

Configuration

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Basic usage

To configure the options for rootcheck, go to the [Rootcheck section](#) in [ossec.conf](#). The most common configuration options are: [frequency](#) and [system-audit](#)

Basic example to configure audit polices:

```
<rootcheck>
  <system_audit>./db/system_audit_rcl.txt</system_audit>
  <system_audit>./db/cis_debian_linux_rcl.txt</system_audit>
  <system_audit>./db/cis_rhel_linux_rcl.txt</system_audit>
</rootcheck>
```

Configure periodic scans

This is a basic configuration to run a scan every 10 hours.

```
<rootcheck>
  <frequency>36000</frequency>
  <system_audit>/var/ossec/etc/shared/system_audit_rcl.txt</system_audit>
  <system_audit>/var/ossec/etc/shared/cis_debian_linux_rcl.txt</system_audit>
  <system_audit>/var/ossec/etc/shared/cis_rhel_linux_rcl.txt</system_audit>
  <system_audit>/var/ossec/etc/shared/cis_rhel5_linux_rcl.txt</system_audit>
</rootcheck>
```

Root access to SSH

1. First you need to create your custom audit file (audit_test.txt):

```
# PermitRootLogin not allowed
# PermitRootLogin indicates if the root user can log in by ssh.
$sshd_file=/etc/ssh/sshd_config;

[SSH Configuration - 1: Root can log in] [any] [1]
f:$sshd_file -> !r:^# && r:PermitRootLogin\.+yes;
f:$sshd_file -> r:^#\s*PermitRootLogin;
```

2. Reference our new file in the rootcheck options:

```
<rootcheck>
  <system_audit>/var/ossec/etc/shared/audit_test.txt</system_audit>
</rootcheck>
```

