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Using this Guide

This document provides information for increasing the security of your NA installation. The information in this document applies to NA 10.00.01. For security configuration for another version of the product, see the appropriate documentation for that version.

Unless otherwise specified within a procedure, the expected use model for the content in this document is as follows:

1. Stop all NA services (see "[Start, Stop, or Restart All NA Services](#)" on page 17).
2. Apply the desired configurations as described in this document.

Note: Remember to back up each configuration file to a location outside the NA directory structure before making any changes.

3. Start all NA services (see "[Start, Stop, or Restart All NA Services](#)" on page 17).
4. In an NA satellite environment, restart all NA remote agents:

```
/etc/init.d/nassat restart
```

Clickjacking Protection

The default NA configuration supports running NA in a portal. For this reason, the default NA is unable to protect against clickjacking. If you do not integrate NA with a portal, enable clickjacking protection by adding the following lines to the `adjustable_options.rcx` file:

```
<option name="security/check_clickjacking/enable">true</option>  
<option name="security/check_clickjacking/x_frame_options">DENY</option>
```

Tip: The value `DENY` is case-insensitive.

Note: It is recommended to enable clickjacking protection as described here.

Enable the Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) Filter

By default, the NA cross-site scripting (XSS) filter is enabled. This is the recommended configuration.

Verify the NA XSS filter configuration on the Administrative Settings - User Interface page (**Admin > Administrative Settings > User Interface**). The **Cross site scripting check** check box should be selected.

The screenshot shows the 'Administrative Settings - User Interface' page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for 'Configuration Mgmt', 'Device Access', 'Server', 'Workflow', 'User Interface' (selected), 'Telnet/SSH', 'Reporting', 'User Authentication', and 'Server Monitoring'. Below the navigation bar is a 'Save' button. The main content area is titled 'Security' and contains several configuration items:

- Session Timeout:** A text input field containing '84000'. A tooltip explains: '(in seconds) Amount of time HP Network Automation will wait before terminating an inactive web effect at the user's next logon. Single Sign-On timeout is configured in \$NA_HOME/server/ext/js/conf/lwsofmconf.xml rather than here).
- Check Device Permission for View Device Configuration:** A checkbox that is unchecked. Description: 'If checked, user can view the device configuration only when he/she has appropriate device permission restart HP Network Automation for your change to take effect.'
- Auto-complete User Name and Password:** A checkbox that is unchecked. Description: 'If checked, the browser's auto-complete function is enabled on the NA login page.'
- Show Stack Traces:** A checkbox that is unchecked. Description: 'If checked, exception stack traces can be viewed in the web UI error page.'
- Cross site scripting check:** A checkbox that is checked. Description: 'If checked, NA will check the user input to filter out the potential cross site scripting elements such as , <input>.'

The 'Cross site scripting check' row is highlighted with a red oval.

Prevent Web Browser Caching

Some companies have requirements that web browser caching not be used with NA.

By default, the web browser caches NA content for faster loading of pages in the NA console. To disable all caching of NA content, add the following line to the `adjustable_options.rcx` file:

```
<option name="security/cache_control/enabled">true</option>
```

Note: Enabling this options sets all NA cache-control responses to no-cache, no-store, which means that NA must completely build each NA console page each time a user requests the page. This behavior change could impact NA performance at higher scale.

Strengthen Security

You can strengthen the security of NA by applying any or all of the following changes:

- ["Disable SSLv3" below](#)
- ["Configure the Ciphers Used by the NA Web Server" on page 12](#)
- ["Configure the NA SSH Server to Use Stronger HMAC and Key Exchange Algorithms" on page 14](#)
- ["Install the Stronger Self-Signed Certificate Provided by NA" on page 15](#)
- ["Disable FTP Access to Managed Devices" on page 15](#)
- ["Limit User Access to the NA Web Server" on page 16](#)

Disable SSLv3

HP recommends disabling the SSLv3 protocol because it is affected by the POODLE vulnerability. For more information about the POODLE vulnerability, see CVE-2014-3566.

The procedure in this topic configures NA to only support the TLS secure protocol. After following the instructions given here to disable the SSLv3 protocol, NA will no longer accept or initiate connections using the SSLv3 protocol.

Note: Certain versions of Mozilla Firefox do not support TLSv1.1 or TLSv1.2. For information about whether your Firefox version supports these protocol versions and any needed configuration, see the applicable Firefox documentation.

If NA is integrated with any of the following products, see the related documents about configuration of those products for any changes required to address the POODLE issue.

- HP Network Node Manager i
For HP NNMi, see document KM01235890, "How to configure NNMi to disable the SSLv3 protocol."
- HP Server Automation
For HP SA, see document KM01225418, "Server Automation Alert: POODLE: SSLv3 Vulnerability."
- HP Operations Orchestration
For HP OO, see document KM01214975, "Operations Orchestration (OO) : SSLv3 security vulnerability (Poodle)."

Note: Some integrations may not support TLS v1.1 or TLS v1.2 or will support these protocols in the future. For information, see the support documentation for the integrated products.

To disable the SSLv3 protocol in the NA environment, follow the steps outlined here. Complete the steps in the presented order. That is:

1. Configure all NA remote agents.
2. Configure the jboss server on all NA core servers.

3. Configure all NA gateways (core and remote).
4. On all NA core servers, configure the protocols for NA interactions with other processes.

Note: Stop, start, and restart the various processes as described throughout these procedures.

Remote Agents on NA Satellites

In an NA satellite environment, to disable the SSLv3 protocol for the NA remote agent on an NA remote gateway server, do the following:

1. Ensure that the NA remote agent was redeployed to the NA remote gateway server as part of the patch installation process.
2. Edit the HTTP connector element in the `/opt/opsware/nassat/server/ext/tomcat/conf/server.xml` file to add the following text:

```
sslEnabledProtocols = "TLSv1,TLSv1.1,TLSv1.2"
```

For example, the HTTP connector element for an NA satellite might look like:

```
<Connector port="8443" protocol="HTTP/1.1" SSLEnabled="true"
  maxThreads="150" scheme="https" secure="true"
  clientAuth="false" sslProtocol="TLS"
    sslEnabledProtocols="TLSv1,TLSv1.1,TLSv1.2"
  keystoreFile="conf/nassat.keystore"
    keystorePass="sentinel"
  ciphers=...
/>
```

3. Add the following line to the `/opt/opsware/nassat/jre/nassat.rcx` file:

```
<option name="rpc/client/sslprotocol"><TLS_ALGORITHM></option>
```

Set `<TLS_ALGORITHM>` to either TLSv1.1 or TLSv1.2.
4. Restart the NA remote agent (`/etc/init.d/nassat restart`).

NA Cores

To disable the SSLv3 protocol for an NA core, do the following:

Note: If this step is performed before disabling SSLv3 on all NA satellites, the NA remote agent deployment will fail as the installer tries to communicate with NA using SSL. To work around this issue, temporarily enable SSLv3 on the NA core server. Then disable SSLv3 on all NA remote agents before disabling SSLv3 on the NA core servers.

1. Edit the XML block for `Connector port="443"` in the `<NA_HOME>/server/ext/jboss/server/default/deploy/jbossweb.sar/server.xml` file to add the following text:

- For NA with integrations that do not support TLS v1.1 or v1.2:

```
sslProtocols = "SSLv2Hello,TLSv1,TLSv1.1,TLSv1.2"
```

- Otherwise:

```
sslProtocols = "TLSv1.1,TLSv1.2"
```

For example, the HTTP connector element for the NA core might look like:

```
<Connector port="443" address="{jboss.bind.address}" protocol="HTTP/1.1"
  minSpareThreads="5" maxSpareThreads="75"
  enableLookups="true" disableUploadTimeout="true"
  acceptCount="100" maxThreads="200"
  scheme="https" secure="true" SSLEnabled="true"
  keystoreFile="{jboss.server.home.dir}/conf/
    truecontrol.keystore" keystorePass="sentinel"
  truststoreFile="{jboss.server.home.dir}/conf/
    truecontrol.truststore" truststorePass="sentinel"
  clientAuth="want" sslProtocol="TLS" sslProtocols = "TLSv1.1,TLSv1.2"
  useBodyEncodingForURI="true"
  compression="on" compressionMinSize="2048"
    compressableMimeType="text/html,text/xml,text/css,
    text/javascript"
  ciphers=...
/>
```

2. Restart the NA services (see ["Start, Stop, or Restart All NA Services" on page 17](#)).

NA Core and Remote Gateways

In an NA satellite environment, to disable the SSLv3 protocol for an NA core gateway or an NA remote gateway, do the following:

1. In the `/var/opt/opsware/crypto/opswgw-<gateway_name>/opswgw-admin.pem` file, locate the following line:

```
opswgw.crypto.SSLVersion=TLSv1,SSLv3,SSLv2-hello
```

Edit this line to read:

```
opswgw.crypto.SSLVersion=TLSv1
```

2. Restart the NA gateway (`/etc/init.d/opswgw-<gateway_name> restart`).

NA As a Client to Other Processes

To disable the SSLv3 protocol for NA interactions with other processes, do the following:

1. For all deployments, on all NA core servers, configure the NA RPC client to use TLS.

Add the following line to the `adjustable_options.rcx` file:

```
<option name="rpc/client/sslprotocol">TLSv1.2</option>
```

2. For all deployments, on all NA core servers, configure the NA SSLUTIL class to use TLS.

Add the following lines to the `adjustable_options.rcx` file:

```
<option name="sslutil/client/sslprotocol">TLSv1.2</option>
```

Note: The XML block for `Connector port="443"` in the `<NA_HOME>/server/ext/jboss/server/default/deploy/jbossweb.sar/server.xml` file on the NA core servers must include TLSv1.2 in the `sslEnabledProtocols` list.

3. In an NA satellite environment, on all NA core servers, configure the NA gateway client to use TLS.

Add the following lines to the `adjustable_options.rcx` file:

```
<option name="gateway/client/sslprotocol"><TLS_ALGORITHM></option>
```

Set `<TLS_ALGORITHM>` to either TLS or TLSv1.

Use the same value as specified in the `/var/opt/opsware/crypto/opswgw-<gateway_name>/opswgw-admin.pem` file on the NA gateways.

For example:

```
<option name="gateway/client/sslprotocol">TLSv1</option>
```

4. When NA is integrated with HP Server Automation, on all NA core servers, configure the NA Twist client to use TLS.

Add the following lines to the `adjustable_options.rcx` file:

```
<option name="twist/client/sslprotocol"><TLS_ALGORITHM></option>
```

Set `<TLS_ALGORITHM>` to TLSv1, TLSv1.1, or TLSv1.2.

For example:

```
<option name="twist/client/sslprotocol">TLSv1.2</option>
```

5. Restart all NA services (see ["Start, Stop, or Restart All NA Services"](#) on page 17).

Configure the Ciphers Used by the NA Web Server

NA supports the following ciphers for secure communications with the NA web server:

- TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA
- TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA
- TLS_DHE_DSS_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA
- SSL_RSA_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA
- SSL_DHE_RSA_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA
- SSL_DHE_DSS_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA
- TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA
- TLS_DHE_DSS_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA
- TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA

The `ciphers` parameter of the `Connector` element in the `<NA_HOME>/server/ext/jboss/server/default/deploy/jbossweb.sar/server.xml` file specifies which ciphers NA might use. This parameter contains an ordered list of one or more ciphers. If NA is unable to use the first cipher in the list to establish a connection between the NA web server and the user's web browser, NA tries to use the next cipher, and so forth. (The preceding list shows the default cipher ordering.)

You can edit the value of the `ciphers` parameter to delete ciphers that NA should not use and to change the order in which NA attempts to use the available ciphers.

Note: The value of the `ciphers` parameter must be a comma-separated list that contains no white space and is one contiguous line.

HP recommends changing the order of the ciphers list to place 256-bit encryption above 128-bit encryption and to remove the weakest encryption algorithms as follows:

- TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA
- TLS_DHE_DSS_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA
- TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA

- TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA
- TLS_DHE_DSS_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA
- TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA

Note: If NA is integrated with HP Network Node Manager i, consider the following:

A Java 7 defect causes some communication encrypted with a TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA cipher to fail. If the integration is configured for SSL communication with NA and FIPS mode is enabled for NA, remove TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA from the cipher list specified in the `server.xml` file on the NA core server.

On an NA satellite, this configuration is in the `/opt/opsware/nassat/server/ext/tomcat/conf/server.xml` file.

Note: The web browser must support at least one of the configured ciphers.

For example, the HTTP connector element for the NA core might look like:

```
<Connector port="443" address="{jboss.bind.address}" protocol="HTTP/1.1"
  minSpareThreads="5" maxSpareThreads="75"
  enableLookups="true" disableUploadTimeout="true"
  acceptCount="100" maxThreads="200"
  scheme="https" secure="true" SSLEnabled="true"
  keystoreFile="{jboss.server.home.dir}/conf/
    truecontrol.keystore" keystorePass="sentinel"
  truststoreFile="{jboss.server.home.dir}/conf/
    truecontrol.truststore" truststorePass="sentinel"
  clientAuth="want" sslProtocol="TLS"
  useBodyEncodingForURI="true"
  compression="on" compressionMinSize="2048"
    compressableMimeType="text/html,text/xml,text/css,
    text/javascript"
  ciphers="TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA,TLS_DHE_DSS_WITH_AES_256_CBC_
SHA,TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA,TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA,TLS_DHE_DSS_
WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA,TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA"
/>
```

For example, the HTTP connector element for an NA satellite might look like:

```
<Connector port="8443" protocol="HTTP/1.1" SSLEnabled="true"
  maxThreads="150" scheme="https" secure="true"
  clientAuth="false" sslProtocol="TLS"
  keystoreFile="conf/nassat.keystore" keystorePass="sentinel"
  ciphers="TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA,TLS_DHE_DSS_WITH_AES_256_CBC_
SHA,TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA,TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA,TLS_DHE_DSS_
WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA,TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA"
/>
```

Configure the NA SSH Server to Use Stronger HMAC and Key Exchange Algorithms

By default, NA uses encryption algorithms for exchanging data with older devices. These encryption algorithms might not comply with the requirements of your environment. This topic describes how to enable the hmac-sha2-256 encryption algorithm and the diffie-hellman-group-exchange-sha1 SSH key exchange (KEX) algorithm.

Note: If NA is integrated with HP Network Node Manager i, consider the following:

A Java 7 defect causes some communication encrypted with a TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA cipher to fail. If the integration is configured for SSL communication with NA and FIPS mode is enabled for NA, remove TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA from the cipher list specified in the `server.xml` file on the NA core server. For information about configuring the cipher list, see ["Configure the Ciphers Used by the NA Web Server" on page 12](#).

Stronger HMAC algorithm

To use a stronger HMAC algorithm, enable FIPS mode according to the instructions in the "Enabling FIPS Mode" chapter of the *NA Administration Guide*. While configuring the list of permitted encryption algorithms for SSH/SCP/SFTP, update the `crypto/fips/mac_list` array according to the needs of your environment:

- To add hmac-sha2-256 support, use the following `crypto/fips/mac_list`:

```
<array name="crypto/fips/mac_list">
  <value>hmac-sha1</value>
  <value>hmac-sha1-96</value>
  <value>hmac-sha2-256</value>
</array>
```

- To limit HMAC to hmac-sha2-256, use the following `crypto/fips/mac_list`:

```
<array name="crypto/fips/mac_list">
  <value>hmac-sha2-256</value>
</array>
```

Note: HP recommends configuring the `crypto/fips/cipher_list` as described in the "Enabling FIPS Mode" chapter of the *NA Administration Guide* while enabling FIPS.

Stronger key exchange algorithm

To limit the key exchange (KEX) to the diffie-hellman-group-exchange-sha1 SSH KEX algorithm only, add the following lines to the `adjustable_options.rcx` file:

```
<array name="crypto/fips/kex_list">
  <value>diffie-hellman-group-exchange-sha1</value>
</array>
```

Install the Stronger Self-Signed Certificate Provided by NA

NA 10.00.01 provides a set of self-signed certificates and keystores that are generated using SHA-256 encryption with 2048 bit SSL.

The patch does not install the new certificate to avoid overwriting user customization.

Note: HP recommends using a CA-signed certificate instead of the self-signed certificate provided by NA.

If you are not using a custom (CA-signed) certificate and would like to use the stronger self-signed certificate delivered in the NA patch, do the following:

1. Copy the `truecontrol.keystore` and `truecontrol.truststore` files from the `patch10.00.01/NA_Certs` directory of the patch to the `<NA_HOME>/server/ext/jboss/server/default/conf` directory on the NA core server.
2. Install the certificate provided in the `patch10.00.01/NA_Certs` directory of the patch according to the instructions in the "Adding a Self-Signed Certificate to NA" section of the "Using Certificates with NA" chapter of the *NA Administration Guide*.
3. If NA participates in any integrations, check the appropriate documentation for information about exporting the NA certificate and importing it into the integrated product.

Disable FTP Access to Managed Devices

If your NA environment does not require FTP, disable the NA FTP server by editing the `/etc/init.d/truecontrol` file to comment out the `StartFTP` statement near line 280 and the `StopWrapper FTP "TrueControl FTP Server"` statement near line 291.

For example:

```
start() {
    cd /opt/NA/server/ext/wrapper/bin
    StartTFTP
    StartSyslog
    StartJBoss
    # StartFTP
    # StartPerl
    StartSWIM
}

stop ()
    cd /opt/NA/server/ext/wrapper/bin
    StopWrapper JBoss "TrueControl Management Engine"
    StopWrapper Syslog "TrueControl Syslog Server"
    StopWrapper SWIM "TrueControl SWIM Server"
    StopWrapper TFTP "TrueControl TFTP Server"
    # StopWrapper FTP "TrueControl FTP Server"
```

```
        KillProcess wrapper swim_wrapper  
    }
```

After starting the NA services, disable the FTP monitor. In the NA console, on the Server Monitoring page (**Admin > Administrative Settings > Server Monitoring**), clear the **Enable the FTPMonitor** check box, and then click **Save**.

Note: Some devices are only accessible using FTP. Disabling the NA FTP server effectively disables NA access to these devices.

Limit User Access to the NA Web Server

It is recommended to limit traffic to the NA web server to only those users who should have access. Possible ways to limit this traffic include:

- Configure a firewall in front of the NA core server.
- Isolate user access to the NA core server on specific network interfaces only.

Common Procedures

This section describes procedures that are common to many HP Network Automation Software (NA) configuration and maintenance tasks. It includes the following topics:

- ["Start, Stop, or Restart All NA Services" below](#)
- ["Disable All NA Services" on the next page](#)
- ["Working with .rcx Files" on the next page](#)

Start, Stop, or Restart All NA Services

Stopping the NA services before changing the NA configuration prevents conflicting data from being stored in the NA database. Some procedures call for restarting the NA services to read the updated configuration.

To start all NA services

- *Windows*: Open the **Services** control panel. In the list of services, right-click each of the following services, and then click **Start**:
 - **TrueControl ManagementEngine**
 - **TrueControl FTP Server**
 - **TrueControl SWIM Server**
 - **TrueControl Syslog Server**
 - **TrueControl TFTP Server**
- *Linux*: Run the following command:

```
/etc/init.d/truecontrol start
```

To stop all NA services

- *Windows*: Open the **Services** control panel. In the list of services, right-click each of the following services, and then click **Stop**:
 - **TrueControl ManagementEngine**
 - **TrueControl FTP Server**
 - **TrueControl SWIM Server**
 - **TrueControl Syslog Server**
 - **TrueControl TFTP Server**
- *Linux*: Run the following command:

```
/etc/init.d/truecontrol stop
```

To restart all NA services

- *Windows*: Open the **Services** control panel. In the list of services, right-click each of the following services, and then click **Restart**:
 - **TrueControl ManagementEngine**
 - **TrueControl FTP Server**
 - **TrueControl SWIM Server**
 - **TrueControl Syslog Server**
 - **TrueControl TFTP Server**

- *Linux*: Run the following command:

```
/etc/init.d/truecontrol restart
```

Disable All NA Services

Some procedures call for disabling automatic startup of the NA services on system boot.

To disable all NA services

- *Windows*: Open the **Services** control panel. In the list of services, right-click each of the following services, click **Properties**, and then set Startup Type to **Disabled**:
 - **TrueControl ManagementEngine**
 - **TrueControl FTP Server**
 - **TrueControl SWIM Server**
 - **TrueControl Syslog Server**
 - **TrueControl TFTP Server**
- *Linux*:

```
mv /etc/rc.d/rc5.d/S99truecontrol /etc/S99truecontrol
```

Working with .rcx Files

The HP Network Automation Software (NA) property files use the `.rcx` extension. NA reads `.rcx` files in reverse alphabetical order. If a given setting is in multiple `.rcx` files, NA uses the last-read value. Thus, the settings in the `adjustable_options.rcx` file take precedence over the settings in the other `.rcx` files installed with NA.

Note: At startup, NA reads *all* files in the `jre` directory and interprets their contents for NA configuration options. For this reason, save all backup copies of `.rcx` files outside the root NA directory.

In Horizontal Scalability environments, NA shares the actual values of most settings, not the `.rcx` files, across the NA cores. When a setting is modified on one NA core, that setting is replicated to the other NA cores. If an NA core is not operational during the change replication, that NA core does not receive the change. In that case, at a later time, use the Admin > Distributed > Renew Configuration Options page to push changes to other NA cores.

Tip: The distributed system options section of the `appserver.rcx` file lists the settings that are specific to one NA core and are not shared across the NA cores.

Some configuration changes require `.rcx` file modifications. The `.rcx` files are located in the following directory:

- *Windows*: `<NA_HOME>\jre`
- *Linux*: `<NA_HOME>/jre`

Caution: Always edit `.rcx` files with care. These files use XML format. If a `.rcx` file change results in invalid XML, the NA console might not start correctly.

Tip: It is recommended to make all configuration changes in the `adjustable_options.rcx` file. NA patch installations and product upgrades might overwrite any of the other NA-installed `.rcx` files.

The general procedure for changing `.rcx` files is as follows:

1. Back up the `.rcx` file to a location outside the `<NA_HOME>` directory.
(NA reads all `.rcx` files within the NA directory structure.)
2. Add new content or update existing content as described in the instructions.
3. Save the `.rcx` file.
4. Reload the `.rcx` settings by doing *one* of the following:
 - In the NA console, on the Admin > Administrative Settings > User Interface page, click **Save**.
 - Run the `reload server options` command from the NA proxy.
 - Restart the NA services.

Tip: Some changes do not take effect until the NA services have been restarted.

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