



## **Lab 13: Secure network traffic**

At the end of each lab, any resources you created in your account will be preserved. Some Azure resources, such as VM instances, may be automatically shut down, while other resources, such as storage services will be left running. Keep in mind that some Azure features cannot be stopped and can still incur charges (i.e. Azure Bastion). To minimize your costs, delete all resources and recreate them as needed to test your work during a session.

The screenshot shows the 'Azure for Students' subscription page. The left sidebar contains navigation links: Overview, Activity log, Access control (IAM), Tags, Diagnose and solve problems, Security, and Events. The main content area has a top bar with a search box and action links: Upgrade, Cancel subscription, Rename, Change directory, Transfer billing ownership, and Feedback. Below this is a warning banner about checking remaining credit. The 'Essentials' section displays subscription details in a two-column layout.

Essentials	
Subscription ID	[Redacted]
Subscription name	: Azure for Students
Directory	: Seneca (seneca.onmicrosoft.com)
Current billing period	: 9/13/2021-10/12/2021
My role	: Account admin
Currency	: CAD
Offer	: Azure for Students
Status	: Active
Offer ID	: MS-AZR-0170P
Secure score	: Not available

Reference: [AZ-900T0X-MICROSOFTAZUREFUNDAMENTALS](#)

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In this walk-through, we will configure a network security group.

### Task 1: Create a virtual machine (10 min)

In this task, we will create a Windows Server 2019 Datacenter virtual machine.

1. Sign in to the [Azure portal](#).
2. From the **All services** blade, search for and select **Virtual machines**, and then click + **Add**.
3. On the **Basics** tab, fill in the following information (leave the defaults for everything else):

Settings	Values
Subscription	<b>Choose your subscription</b>
Resource group	<b>myRGSecure</b> (create new)
Virtual machine name	<b>&lt;student ID&gt;WinVM (example: dtrinh1WinVM)</b>
Location	<b>(US) East US</b>
Image	<b>Windows Server 2019 Datacenter</b>

Settings	Values
Size	<b>Standard D2s v3</b>
Administrator account username	<b>azureuser</b>
Administrator account password	<b>Pa\$\$w0rd1234</b>
Inbound port rules	<b>None</b>

4. Switch to the **Networking** tab, and configure the following setting:

Settings	Values
NIC network security group	<b>None</b>

5. Switch to the **Management** tab, and in its **Monitoring** section, select the following setting:

Settings	Values
Boot diagnostics	<b>Disable</b>

6. Leave the remaining defaults and then click the **Review + create** button at the bottom of the page.
7. Once Validation is passed click the **Create** button. It can take about five minutes to deploy the virtual machine.
8. Monitor the deployment. It may take a few minutes for the resource group and virtual machine to be created.
9. From the deployment blade or from the Notification area, click **Go to resource**.
10. On the **SimpleWinVM** virtual machine blade, click **Networking**, review the **Inbound port rules** tab, and note that there is no network security group associated with the network interface of the virtual machine or the subnet to which the network interface is attached.

**Note:** Identify the name of the network interface. You will need it in the next task.

## Task 2: Create a network security group

In this task, we will create a network security group and associate it with the network interface.

1. From the **All services** blade, search for and select **Network security groups** and then click **+ Add**
2. On the **Basics** tab of the **Create network security group** blade, specify the following settings.

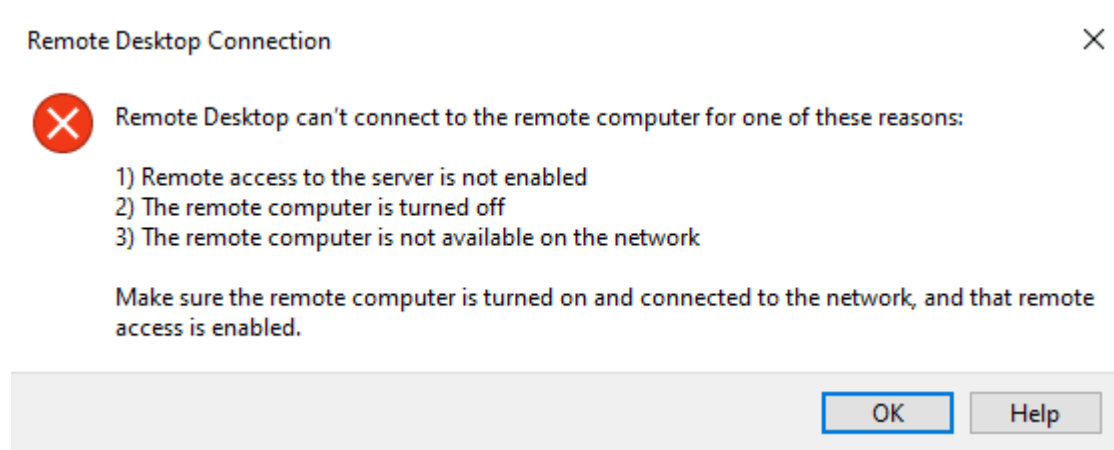
Setting	Value
Subscription	<b>Choose your subscription</b>
Resource group	<b>myRGSecure</b>
Name	<b>myNSGSecure</b>
Region	<b>(US) East US</b>

3. Click **Review + create** and then after the validation click **Create**.
4. After the NSG is created, click **Go to resource**.
5. Under **Settings** click **Network interfaces** and then **+ Associate**.
6. Select the network interface you identified in the previous task.

## Task 3: Configure an inbound security port rule to allow RDP

In this task, we will allow RDP traffic to the virtual machine by configuring an inbound security port rule.

1. In the Azure portal, navigate to the blade of the **SimpleWinVM** virtual machine.
2. On the **Overview** pane, click **Connect**.
3. Attempt to connect to the virtual machine using RDP. By default the network security group does not allow RDP. Close the error window.



4. On the virtual machine blade, scroll down to the **Settings** section, click on **Networking**, and notice the inbound rules for the **myNSGSecure (attached to network interface: myVMNic)** network security group deny all inbound traffic except traffic within the virtual network and load balancer probes.

5. On the **Inbound port rules** tab, click **Add inbound port rule** . Click **Add** when you are done.

Setting	Value
Source	<b>Any</b>
Source port ranges	<b>*</b>
Destination	<b>Any</b>
Destination port ranges	<b>3389</b>
Protocol	<b>TCP</b>
Action	<b>Allow</b>
Priority	<b>300</b>
Name	<b>AllowRDP</b>

6. Wait for the rule to be provisioned and then try again to RDP into the virtual machine. This time you should be successful. Remember the user is **azureuser** and the password is **Pa\$\$w0rd1234**.

## Task 4: Configure an outbound security port rule to deny Internet access

In this task, we will create a NSG outbound port rule that will deny Internet access and then test to ensure the rule is working.

1. Continue in your virtual machine RDP session.
2. After the machine starts, open an **Internet Explorer** browser.
3. Verify that you can access **https://www.bing.com** and then close Internet Explorer. You will need to work through the IE enhanced security pop-ups.

**Note:** We will now configure a rule to deny outbound internet access.

4. In the Azure portal, navigate back to the blade of the **SimpleWinVM** virtual machine.
5. Under **Settings**, click **Networking**, and then **Outbound port rules**.
6. Notice there is a rule, **AllowInternetOutbound**. This a default rule and cannot be removed.
7. Click **Add outbound port rule** to the right of the **myNSGSecure (attached to network interface: myVMNic)** network security group and configure a new outbound security rule with a higher priority that will deny internet traffic. Click **Add** when you are finished.

Setting	Value
Source	<b>Any</b>
Source port ranges	*
Destination	<b>Service Tag</b>
Destination service tag	<b>Internet</b>
Destination port ranges	*
Protocol	<b>TCP</b>



Setting	Value
Action	<b>Deny</b>
Priority	<b>4000</b>
Name	<b>DenyInternet</b>

8. Return to your RDP session.
9. Browse to **<https://www.microsoft.com>**. The page should not display. You may need to work through additional IE enhanced security pop-ups.

**Note:** To avoid additional costs, you can remove all resources in the resource group. Search for resource groups, click your resource group, and then delete the resources within the resource group. **DO NOT DELETE YOUR RESOURCE GROUP.**

# Submission Requirements

Submit a screenshot with the following information:

Screenshot #1:

- Virtual machine browser not being able to access www.microsoft.com
- Both inbound and outbound rules for the network security group
- The Azure Portal with your login ID [requires another browser window]

The screenshot displays the Microsoft Azure portal interface. On the left, the 'myNSGSecure' network security group is selected, showing its configuration: Resource group (myRGSecure), Location (East US 2), Subscription (Azure for Students), and Subscription ID (3e6685e5-073e-4397-8a34-b...). Below this, a table lists the security rules.

Priority	Name	Direction	Protocol	Source	Destination	Action
<strong>Inbound Security Rules</strong>						
300	AllowRDP	Inbound	TCP	Any	Any	Allow
65000	AllowVnetInBound	Inbound	Any	VirtualNetwork	VirtualNetwork	Allow
65001	AllowAzureLoadBalancer...	Inbound	Any	AzureLoadBalancer	Any	Allow
65500	DenyAllInBound	Inbound	Any	Any	Any	Deny
<strong>Outbound Security Rules</strong>						
4000	DenyInternet	Outbound	TCP	Any	Internet	Deny

Overlaid on the Azure portal is a remote desktop connection window titled 'dtrinh1WinVM - 52.167.4.120:3389 - Remote Desktop Connection'. The browser window within the VM shows a 'Can't reach this page' error for the URL 'https://www.bing.com/search?q=www.microsoft.com&src=IE-SearchBox&FORM=IE'. The error message includes suggestions to check the web address, search on Bing, or refresh the page, along with a 'Fix connection problems' button.

Screenshot #2:

- Successful deletion of resources within resource group. **DO NOT DELETE YOUR RESOURCE GROUP!**

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Azure portal interface. The top navigation bar includes the 'Microsoft Azure' logo, a search bar, and user information for 'dtrinh1@myseneca.ca'. The main content area is titled 'Resource groups' and shows the 'myRG' resource group. The left sidebar contains a list of resource group settings: Overview, Activity log, Access control (IAM), Tags, Resource visualizer, Events, Deployments, Security, Policies, Properties, and Locks. The 'Resources' tab is selected, showing a table with columns 'Name', 'Type', and 'Location'. The table is empty, and the status bar at the bottom indicates 'Showing 0 to 0 of 0 records'.

Microsoft Azure

Search resources, services, and docs (G+/)

Home > Resource groups >

Resource groups

Seneca (seneca.onmicrosoft.com)

myRG

Resource group

Create Manage view

Filter for any field...

Name ↑↓

myRG

Overview

Activity log

Access control (IAM)

Tags

Resource visualizer

Events

Settings

Deployments

Security

Policies

Properties

Locks

Create Edit columns Delete resource group Refresh Export to CSV Open query Assign tags

Essentials

Subscription (Move)

Azure for Students

Subscription ID

3e6685e5-073e-4397-8a34-b9022c3952d9

Deployments

No deployments

Location

East US

Tags (Edit)

Click here to add tags

Resources Recommendations

Filter for any field...

Type == all

Location == all

Add filter

Showing 0 to 0 of 0 records.

Show hidden types

No grouping

List view

Name ↑↓

Type ↑↓

Location ↑↓