E2Guardian V5 – Revised List Definition

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Introduction

Version 5 has a completely revised model for defining and using lists. List definition is now separated from list application. These are no longer hard-coded, but mapped to an action using a storyboard function.

So, for example, the following entries in V4 e2guardianf1.conf:

```
exceptionsitelist = '/etc/e2guardian/lists/exceptionsitelist'
exceptionurllist = '/etc/e2guardian/lists/exceptionurllist'
exceptionregexpurllist = '/etc/e2guardian/lists/exceptionregexpurllist'
```

are replaced in V₅ with:

```
sitelist = 'name=exception, messageno=602, path=/etc/e2guardian/lists/exceptionsitelist'
urllist = 'name=exception, messageno=603, path=/etc/e2guardian/lists/exceptionurllist'
regexpboollist = 'name=exception, messageno=609, path=/etc/e2guardian/lists/exceptionregexpurllist'
```

and this line added to the storyboard logic to map the 'exception' list(s) to the 'exception' action:

```
if (urlin, exception) setexception
```

Note that the list name 'exception' above does not have any special meaning to e2guardian v5, it is just a label for some lists.

Blanket block indicators in list files are no longer actioned. Blanket block is now implemented with storyboard states 'siteisip' and 'true' (e.g. 'if(siteisip,,505) return setblock' will display message number 505 - 'Access to sites by IP address is not allowed' in the block page).

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Categories are still defined within lists as before with the following syntax:-

#listcategory: "CATEGORY"

Time based lists are also honoured, although this method is depreciated and will be replaced by a more auditable method in a future version.

List Definition

List definition has the following format:

```
listtype = 'name=list_name, [messageno=nnn,] [logmessageno=ll1,] [anonlog=true,] [sitewild=false,] path=path_to_list_file'
```

where:

listtype is one of the types in Table 1.

list_name is a label made up of alphanumeric, '_' and '-' (no spaces). The same list_name can (and should) be used for multiple listtypes, as this enables a single storyboard function to check multiple listtypes. For example the urlin storyboard state condition will search sitelist, ipsitelist, urllist, and regexphoollist listtypes. Note that list_name must be unique within each listtype. Where a list_name/listtype combination is duplicated all but the last one read will be ignored. Which listtypes of a list_name that are used and the order they are used in a storyboard condition is determined by the storyboard state condition used.

nnn is a message number for block message displayed to user and status number entered into log (types 5 & 6) - default is 0.

111 is the message number for log message - default is messageno

anonlog=true anonymises log entries where this list is matched (Default is false)

sitewild=false overrides the standard site 'wildcard' behaviour for site and url lists. i.e. An exact match will be required for the site name. This is quicker as only a single list check is required. With the standard sitewild logic (number of '.' in site)+1 checks are required. (Default is true)

path to list file is fully qualified path to list file.

Table 1 – List Types

ListType	Description	Storyboard states that can use this list type
fileextlist	List of file extensions	extensionin, urlin
iplist	List of IP and IP ranges	clientin
ipsitelist	List of IP and IP ranges of sites which are IP address	sitein, urlin, embeddedin, refererin
mimelist	List of mime types	mimein
regexphoollist	List of Regular Expressions (present/absent)	sitein, urlin, embeddedin, refererin, headerin
regexpreplacelist	List of Regular Expressions which modify target	fullurlin, headerin
searchlist	List of search words in ASCII order separated by '+'	searchin
sitelist	List of site domains	sitein, urlin, embeddedin, refererin, clientin
urllist	List of URLs (site + url)	urlin, embeddedin, refererin

See configs/e2guardian.conf and configs/e2guardianf1.conf for example entries.

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