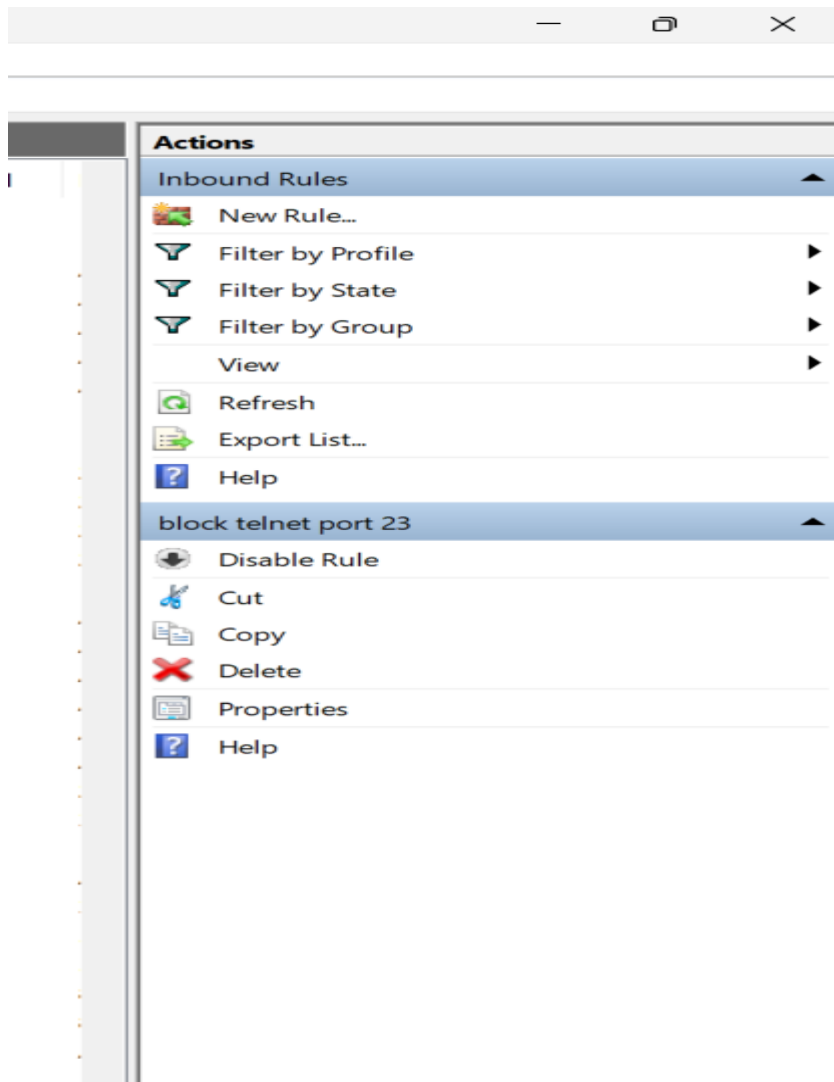


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- Windows Defender Firewall with Advanced Security
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- Inbound Rules
- | Name | Group | Profile | Enabled | Action | Override | Program | Local Address | Remote Address | Protocol |
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| adobe.exe | | Public | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Users\... | Any | Any | UDP |
| adobe.exe | | Public | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Users\... | Any | Any | TCP |
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| Node.js JavaScript Runtime | | Public | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Program Files\Node.js\cmd.exe | Any | Any | UDP |
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| Packet Tracer Executable | | Public | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Program Files\Packet Tracer\Packet Tracer.exe | Any | Any | TCP |
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| Python | | Public | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Program Files\Python\python.exe | Any | Any | TCP |
| Trace | | Public | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Users\... | Any | Any | TCP |
| Trace | | Public | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Users\... | Any | Any | UDP |
| Visual Studio Code | | Public | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Users\... | Any | Any | UDP |
| Visual Studio Code | | Public | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Users\... | Any | Any | TCP |
| VMware Authd Service | | Domain | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Program Files\VMware\VMware Tools\vmtoolsd.exe | Any | Any | Any |
| VMware Authd Service (private) | | Domain | Yes | Allow | No | C:\Program Files\VMware\VMware Tools\vmtoolsd.exe | Any | Local subnet | Any |
| @(MicrosoftWindows.LKG.DesktopSpotlight) | @(MicrosoftWindows.LKG.DesktopSpotlight) | Domain | Yes | Allow | No | Any | Any | Any | Any |
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- Actions
- Inbound Rules
- New Rule...
 - Filter by Profile
 - Filter by State
 - Filter by Group
 - View
 - Refresh
 - Export List...
 - Help

- The image shows a screenshot of the Windows Defender Firewall with Advanced Security application. The main window displays a list of Outbound Rules. The rules are organized into a table with columns: Name, Group, Profile, Enabled, Action, Override, Program, Local Address, Remote Address, and Protocol. The rules include various Microsoft Windows services, resource packages, and network protocols. The right pane shows the 'Actions' menu with options like 'New Rule...', 'Filter by Profile', 'Filter by State', 'Filter by Group', 'View', 'Refresh', 'Export List...', and 'Help'. The bottom of the screen shows the Windows taskbar with the date and time (14:33, 26-10-2023) and the system tray.

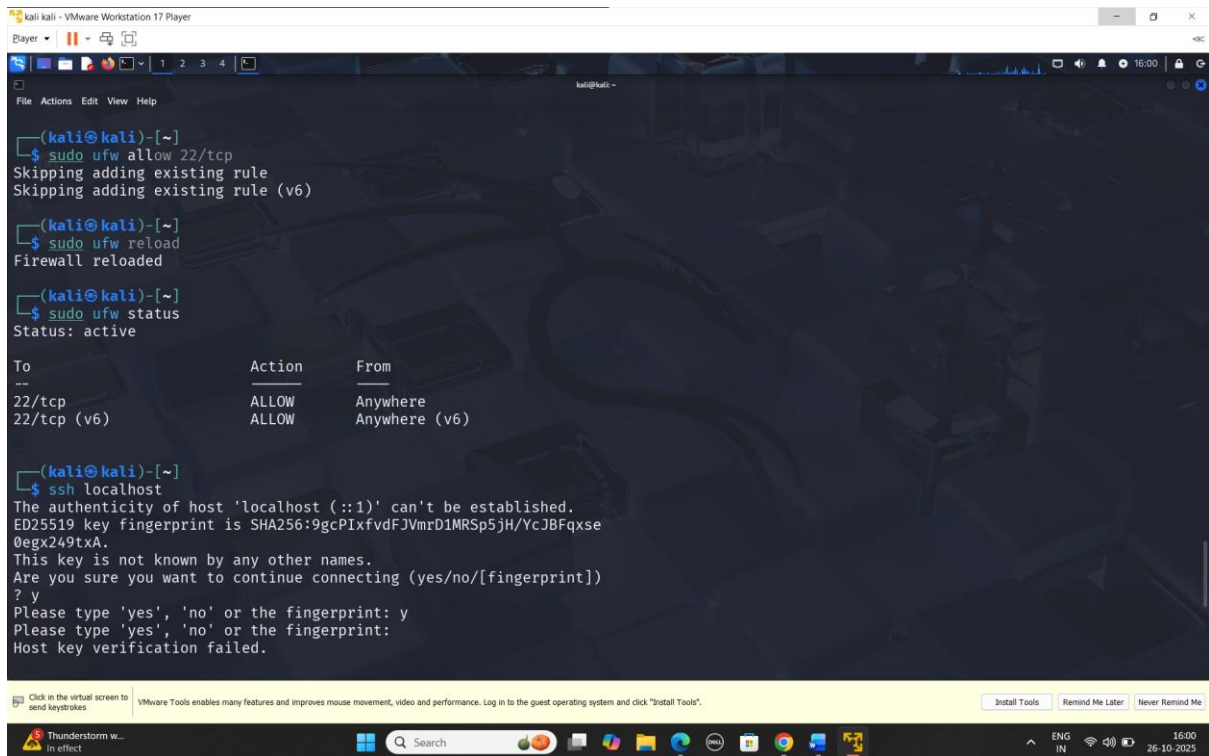
- Block the telnet port 23: -



- The result of the entered rule.

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C:\Users\chavd>telnet port 23
Connecting To port...Could not open connection to the host, on port 23: Connect failed
```

- Allow the SSH 22 port traffic (in Linux).



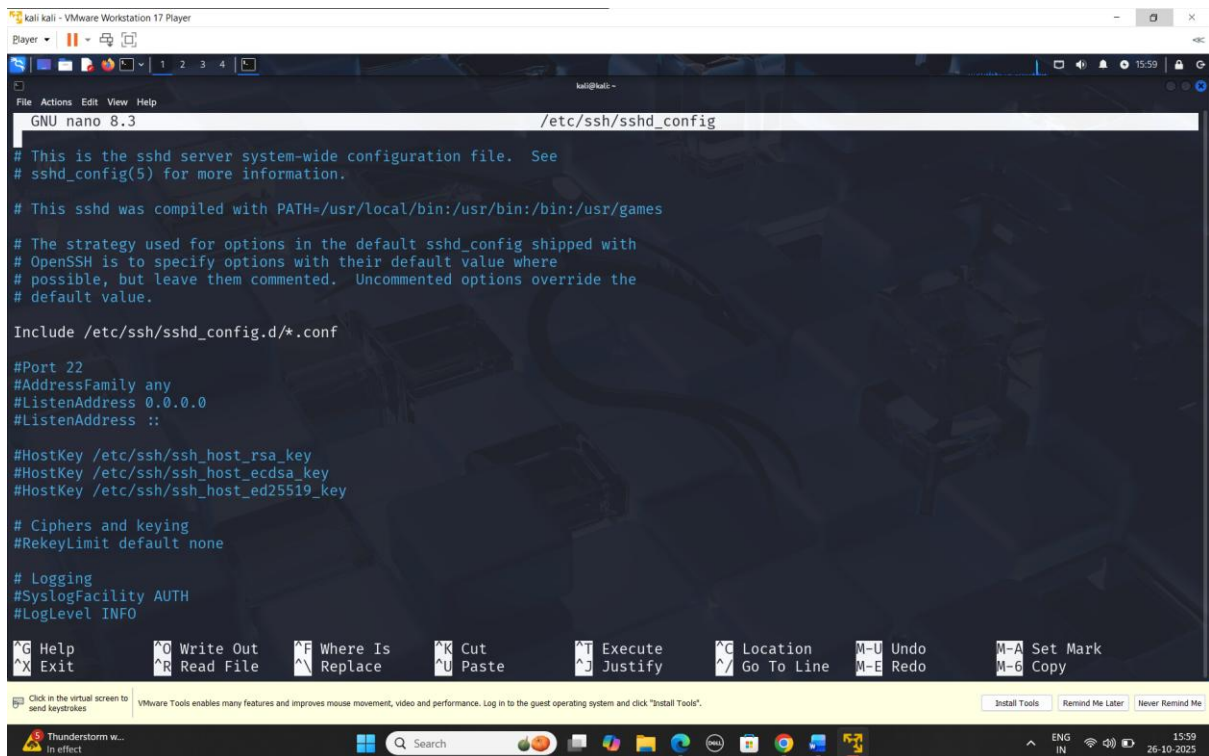
```
(kali@kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo ufw allow 22/tcp
Skipping adding existing rule
Skipping adding existing rule (v6)

(kali@kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo ufw reload
Firewall reloaded

(kali@kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo ufw status
Status: active

To Action From
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22/tcp ALLOW Anywhere
22/tcp (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)

(kali@kali)-[~]
└─$ ssh localhost
The authenticity of host 'localhost (::1)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:9gcPIxfvdFJVmrD1MRSp5jH/YcJBfqxe
0egx249txA.
This key is not known by any other names.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])
? y
Please type 'yes', 'no' or the fingerprint: y
Please type 'yes', 'no' or the fingerprint:
Host key verification failed.
```



```
GNU nano 8.3 /etc/ssh/sshd_config
# This is the sshd server system-wide configuration file. See
# sshd_config(5) for more information.

# This sshd was compiled with PATH=/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/bin:/usr/games

# The strategy used for options in the default sshd_config shipped with
# OpenSSH is to specify options with their default value where
# possible, but leave them commented. Uncommented options override the
# default value.

Include /etc/ssh/sshd_config.d/*.conf

#Port 22
#AddressFamily any
#ListenAddress 0.0.0.0
#ListenAddress ::

#HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_rsa_key
#HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_ecdsa_key
#HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_ed25519_key

# Ciphers and keying
#RekeyLimit default none

# Logging
#SyslogFacility AUTH
#LogLevel INFO

^G Help      ^O Write Out  ^F Where Is   ^K Cut        ^T Execute    ^C Location   M-U Undo      M-A Set Mark
^X Exit      ^R Read File  ^N Replace    ^U Paste      ^J Justify    ^_ Go To Line  M-E Redo      M-6 Copy
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- Steps and commands: -

1. Open the Windows Firewall Configuration

- Press Windows + R, type wf.msc, and press Enter.
- This opens the Windows Defender Firewall with Advanced Security window.

2. View Current Firewall Rules

- Click on Inbound Rules and Outbound Rules in the left panel.
- Scroll to see the existing rules and their status (Allowed/Blocked).

3. Add a Rule to Block Traffic on a Specific Port (e.g., Port 23 for Telnet)

- In the right panel, click New Rule...
- Choose Port, then click Next.
- Select TCP and enter the port number (e.g., 23).
- Choose Block the connection, click Next, and select all profiles (Domain, Private, Public).
- Name it (e.g., *Block Telnet Port 23*) and click Finish.

4. Test the Block Rule

- Try connecting to port 23 (e.g., using telnet localhost 23).
- The connection should fail, showing the rule works.

5. Add a Rule to Allow Traffic (e.g., Port 22 for SSH) (Linux)

- Again, create a New Rule, choose Port, enter 22, and select Allow the connection.
- Name it (e.g., *Allow SSH Port 22*).
- Check if SSH Server is Installed - `sudo apt install openssh-server -y`
- Start the SSH Service - `sudo systemctl start ssh` / `sudo systemctl start ssh`
- Verify SSH Service Status - `sudo systemctl status ssh`
- Check if Port 22 is Listening - `sudo netstat -tuln | grep 22` / `sudo ss -tuln | grep 22`
- Allow SSH Through UFW (Firewall) - `sudo ufw allow 22/tcp`, `sudo ufw reload`, `sudo ufw status`
- Test the Connection - `ssh localhost`

6. Remove or Disable the Test Rule

- Right-click on *Block Telnet Port 23* and select Disable Rule or Delete.
- This restores the original firewall configuration.

- Summary – How Firewall Filters Traffic

- A firewall acts as a protective barrier between a trusted internal network and untrusted external networks. It filters network traffic based on defined rules — such as port numbers, IP addresses, and protocols.
- The firewall examines each incoming and outgoing data packet and decides whether to allow or block it according to these rules. For example, it can block unwanted or insecure ports (like port 23 for Telnet) and allow secure connections (like port 22 for SSH).
- By doing this, the firewall ensures that only authorized and safe communication passes through while preventing unauthorized access or attacks, thereby maintaining the security and integrity of the system.