



Configuration examples for the D-Link NetDefend Firewall series

Scenario: How to configure Web-based User Authentication

Platform Compatibility: All NetDefend Firewall Series

Last update: 2008-03-07

Overview

In this document, the notation *Objects->Address book* means that in the tree on the left side of the screen **Objects** first should be clicked (expanded) and then **Address Book**.

Most of the examples in this document are adapted for the DFL-800. The same settings can easily be used for all other models in the series. The only difference is the names of the interfaces. Since the DFL-1600 and DFL-2500 has more than one lan interface, the lan interfaces are named lan1, lan2 and lan3 not just lan.

The screenshots in this document is from firmware version 2.11.02. If you are using an earlier version of the firmware, the screenshots may not be identical to what you see on your browser.

To prevent existing settings to interfere with the settings in these guides, reset the firewall to factory defaults before starting.



How to configure Web-based User Authentication

This scenario shows how to configure the firewall to require user authentication before local users can browse the Internet. The user will automatically be redirected to the login page if not already authenticated. In the end of this guide there is also an explanation of an alternative set up - how to configure the firewall to use authentication without the automatic redirection.





1. Addresses

Go to Objects -> Address book -> InterfaceAddresses:

Edit the following items: Change lan_ip to 192.168.1.1 Change lannet to 192.168.1.0/24 Change wan1_ip to 192.168.110.1 Change wan1net to 192.168.110.0/24

Add a new IP address object: Name: gw-world IP Address: 192.168.110.254

Click OK.

Add a new IP address object.

In the General tab:

General:

lan-auth	
192.168.1.0/24	e.g: "172.16.50.8", "192.168.30.7, 192.168.30.11", "19
	lan-auth 192.168.1.0/24

Name: lan-auth IP Address: 192.168.1.0/24

In the User Authentication tab:

General:

webuser		

Enter webuser in the textbox.

Click Ok.

🗄 🖓 Objects	
🖻 🙀 Address Book	
🙀 InterfaceAddresses	



2. Interfaces

Go to Interfaces -> Ethernet.

Edit the wan1 interface.

In the General tab:

General:

Name:	wan1	
IP Address:	wan1_ip	~
Network:	waninet	*
Default Gateway:	gw-world	~

Name: wan1 IP Address: wan1_ip Network: wan1net Default Gateway: gw-world

Click Ok.

3. Remote Management

The port used for the web user interface has to be changed, since web user authentication will use port 80.

Go to System -> Remote Management.

Click Modify advanced settings.

WebUI Before Rules:	\checkmark	Enable HTTP(S) traffic to the firewall regardless of configur
Validation Timeout:	30 seconds	Time to wait for an admin to login before reverting config
WebUI HTTP Port:	81	
WebUI HTTPS Port:	444	
HTTPS Certificate:	AdminCert 🗸 🗸	

General:

WebUI HTTP Port: 81 WebUI HTTPS Port: 444

Click Ok.



4. User database

Go to User Authentication -> Local User Databases.

Add a new Local User Database called WebUsers.

In the new folder, add a new User.

Username:	userA	
Password:	*****	
Confirm Password:	*****	
Groups:	webuser	
	Comma constant list of groups	

General:

Username: userA Enter a Password and confirm it. Group: webuser

Click Ok.

5. Rules

Go to Rules -> IP Rules -> lan_to_wan1.

Add a new IP Rule.

In the General tab:

General:

Name:	allow_dns	
Action:	NAT	*
Service:	dns-all	~
Schedule:	(None)	~

Name: allow_dns Action: NAT Service: dns-all Schedule: (None)



Address Filter:

	Source	6. m. 1. m.	Destination	5.4 J. 18
Interface:	lan	*	wan1	*
Network:	lannet	*	all-nets	*

Source Interface: lan Source Network: lannet Destination Interface: wan1 Destination Network: all-nets

Click Ok.

The rule just added will allow access from lan to the DNS servers.

Edit the allow_ftp-passthrough IP Rule.

In the General tab:

General:

Name:	allow_ftp-passthr	ough
Action:	NAT	~
Service:	ftp-passthrough	*
Schedule:	(None)	¥

Name: allow_passthrough Action: NAT Service: ftp-passthrough Schedule: (None)

Address Filter:

	Source	1. M. 1. M. 1.	Destination	
Interface:	lan	*	wan1	*
Network:	lan-auth	*	all-nets	~

Source Interface: lan Source Network: lan-auth Destination Interface: wan1 Destination Network: all-nets

Click Ok.

We modified the ftp-passthrough rule to only allow authenticated users to connect to the Internet using FTP (by changing source network to lan-auth).



Edit the allow_standard IP Rule.

In the General tab:

General:

Name:	allow_standard	l .
Action:	NAT	*
Service:	all_tcpudp	*
Schedule:	(None)	~

Name: allow_standard Action: NAT Service: all_tcpudp

Schedule: (None)

Address Filter:

	Source		Destination	
Interface:	lan	*	wan1	*
Network:	lan-auth	*	all-nets	*

Source Interface: lan Source Network: lan-auth Destination Interface: wan1 Destination Network: all-nets

The modified allow_standard rule will only allow authenticated users to connect to the Internet.

Add a new IP Rule.

In the General tab:

General:

Name:	allow_httpaut	h
Action:	Allow	*
Service:	http-all	~
Schedule:	(None)	~

Name: allow_httpauth Action: Allow Service: http-all Schedule: (None)



Address Filter:

	Source		Destination	
Interface:	lan	*	core	*
Network:	lannet	~	lan_ip	*

Source Interface: lan Source Network: lannet Destination Interface: core Destination Network: lan ip

Click Ok.

This rule will allow users to go directly to the login page, eg by entering the lan IP address in the browser (http://192.168.1.1).

Add a new IP Rule.

In the General tab:

General:

Name:	allow_httpaut	h
Action:	SAT	*
Service:	http-all	*
Schedule:	(None)	~

Name: allow_httpauth Action: SAT Service: http-all Schedule: (None)

Address Filter:

	Source		Destination	
Interface:	lan	*	wan1	*
Network:	lannet	*	all-nets	*

Source Interface: lan Source Network: lannet Destination Interface: wan1 Destination Network: all-nets



In the SAT tab:

General:

Translate the			
 Source IP Add Destination IP 	Address		
To:			
New IP Address:	lan_ip	¥	
New Port:		This value may only be applied on TCP/UDP services with port set?	to either a
🔽 All-to-One Map	ping: rewrite al	II destination IPs to a single IP	

Select Destination IP Address Select To New IP Address: lan_ip Enable All-to-One Mapping.

Click Ok.

Add a new IP Rule.

In the General tab:

General:

ame:	allow_httpaut	h
Action:	Allow	*
Service:	http-all	*
Schedule:	(None)	~

Name: allow_httpauth Action: Allow Service: http-all Schedule: (None)

Address Filter:

	Source		Destination	
Interface:	lan	*	wan1	*
Network:	lannet	*	all-nets	*

Source Interface: lan Source Network: lannet Destination Interface: wan1 Destination Network: all-nets

Click Ok.

The last to rules will redirect all unauthenticated HTTP users to the login page.



Add a new IP Rule.

In the General tab:

General:

Name:	reject_all	
Action:	Reject	*
Service:	all_services	~
Schedule:	(None)	~

Name: reject_all Action: Reject Service: all_services Schedule: (None)

Address Filter:

Interface: Jan want wa
Network: lannet 🗸 all-nets 🗸

Source Interface: lan Source Network: lannet Destination Interface: wan1 Destination Network: all-nets

Click Ok.

The last rule will reject all traffic from unauthenticated users instead of just dropping it.

Change the order of the rules so that the newly created allow_dns comes before the ftp rule. The order of the rules is important. If they are in wrong order, it will not work as expected.

Your list should now look like this (if you started from a factory default configuration):

# 🔻 Na	me 🔻	Action 🔻	Source Interface 🔻	Source Network 🔻	Destination Inter
о 🏮	drop_smb-all	Drop	🖷 lan	🤤 lannet	🕮 wan1
1 🚦	allow_ping-outbound	NAT	飅 lan	🤤 lannet	🕮 wani
2	allow_dns	NAT	🅮 lan	🤤 lannet	🕮 wani
з 🚦	allow_ftp-passthrough	NAT	飅 lan	🤰 lan-auth	🕮 wani
4 🚦	allow_standard	NAT	🕮 lan	🤤 lan-auth	🕮 wani
5 🚦	allow_httpauth	Allow	🕮 lan	🤤 lannet	🙀 core
6 🚦	allow_httpauth	SAT	🕮 lan	🤤 lannet	🕮 wani
7 🚦	allow_httpauth	Allow	🕮 lan	🤤 lannet	🕮 wani
8 🚦	reject_all	Reject	🕮 lan	🤤 lannet	🕮 wan1



First we have two rules highlighted with green color. These two will allow ping and DNS for all users. Then we have two rules marked with red, that only will allow authenticated users to use the FTP service (using the FTP ALG) and all other UDP and TCP based services. Finally there are three rules marked with blue. The first one will allow users to connect directly to the firewall for authentication. The other two will redirect unauthenticated HTTP users to the firewall for authentication.

6. User authentication

Go to User Authentication -> User Authentication Rules.

Add a new User Authentication Rule.

In the General tab:

General:

Name:	lan_http_auth		
Agent:	нттр	*	
Authentication Source:	Local	*	
Interface:	lan	*	
Originator IP:	lannet	*	(For XAuth and PPP, this is the tunnel originator IP.
Terminator IP:	(None)	~	

Name: lan_http_auth Agent: HTTP Authentication Source: Local Interface: lan Originator IP: lannet

In the Authentication Options tab:

General:

Local User DB: WebUsers

In the HTTP(S) Agent Options tab:

General:

Login Type:	HTMLForm	*
Realm String:		



Login Type: HTMLForm

In the Restrictions tab:

Timeouts:

ldle Timeout:	600 seconds
Session Timeout:	seconds
Use timeouts red	ceived from the authentication server. no timeouts are received, OR if this checkbox is unchecked, the above settings will be used.

Idle Timeout: 600 seconds

Click Ok.

Users that are idle for more then 10 minutes (600 seconds) will automatically be logged out.

Save and activate the configuration.

When a user from the lan network tries to browse the Internet with his/her browser, he/she will be redirected to the log in page and must log in.

Authentication re	quired - Microsoft Internet Explorer			
File Edit View	Favorites Tools Help			
] ← Back → → → (🎱 😰 🚰 📿 Search 🕋 Favorites 🍏 History 🛛 🛃 - 🎒			
Address 🛃 http://www.google.com				
	Authentication required Username: Password: Submit			

Enhancements:

More users can be added to the **WebUsers** database. Just make sure the new users also belong to the **webuser** group (the group textbox in step 4).

Note!

The port of the firewall web user interface has been changed. When you connect to the firewall from now on you will have to specify port 81. If the address earlier was http://192.168.1.1 you will now have to use http://192.168.1.1:81. If https is used, the address will be https://192.168.1.1:444.



Note!

Some browsers may cache webpages. Since we redirected the browsers first attempt to access a website on the Internet, the browser may cache the login page for that URL. Eg, if the user enters www.google.com, logs in and tries to connect to www.google.com again the browser might display the login page again. A reload/refresh page in the browser should solve the problem.

Note!

If there is a proxy installed in the network, some additional modifications have to be done. If the proxy uses port 8080, add this port to the http-all service (under *Objects -> Services*). The destination ports should be 80,443,8080.

Alternative setups:

In this example we automatically redirected the user to the login page when not authenticated. A simpler example would be to remove the last two allow_httpauth rules (SAT and Allow, leave the first Allow).

The user then will have to manually connect to the firewall (http://192.168.1.1) first to log in.

It is also possible to change the setup to only require authentication for certain services, like HTTP. All other services would be accessible for all users.