



Cloud Web Security Using Cisco ASA

Technology Design Guide

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Preface

Cisco Validated Designs (CVDs) provide the foundation for systems design based on common use cases or current engineering system priorities. They incorporate a broad set of technologies, features, and applications to address customer needs. Cisco engineers have comprehensively tested and documented each CVD in order to ensure faster, more reliable, and fully predictable deployment.

CVDs include two guide types that provide tested and validated design and deployment details:

- **Technology design guides** provide deployment details, information about validated products and software, and best practices for specific types of technology.
- **Solution design guides** integrate or reference existing CVDs, but also include product features and functionality across Cisco products and may include information about third-party integration.

Both CVD types provide a tested starting point for Cisco partners or customers to begin designing and deploying systems using their own setup and configuration.

How to Read Commands

Many CVD guides tell you how to use a command-line interface (CLI) to configure network devices. This section describes the conventions used to specify commands that you must enter.

Commands to enter at a CLI appear as follows:

```
configure terminal
```

Commands that specify a value for a variable appear as follows:

```
ntp server 10.10.48.17
```

Commands with variables that you must define appear as follows:

```
class-map [highest class name]
```

Commands at a CLI or script prompt appear as follows:

```
Router# enable
```

Long commands that line wrap are underlined. Enter them as one command:

```
police rate 10000 pps burst 10000 packets conform-action set-discard-class-  
transmit 48 exceed-action transmit
```

Noteworthy parts of system output or device configuration files appear highlighted, as follows:

```
interface Vlan64  
  ip address 10.5.204.5 255.255.255.0
```

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For the most recent CVD guides, see the following site:

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CVD Navigator

The CVD Navigator helps you determine the applicability of this guide by summarizing its key elements: the use cases, the scope or breadth of the technology covered, the proficiency or experience recommended, and CVDs related to this guide. This section is a quick reference only. For more details, see the Introduction.

Use Cases

This guide addresses the following technology use cases:

- **Manage the Safe Use of Web-Based and Social Networking Applications for Internal Users and Guests**—All web traffic from the primary-site and remote-site networks accesses the Internet through a centralized Cisco Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA) firewall. Cisco Cloud Web Security (CWS) complements the deep packet inspection and stateful filtering capabilities of the firewall by providing additional web security through a cloud-based service.

For more information, see the “Use Cases” section in this guide.

Scope

This guide covers the following areas of technology and products:

- Cisco ASA 5500-X Series Adaptive Security Appliances provide Internet edge firewall security and intrusion prevention.
- Cisco Cloud Web Security provides granular control over all web content that is accessed.

For more information, see the “Design Overview” section in this guide.

Proficiency

This guide is for people with the following technical proficiencies—or equivalent experience:

- **CCNA Routing and Switching**—1 to 3 years installing, configuring, and maintaining routed and switched networks
- **CCNA Security**—1 to 3 years installing, monitoring, and troubleshooting network devices to maintain integrity, confidentiality, and availability of data and devices

Related CVD Guides



Firewall and IPS Technology Design Guide



Remote Access VPN Technology Design Guide



Cloud Web Security Using Cisco AnyConnect Technology Design Guide



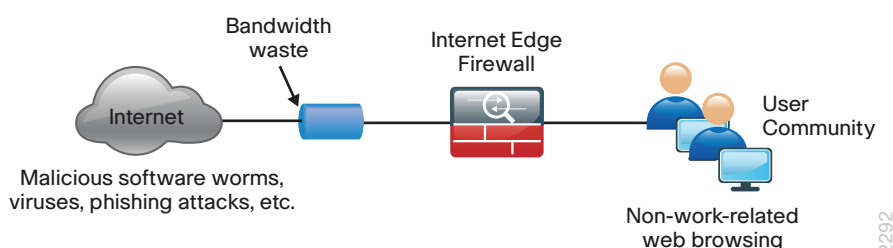
To view the related CVD guides, click the titles or visit the following site:
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Introduction

Web access is a requirement for the day-to-day functions of most organizations, but a challenge exists to maintain appropriate web access for everyone in the organization, while minimizing unacceptable or risky use. A solution is needed to control policy-based web access in order to ensure employees work effectively and ensure that personal web activity does not waste bandwidth, affect productivity, or expose the organization to undue risk.

Another risk associated with Internet access for the organization is the pervasive threat that exists from accessing sites and content. As the monetary gain for malicious activities on the Internet has grown and developed, the methods used to affect these malicious and or illegal activities has grown and become more sophisticated. *Botnets*, one of the greatest threats that exists in the Internet today, are malicious Internet servers (mostly web) being used to host content that then attacks innocent user's browsers as they view the content. These types of attacks have been used very successfully by *bot herders* (originators of the attack) in order to gather millions of infected members that are subject to the whims of the people who now control their machines. Other threats include the still popular and very broad threats of viruses and *Trojans*, in which a user receives a file in some manner and is tricked into running it, and the file then executes malicious code. The third variant uses directed attacks over the network. Examples of these attacks are the Internet worms that gathered so much attention in the early to mid-2000s. These types of risks are depicted in the figure below.

Figure 1 - Business reasons for deploying Cisco Cloud Web Security



Technology Use Cases

Cisco Cloud Web Security (CWS) addresses the need for a corporate web security policy by offering a combination of web usage controls with category and reputation-based control, malware filtering, and data protection.

Browsing websites can be risky, and many websites inadvertently end up distributing compromised or malicious content as a result of inattention to update requirements or lax security configurations. The websites that serve the compromised and malicious content are constantly changing as human-operated and worm-infested computers scan the Internet in search of additional web servers that they can infect in order to continue propagating. This dynamic environment introduces significant challenges to maintain up-to-date Internet threat profiles.

Use Case: Manage the Safe Use of Web-Based and Social Networking Applications for Internal Users and Guests

All web traffic from the primary-site and remote-site networks accesses the Internet through a centralized Cisco Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA) firewall. Cisco CWS complements the deep packet inspection and stateful filtering capabilities of the firewall by providing additional web security through a cloud-based service.

This design guide enables the following security capabilities:

- **Transparent redirection of user web traffic**—Through seamless integration with the Cisco ASA firewall, web traffic is transparently redirected to the Cisco CWS service. No additional hardware or software is required, and no configuration changes are required on user devices.
- **Web filtering**—Cisco CWS supports filters based on predefined content categories, and it also supports more detailed custom filters that can specify application, domain, content type or file type. The filtering rules can be configured to block or warn based on the specific web-usage policies of an organization.
- **Malware protection**—Cisco CWS analyzes every web request in order to determine if content is malicious. CWS is powered by the Cisco Security Intelligence Operations (SIO) whose primary role is to help organizations secure business applications and processes through identification, prevention, and remediation of threats.
- **Differentiated policies**—The Cisco CWS web portal applies policies on a per-group basis. Group membership is determined by the group authentication key of the forwarding firewall, source IP address of the web request, or the Microsoft Active Directory user and domain information of the requestor.

Design Overview

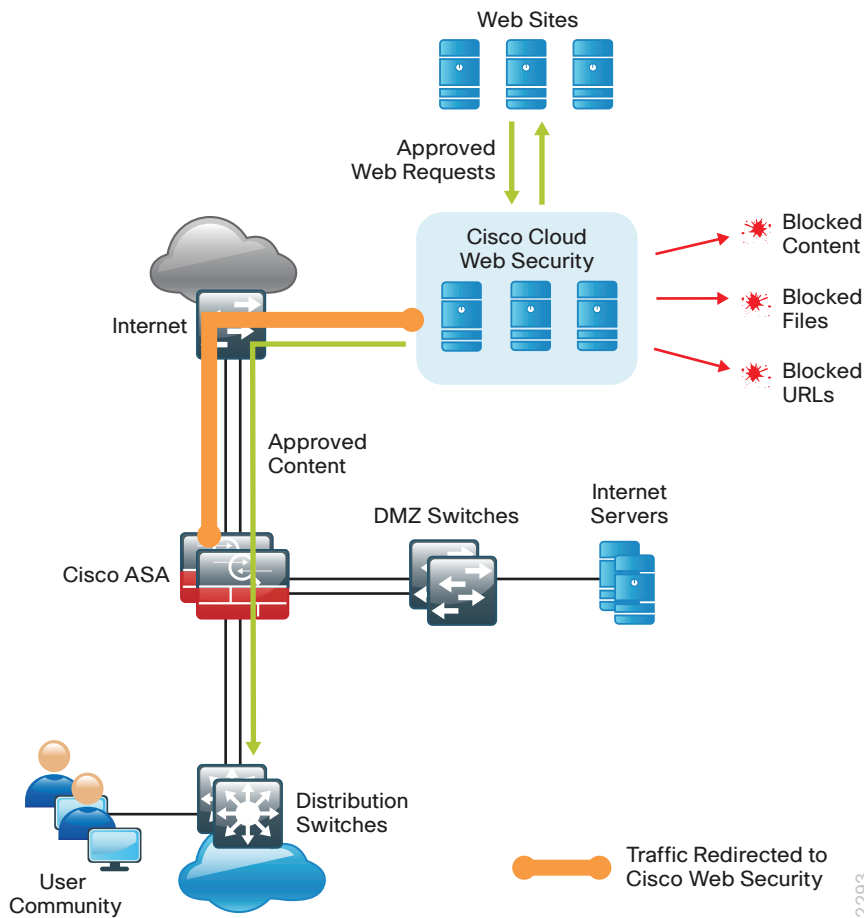
The Cisco Validated Design (CVD) Internet edge design provides the basic framework for the enhancements and additions that are discussed in this guide. A prerequisite for using this design guide is that you must have already followed the guidance in the [Firewall and IPS Technology Design Guide](#).

Through the use of multiple techniques, Cisco CWS provides granular control over all web content that is accessed. These techniques include real-time dynamic web content classification, a URL-filtering database, and file-type and content filters. The policies enforced by Cisco CWS provide strong web security and control for an organization. Cisco CWS policies apply to all users regardless of their location and device type.

Internal users at both the primary site and at remote sites access the Internet by using the primary site's Internet-edge Cisco Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA), which provides stateful firewall and intrusion prevention capabilities. It is simple and straightforward to add Cisco CWS to a Cisco ASA appliance that is already configured and operational. This integration uses the Cloud Web Security Cloud Connector for Cisco ASA and requires no additional hardware.

Cloud Connectors are software components embedded in, hosted on, or integrated with platforms in order to enable or enhance a cloud service. The native integration of the CWS Cloud Connector for Cisco ASA provides users with transparent access to a cloud service and is classified as an embedded cloud connector application.

Figure 2 - Cisco Cloud Web Security deployment



Mobile remote users connect to their organization's network by using devices that generally fall into two categories: laptops and mobile devices such as smartphones and tablets. Because the devices operate and are used differently, the capabilities currently available for each group differ. Laptops and other devices that support the Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client with Cisco CWS are not required to send web traffic to the primary site. This solution is covered in detail in the [Cloud Web Security Using Cisco AnyConnect Technology Design Guide](#). If you have an existing CWS deployment for remote-access users, the procedures are similar.

Cisco CWS using Cisco ASA also protects mobile users who are using a non-CWS-enabled Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client that connects through remote-access VPN, as detailed in both the [Remote Access VPN Technology Design Guide](#) and the [Remote Mobile Access Technology Design Guide](#).

Cisco CWS is a cloud-based method of implementing web security that is similar in function to the Cisco Web Security Appliance (WSA), which uses an on-premise appliance for web security. This guide is focused on the deployment of Cisco CWS on Cisco ASA. For more information about using Cisco WSA, see the [Web Security Using Cisco WSA Technology Design Guide](#).

Some key differences between Cisco CWS and Cisco WSA include the items listed in the following table.

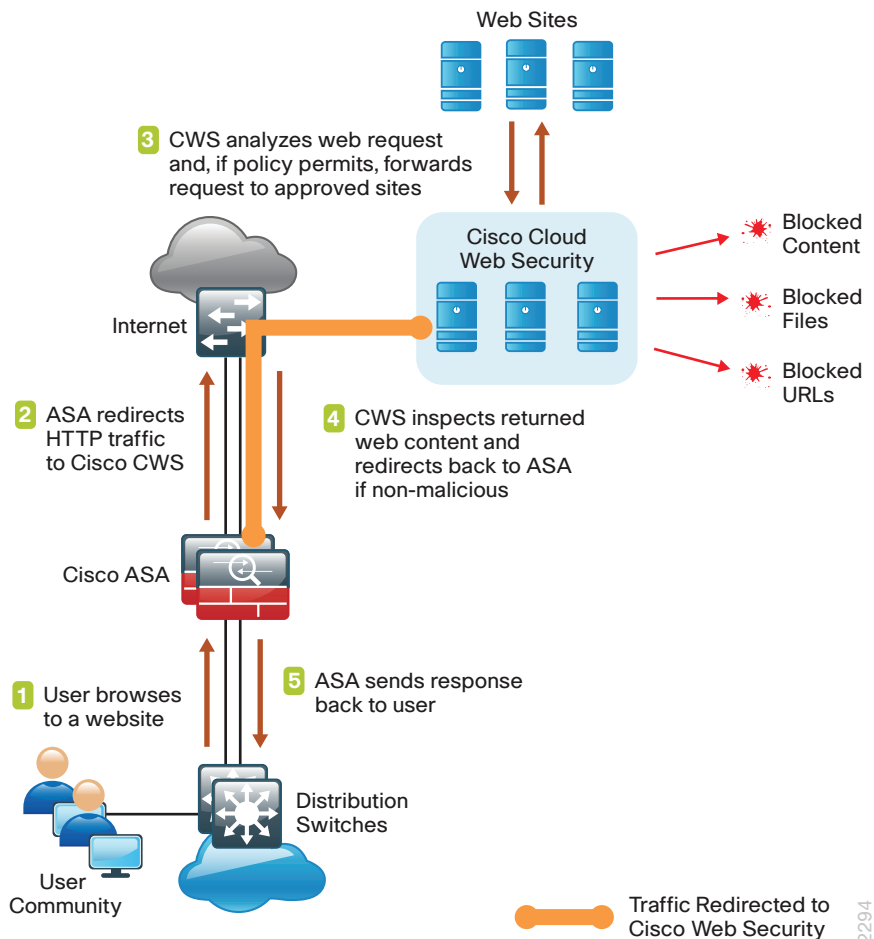
Table 1 - Cisco Web Security solution comparison

	Cisco CWS	Cisco WSA
Web/URL filtering	Yes	Yes
Supported protocols	HTTP and HTTPS	HTTP and HTTPS, FTP
Outbreak Intelligence (zero-day malware)	Yes (multiple scanners for malware)	Yes (URL/IP reputation filtering, Multiple scanners for malware)
Remote user security	Direct to cloud using Cisco AnyConnect	VPN backhaul
Remote user security (mobile devices)	VPN backhaul	VPN backhaul
Deployment	Redirect to cloud service	On-premises redirect
Policy and reporting	Web portal (cloud)	On premises

Many organizations provide guest access by using wireless LAN and enforce an acceptable use policy and provide additional security for guest users by using Cisco CWS. This guide includes a section on how to deploy CWS for wireless guest users without requiring any configuration changes to Cisco ASA.

The Cisco ASA firewall family sits between the organization's internal network and the Internet and is a fundamental infrastructural component that minimizes the impact of network intrusions while maintaining worker productivity and data security. The design uses Cisco ASA to implement a service policy that matches specified traffic and redirects the traffic to the Cisco CWS cloud for inspection by using a cloud connector. This method is considered a transparent proxy, and no configuration changes are required to web browsers on user devices.

Figure 3 - Cisco Cloud Web Security detailed traffic flow



The easiest way to apply the service policy is to modify the existing global service policy to add Cisco CWS inspection. The global policy applies to traffic received on any interface, so the same service policy applies to the following:

- Internal users at the primary site or at remote sites
- Wireless guest users connected to a demilitarized zone (DMZ) network
- Remote-access VPN users using a non-CWS-enabled Cisco AnyConnect client connecting with either the integrated firewall and VPN model or standalone VPN model

The various traffic flows for each of these user types are shown in the following figures.

Figure 4 - Cisco Cloud Web Security with internal and guest users

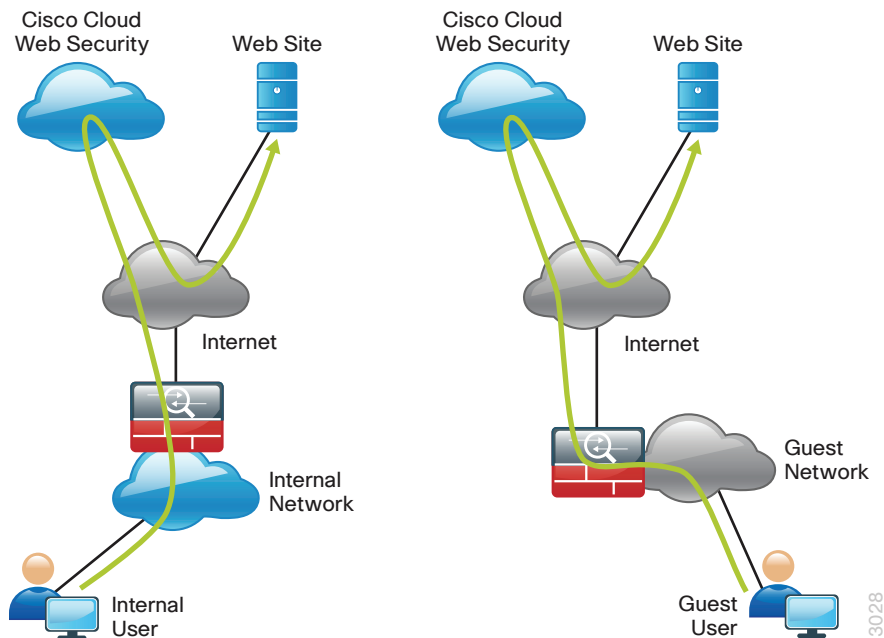
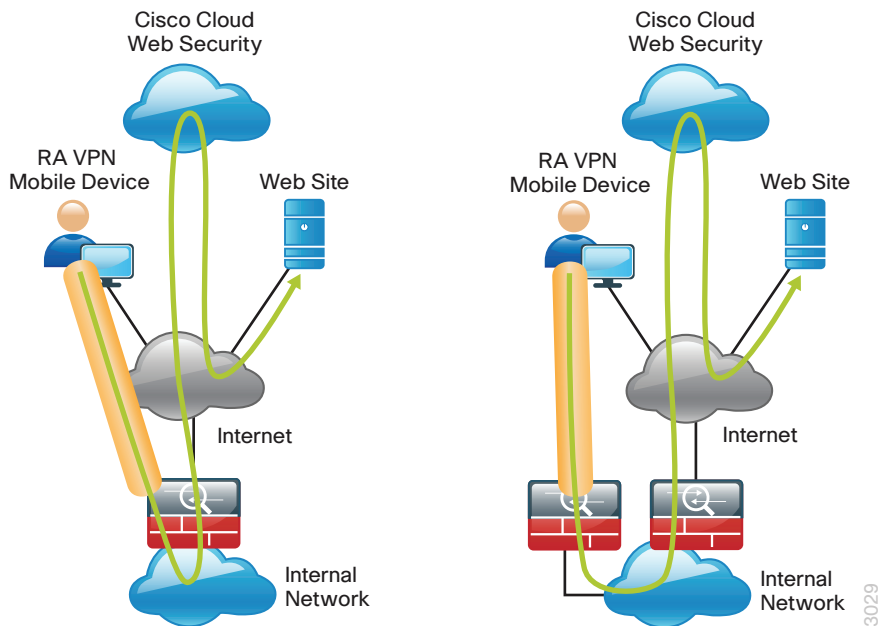


Figure 5 - Cisco Cloud Web Security for mobile devices using remote-access VPN



Certain source and destination pairs should be exempted from the service policy, such as remote-access VPN users accessing internal networks or internal users accessing DMZ networks. The creation of these exemptions is shown in the “Deployment Details” chapter of this guide.

The Cisco CWS cloud is accessed through a network of proxy servers, which have a broad geographic distribution in order to support a globally diverse set of customers. Cisco ASA is configured with a primary and secondary proxy server in order to provide high availability. Specific details for which proxy servers to use are provided by Cisco and based on the location and size of the deployment.

Cisco CWS is administered by using the CWS ScanCenter web portal. This includes creating filters and rules for policies, creating groups, activating keys, and viewing reports. All required CWS administration tasks are covered in this guide.

Deployment Details

The first part of this chapter describes how to configure the components in order to enable Cisco CWS service for internal users who access the Internet through the Internet-edge Cisco ASA, including users at the primary site and remote sites. Additionally, if internal users are using remote-access VPN from mobile devices, they are also protected with Cisco CWS. The second part of this chapter describes how to configure CWS for guest users, who may require a different policy than internal users.

PROCESS

Configuring Cisco CWS Policies for Internal Users

1. Enable Cisco CWS security configuration

Procedure 1 Enable Cisco CWS security configuration

This guide assumes you have purchased a Cisco CWS license and created an administrative CWS account that allows a user to log in and manage the account.

Step 1: Access the Cisco CWS ScanCenter Portal at the following location, and then log in with administrator rights:

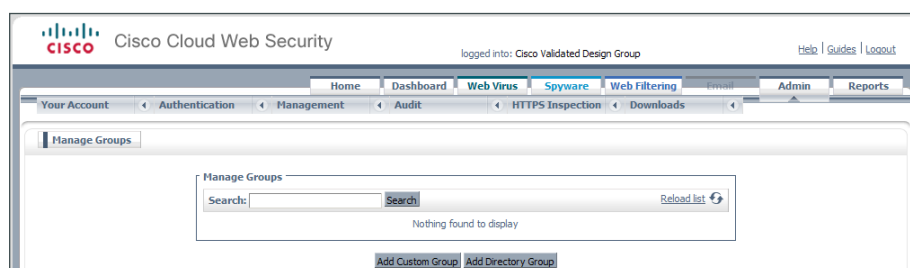
<https://scancenter.scansafe.com>

Step 2: Navigate to **Admin > Management > Groups**.



Tech Tip

Policy can differ based on group assignment. The simplest method for assigning group membership is to generate a unique key for a group and use that key during deployment to group members. If more granular policies are required, other methods for group assignment include IP address range or mapping to an Active Directory group.



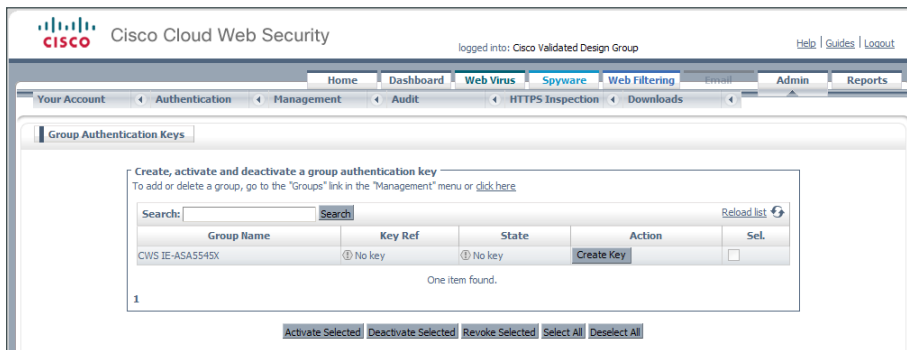
Step 3: Click **Add Custom Group**.

Step 4: In the Add New Custom Group pane, enter the group name (Example: CWS IE-ASA5545X), and then click **Save**.

A group-specific authentication license key is generated for use in the Cisco ASA VPN configuration.

Step 5: Navigate to **Admin > Authentication > Group Keys**.

Step 6: For the group created in Step 4, click **Create Key**. ScanCenter generates a key that it sends to an email address of your choosing.



Step 7: Store a copy of this key by copying and pasting it into a secure file, because the key cannot be rebuilt and can only be replaced with a new key. After it is displayed the first time (on generation) and sent in email, you can no longer view it in ScanCenter. After this key is generated, the page options change to Deactivate or Revoke.

Step 8: Navigate to **Web Filtering > Management > Filters**.

**Tech Tip**

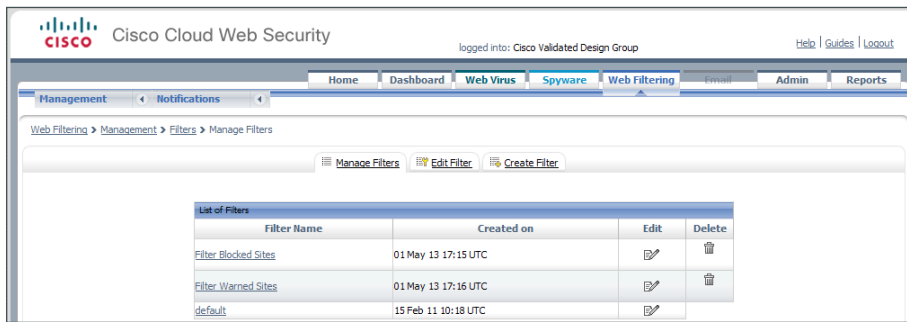
The filtering policy in this guide is an example only. The actual policy implemented should align with the organization's security policy and business requirements.

Step 9: Click **Create Filter**.

Step 10: Assign a name to the filter (Example: Filter Blocked Sites), select the categories blocked by your organization's policy (Examples: Pornography and Hate Speech), and then click **Save**. Access to these categories is completely restricted.

Step 11: Click **Create Filter**.

Step 12: Assign a name to the filter (Example: Filter Warned Sites), select the categories that are considered inappropriate by your organization's policy (Example: Gambling), and then click **Save**. Access to these categories is permitted, but only after accepting a warning message.



Step 13: Navigate to **Web Filtering > Management > Policy**.

Step 14: Select the Rule name **Default**, change the rule action to **Allow**, and then click **Save**.

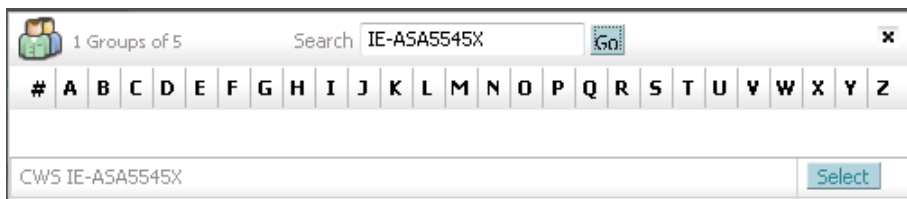
Step 15: Click **Create Rule**.

Step 16: Assign a name to the rule (Example: Block_Blocked_Sites), and then select **Active**.

Step 17: In the **Rule Action** list, choose **Block**.

Step 18: In the Define Group pane, click **Add group**.

Step 19: On the dialog box, in the **Search** box, enter the name of the group created in Step 4, and then click **Go**.



Step 20: Click **Select**, and then click **Confirm Selection**.

Step 21: In the Define Filters pane, click the down arrow labeled **Choose a filter from the list**, select the filter created in Step 10 (Example: Filter Blocked Sites), and then click **Add**.

Step 22: Click **Create rule**. The policy rule has now been created.

Cisco Cloud Web Security logged into: Cisco Validated Design Group Help | Guides | Logout

Home Dashboard Web Virus Spyware Web Filtering Email Admin Reports

Management > Notifications > Policy > Create Rule

Manage Policy Edit Rule Create Rule

Name: Block_Blocked_Sites Active: ☒

Description: Apply Rule Action "Block" to filter "Filter Blocked Sites" for group "CWS IE-ASA5545X"

Rule Action: Block

Define Group ("WHO")
Search for a group by clicking on "Add Group". To set a group as an exception to the rule, select the corresponding "Set as Exception" box (action of NOT).
If no group is selected, this rule will apply to anyone. Adding multiple groups has the action of "OR", so users will need to be in any of the groups listed for the rule to take effect. If a user is a member of both a regular group and an exception group the rule will not be matched.

Group	Set as Exception	Delete
CWS IE-ASA5545X	☐	
Add Group	☐	

Define Filters ("WHAT")
Choose a Filter from the list and click "Add". To set a Filter as an exception to the rule, select the corresponding "Set as Exception" box (action of NOT).

Filter	Set as Exception	Delete
Add Filter Filter Blocked Sites	☐	
Filter Blocked Sites	☐	

Define Schedule ("WHEN")
Choose a Schedule from the list and click "Add". To set a Schedule as an exception to the rule, select the corresponding "Set as Exception" box (action of NOT).
Adding multiple schedule is not recommended unless one is going to be "Set as Exception" (action of "AND NOT")

Schedule	Set as Exception	Delete
Add Schedule Choose a schedule from the list	☐	
anytime	☐	

Reset Create Rule

Next, create a new rule.

Step 23: Click **Create Rule**.

Step 24: Assign a name to the rule (Example: Warn_Warned_Sites), and then select **Active**.

Step 25: In the **Rule Action** list, choose **Warn**.

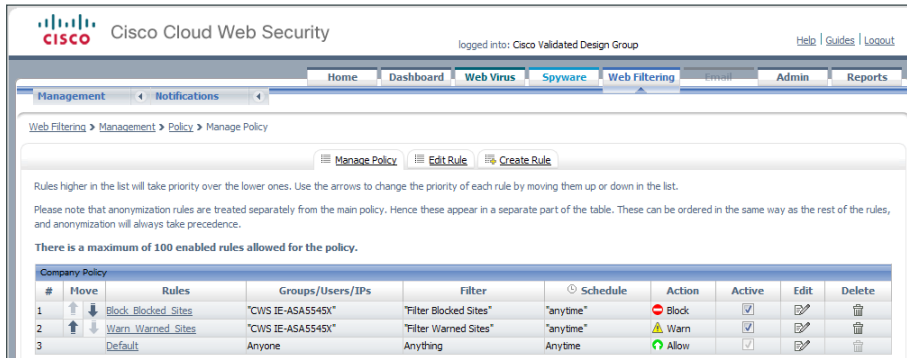
Step 26: In the Define Group pane, click **Add group**.

Step 27: On the dialog box, in the search box, enter the name of the group created in Step 4, and then click **Go**.

Step 28: Click **Select**, and then click **Confirm Selection**.

Step 29: In the Define Filters pane, click the down arrow labeled **Choose a filter from the list**, select the filter created in Step 12 (Example: Filter Warned Sites), and then click **Add**. Click **Create rule**. The policy rule has now been created. Because all rules are evaluated on a first-hit rule, the following is the correct order for the rules in this example:

1. Block Blocked Sites (which blocks access to restricted categories)
2. Warn Warned Sites (which allows access to sites but with a warning)
3. Default (which permits all other sites)



PROCESS

Configuring Policy Exceptions for Apple Wireless Devices

1. Create exceptions to bypass Captive Network Assistant

Procedure 1

Create exceptions to bypass Captive Network Assistant

When an Apple iDevice (such as an iPad, iPod, or iPhone) or an Apple Mac OS X machine connects to a wireless network, it sends an HTTP request to one of a variety of destinations to help determine if a captive portal is blocking access to the Internet.

If the success page is returned, the device assumes it has network connectivity and no action is taken.

If the success page is not returned, an Apple feature called the Captive Network Assistant (CNA) assumes there is a captive portal present. CNA then launches a browser to prompt the user with the login page from the captive portal. The CNA browser is limited in function and is used only to authenticate with a captive portal.

Table 2 – Known sites used to trigger Apple Captive Network Assistant

Website	CWS category
.apple.com	Computers and Internet
.apple.com.edgekey.net	Computers and Internet
.akamaiedge.net	currently unclassified
.akamaitechnologies.com	SaaS and B2B
www.airport.us	Computers and Internet
www.applephonecell.com	Mobile Phones
www.ibook.info	Science and Technology
www.itools.info	Computers and Internet
www.thinkdifferent.us	Business and Industry

If you have implemented a CWS block or Warn policy that blocks access to the known sites listed in the previous table, then the CNA may be invoked.

Step 1: Access the Cisco CWS ScanCenter Portal at the following location, and then log in with administrator rights:

<https://scancenter.scansafe.com>

Step 2: Navigate to **Web Filtering > Management > Filters**.

Step 3: Click **Create Filter**.

Step 4: Assign a name to the filter (Example: Filter Domain Whitelist), and then in the Inbound Filters pane, click **Domains**.

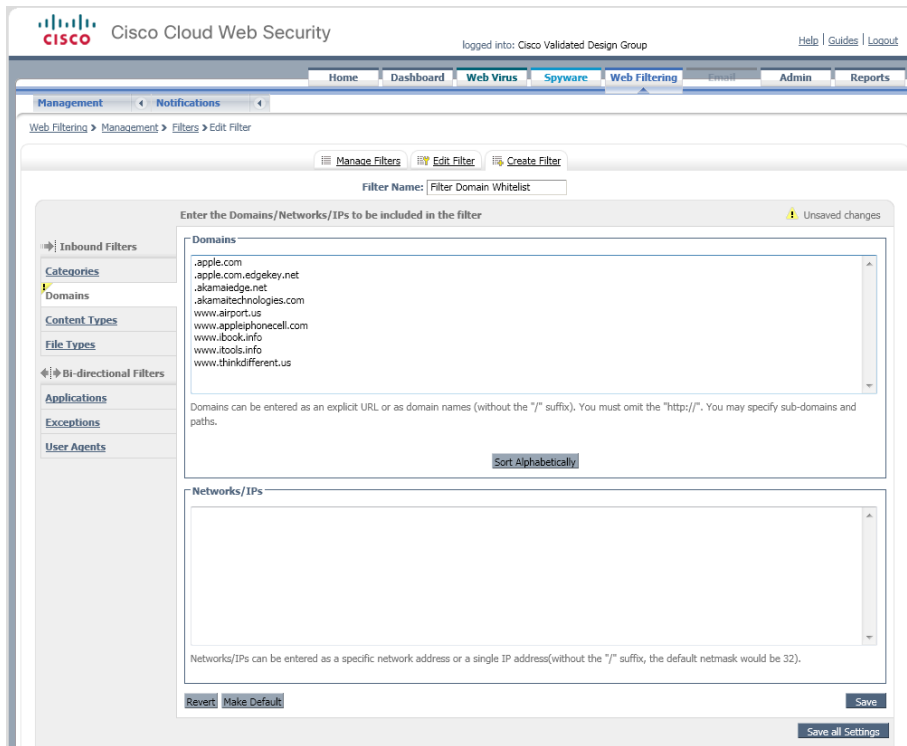
Step 5: In the domain pane, enter the full list of websites listed in Table 2, and then click **Save all Settings**.



Tech Tip

If a website begins with a “.”, it will match anything that ends with that suffix. The entry “.apple.com” will match “www.apple.com” and “store.apple.com”.

When you save the list, the ScanCenter portal automatically alphabetizes it.



Step 6: Navigate to **Web Filtering > Management > Policy**.

Step 7: Click **Create Rule**.

Step 8: Assign a name to the rule (Example: Permit_Domain_Whitelist), and then select **Active**.

Step 9: In the **Rule Action** list, choose **Allow**.

Step 10: In the Define Filters pane, click the down arrow labeled **Choose a filter from the list**, select the filter created in Step 3 (Example: Filter Domain Whitelist), and then click **Add**.

Step 11: Click **Create rule**. The policy rule has now been created.

Name Permit_Domain_Whitelist **Active** ☒

Description Apply Rule Action "Permit" to filter "Filter Domain Whitelist" for any group

Rule Action Allow

Define Group ("WHO")
Search for a group by clicking on "Add Group". To set a group as an exception to the rule, select the corresponding "Set as Exception" box (action of NOT).
If no group is selected, this rule will apply to anyone. Adding multiple groups has the action of "OR", so users will need to be in any of the groups listed for the rule to take effect. If a user is a member of both a regular group and an exception group the rule will not be matched.

Group	Set as Exception	Delete
No Group Selected	☐	
Add Group...		

Define Filters ("WHAT")
Choose a Filter from the list and click "Add". To set a Filter as an exception to the rule, select the corresponding "Set as Exception" box (action of NOT).

Filter	Set as Exception	Delete
Add Filter Filter Domain Whitelist	☐	
Filter Domain Whitelist	☐	

Define Schedule ("WHEN")
Choose a Schedule from the list and click "Add". To set a Schedule as an exception to the rule, select the corresponding "Set as Exception" box (action of NOT).
Adding multiple schedule is not recommended unless one is going to be "Set as Exception" (action of "AND NOT")

Schedule	Set as Exception	Delete
Add Schedule Choose a schedule from the list	☐	
anytime	☐	

Reset **Create Rule**

Because all rules are evaluated on a first-hit rule, the Permit Domain Whitelist rule must be listed first.

Step 12: Click the Up arrow next to the Permit_Domain_Whitelist rule until it is listed first.

Rules higher in the list will take priority over the lower ones. Use the arrows to change the priority of each rule by moving them up or down in the list.

Please note that anonymization rules are treated separately from the main policy. Hence these appear in a separate part of the table. These can be ordered in the same way as the rest of the rules, and anonymization will always take precedence.

There is a maximum of 100 enabled rules allowed for the policy.

#	Move	Rules	Groups/Users/IPs	Filter	Schedule	Action	Active	Edit	Delete
1		Permit_Domain_Whitelist	Anyone	"Filter Domain Whitelist"	"anytime"	Allow	☒		
2		Block_Blocked_Sites	"CWS IE-ASA5545X"	"Filter Blocked Sites"	"anytime"	Block	☒		
3		Warn_Warned_Sites	"CWS IE-ASA5545X"	"Filter Warned Sites"	"anytime"	Warn	☒		
4		Default	Anyone	Anything	Anytime	Allow	☒		

Step 13: Click **Apply Changes**.

Configuring Cisco ASA for Cisco Cloud Web Security

1. Configure Cisco CWS servers
2. Configure Cisco ASA firewall objects
3. Configure Cisco ASA service policy
4. Test Cisco Cloud Web Security

Procedure 1 Configure Cisco CWS servers

Cisco ASA is configured with a primary and backup server. You will receive a provisioning email after purchasing your Cisco CWS license. This email includes the primary and backup server address that you use for configuring Cisco ASA. An example email is included in “Appendix D” in this guide.

Table 3 - Example of Cisco CWS primary and secondary proxy servers from a provisioning email

Primary web services proxy address	proxyXXXX.scansafe.net
Web services proxy port	8080
Secondary web services proxy address	proxyXXXX.scansafe.net
Web services proxy port	8080



Tech Tip

Domain Name Service (DNS) is required to resolve the Fully Qualified Domain Name (FQDN) of a Cisco CWS web services proxy server.

Step 1: From a client on the internal network, navigate to the Internet-edge firewall’s inside IP address, and then launch Cisco ASA Security Device Manager. (Example: <https://10.4.24.30>)

Step 2: If the firewall is not configured to use DNS resolution, navigate to **Configuration > Device Management > DNS > DNS Client**, and then configure it as follows:

- Primary DNS Server—**10.4.48.10**
- Domain Name—**cisco.local**

Step 3: In the DNS Lookup pane, scroll to view the **Interface** list, click in the **DNS Enabled** column for the interface that is used to reach the DNS server (Example: inside), choose **True**, and then click **Apply**.

[Configuration](#) > [Device Management](#) > [DNS](#) > [DNS Client](#)

Specify how to resolve DNS requests.

DNS Setup

☒ Configure one DNS server group ☐ Configure multiple DNS server groups

Primary DNS Server:

Secondary Servers:

Domain Name:

DNS Lookup

To configure DNS, enable DNS lookup on at least one interface.

Interface	DNS Enabled
dmz-guests	false
dmz-management	false
dmz-tmg	false
dmz-web	false
dmz-wlc	false
inside	true
outside-16	false
outside-17	false

DNS Guard

This function enforces one DNS response per query. If DNS inspection is configured, this option is ignored on that interface.

☐ Enable DNS Guard on all interfaces.

Step 4: In **Configuration > Device Management > Cloud Web Security**, configure the following values from Table 3, and then click **Apply**.

- Primary Server IP Address/Domain Name—**[FQDN of primary web services proxy from provisioning email]**
- Backup Server IP Address/Domain Name—**[FQDN of secondary web services proxy from provisioning email]**
- License Key—**[Group key from Step 6 of Procedure 1, “Enable Cisco CWS security configuration”]**

Configuration > Device Management > Cloud Web Security

Configure Cloud Web Security servers and license parameters

Launch [Cloud Web Security Portal](#) to configure Web content scanning, filtering, malware protection services and retrieving reports.

Primary Server

IP Address/Domain Name:

HTTP Port:

Backup Server

IP Address/Domain Name:

HTTP Port:

Other

Retry Counter:

License Key:

Confirm License Key:

Step 5: In **Monitoring > Properties > Cloud Web Security**, verify the Cisco CWS server status. Your primary server should show a status of REACHABLE.

Monitoring > Properties > Cloud Web Security				
Cloud Web Security Status and Statistics				
Server Status:				
Server	IP Address/FQDN	Status	Active	
Primary	tower1764.scansafe.net(72.37.248.27)	REACHABLE	Active	
Backup	tower1482.scansafe.net	69.174.58.187	Standby	
Server Connection Statistics:				
Server Connection		Value		
Current HTTP sessions		0		
Current HTTPS sessions		0		
Total HTTP Sessions		32717		
Total HTTPS Sessions		0		
Total Fail HTTP sessions		0		
Total Fail HTTPS sessions		0		
Total Bytes In		9157153720		
Total Bytes Out		13998272		
HTTP session Connect Latency in ms(min/max/avg)		53/261/56		
HTTPS session Connect Latency in ms(min/max/avg)		0/0/0		

Procedure 2 Configure Cisco ASA firewall objects

In this procedure, you create the network objects listed in the following table.

Table 4 - Firewall network objects

Network object name	IP address	Netmask
internal-network	10.4.0.0/15	255.254.0.0
dmz-networks	192.168.16.0/21	255.255.248.0

Step 1: Navigate to **Configuration > Firewall > Objects > Network Objects/Groups**.

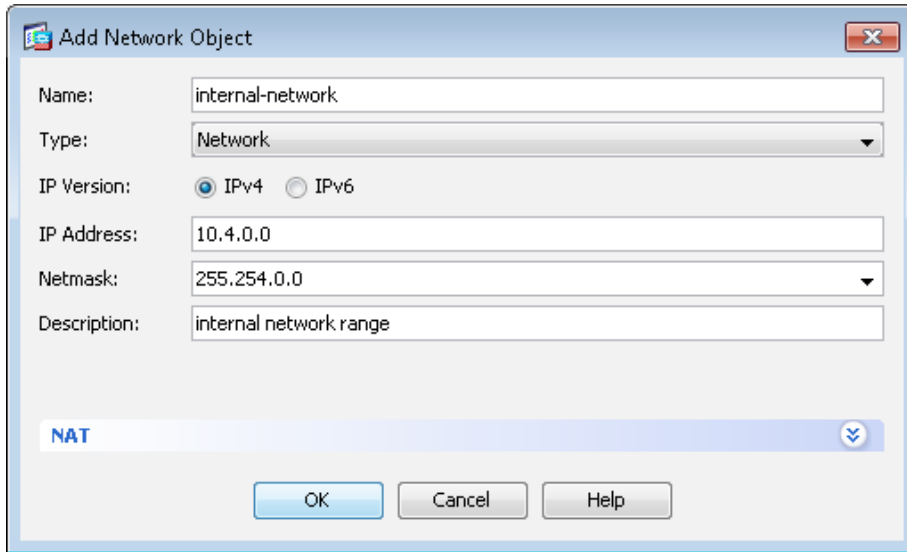
Step 2: Click **Add > Network Object**.

Step 3: On the Add Network Object dialog box, in the **Name** box, enter the Network object name from Table 4. (Example: internal-network)

Step 4: In the **Type** list, choose **Network**.

Step 5: In the **IP Address** box, enter the IP address of the object from Table 4. (Example: 10.4.0.0)

Step 6: In the **Netmask** box, enter the netmask of the object from Table 4, and then click **OK**. (Example: 255.254.0.0)



The screenshot shows a Windows-style dialog box titled "Add Network Object". It contains the following fields and controls:

- Name:** A text box containing "internal-network".
- Type:** A dropdown menu showing "Network".
- IP Version:** Two radio buttons, "IPv4" (selected) and "IPv6".
- IP Address:** A text box containing "10.4.0.0".
- Netmask:** A text box containing "255.254.0.0".
- Description:** A text box containing "internal network range".
- NAT:** A section with a blue header and a dropdown arrow.
- Buttons:** "OK", "Cancel", and "Help" at the bottom.

Step 7: Repeat Step 2 through Step 6 for all objects listed in Table 4. If the object already exists, then skip to the next object listed in the table.

Step 8: After adding all of the objects listed in Table 4, in the Network Objects/Groups pane, click **Apply**.

Procedure 3 Configure Cisco ASA service policy

The existing global service policy is modified to enable Cisco CWS. The global service policy applies to all interfaces on the firewall, so this procedure enables CWS on all interfaces.

Step 1: In **Configuration > Firewall > Service Policy Rules**, select **Add > Add Service Policy Rule**.

Step 2: Skip the Add Service Policy Rule Wizard – Service Policy dialog box by clicking **Next**.

Step 3: On the Add Service Policy Rule Wizard – Traffic Classification Criteria dialog box, in the **Create a new traffic class** box, enter **cws-http-class**, for Traffic Match Criteria, select **Source and Destination IP Address**, and then click **Next**.

Next, create the single global policy for Cisco CWS in order to match traffic on all interfaces. Because this policy may be used by internal users and remote-access VPN users, certain source and destination traffic pairs are exempted from the CWS policy by using **Do not match** as the action, as shown in the following table. The final policy rule matches all other source and destination pairs.

Table 5 – Example policy for Cisco Cloud Web Security

Action	Source object	Destination object	Service	Description
Do not match	any4	internal-network	ip	Do not match any to internal networks
Do not match	any4	dmz-networks	ip	Do not match any to DMZ networks
Match	any4	any4	tcp/http	Match HTTP to any other networks

The Add Service Policy Rule Wizard allows only a simple policy containing a single match entry, so the following steps are used to configure only the first entry in Table 5. You configure the remaining entries in Table 5 after you complete the first pass of the wizard.

Step 4: On the Add Service Policy Rule Wizard – Traffic Match – Source and Destination Address dialog box, for **Action**, select the action listed in the first row of Table 5. (Example: Do not match)

Step 5: In the **Source** box, enter the source object listed in the first row of Table 5. (Example: any4)

Step 6: In the **Destination** box, enter the destination object listed in the first row of Table 5. (Example: internal-network)

Step 7: In the **Service** box, enter the service listed in the first row of Table 5. (Example: ip), and then click **Next**.

Add Service Policy Rule Wizard - Traffic Match - Source and Destination Address

Action: ☐ Match ☒ Do not match

Source Criteria

Source: any4

User:

Security Group:

Destination Criteria

Destination: internal-network

Security Group:

Service: ip

Description: Do not match any to internal networks

More Options

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Step 8: On the Add Service Policy Rule Wizard – Rule Actions dialog box, click the **Protocol Inspection** tab, select **Cloud Web Security**, and then click **Configure**.

Step 9: On the Select Cloud Web Security Inspect Map dialog box, click **Add**.

Step 10: On the Add Cloud Web Security Inspect Map dialog box, enter a name (Example: CWS-HTTP-80). On the Parameters tab, in the **Default User** box, enter a username that will be used by default (Example: cvd-default).

Step 11: Select **HTTP**, and then click **OK**.

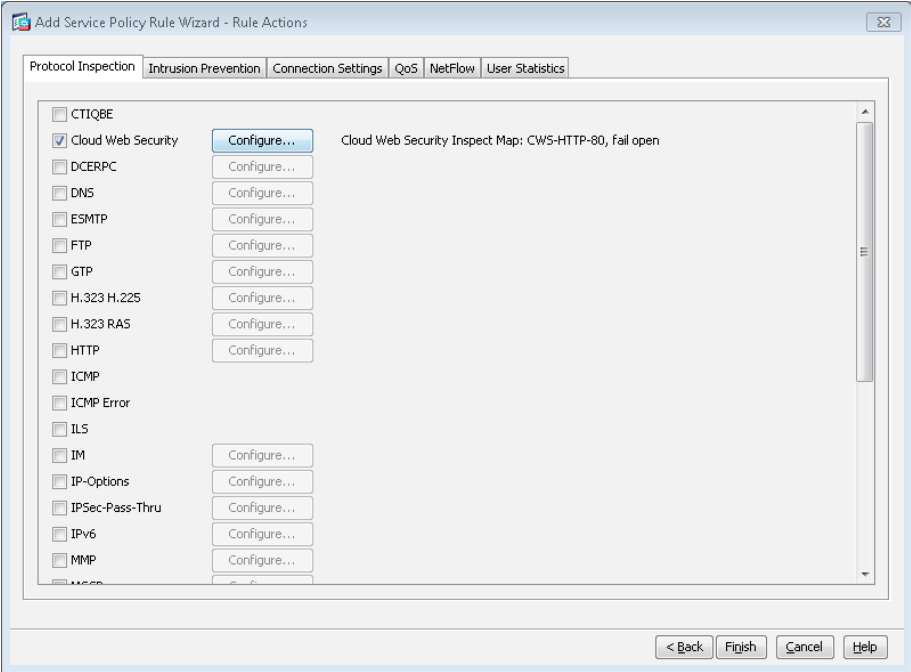
Step 12: On the Select Cloud Web Security Inspect Map dialog box, select the inspect map you created in Step 10, for Cloud Web Security Traffic Action, select **Fail Open**, and then click **OK**.



Tech Tip

A *fail open* or *fail closed* condition, in a security context, refers to the default behavior when a service is unavailable. If *fail open* is configured and the Cisco CWS service is unavailable, the firewall allows user web traffic to pass without restriction. Conversely, if *fail closed* is configured and the Cisco CWS service is unavailable, the firewall blocks user web traffic.

Step 13: On the Add Service Policy Rule Wizard – Rule Actions dialog box, click **Finish**.

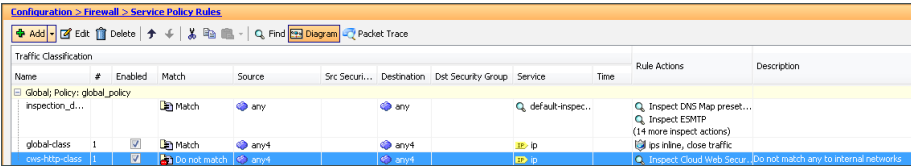


Because the Add Service Policy Rule Wizard allowed only a simple policy containing a single match entry, use the following steps in order to configure the remaining entries from Table 5, which are replicated in Table 6.

Table 6 – Example policy for Cisco Cloud Web Security (remaining entries from Table 5)

Action	Source object	Destination object	Service	Description
Do not match	any4	dmz-networks	ip	Do not match any to DMZ networks
Match	any4	any4	tcp/http	Match HTTP to any other networks

Step 14: In **Configuration > Firewall > Service Policy Rules**, select the highest numbered rule for the Cisco CWS policy (Example: cws-http-class). Right-click to Copy, and then right-click to Paste After.



Step 15: Skip the Paste Service Policy Rule Wizard – Service Policy dialog box by clicking **Next**.

Step 16: On the Paste Service Policy Rule Wizard – Traffic Classification Criteria dialog box, select **Add rule to existing traffic class**, and then from list of classes, choose the class created in Step 3 (Example: cws-http-class). Click **Next**.

Paste Service Policy Rule Wizard - Traffic Classification Criteria

☐ Create a new traffic class: global-class1

Description (optional):

Traffic Match Criteria

- ☐ Default: Inspection Traffic
- ☒ Source and Destination IP Address (uses ACL)
- ☐ Tunnel Group
- ☐ TCP or UDP Destination Port
- ☐ RTP Range
- ☐ IP DiffServ CodePoints (DSCP)
- ☐ IP Precedence
- ☐ Any traffic

☒ Add rule to existing traffic class: cws-http-class

Rule can be added to an existing class map if that class map uses access control list (ACL) as its traffic match criterion.

☐ Use class-default as the traffic class.

If traffic does not match a existing traffic class, then it will match the class-default traffic class. Class-default can be used in catch all situation.

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Step 17: On the Paste Service Policy Rule Wizard – Traffic Match – Source and Destination Address dialog box, for **Action**, select the action listed in Table 6. (Example: Do not match)

Step 18: In the **Source** box, enter the source object listed in Table 6. (Example: any4)

Step 19: In the **Destination** box, enter the destination object listed in Table 6. (Example: dmz-networks)

Step 20: In the **Service** box, enter the service listed in Table 6 (Example: ip), and then click **Next**.

Step 21: On the Paste Service Policy Rule Wizard – Rule Actions dialog box, click **Finish**.

Step 22: Repeat Step 14 through Step 21 for all of the entries in Table 6.

Step 23: Verify that your service policy rules match the following figure, and then click **Apply**.

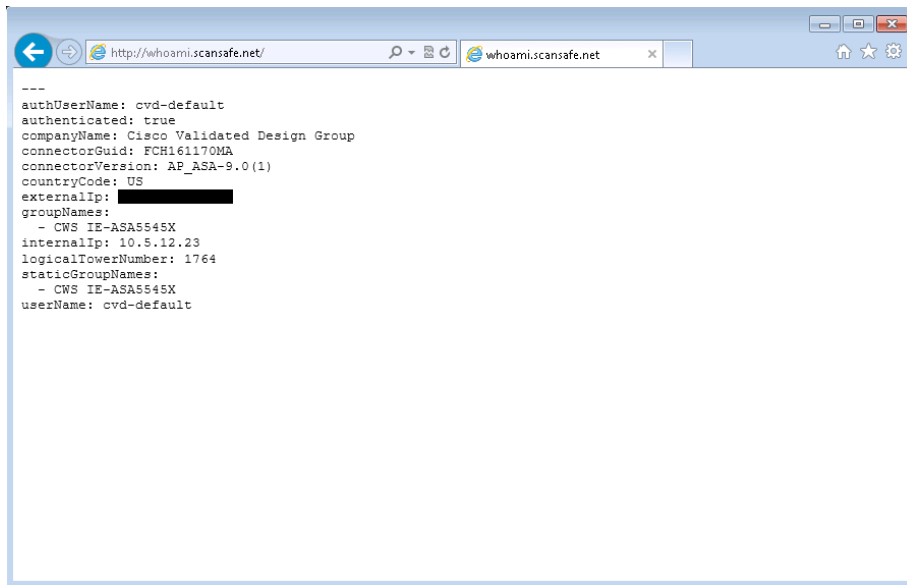
ow-http-class	1	☒						Inspect Cloud Web Security ...Do not match any to internal networks
	2	☒						Do not match any to DMZ networks
	3	☒						Match HTTP to any other networks

Procedure 4 Test Cisco Cloud Web Security

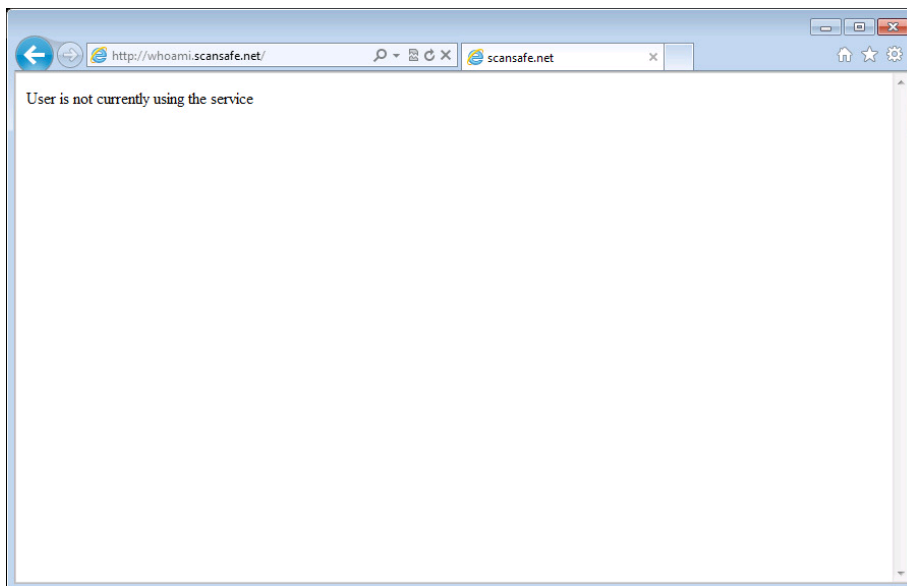
Step 1: From a client machine on the internal network, open a web browser to the following website:

<http://whoami.scansafe.net>

This website returns diagnostic information from the Cisco CWS service.



If the service is not active, the following information is returned.



Configuring Cisco CWS Policies for Guest Users

1. Enable Cisco CWS security configuration
2. Test Cisco Cloud Web Security

This is an optional process that is only required if you want to apply a different Cisco CWS policy for guest users. Otherwise, the same policy created for internal users is applied.



Reader Tip

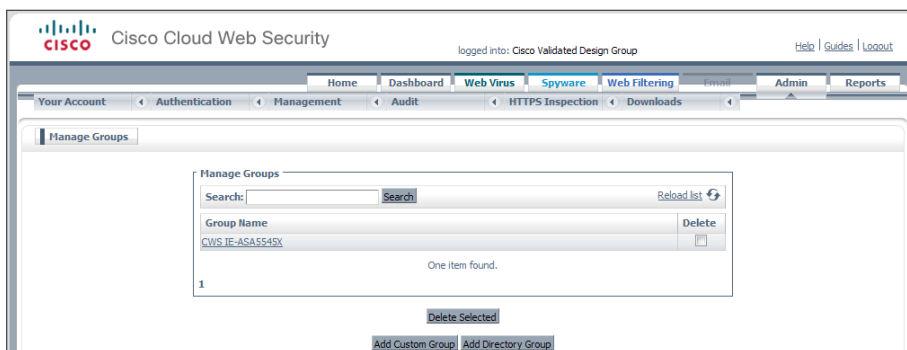
This process assumes that wireless LAN guest access has already been configured following the guidance in the [Campus Wireless LAN Technology Design Guide](#). Only the procedures required to enable Cisco CWS for an existing guest user deployment are included.

Procedure 1 Enable Cisco CWS security configuration

Step 1: Access the Cisco CWS ScanCenter Portal at the following location, and then log in with administrator rights:

<https://scancenter.scansafe.com>

Step 2: Navigate to **Admin > Management > Groups**.



Step 3: Click **Add Custom Group**.

Step 4: On the Add New Custom Group pane, enter the group name (Example: CWS Wireless Guest), and then click **Save**.

Step 5: On the **Admin > Management > Groups** page, click the link for the group created in Step 4.

Step 6: In the IP Expressions pane, add the IP subnet range that corresponds to the wireless guest DMZ configuration in the [Campus Wireless LAN Technology Design Guide](#), click **Save**, and then click **Done**.

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Custom Group' page in the Cisco Cloud Web Security interface. The page has a header with the Cisco logo and 'Cisco Cloud Web Security' text. Below the header is a navigation bar with tabs for Home, Dashboard, Web Virus, Spyware, Web Filtering, Email, Admin, and Reports. The 'Web Filtering' tab is selected. The main content area is titled 'Edit Custom Group' and contains three sections:

- Please enter the new Custom Group name:** A text input field containing 'CWS Wireless Guest' and a 'Save' button.
- IP Expressions:** A text input field containing '192.168.28.0/22' and a 'Save' button.
- Users:** A text input field and a 'Save' button.

At the bottom right of the page is a 'Done' button.

Step 7: Navigate to **Web Filtering > Management > Filters**.



Tech Tip

The filtering policy in this guide is an example only. The actual policy implemented should align with the organization's security policy and business requirements. This example uses a whitelist policy and uses filters that initially select all categories for blocking or warning. Only specifically selected categories are exempt.

If you make the whitelist too limited, web browsing to many common websites may be restricted.

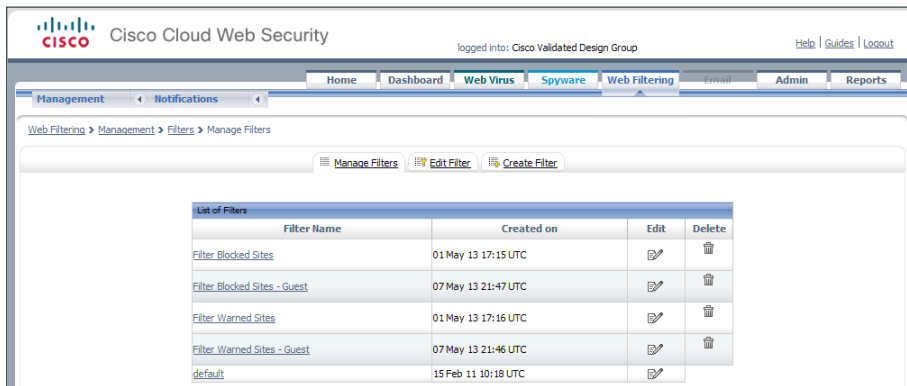
If your policy uses both a block list and a warn list as suggested in this example, all permitted categories must be contained in both lists.

Step 8: Click **Create Filter**.

Step 9: Assign a name to the filter (Example: Filter Warned Sites - Guest), click **Select All**, clear the categories that are considered appropriate by your organization's policy that do not require a warning (Example: News, Shopping, Entertainment and Social Networking), and then click **Save**. Access to all other categories is permitted, but only after accepting a warning message.

Step 10: Click **Create Filter**.

Step 11: Assign a name to the filter (Example: Filter Blocked Sites - Guest), click **Select All**, clear all of the categories that were selected in Step 9. Then clear additional categories that require a warning according to your organization's policy (Examples: Tobacco), and then click **Save**. Access to all other categories is completely restricted.



Step 12: Navigate to **Web Filtering > Management > Policy**.

Step 13: Click **Create Rule**.

Step 14: Assign a name to the rule (Example: Block_Blocked_Sites_Guest), and then select **Active**.

Step 15: In the **Rule Action** list, choose **Block**.

Step 16: In the Define Group pane, click **Add group**.

Step 17: On the dialog box, in the **Search** box, enter the name of the group created in Step 4, and then click **Go**.



Step 18: Click **Select**, and then click **Confirm Selection**.

Step 19: In the Define Filters pane, click the down arrow labeled **Choose a filter from the list**, select the filter created in Step 8 (Example: Filter Blocked Sites - Guest), and then click **Add**.

Step 20: Click **Create rule**. The policy rule has now been created.

Cisco Cloud Web Security

logged into: Cisco Validated Design Group

Help | Guides | Logout

Home Dashboard Web Virus Spyware Web Filtering Admin Reports

Management > Notifications > Policy > Create Rule

Manage Policy Edit Rule Create Rule

Name: Block_Blocked_Sites_Guest Active ☒

Description: Apply Rule Action "Block" to filter "Filter Blocked Sites - Guest" for group "CWS Wireless Guest"

Rule Action: Block

Define Group ("WHO")

Search for a group by clicking on "Add Group". To set a group as an exception to the rule, select the corresponding "Set as Exception" box (action of NOT).

If no group is selected, this rule will apply to anyone. Adding multiple groups has the action of "OR", so users will need to be in any of the groups listed for the rule to take effect. If a user is a member of both a regular group and an exception group the rule will not be matched.

Group	Set as Exception	Delete
CWS Wireless Guest	☐	
Add Group...	☐	

Define Filters ("WHAT")

Choose a Filter from the list and click "Add". To set a Filter as an exception to the rule, select the corresponding "Set as Exception" box (action of NOT).

Filter	Set as Exception	Delete
Add Filter Filter Blocked Sites - Guest Add	☐	
Filter Blocked Sites - Guest	☐	

Define Schedule ("WHEN")

Choose a Schedule from the list and click "Add". To set a Schedule as an exception to the rule, select the corresponding "Set as Exception" box (action of NOT).

Adding multiple schedule is not recommended unless one is going to be "Set as Exception" (action of "AND NOT")

Schedule	Set as Exception	Delete
Add Schedule Choose a schedule from the list Add	☐	
anytime	☐	

[Reset](#) [Create Rule](#)

Next, create a new rule.

Step 21: Click **Create Rule**.

Step 22: Assign a name to the rule (Example: Warn_Warned_Sites_Guest), and then select **Active**.

Step 23: In the **Rule Action** list, choose **Warn**.

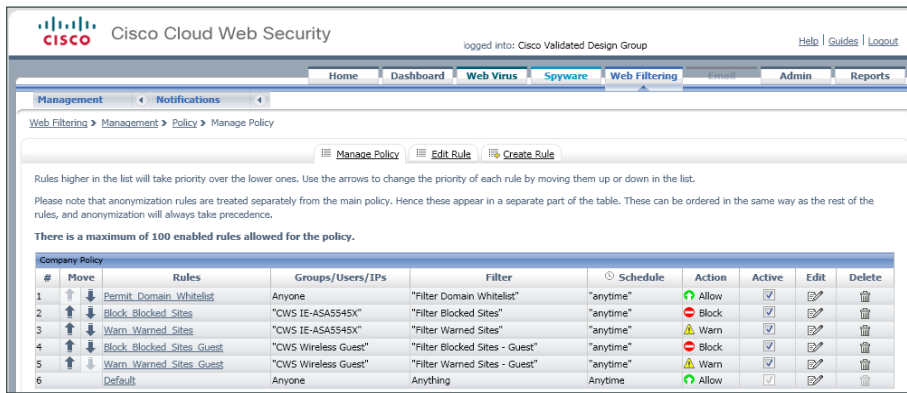
Step 24: In the Define Group pane, click **Add group**.

Step 25: On the dialog box, in the search box, enter the name of the group created in Step 4, and then click **Go**.

Step 26: Click **Select**, and then click **Confirm Selection**.

Step 27: In the Define Filters pane, click the down arrow labeled **Choose a filter from the list**, select the filter created in Step 9 (Example: Filter Warned Sites - Guest), and then click **Add**.

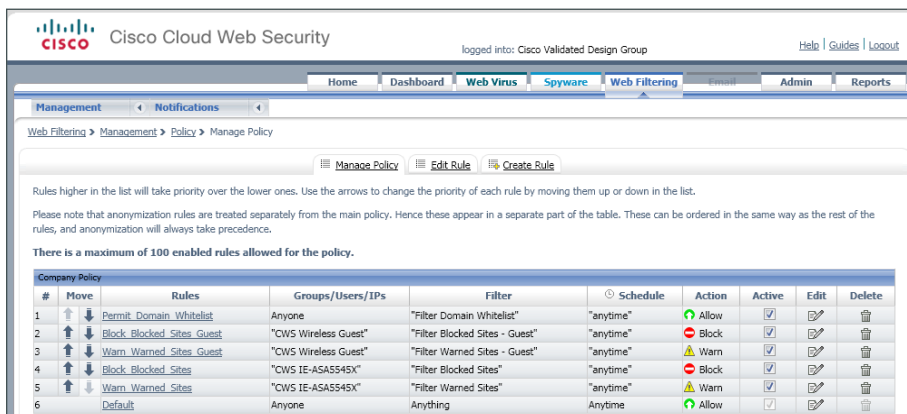
Step 28: Click **Create rule**. The policy rule has now been created.



Because the guest user traffic and internal user traffic is all redirected from the same Cisco ASA, the same group key is used. In order to properly match the guest traffic by the source IP address, the guest rules must be evaluated before the internal user rules.

Step 29: Click the Up arrow next to the Block_Blocked_Sites_Guest rule until it is listed second (after the Permit Domain Whitelist).

Step 30: Click the Up arrow next to the Warn_Warned_Sites_Guest rule until it is listed third, and then click **Apply Changes**.

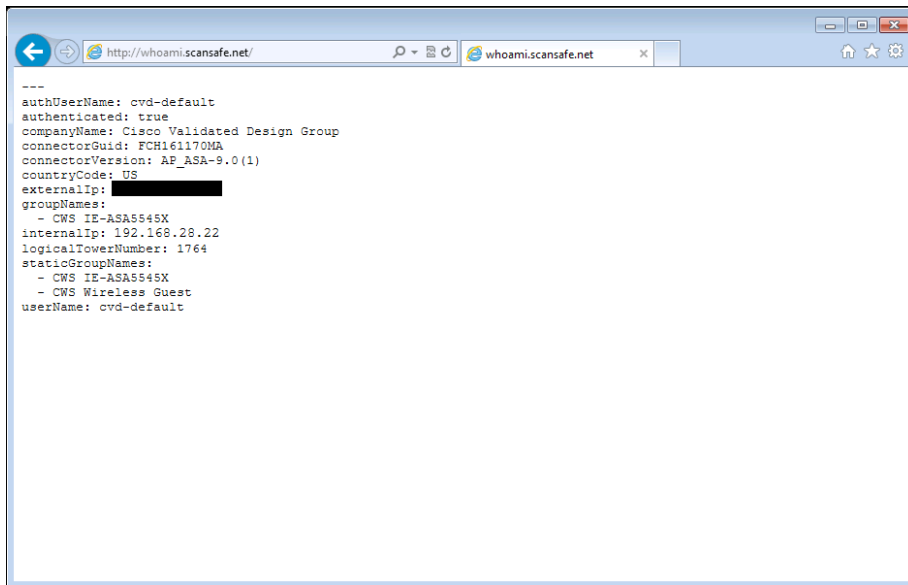


Procedure 2 Test Cisco Cloud Web Security

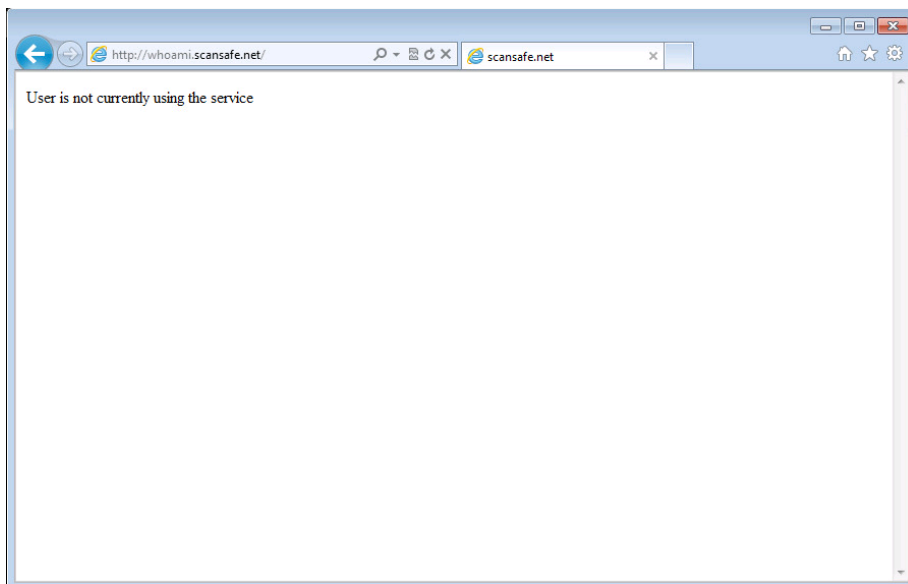
Step 1: From a client machine on the guest network, open a web browser to the following website:

<http://whoami.scansafe.net>

This website returns diagnostic information from the Cisco CWS service.



If the service is not active, the following information is returned.



Appendix A: Product List

Internet Edge

Functional Area	Product Description	Part Numbers	Software
Firewall	Cisco ASA 5545-X IPS Edition - security appliance	ASA5545-IPS-K9	ASA 9.0(1) IPS 7.1(7) E4
	Cisco ASA 5525-X IPS Edition - security appliance	ASA5525-IPS-K9	
	Cisco ASA 5515-X IPS Edition - security appliance	ASA5515-IPS-K9	
	Cisco ASA 5512-X IPS Edition - security appliance	ASA5512-IPS-K9	
	Cisco ASA 5512-X Security Plus license	ASA5512-SEC-PL	
	Firewall Management	ASDM	7.0(2)

Web Security

Functional Area	Product Description	Part Numbers	Software
Cloud Web Security	Cisco Cloud Web Security (ScanSafe)	Cisco Cloud Web Security	–
	Cisco Cloud Web Security (ScanSafe)	Please Contact your Cisco Cloud Web Security Sales Representative for Part Numbers: scansafe-sales-questions@cisco.com	

Appendix B: Changes

This appendix summarizes the changes to this guide since the previous Cisco CVD series.

- We made changes to improve the readability and technical accuracy of this guide.
- We added a new process to create exceptions to bypass the Captive Network Assistant for Apple wireless devices.

Appendix C: Configuration Files

IE-ASA5545X

The Cisco ASA commands below represent the configuration added to the Cisco ASA appliance, hostname IE-ASA5545X, as configured in the [Firewall and IPS Technology Design Guide](#). The additional configuration below enables the functionality described in this guide.

```
dns domain-lookup inside
dns server-group DefaultDNS
  name-server 10.4.48.10
  domain-name cisco.local
!
object network internal-network
  subnet 10.4.0.0 255.254.0.0
  description The organization's internal network range
object network dmz-networks
  subnet 192.168.16.0 255.255.248.0
  description The organization's DMZ network range
!
access-list global_mpc_1 remark Do not match any to internal network
access-list global_mpc_1 extended deny ip any4 object internal-network
access-list global_mpc_1 remark Do not match any to DMZ networks
access-list global_mpc_1 extended deny ip any4 object dmz-networks
access-list global_mpc_1 remark Match HTTP to any other networks
access-list global_mpc_1 extended permit tcp any4 any4 eq www
!
scansafe general-options
  server primary ip 72.37.248.27 port 8080
  server backup ip 69.174.58.187 port 8080
  retry-count 5
  license 6B2F23DCD7704A3947F02CBA6A17BCF2
!
class-map cws-http-class
  description Class to match HTTP traffic for Cloud Web Security
  match access-list global_mpc_1
!
policy-map type inspect scansafe CWS-HTTP-80
  description Cloud Web Security TCP-80
  parameters
    default user cvd-default
    http
```

```
policy-map global_policy
  class cws-http-class
    inspect scansafe CWS-HTTP-80 fail-open
  !
service-policy global_policy global
```

Appendix D: Provisioning Email Example

From: ScanSafe Provisioning [mailto:provisioning@scansafe.net]
Subject: Provisioning Notification: Customer X / PO Ref:XXXXXXXX

On Day-Month-Year we completed the provisioning of the ScanSafe Web Security services for Customer X in accordance with the order details below:

Services:	Subscription Seats and Services
Term:	Subscription Months
Registered IP Addresses:	-None configured yet-
Domains:	-None configured yet-

The service is now available and you should make the necessary configuration changes described below to use the service. Please configure your system so that external Web traffic is sent via ScanSafe, using the explicit proxy setting below:

Primary Web Services Proxy Address:	proxyXXXX.scansafe.net
Web Services Proxy port:	8080
Secondary Web Services Proxy Address:	proxyXXXX.scansafe.net
Web Services Proxy port:	8080

The exact configuration changes required will vary depending in your specific existing infrastructure.

To log in to the service configuration Web portal and administer the service, please visit <https://scancenter.scansafe.com/portal/admin/login.jsp> and enter your email and password details below:

Email:	contact@CustomerX.com
Password :	-Not Shown-
Company ID:	XXXXXXXXXX

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