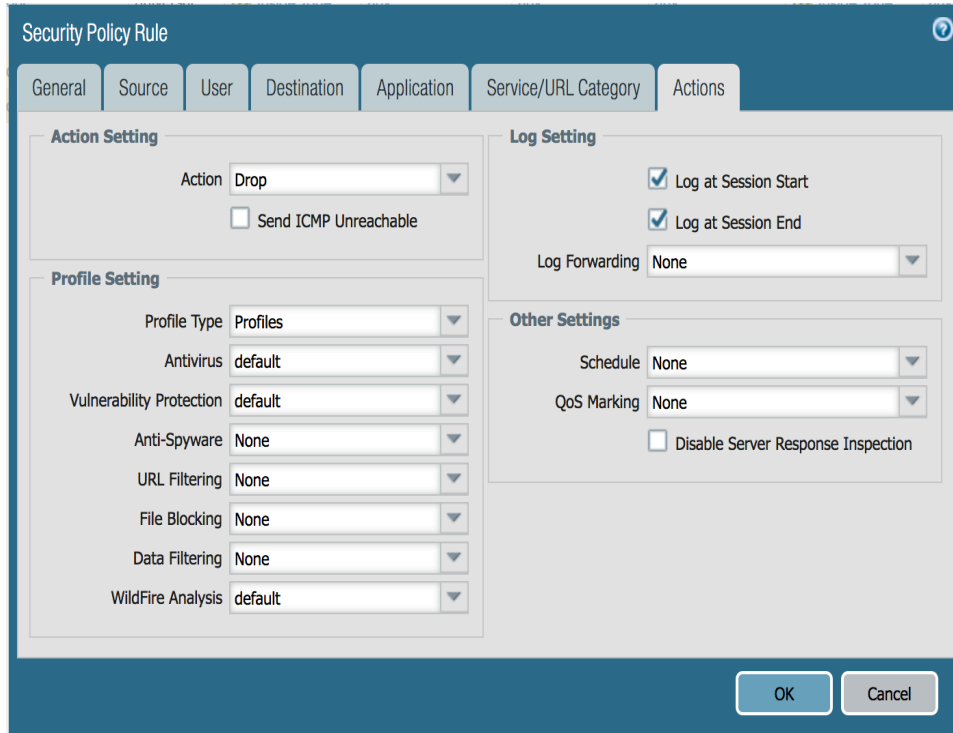


5. Click on the Destination tab.

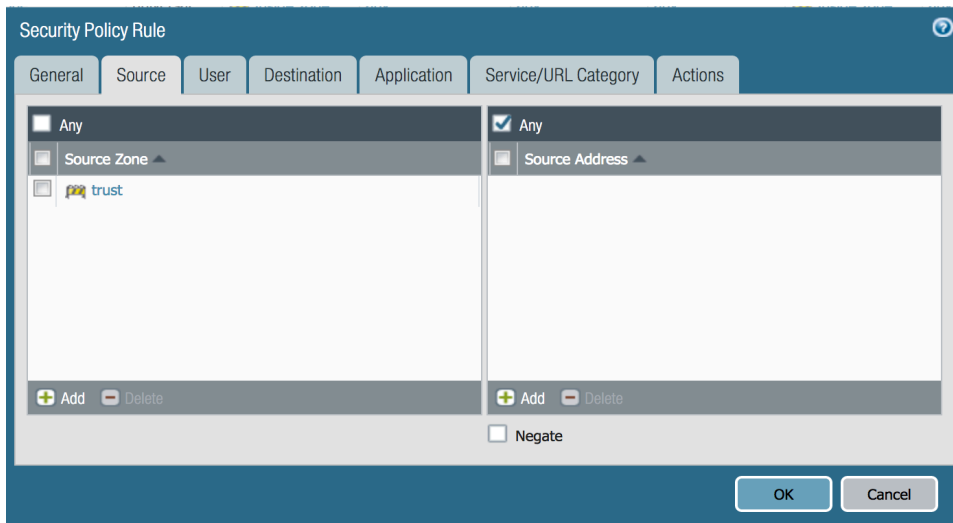
- a. Add a Destination zone and Destination address. In this example the zone is untrust and the destination address is the IP External Dynamic List.



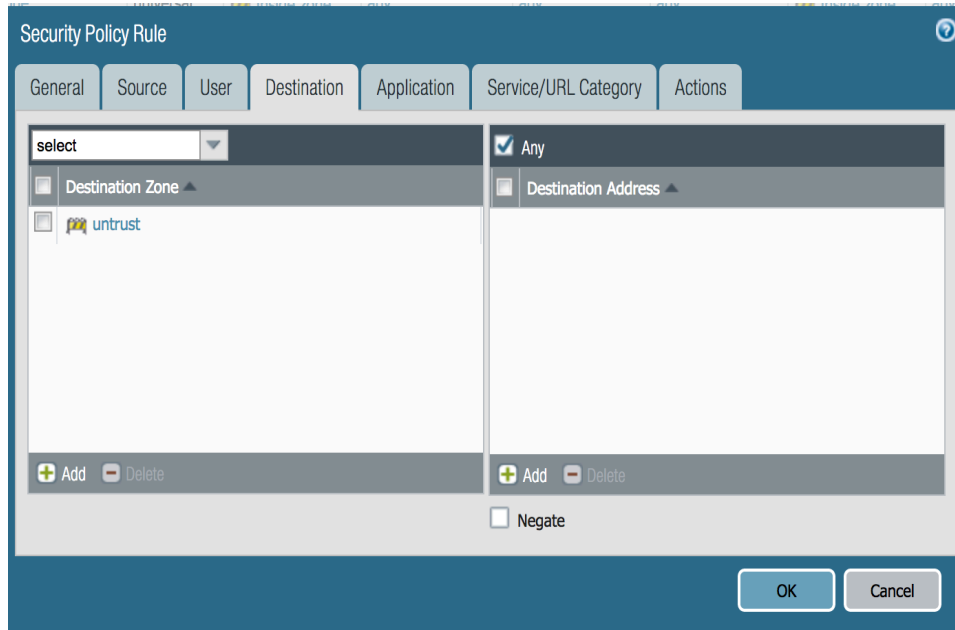
- b. Click on the Actions tab.
- c. In the Action Setting section, select the action. In this example, drop action was selected.



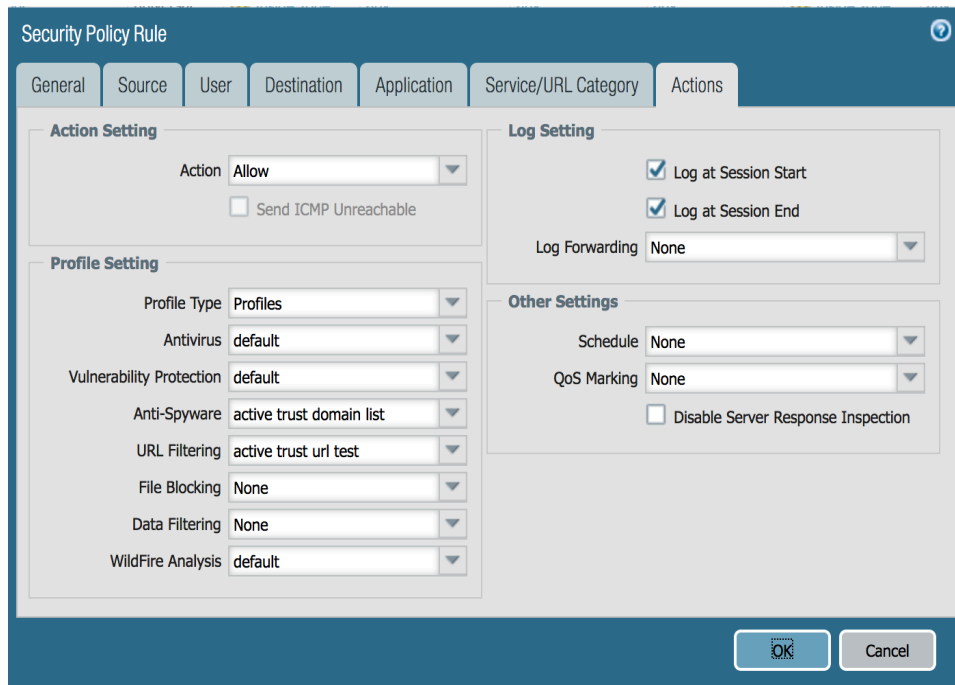
- d. Click OK.
6. Click Add or Clone to create an entry for the domain and URL lists.
 - a. Enter a name for the policy.
 - b. Enter a rule type or use the default.
 - c. Optionally, enter a description.
 - d. Optionally, enter tags.
 - e. Click on the Source tab. Add a Source Zone. In this example, the trust zone is entered.



- f. Click on the Destination tab.
- g. Add a destination zone. In this example the untrust zone is entered.



- h. Click on the Actions tab.
- i. Select allow for the action setting to allow.
- j. Select the entry for the Anti-Spyware and URL Filtering.



- k. Click OK.

- 7. Place these policies in the following order; IP policy first and Anti-spyware & URL Filtering second.
- 8. Click on the commit button.

Showing the contents of each list

- 1. SSH to the Palo Alto Networks firewall.

2. Run the following command to show the IP list: request system external-list show type ip name <ip list name>.
3. You should see something like this:

```
vsys1/ip_tide:
  Next update at      : Wed Jan 11 14:00:26 2017
  Source              : http://10.60.25.121/tide_ip.txt
  Referenced          : Yes
  Valid               : Yes

  Total valid entries : 803
  Total invalid entries : 0
  Valid ips:
    87.71.240.178
    111.68.44.132
    213.224.2.178
    60.121.113.251
    46.238.27.15
    5.14.0.193
```

4. Run the following command to show the contents of the domain list: request system external-list show type domain name <domain list name>.
5. The output should look like this:

```
vsys1/domain_list:
  Next update at      : Wed Jan 11 14:00:26 2017
  Source              : http://10.60.25.121/tide_host.txt
  Referenced          : Yes
  Valid               : Yes

  Total valid entries : 1000
  Total invalid entries : 0
  Valid domains:
    zzpyanerraticallyqozaw.com
    zzpyfordlinnetavox.com
    zzqallaabettingk.com
    zzqavinskycatteredifg.com
    zzpxvinskycatteredifg.com
```

6. Run the following command to show the contents of the URL list: request system external-list show type url name <url list name>.
- The output should look like this:

```
vsys1/url_list:
  Next update at      : Wed Jan 11 14:00:26 2017
  Source              : http://10.60.25.121/tide_url.txt
  Referenced          : Yes
  Valid               : Yes

  Total valid entries : 996
  Total invalid entries : 3
  Valid urls:
    apple.com.mbvjlu.yclscholarships.com/apple.de
    bestlagu.com/b/a9565d7d-8953-4177-9bd0-d17245df45de
    strapless.goodglobalsale.eu
    185a9776b.525762ff30108e.0bb52e3c8b52639e5e3.msgs-sc.com
```

Test the Policies

1. To test the IP list, run either ping or traceroute. You should not get any response from either

command except for a timeout.

- To test the domain list, run either nslookup or dig against an entry in the domain list.
- You should get the following output. Notice the IP address? It is the default sinkhole address.

```
sc-m-tee:~ administrator$ dig dpacpartbulkyf.com

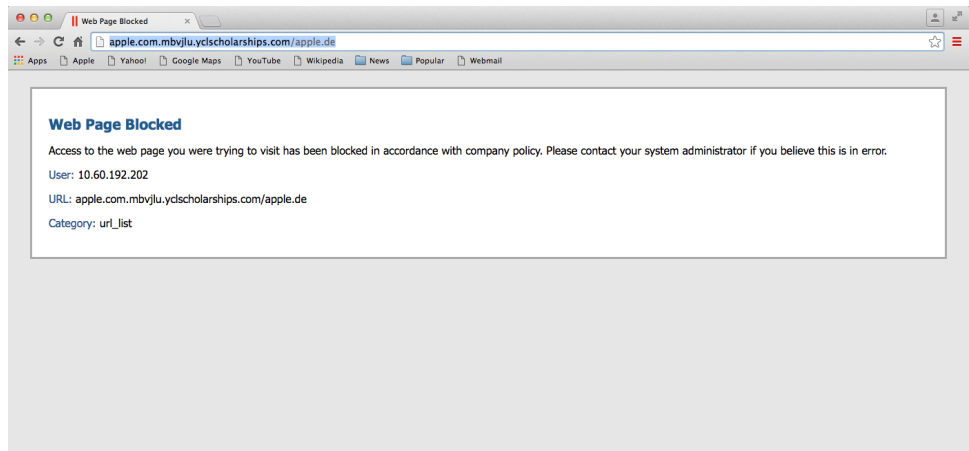
; <<> DiG 9.8.5-P1 <<> dpacpartbulkyf.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 1618
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 0

;; QUESTION SECTION:
dpacpartbulkyf.com.          IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
dpacpartbulkyf.com.        1       IN      A       71.19.152.112

;; Query time: 1 msec
;; SERVER: 10.60.192.2#53(10.60.192.2)
;; WHEN: Wed Jan 11 09:43:54 PST 2017
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 52
```

- To test the URL list, open a browser and browse to an entry in the URL list.
- You should get similar output. The output below came from a Google Chrome browser.

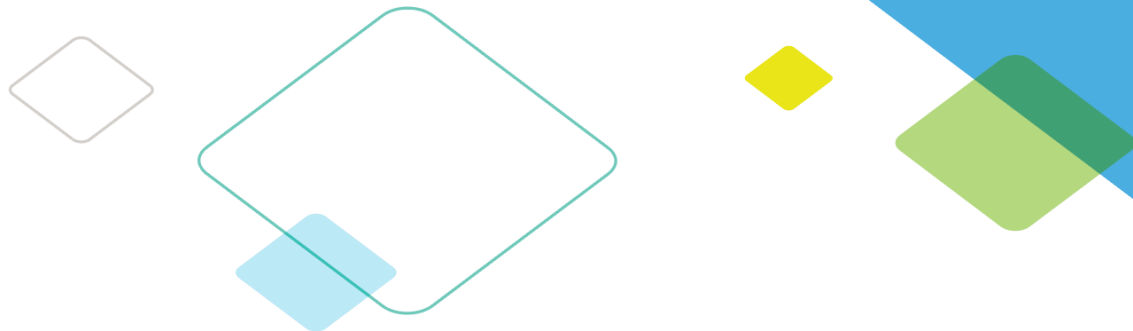


- Similarly, navigate to Monitor → Logs → Threat to see DNS sinkholing of a sinkholed domain.

Receive Time	Type	Name	From Zone	To Zone	Attacker	Attacker Name	Victim	To Port	Application	Action	Severity	File Name
01/11 09:44:00	spyware	Suspicious Domain	trust	untrust	10.60.192.202		10.60.192.2	53	dns	sinkhole	medium	Suspicious
01/11 09:14:30	spyware	Suspicious Domain	trust	untrust	10.60.192.202		10.60.192.2	53	dns	sinkhole	medium	Suspicious
01/11 09:14:23	spyware	Suspicious Domain	trust	untrust	10.60.192.202		10.60.192.2	53	dns	sinkhole	medium	Suspicious

- Similarly, navigate to Monitor → Logs → URL Filtering to see the blocking of a URL in the URL block list.

Receive Time	Category	URL	From Zone	To Zone	Source	Source User	Destination	Application	Action
01/11 09:46:24	url_list	apple.com.mbvjlu...	trust	untrust	10.60.192.202		91.142.222.42	web-browsing	block...



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