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Santa's Festive Guide to Entra ID Security Defaults!

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Santa's Festive Guide to Entra ID Security Defaults!

What we will cover:

- What is it and Why?
- Enforced security defaults
- Deployment Considerations
- Entra Admin Demo
- Q&A

What are the Security defaults on Entra ID?



- Security can be difficult
- Prevent common identity-related attacks
- Basic level of security
- Blocking legacy authentication protocols
- Protecting privileged activities



Enabling security defaults



Microsoft Entra admin center

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Overview Monitoring **Properties** Recommendations Setup guides

Name: Main Directory

Country or region: United States

Data location: United States datacenters

Notification language: English

Tenant ID: [redacted]

Technical contact: [redacted]

Global privacy contact: [redacted]

Privacy statement URL: [redacted]

Access management for Azure resources

[redacted] can manage access to all Azure subscriptions and management groups in this tenant.

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Security defaults

Security defaults are basic identity security mechanisms recommended by Microsoft. When enabled, these recommendations will be automatically enforced in your organization. Administrators and users will be prompted to use multifactor authentication when logging in. [Learn more](#)

✓ Your organization is protected by security defaults. [Manage security defaults](#)

Security defaults

Security defaults

Enabled (recommended)

Enabled (recommended)

Disabled (not recommended)

99.9% of account compromise could be stopped by using multifactor authentication, which is a feature that security defaults provides.

Microsoft's security teams see a drop of 80% in compromise rate when security defaults are enabled.



Enforced security defaults



Require	Require all users to register for Microsoft Entra multifactor authentication
Require	Require administrators to do multifactor authentication
Require	Require users to do multifactor authentication when necessary
Block	Block legacy authentication protocols
Protect	Protect privileged activities like access to the Azure portal

Deployment considerations



Preparing your users

Authentication methods

B2B users

Disabled MFA status

Disabling security defaults

Comparing Security Defaults to Conditional Access



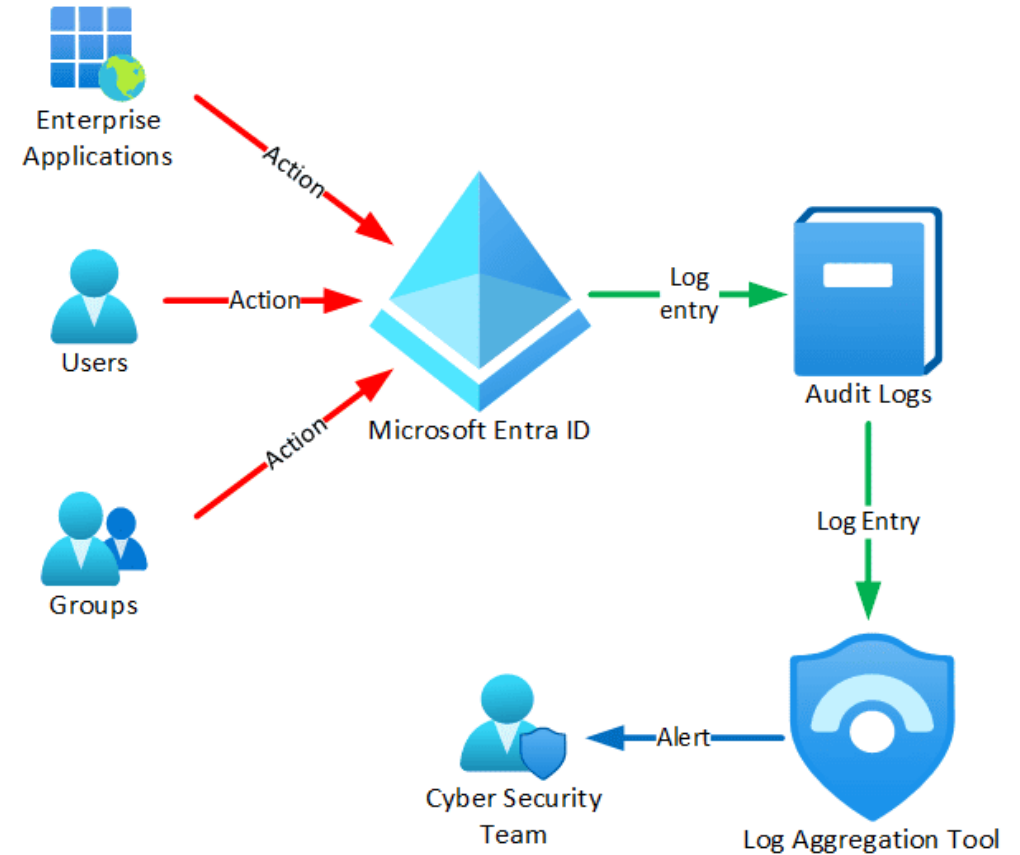
	Security defaults	Conditional Access
Required licenses	None	At least Microsoft Entra ID P1
Customization	No customization (on or off)	Fully customizable
Enabled by	Microsoft or administrator	Administrator
Complexity	Simple to use	Fully customizable based on your requirements

Demo:

Microsoft Entra ID – Security defaults and settings



- Microsoft Entra Admin center
- User Settings
- Group settings
- Device settings



Learning resources Microsoft Entra & Security defaults

- [Security Defaults in Microsoft Entra ID](#)
- [Improve your security posture](#)
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