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Lesson 4

Configuring Application and Device Control Policies

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Lesson Topics and Objectives



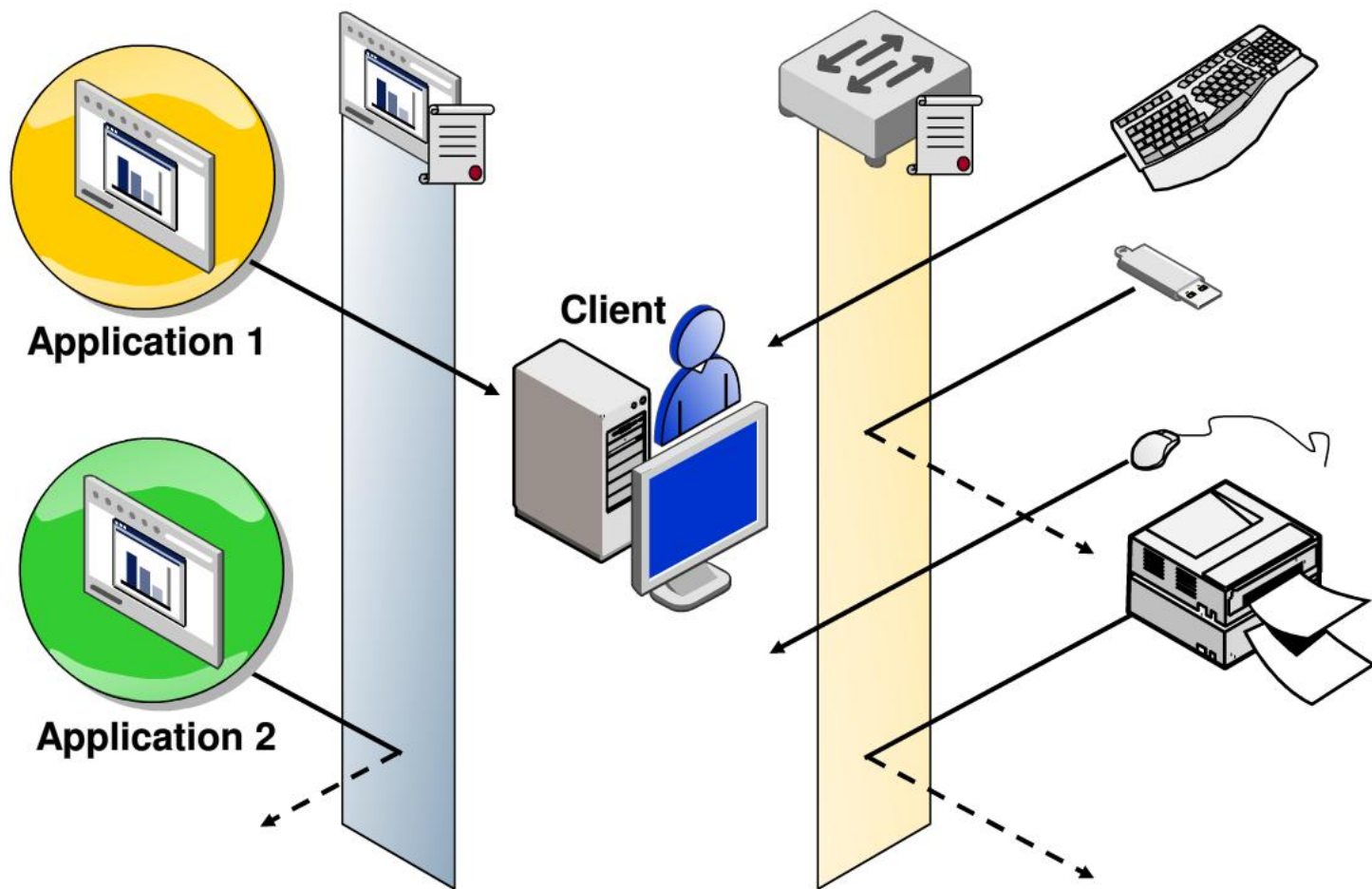
Topic	After completing this lesson, you will be able to:
Creating Application and Device Control Policies	Describe application and device control policies.
Defining Application Control	Define application control settings.
Modifying Policy Rules	Add rule conditions with actions and change the rule order or rule set mode.
Defining Device Control	Define device control settings.



Topic 1: Creating Application and Device Control Policies

After completing this topic, you will be able to describe application and device control policies.

Application and Device Control Policies



Creating a Policy



1 Create a new application and device control policy.

2 Create a rule set.

3 Define an application rule set.

4 Select processes to apply to, or exclude from, a rule set.

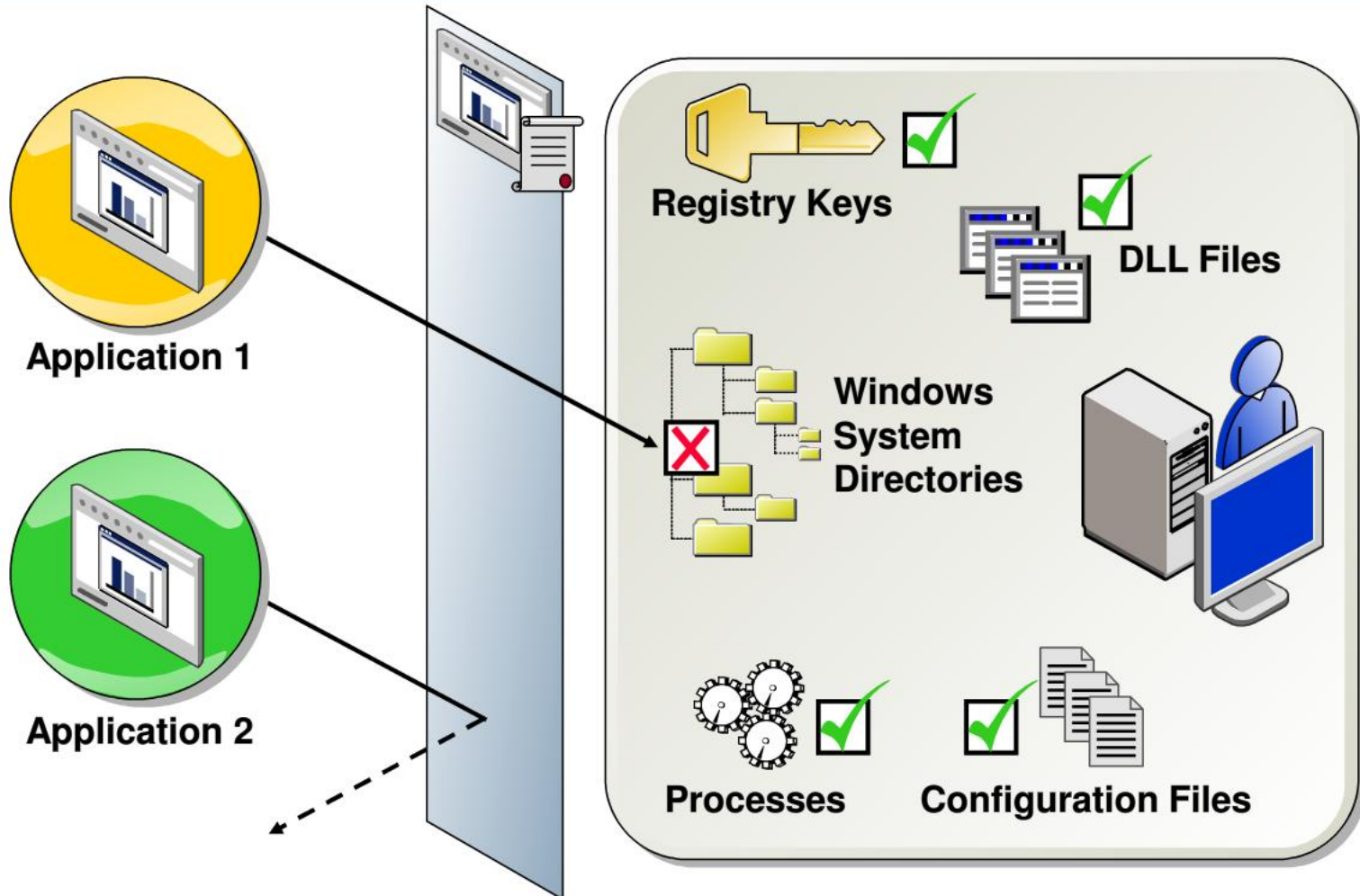
5 Define device control.



Topic 2: Defining Application Control

**After completing this topic, you will be able to
define Application Control.**

Application Control



Creating a New Application and Device Control Policy



1 Create a new application and device control policy.

a Add an application and device control policy.

b Type the name and description.

c Enable the policy.

d Assign the policy.

Creating a Rule Set



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Create a rule set.







Application Control Rule Sets

Application Control restricts what an application is permitted to do and which system resources it can use. Application Control has many purposes, including preventing malware from hijacking applications, protecting confidential data from inadvertently being removed from your company, and restricting which applications can run.

Only advanced administrators should create Application Control

Enabled	Rule Sets
<input type="checkbox"/>	Make all removable drives read-only
<input type="checkbox"/>	Block programs from running from removable d
<input type="checkbox"/>	Block applications from running
<input type="checkbox"/>	Protect client files and registry keys
<input type="checkbox"/>	Block writing to USB drives
<input type="checkbox"/>	Log files written to USB drives
<input type="checkbox"/>	Block modifications to hosts file

Rules

-  Allow client processes
-  Client services
-  Registry access
-  File and folder access
-  Client drivers
-  System files

Creating an Application Rule Set



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Define an application rule set.

The screenshot shows the 'Properties' tab of a rule configuration window. Annotations include:

- An arrow pointing from the 'Rule name' field (containing 'Allow_local') to the 'Enable this rule' checkbox.
- A red box around the 'Add...' button in the 'Apply this rule to the following processes:' section, with an arrow pointing to the 'Add...' button in the 'Do not apply this rule to the following processes:' section.
- An arrow pointing from the 'Sub-processes inherit conditions' checkbox to the 'Do not apply this rule to the following processes:' section.

Properties

This rule defines processes which Symantec Endpoint Protection monitors.

Rule name:

Description:

☒ Enable this rule

Apply this rule to the following processes:

Do not apply this rule to the following processes:

☐ Sub-processes inherit conditions

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Select processes to apply to, or exclude from, a rule set.

Add Process Definition

☒ Process name to match

The name can include environment variables, wildcards (*, ?), and registry keys.
Examples: %windir%\system32* or C:\windows*.exe

C:\LLSCO*.exe

 ☒ Use wildcard matching (* and ? supported)

☐ Use regular expression matching

☒ Only match processes running from the following drive types

☒ Local fixed disk drive

☒ Network drive

☒ CD/DVD drive

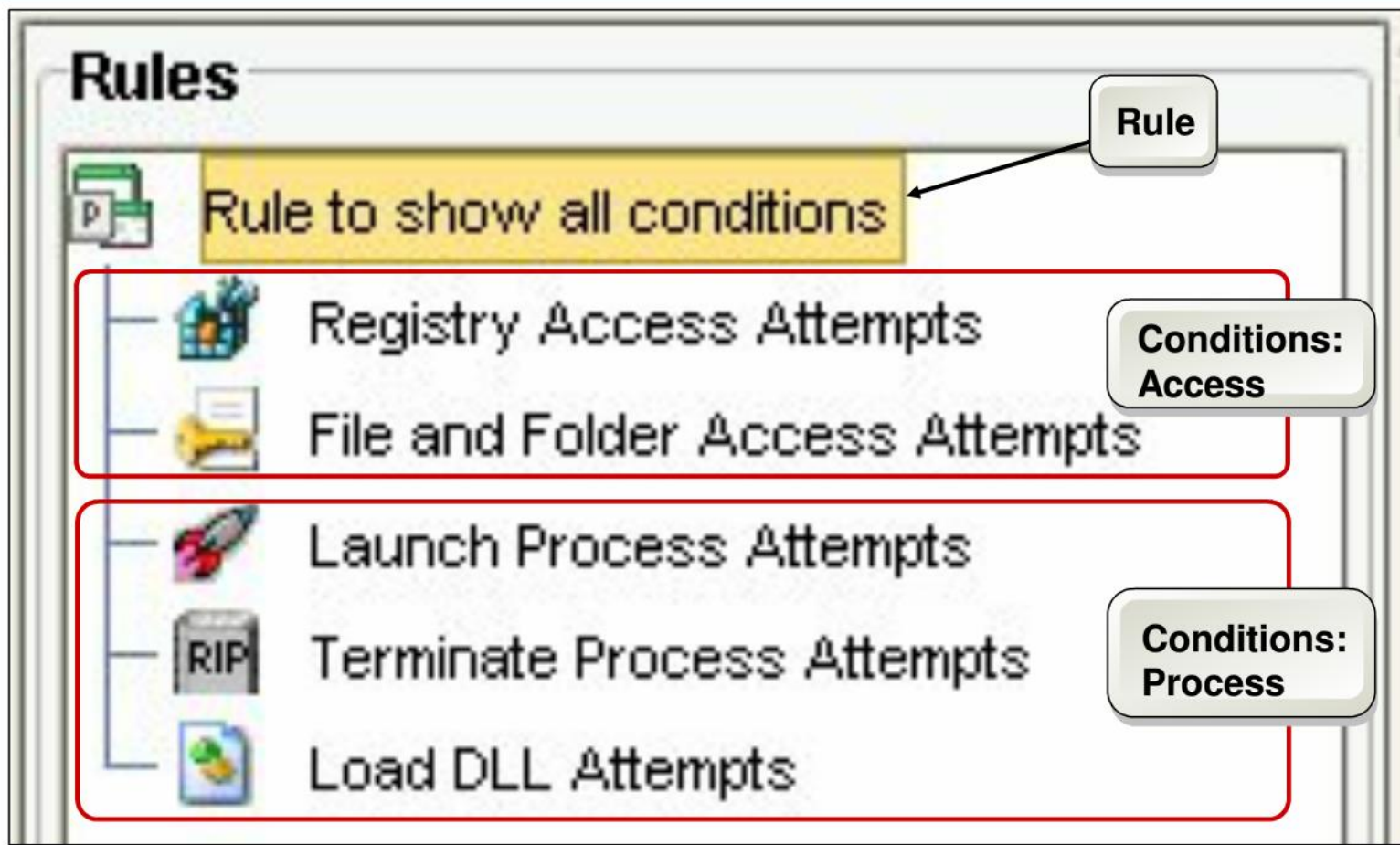
☒ Removable drive (floppy drive, USB drive, etc)

☒ RAM drive

Topic 3: Modifying Policy Rules

After completing this topic, you will be able to add rule conditions with actions and change the rule order or rule set mode.

Adding Rule Conditions



Defining Rule Condition Actions: Process



Properties

Actions

Launch Process Attempt

Action to take if a monitored process attempts to launch the specified processes:

- ☐ Continue processing other rules
- ☐ Allow access
- ☒ Block access
- ☐ Terminate process

Recommended

☒ Enable logging

☐ Notify user:

Severity: Minor -- 10

Minor -- 8
Minor -- 9
Minor -- 10
Minor -- 11
Info -- 12
Info -- 13
Info -- 14
Info -- 15

Defining Rule Condition Actions: Access



Properties

Actions

Read Attempt

Action to take if a process attempts to read from the specified files and folders:

- ☒ Continue processing other rules
- ☐ Allow access
- ☐ Block access
- ☐ Terminate process

☐ Log Severity: Critical -- 0 ▼

☐ Notify user:

Create, Delete, or Write Attempt

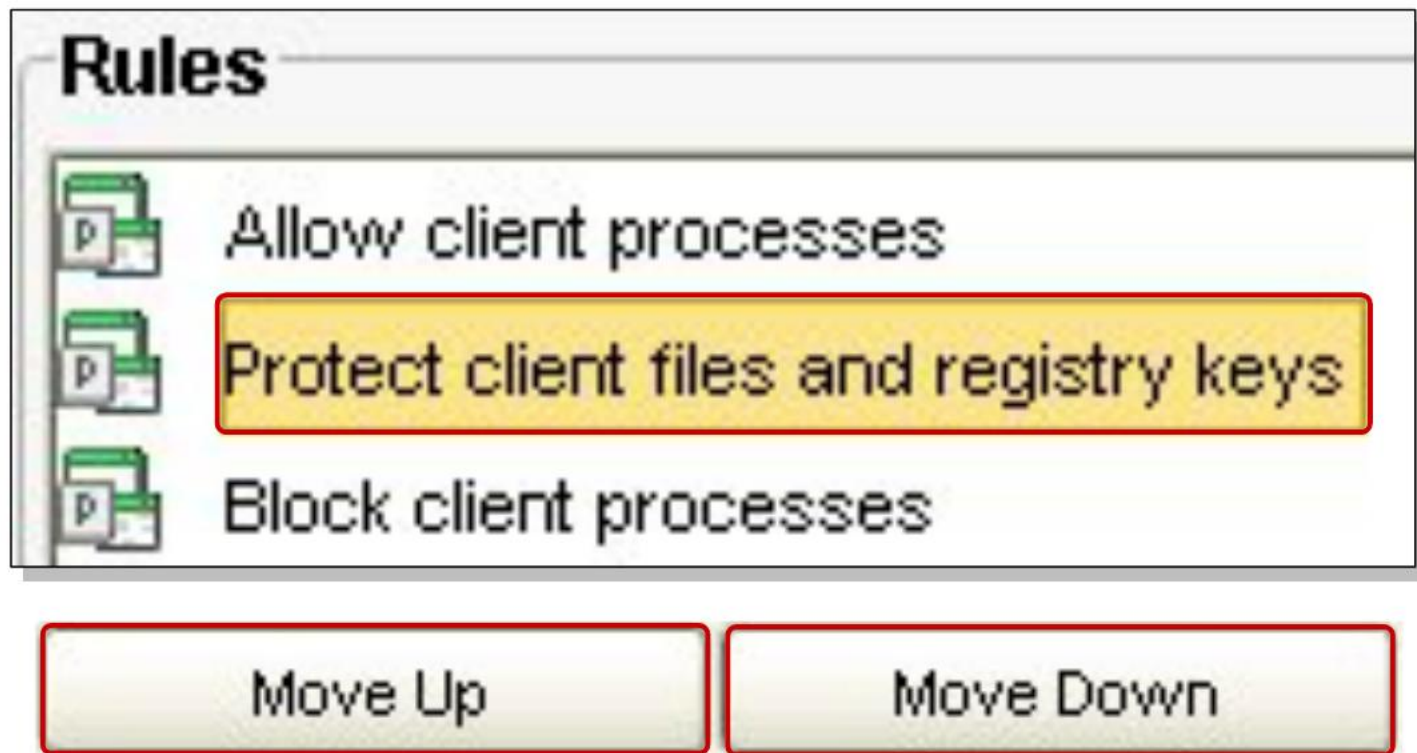
Action to take if a process attempts to create, delete, or write to the specified files and folders:

- ☒ Continue processing other rules
- ☐ Allow access
- ☐ Block access
- ☐ Terminate process

☐ Log Severity: Critical -- 0 ▼

☐ Notify user:

Changing the Rule Order



Setting the Rule Set Mode



Application Control

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Production

Test (log only)

Production



Topic 4: Defining Device Control

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Defining Device Control



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Define device control.

Blocked Devices

Use this pane to manage the list of devices to which you want to block access.

Device Name
Imaging Devices (Scanners, Digital Cameras, etc)
Infrared Devices
Tape Drives

Devices Excluded From Blocking

Use this pane to manage the list of devices to which you want to allow access.

Device Name
Human Input Devices (Mouse, Keyboard, etc.)
CD/DVD Drives
Printing Devices

Defining Hardware Devices



Hardware Devices

Device Name

Select Policy Components → Hardware Devices.

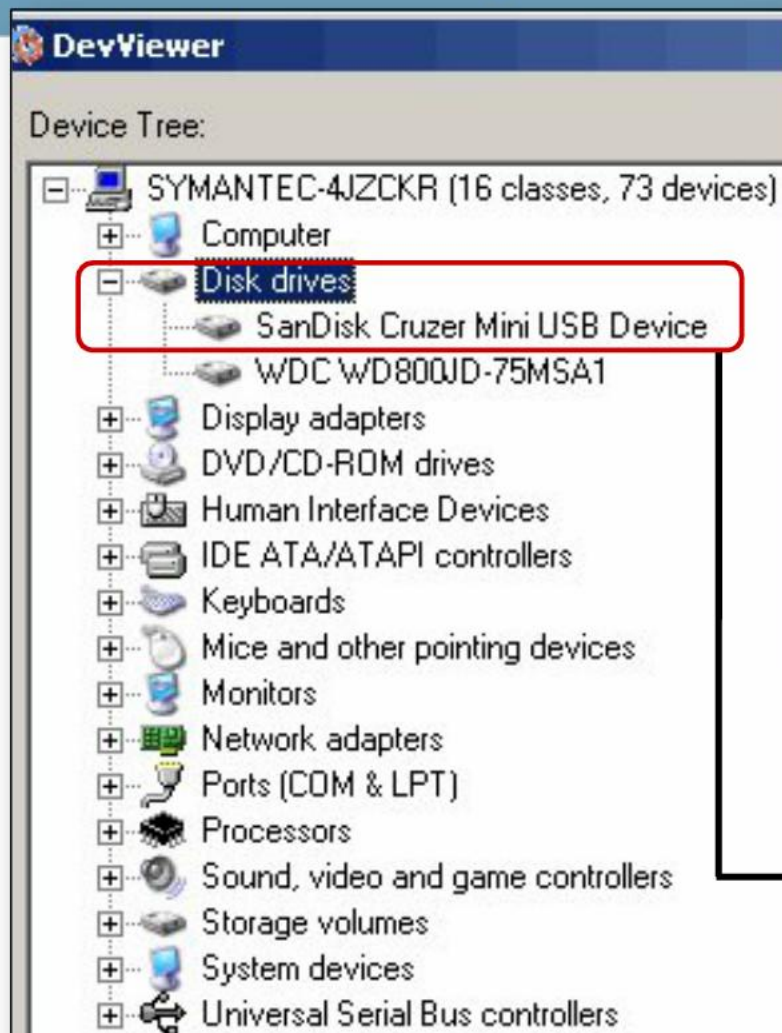
Human Interface Devices (Mice, Joysticks, Gamepads, and System C...	Class:	{743a17a0-74d3-11d0-b01e-00a0c90137aa}
USB	Class:	{36fc9e60-c465-11cf-8056-444553540000}
Floppy	Class:	{4d36e969-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}
1394 FireWire Host Controller	Class:	{6bdd1fc1-810f-11d0-bec7-08002be2092f}
IDE	Class:	{4d36e96a-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}

USB

{36fc9e60-c465-11cf-8056-444553540000}

Printing Devices	Class:	{4d36e979-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}
PCMCIA	Class:	{4d36e977-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}
Imaging Devices (Scanners, Digital Cameras, etc)	Class:	{6bdd1fc6-810f-11d0-bec7-08002be2092f}
Infrared Devices	Class:	{6bdd1fc5-810f-11d0-bec7-08002be2092f}
Bluetooth Radios	Class:	{e0cbf06c-cd8b-4647-bb8a-263b43f0f974}
SCSI	Class:	{4d36e97b-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}
Modems	Class:	{4d36e96d-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}
Smart Card Readers	Class:	{50dd5230-ba8a-11d1-bf5d-0000f805f530}
Ports	Class:	{4d36e978-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}
Network Adapters	Class:	{4d36e972-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}
Biometric	Class:	{53d29ef7-377c-4d14-864b-eb3a85769359}
Disk Drives	Class:	{4d36e967-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}
Storage Volumes	Class:	{71a27cdd-812a-11d0-bec7-08002be2092f}
Bluetooth Devices (generic)	Class:	{95c7a0a0-3094-11d7-a202-00508b9d7d5a}

Locating the Device ID (DevViewer.exe)



View Style

- ☒ View devices by type
- ☐ View devices by connection

Devices Filter

- ☒ Show normal devices
- ☐ Show normal,hidden devices
- ☐ Show normal,hidden,nonpresent devices

**Click the device name to display
the Device ID.**

Adding the Device



SanDisk Cruzer Mini USB Device

[class name]: <Unknown>
[guid]: {4d36e967-e325-11ce-bfc1-08002be10318}
[device id]: USBSTOR\DISK&VEN_SANDISK&PROD_CRUZER_MINI
[MFG string]: (Standard disk drives)
[provider]: Microsoft
[driver data]: 10/1/2002
[driver version]: 5.2.3790.0
[hidden device]: false
[Disabled]: false
[PNP device]: true
[can be disabled]: true
[device node]: 0x29f4

1. **Ctrl V to copy the Device ID.**
2. **Add the Device ID to Policies → Policies Components → Hardware Devices.**
3. **Configure the application and device control policy.**

- **Key Points**

- In this lesson, you learned how to create application and device control policies.
- You also learned how to modify application and device control policy rules.

- **Reference Materials**

Administration Guide for Symantec Endpoint Protection and Symantec Network Access Control

Lab 4: Configuring Application and Device Control Policies

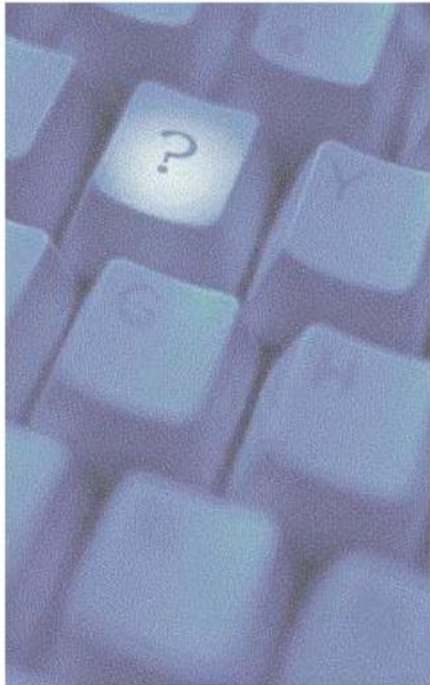


In this lab, you:

- **Create an application and device control policy.**
- **Test an application and device control policy.**

- **For Lab Details, see Appendix A.**
- **For Lab Solutions, see Appendix B.**

What Did You Learn?



- **You are about to be asked a series of questions related to the current topic.**
- **Read and try to answer each question.**
- **Click Answer at the bottom of the slide to view the correct answer.**

Question 1



Creating an Application and Device Control policy includes all of the following steps, except:

- A. Creating a new policy.**
- B. Defining an application rule set.**
- C. Defining a management server list.**
- D. Defining device control.**

Answer

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- C. Defining a management server list.**
- D. Defining device control.**

The correct answer is C. To create an Application and Device Control policy:

- 1. Create a new policy**
- 2. Create a rule set.**
- 3. Define an application rule set.**
- 4. Select processes to apply or exclude.**
- 5. Define device control.**

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- B. The multiple rules within a policy.**
- C. What hardware devices are used in a rule.**
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The correct answer is B. A rule set defines a grouping of multiple rules within a policy.

Question 3



When defining rule conditions, you also define:

- A. Hardware devices.**
- B. Rule order.**
- C. Rule set mode.**
- D. Actions for those conditions.**

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The correct answer is D. When adding rule conditions, you then define the actions to take for the defined condition.

Question 4



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- A. Each device has only one device ID.**
- B. There is no default device list supplied.**
- C. The list is used only for devices connected to SEPMs.**
- D. No Device IDs can be added.**

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The correct answer is A. There is a single device ID for each hardware device on the Symantec supplied default list.

Additional devices can be added using device IDs from the:

- Registries of computers where devices are connected**
- Internet**
- Third-party tools**

