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Configuring BIG-IP AFM: Advanced Firewall Manager v16.1

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F5N_BIG-AFM 16 Hours (2 days) €1,995.00

Description

This course uses lectures and hands-on exercises to give participants real-time experience in setting up and configuring the BIG-IP Advanced Firewall Manager (AFM) system. Students are introduced to the AFM user interface, stepping through various options that demonstrate how AFM is configured to build a network firewall and to detect and protect against DoS (Denial of Service) attacks. Reporting and log facilities are also explained and used in the course labs. Further Firewall functionality and additional DoS facilities for DNS and SIP traffic are discussed.

Topics covered in this course include:

v14.1 Course Topics

Installation and setup of the BIG-IP AFM system
AFM network firewall concepts
Network firewall options and modes
Network firewall rules, policies, address/port lists, rule lists and schedules
IP Intelligence facilities of dynamic black and white lists, IP reputation database and dynamic IP shunning.
Detection and mitigation of DoS attacks
Event logging of firewall rules and DoS attacks
Reporting and notification facilities
DoS Whitelists
DoS Sweep/Flood
DNS Firewall and DNS DoS
SIP DoS
Network Firewall iRules
Port Misuse
Various AFM component troubleshooting commands

Objectives

v14.1 Course Outline

Chapter 1: Setting up the BIG-IP System

Introducing the BIG-IP System
Initially Setting Up the BIG-IP System
Archiving the BIG-IP Configuration
Leveraging F5 Support Resources and Tools
Chapter Resources
BIG-IP System Setup Labs

Chapter 2: AFM Overview and Network Firewall

AFM Overview
AFM Release History
AFM Availability
What do you see?
Terminology
Network Firewall
AFM Contexts
AFM Modes
AFM Packet Processing
AFM Rules and Direction
Rules Contexts and Processing

Configuring Network Firewall
Network Firewall Rules
Geolocation
Redundant and Conflicting Rules
Stale Rules
Lists and Schedules
Rule Lists
Address Lists
Port Lists
Schedules
Policies
Policy Status and Firewall Policy Management
Inline Rule Editor
Send to Virtual
Packet Tester

Chapter 3: Logs

Overview
Event Logs
Logging Profiles
Log Throttling
Logging and Logging Profiles
BIG-IP Logging Mechanisms
Publisher
Log Destination
Custom Search
Logging Global Rule Events
Log Configuration Changes
QKView and Log Files
SNMP MIB
SNMP Traps

Chapter 4: IP Intelligence

Overview
Feature 1 Dynamic Black and White Lists
Black List Categories
Feed Lists
IP Intelligence Policies
IP Intelligence Log Profile
IP Intelligence Reporting
Troubleshooting IP Intelligence Lists
Feature 2 IP Intelligence Database
Licensing
Installation
Configuration
Troubleshooting
IP Intelligence iRule

Chapter 5: Device DoS

Denial of Service and DoS Protection Overview
Device DoS
Configuring Device DoS
Variant 1
Variant 2
Auto-Threshold Configuration
Variant 3
Bad Actor and Blacklist Address
Device DoS Profiles
DoS Protection Profile
Dynamic Signatures
DoS iRules

Chapter 6: Reports

Reports
Reporting
General Reporting Facilities
Time Series Chart
Details

- Report Export
- DoS Screens
- Dashboard
- Analysis
- Custom Page
- Settings
- Scheduled Reports
- Troubleshooting Scheduled Reports
- Overview
- Summary
- Widgets
- Custom Widgets
- Deleting and Restoring Widgets
- Firewall Manager

Chapter 7: DoS White Lists

- White Lists
- Configuration
- tmsh
- Source Address List

Chapter 8: DoS Sweep Flood Protection

- Sweep Flood
- Configuration

Chapter 9: IP Intelligence Shun

- IP Intelligence Shun
- Manual Configuration
- Dynamic Configuration
- IP Intelligence Policy
- tmsh
- Extending the Shun Feature
- Remotely Triggered Black Hole
- Scrubber

Chapter 10: DNS Firewall

- DNS Firewall
- Configuration
- DNS Query
- DNS Opcodes
- Logging
- Troubleshooting

Chapter 11: DNS DoS

- DNS DoS
- Configuration
- DoS Protection Profile
- Device DoS

Chapter 12: SIP DoS

- Session Initiation Protocol (SIP)
- Transactions and Dialogs
- SIP DoS Configuration
- DoS Protection Profile
- Device DoS
- SIP iRules

Chapter 13: Network Firewall iRules

- Network Firewall iRules
- iRule Events
- Configuration
- Recommended Practice
- More Information

Chapter 14: Port Misuse

- Port Misuse
- Port Misuse Policy
- Attaching a Service Policy

Audience

This course is intended for network operators, network administrators, network engineers, network architects, security administrators, and security architects responsible for installation, setup, configuration, and administration of the BIG-IP AFM system.

Prerequisites

Students must complete one of the following F5 prerequisites before attending this course:

Administering BIG-IP instructor-led course

or

F5 Certified BIG-IP Administrator

The following free web-based courses, although optional, will be very helpful for any student with limited BIG-IP administration and configuration experience. These courses are available at F5 University:

Getting Started with BIG-IP web-based training

Getting Started with BIG-IP Local Traffic Manager (LTM) web-based training

Getting Started with BIG-IP Advanced Firewall Manager (AFM) web-based training

The following general network technology knowledge and experience are recommended before attending any F5 Global Training Services instructor-led course:

OSI model encapsulation

Routing and switching

Ethernet and ARP

TCP/IP concepts

IP addressing and subnetting

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Log Throttling

Traffic Flow Statistics

Logging and Logging Profiles

BIG-IP Logging Mechanisms

Publisher

- Log Destination
- Custom Search
- Logging Global Rule Events
- Log Configuration Changes
- QKView
- Other Log Files
- SNMP MIB
- SNMP Traps

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- Black List Categories
- Feed Lists
- IP Intelligence Policies
- IP Intelligence Log Profile
- IP Intelligence Reporting
- Troubleshooting IP Intelligence Lists
- Feature 2 IP Intelligence Database
- Licensing
- Installation
- Configuration
- Troubleshooting
- IP Intelligence iRule

Chapter 5: Device DoS

- Denial of Service and DoS Protection Overview
- Configuring Device DoS
- Configuring Device DoS Vectors
- Variant 1
- Rate and Leak Limit
- Variant 2
- Auto-Threshold Configuration
- Variant 3
- Bad Actor and Blacklist Attacking Address
- Device DoS Profiles
- DoS Protection Profile

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- Reports
- Reporting
- General Reporting Facilities
- Charts
- Details
- Report Export
- Network Screens
- DoS Screens
- Settings
- Overview
- Summary
- Widgets
- Time Periods, Settings, Export, and Delete Options
- Firewall Manager

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Use Cases

Recommended Practice

More Information

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iRule Events

Use Cases

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NAT and private IP addressing

Default gateway

Network firewalls

LAN vs. WAN

The following course-specific knowledge and experience is suggested before attending this course:

HTTP and DNS protocols

Session Dates

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12 Mar 2026	Virtual Classroom (CET / UTC +1)		English	Classroom		€1,995.00
07 May 2026	Virtual Classroom (CET / UTC +1)		English	Classroom		€1,995.00

Additional Information

This training is also available as onsite training. Please contact us to find out more.