AppViewX



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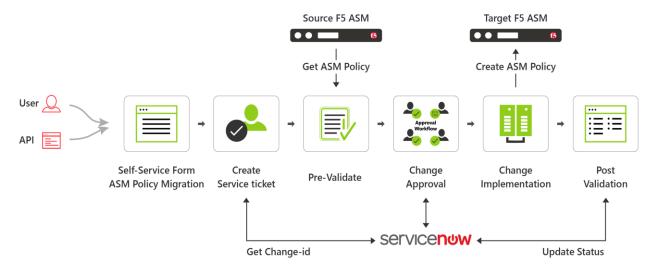
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Description

The ASM Policy Migration workflow is used for migrating ASM policies between the F5 devices (that is from a source device to a destination device). You can only migrate the policy from a lower version of F5 device to a higher version or between the same versions of F5 devices. A new policy is created on the destination device with the same configuration as in the source device and is associated to a virtual server present in the destination device. Also, you have an option to integrate the workflow with an ITSM tool – ServiceNow for approvals and tracking. The ServiceNow change request ID is associated with the request and is updated based on the implementation status.

The ASM Policy Migration workflow is shown in the image below:



Prerequisites

To run this automation workflow in your environment, ensure that the following pre-requisites are met:

- Free AppViewX or AppViewX version 12.1.0 and 12.2.0 is downloaded and installed.
- The ADC devices must have been added in the AppViewX inventory with a Data center name.
- The F5 ASM devices should be added under both WAF and ADC sections in the AppViewX inventory.
- Each ADC device must be a managed entity in AppViewX.
- Add a device in AppViewX inventory with the admin user privileges.
- An ITSM tool (ServiceNow), must have been configured under Change Management of AppViewX Settings.

Compatible Software Versions

The workflow has been tested and validated on the following software versions:

- AppViewX Free AppViewX version and version12.1.0 and version12.2.0
- ServiceNow Geneva version and Eureka version

F5 (both LTM and GTM) – version10.x, 11.x, or 12.x

Limitations

Not Applicable.

Log In to AppViewX

Log in to the AppViewX web interface. The standard format for a login URL is:

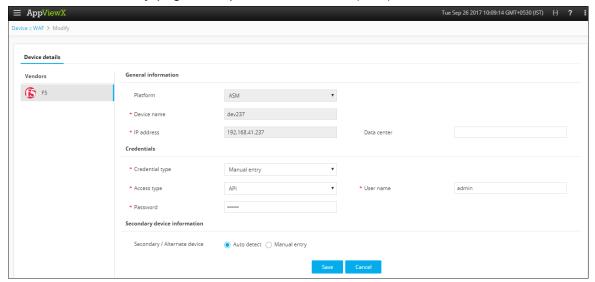
https://hostname:portnumber.

The hostname and port number are configured during deployment, with the default port number set to 5004 and the default web credentials set to admin/AppViewX@123.

Note: It is recommended that you access AppViewX using Internet Explorer, Firefox, or Google Chrome.

Add a Web Application Firewall (WAF): F5 LTM

- 1. Click the (Menu) button on the left-hand side of the AppViewX screen
- 2. Navigate to Inventory > Device.
- 3. The Device screen opens with the ADC device inventory displayed by default.
- 4. Click the WAF tab.
- 5. On the WAF inventory page that opens, click the + (Add) button in the Command bar.



- 6. In the left-hand column on the *Add* screen that appears, enter the following details to add a device of an F5 vendor:
 - a. From the **Platform** dropdown list, select the platform as **ASM** (Application Security Manager)
 - b. In the **Device name** field, enter a name for the primary device to help users identify it in the network.
 - c. In the **IP address** field, enter the IP address of a device for which the connection must be established.

- d. (Optional) In the **Data center** field, enter the name of the data center in which the network device resides.
- e. From the **Credential type** dropdown list, select how to want to provide the credentials:
 - Select Manual entry, if you want to manually enter the credential details (user name and the associated password) every time when the device is accessed.
 - Also, Select the **Access type** as **API** to help AppViewX to establish a communication and to fetch the configuration once the device is in manage state.
 - Select Credential list, if you want to retrieve the login details created in the credential template. For more details on how to add a credential to a device, refer to the <u>Add a Credential</u> section of this guide.
 - You must select the credential name from the dropdown list and the **user name** and **password** fields will be auto-filled with the values provided while creating a Credential template.
- f. In the **Secondary/Alternate** device field, select how you want to fetch the details of a backup device when the primary device becomes unavailable due to failure or scheduled down time:
 - Select Auto detect, if you want AppViewX to automatically detect and retrieve the configuration of secondary/alternate device, then click Save to add the device to AppViewX.
 - Select Manual entry, if you want to manually provide the details of the secondary device. At a minimum, fill in all fields that contain a red asterisk beside their names.
- g. Click Add. The secondary device will be displayed in the collection grid.
 Note: You can add more than one secondary devices. Update/Delete buttons will be enabled only when you try to modify the secondary device that are added.
- h. Click **Save** to add the new WAF device. The device will be displayed in the collection grid under WAF tab.

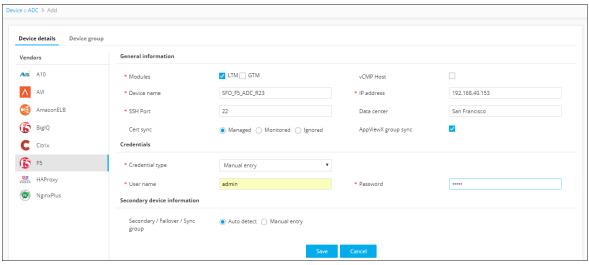


The device will display one of the following statuses:

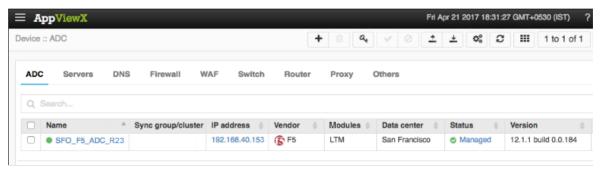
- In Progress Device configuration fetch is in progress.
- Managed Device configurations are fetched and parsed successfully.
 This is the status a successfully added ADC device should have.
- Unresolved Unable to communicate with device, due to invalid login credentials.
- Failed Device configuration fetch failed, due to unsupported version.

Add an ADC Device: F5 LTM

- 1. Click the (Menu) button.
- 2. Navigate to Inventory > Device.
- 3. The Device screen opens with the ADC device inventory displayed by default.
- 4. Click the + (Add) button in the Command bar.
- 5. On the Add screen that opens, click to select **F5** as the ADC vendor.



- 6. Select the module to be managed on the ADC device.
- 7. Create a **Device name** that is specific to AppViewX and that will identify the device in the AppViewX inventory.
- Enter the management IP address of the device.
- 9. (Optional) Specify a **Data center location** if you want to have the option later to filter devices based on their location.
- 10. In the **Cert sync** field, select the radio button for the kind of synchronization relationship you want to establish between SSL certificates on the ADC device and AppViewX: **Managed**, **Monitored**, or **Ignored**.
- 11. (Optional) Select the **AppViewX group sync** check box if you need AppViewX to sync the configuration changes from an active to standby F5 ADC device. This is required in older F5 versions like v10. The latest versions of F5 sync automatically.
- 12. Select a **Credential type** from the drop-down menu.
- 13. Enter the User name and Password that are associated with the credentials.
 Note: The user you enter in the User name field must have advanced shell access.
- 14. Select Auto detect to automatically detect and add secondary or failover devices or sync groups to the ADC device inventory.
- 15. Click **Save** to save the new ADC device on the ADC tab.

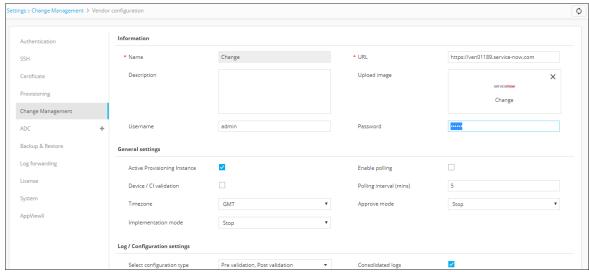


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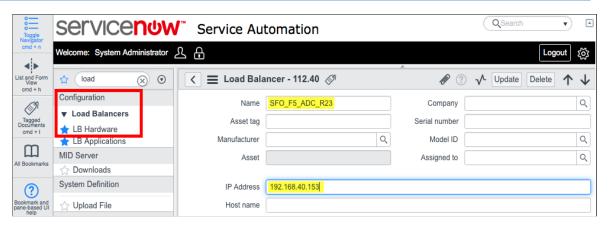
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Register an ITSM Device: ServiceNow

- 1. In the navigation menu on the left-hand side of the AppViewX screen, navigate to **Settings**.
- 2. On the Settings page that opens, click Change Management in the column on the left.
- 3. Click the ServiceNow plug-in.
- 4. On the Vendor configuration screen that opens, enter a valid web URL
- 5. (Optional) Enter a **Description** of the vendor to help users identify it.
- 6. Enter the ServiceNow username and password credentials in the respective fields.
- 7. Click **Update** to save the changes made in the system.



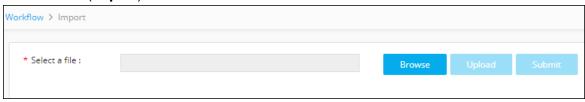
8. (Optional) The F5 LTM device you are configuring should be present in the ServiceNow LB Hardware inventory. You can check this by opening ServiceNow and clicking to open the Load Balancers > LB Hardware section as shown below. The device name used in the ServiceNow inventory and AppViewX ADC device inventory should be the same.



Import Visual Workflows

Note: Free AppViewX comes preloaded with visual workflows. You will only need to use the following import instructions when newer versions of the workflows are available.

- 1. Click the (Menu) button.
- 2. Navigate to Workflow > Configurator.
- 3. Click the (Import) button in the Command bar.

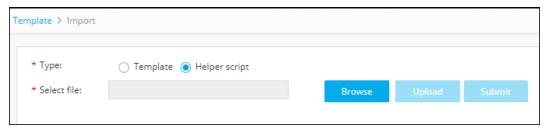


- 4. To import a workflow, complete the following sub-steps:
 - a. Click the **Browse** button.
 - b. Select the zip file containing one or more workflows, then click **Upload**.
 - c. In the table at the bottom of the *Import* page, select the check box beside the unzipped workflow file.
 - d. Click **Submit** to deploy the workflow into your AppViewX environment.

Import Helper Scripts

Note: Free AppViewX comes preloaded with helper scripts. You will only need to use the following import instructions when newer versions of the helper scripts are available.

- 1. Click the (Menu) button.
- 2. Navigate to **Provisioning > Templates**.
- 3. Click the (Import) button in the Command bar.
- 4. On the *Import* screen that opens, complete the following steps:
 - Select the Helper script radio button.
 - b. Click **Browse** and select the helper script zip file you want to import.
 - c. Click **Upload** to import the file and view its contents.



- d. In the table at the bottom of the Import page, select the check boxes beside each of the helper scripts.
- e. Click **Submit** to deploy them into your AppViewX environment.

Enable a Workflow

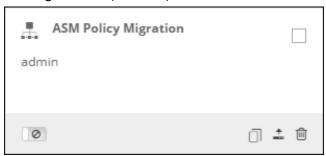
To enable the ASM Policy Migration workflow, complete the following steps:

- 1. Click the (Menu) button.
- 2. Navigate to **Workflow** > **Configurator**.

The Workflow screen opens.

- 3. Click the ☐ (**Select**) button on the ASM Policy Migration workflow to enable. If the workflow is already selected, a ✓ (**Deselect**) button appears.
- 4. Click the (Enable) button in the Command bar.

Note: You can also enable the ASM Policy Migration workflow from the Card view by clicking the (Disable) button.



5. On the Confirmation screen that appears, click Yes.

ASM Policy Migration workflow

To submit the ASM Policy Migration workflow, complete the following steps:

- 1. Click the (Menu) button.
- 2. Navigate to Workflow > Request.

The *Request* screen opens with **My catalog** tab displayed by default. This screen displays all enabled workflows assigned to a specific user role.

- 3. Click the (Run workflow) button from the Card view of ASM Policy Migration workflow.
- 4. On the *Form Builder* screen that opens, click the **Get Source WAF Device** button to retrieve the list of F5 LTM devices.

- 5. From the **Source Device** dropdown list, select the device from which you want to migrate the policy.
- 6. Click the **Get ASM Policy** button to retrieve the list of ASM policies available in the source device.
- 7. From the **Policy list** dropdown filed, select the policy you want to migrate to the target device
- 8. In the **Field Name** field, click the (Retrieve field values) button to fetch the file name (from the database) in which the policy resides.
- 9. Click **Get Target WAF Device List** to retrieve the list F5 target devices.
- 10. From the **Target Device** dropdown list, select the device to which the ASM policy has to be migrated.
- 11. In the **Target Policy Name** field, enter the name for the policy to be created on the target device.
- 12. Click the **Get Target Device Virtual Servers** button to retrieve the virtual servers present in the destination device.
- 13. From the **Virtual Server** dropdown list, select the virtual server in order to associate a policy.
- 14. Depending on whether or not you want to integrate the ITSM tool ServiceNow, select the **Yes** or **No** radio button. To integrate the ITSM tool, enter the following details:
 - a. In the **Time Zone** dropdown list, click the (Retrieve field values) button to retrieve the time zone. Select the time zone for the F5 LTM device that you configure.
 - b. Schedule the service window time and date using the **Start Date** and **End Date** fields. Click the (**Calendar**) button to select the start and end date respectively. The configuration changes will be implemented during this service window.
 - c. In the Create ServiceNow Ticket field, click the (Retrieve field values) button to retrieve the ticket number.

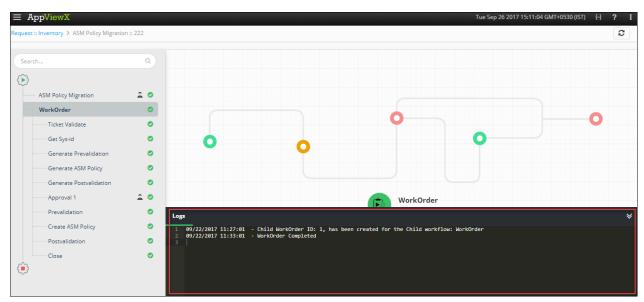
15. Click Submit.

A new **Request ID** is created. To view the requests refer to the <u>Request Inventory</u> section of this guide.

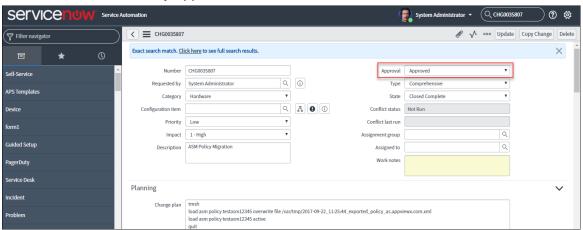
WorkOrder flow

Following are the workorder tasks of ASM Policy Migration workflow.

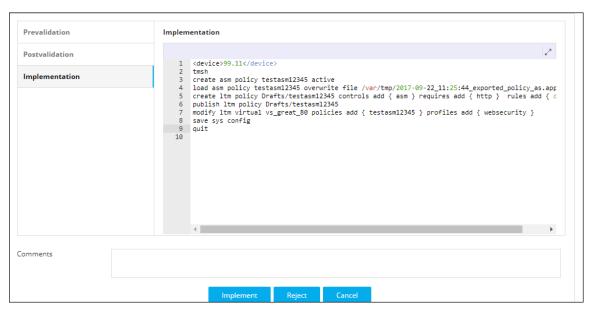
Note: You can click each task to view its details. Wherever applicable, all logs related to the selected task are displayed in the Logs pane at the bottom of the screen.



1. **Ticket Validate** — to validate the ticket, you will have to log in to the ITSM tool-ServiceNow and manually approve the ticket.



- 2. **Get Sys ID** the Sys-ID for the ASM Policy Migration workflow is generated to track the ServiceNow request.
- 3. **Generate Prevalidation** the pre-validation commands are generated in order to initiate the pre-validation process.
- 4. **Generate ASM Policy** the configuration commands are generated to migrate the ASM policy from the source device to the target device.
- 5. **Generate Postvalidation** the post validation commands are generated in order to initiate the post-validation process.
- 6. Implementation Approval Approval of a work order is based on the role assigned to the user (who has an access to approve and implement). After you submit the request form, the configuration changes are reviewed and approved at AppViewX. The configuration changes are implemented on the device only when the approval is received.

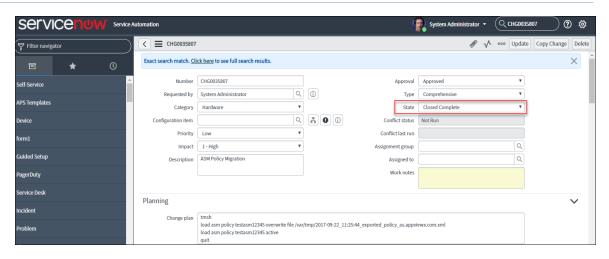


- 7. **Prevalidation** check the following:
 - o A list of ASM policies available in the source and target device.
 - The ASM policy that you want to migrate from a source device is not available on the target device.
 - The performance metrics such as CPU and memory utilization on the destination device are validated.
- 8. **Create ASM Policy** An ASM policy is migrated from the source device to the target device with a new policy name. It is then associated to a virtual server selected on the target device.

The ASM Policy Migration will be implemented during the service window you selected while integrating the ITSM tool-ServiceNow.

Note: The request fails when the ServiceNow ticket is not approved before the service window starts.

- 9. **Post-Validation** checks if the ASM policy you selected from the source device are migrated successfully to the destination or target device.
- 10. **Close** after the policy migration is successful, the status of the ServiceNow ticket will be automatically updated to *Closed Complete*.

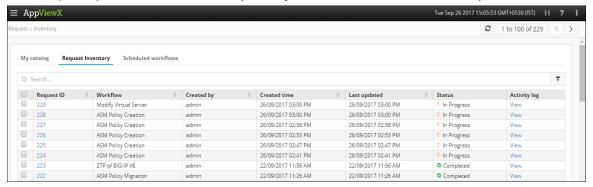


Request Inventory

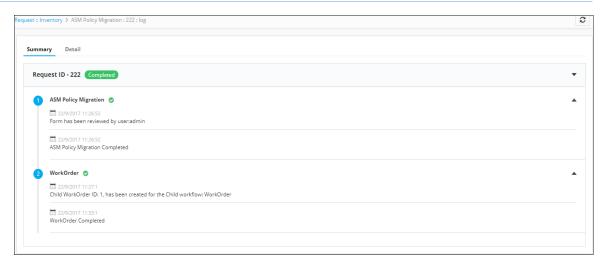
To go to Request inventory, complete the following steps:

- 1. Click the (Menu) button.
- Navigate to Workflow > Request.
 The Request screen opens with My catalog tab displayed by default.
- 3. Click the **Request Inventory** tab.

This displays all workflows that have been triggered. On the **Request Inventory** screen, you can perform the following tasks: Search for a request using the **Search** field. Click the (Filter) button to select the options you want to use to sort the requests.



- Click the Request ID created for ASM Policy Migration to view the tasks or phases of a request in a tree-view. For more details, refer to the (<u>WorkOrder flow</u>) section of this guide.
- You can also view the following details of the request that are created: by whom and when the Request was created, Last updated time, Status and the Activity log.
- 6. Click **View** in the **Activity log** column to display the request in a stage-view. In the **Summary** tab, click the **Expand**) icon to view the details of each task. Click the **Details** tab to view log messages and other particulars of a request.



Schedule a Workflow

To schedule a workflow, complete the following steps:

- 1. Click the (Menu) button.
- Navigate to Workflow > Request.
 The Request screen opens with My catalog tab displayed by default.
- 3. Click the (Schedule workflow) button on the ASM Policy Migration workflow.
- 4. On the ASM Policy Migration window that opens, select the frequency of the policy migration process: once, hourly, daily, weekly, monthly, or yearly. The remaining fields in the Scheduler region update depending on what you select here.
- 5. Click Save.

Scheduled workflows

Displays all workflows that have been scheduled. To go to the scheduled workflow screen, complete the following steps:

- 1. Click the (Menu) button.
- 2. Navigate to Workflow > Request.
- 3. The Request screen opens with My catalog tab displayed by default.
- 4. Click the **Scheduled workflows** tab.
- 5. On the Scheduled workflow screen that appears, you can perform the following tasks:
 - a. In the View log column, click View to display the details of a scheduled workflow.
 - b. Click the (Pause) or (Resume) button to temporarily stop or continue the execution of a workflow.

Add a Credential

To add a credential to a device, complete the following steps:

- 1. Click the (Menu) button.
- 2. Navigate to Inventory > Device.

The *Device* screen opens with the **ADC** tab selected by default.

- Click the WAF tab.
- 4. Click the check box beside the device name, then click the (Credential) button in the Command bar.
- 5. On the *Add credential* screen that appears, enter the name of the credential you want to add to the device.
- 6. Enter the **username** and **password** associated with the credential.
- (Optional) If a secondary credential password was created by a vendor in order to communicate with the device, thus allowing different levels of control over the credential, enter this password in the **Secondary password** field.
- 8. Click Save.

The credential is then added to the table at the bottom of the screen. You can delete a credential or modify its name, user name, or password by selecting the check box beside the credential name in the table at the bottom of the screen and then clicking either the **Modify credential** or **Delete** button in the Command bar.

Troubleshooting

I cannot find the ASM Policy Migration workflow in the Request Catalog

You must enable the workflow from the Configurator section. For more details on how to enable a workflow, refer to the **Enable a Workflow** section of this guide.

I cannot retrieve the Virtual Server details

The F5 ASM devices should be added under both WAF and ADC sections in the AppViewX inventory. For more details on how to add an ADC/WAF device, refer to the Add an ADC Device: F5 LTM/ Add a Web Application Firewall (WAF): F5 LTM device section of this guide.

Why is the ASM policy not migrated to the target device?

You must add an ASM device in the AppViewX inventory with the admin user privileges. For more details on how to add an ADC/WAF device, refer to the Add an ADC Device: F5 LTM/ Add a Web Application Firewall (WAF): F5 LTM device section of this guide.