ASSIGNMENT TWO: AZURE FIREWALL WRITEUP

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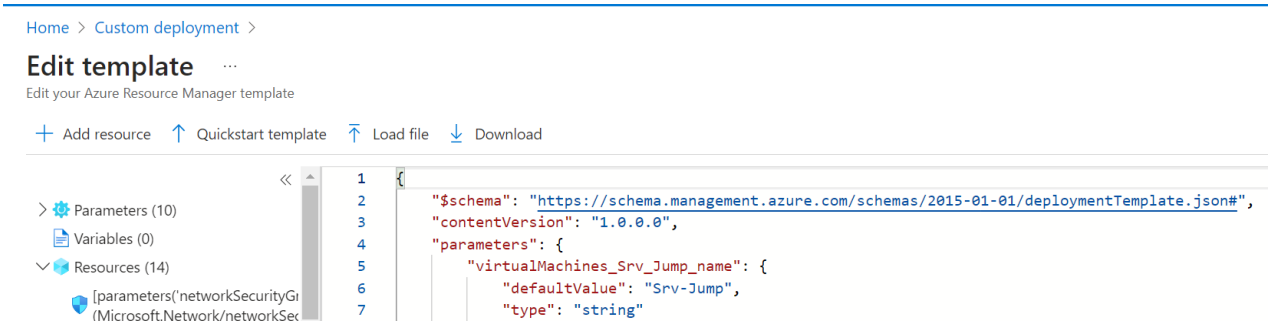
INTRODUCTION

This guided exercise embarks on a journey through seven tasks. guides the deployment and configuration of essential components. Starting with the utilization of a template for environment deployment, the tasks proceed to establish an Azure firewall, set up a default route, and configure both application and network rules. Further steps involve the configuration of DNS servers and culminate in a comprehensive firewall test to ensure its effective functionality. The following is a descriptive of a step-by-step procedure of how the tasks were achieved.

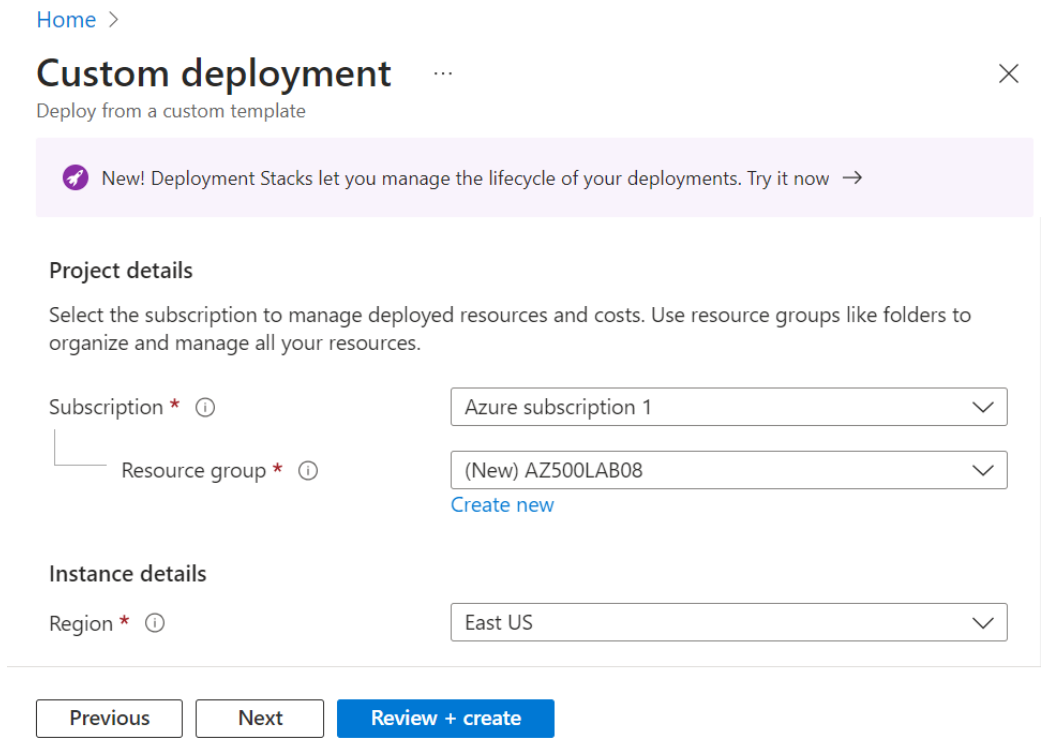
Task 1: Use a template to deploy the lab environment.

This task shows the steps we took to review and deploy the lab environment. We created a virtual machine by using an ARM template. We used the build your own template in the editor option on deploy a custom template page.

On the Edit template blade, Loaded the file \Allfiles\Labs\08\template.json file and clicked Open and saved.

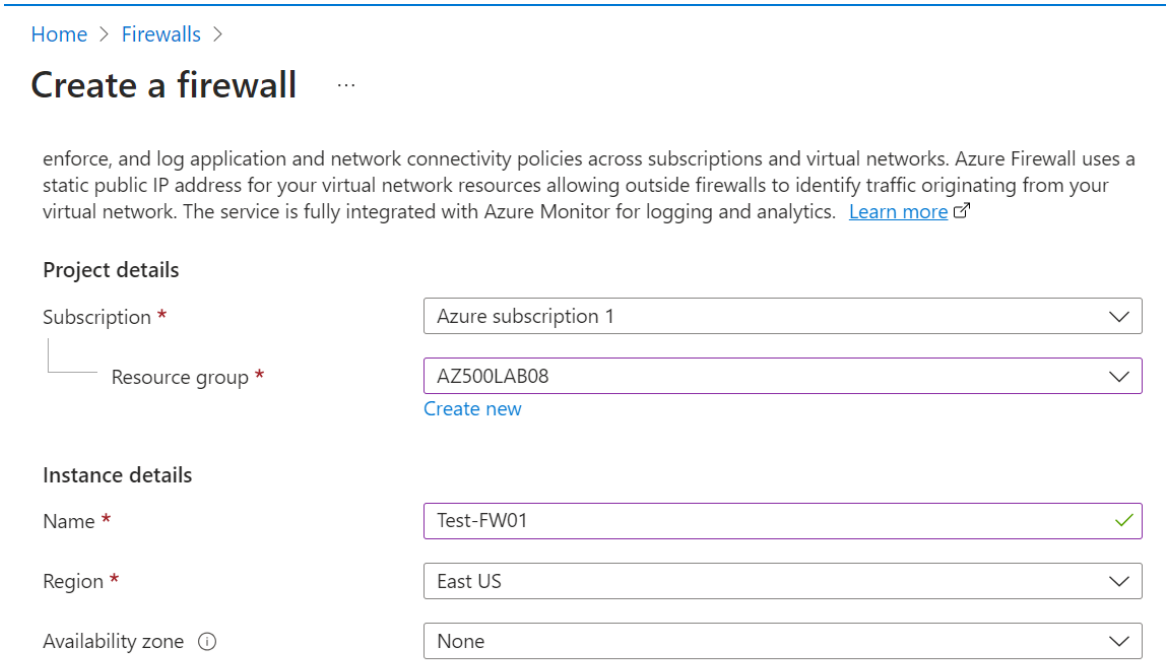


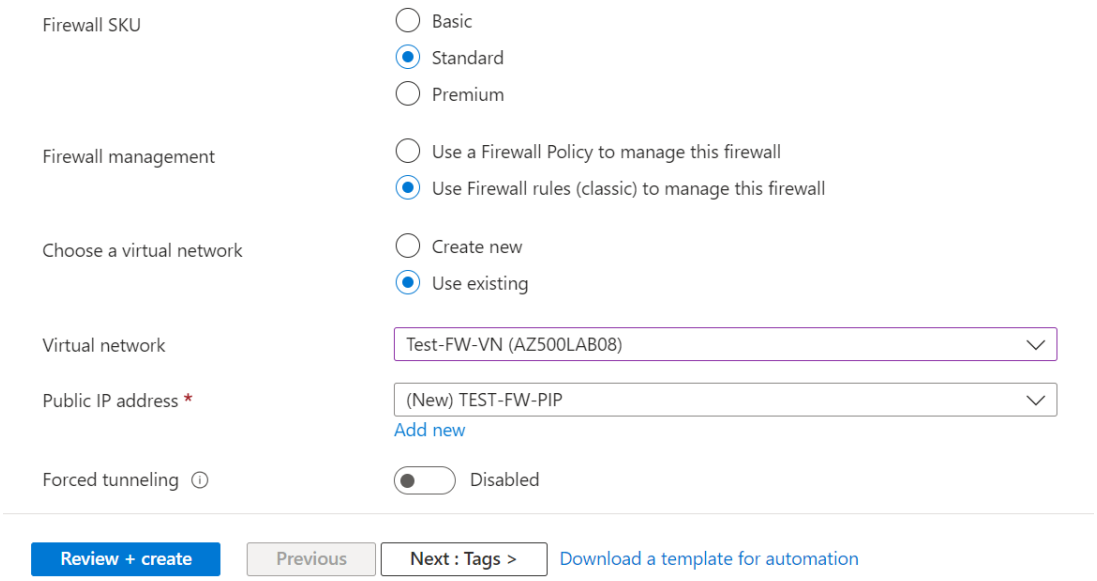
On the Custom deployment blade, the following settings were configured as follows:



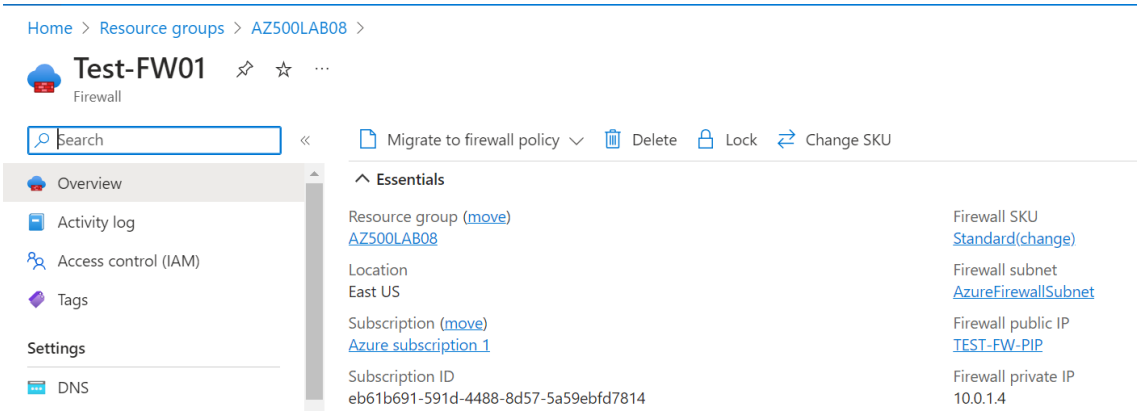
Task 2: Deploy the Azure firewall

This task describes a step-by-step process of deploying the Azure firewall into the virtual network. On the Firewalls page, created a new firewall and specified the following settings:



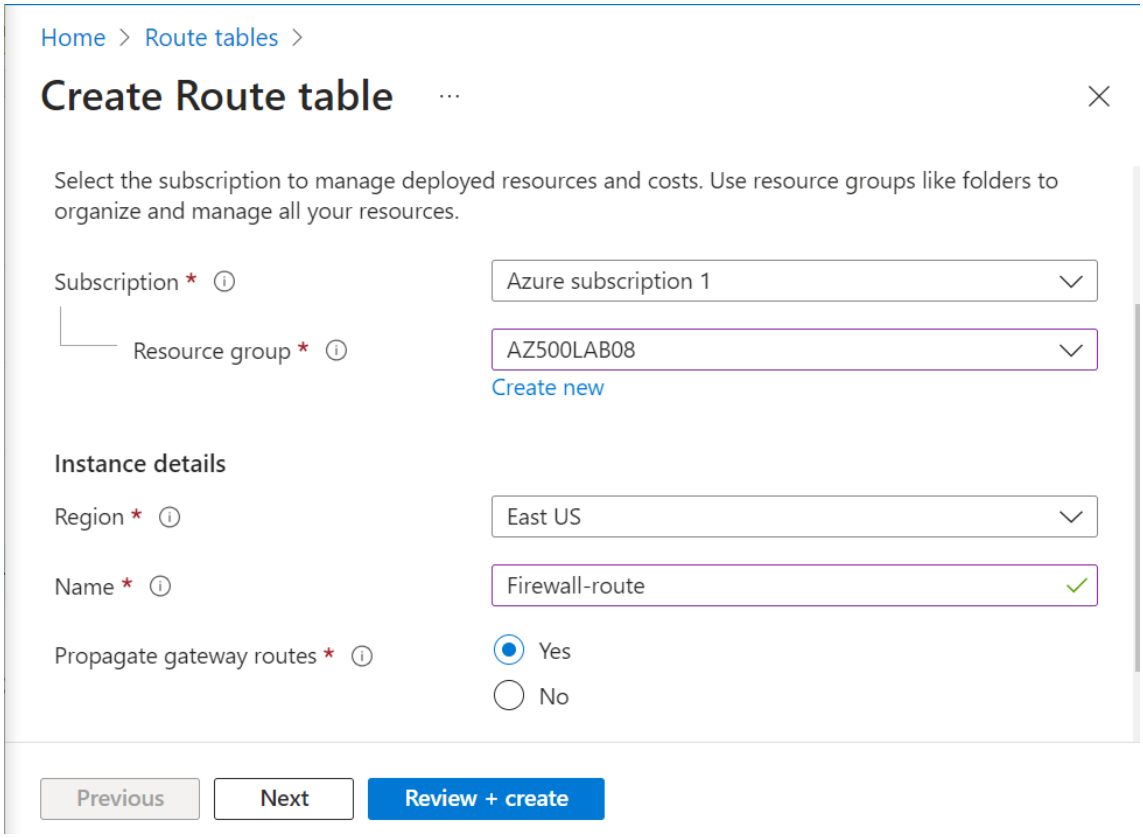


On the Resource groups blade, in the list of resource group, clicked the AZ500LAB08 entry clicked the entry representing the Test-FW01 firewall on the list of resources. On the Test-FW01 blade, identify the Private IP address that was assigned to the firewall.

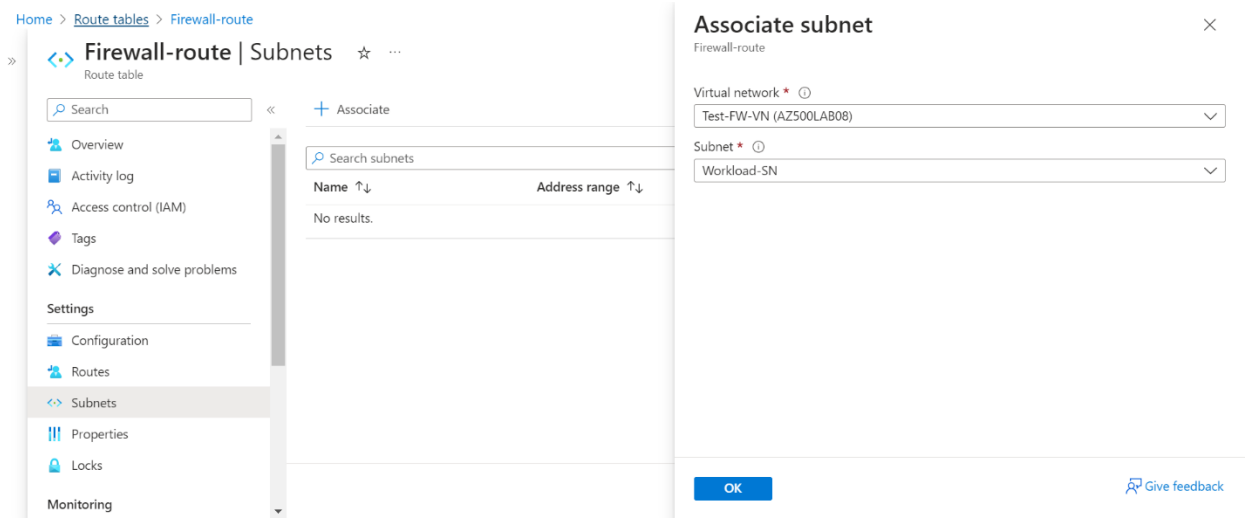


Task 3: Create a default route

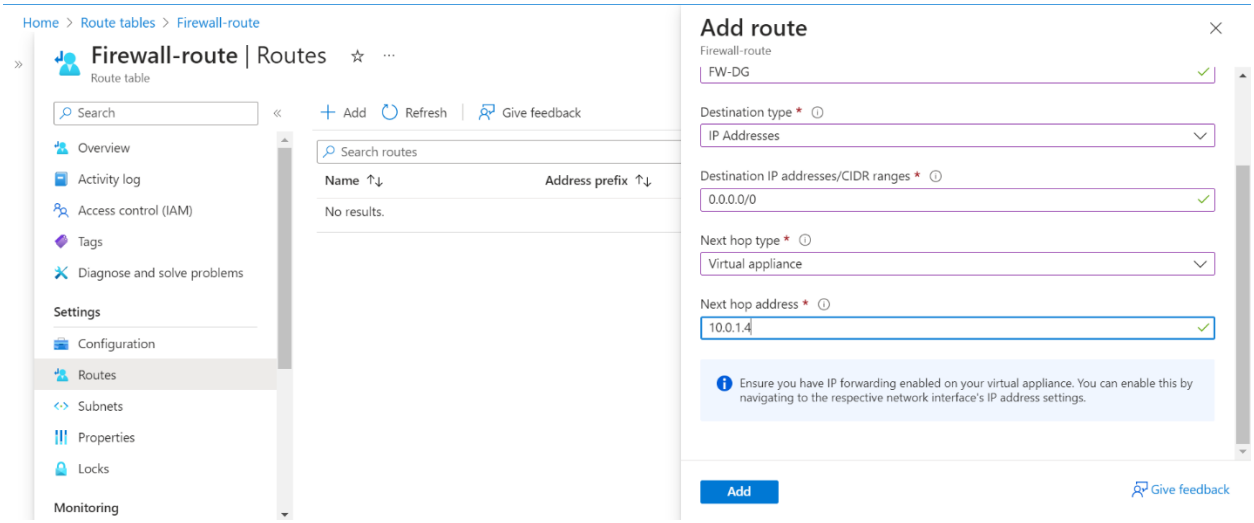
In this task, we created a default route for the Workload-SN subnet. This route will configure outbound traffic through the firewall. On the Route tables blade, we created a route table blade with the specific settings:



On the Route tables blade, click Refresh, and, in the list of route tables, click the Firewall-route entry. On the Firewall-route blade, in the Settings section, clicked on Subnets and then, on the Firewall-route | Subnets blade, click + Associate and specify the following settings:



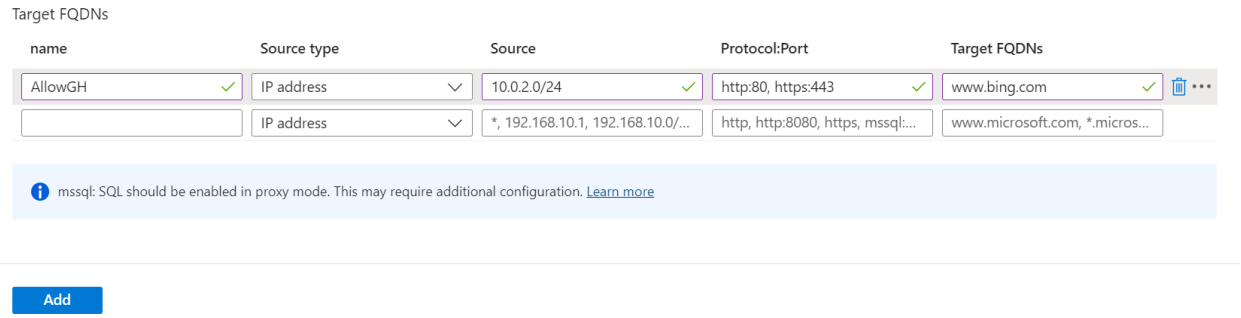
Back on the Firewall-route blade, in the Settings section, click Routes and then click + Add and specify the following settings:



Task 4: Configure an application rule

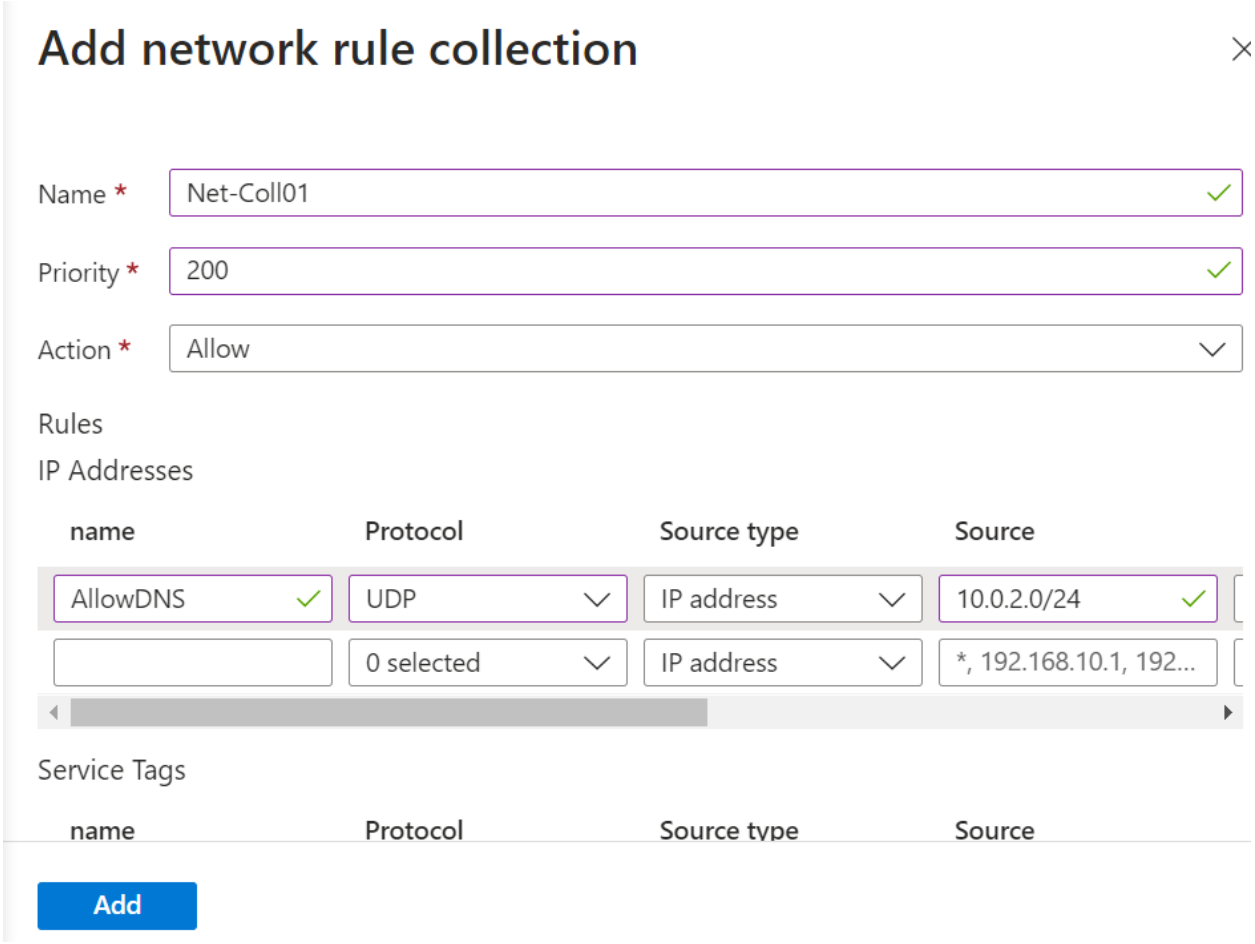
In this task we created an application rule that allows outbound access to www.bing.com. On the Test-FW01 blade, in the Settings section, click Rules (classic) and clicked the Application rule collection tab, and then click + Add application rule collection and specify the following settings:

On the Add application rule collection blade, create a new entry in the Target FQDNs section with the following settings:



Task 5: Configure a network rule

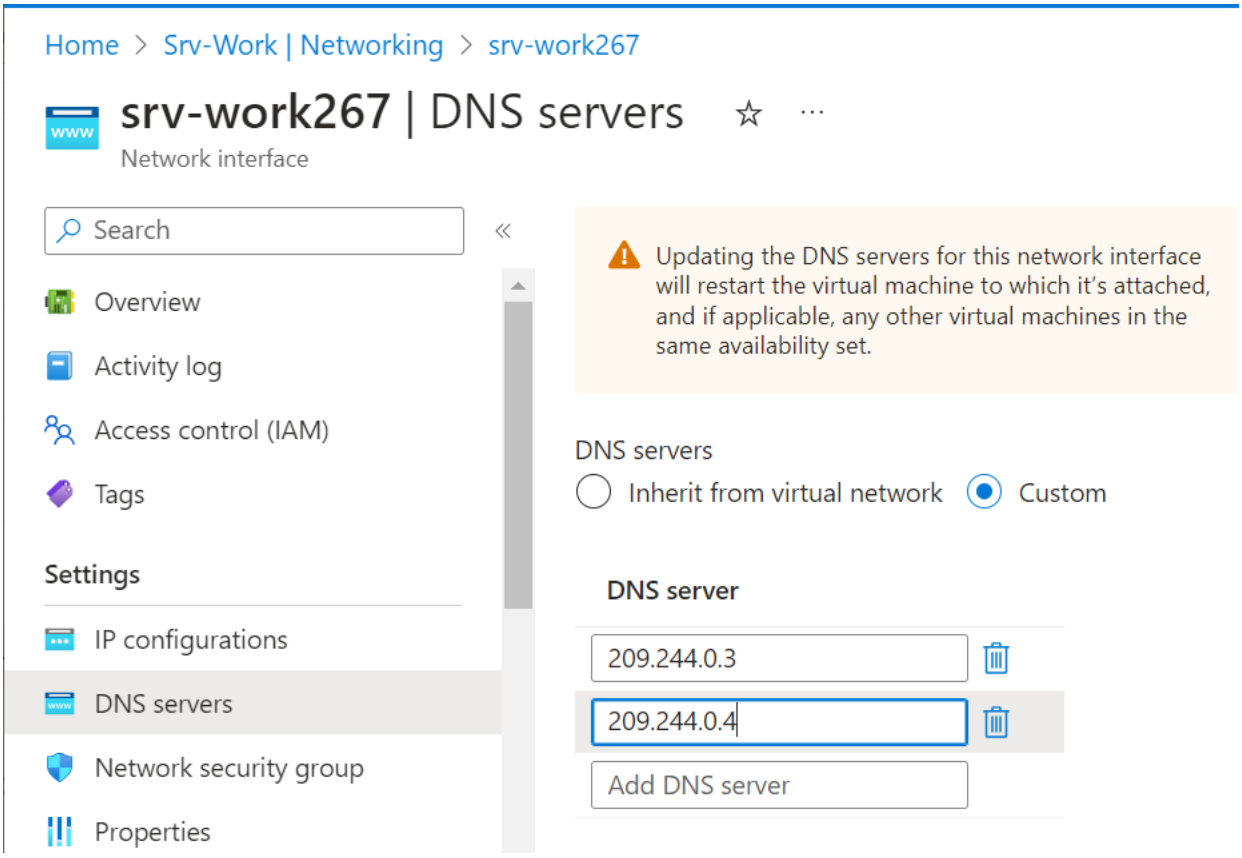
In this task, we created a network rule that allows outbound access to two IP addresses on port 53 (DNS). On the Test-FW01 | Rules (classic) blade, click the Network rule collection tab and then click + Add network rule collection and specify the following settings:



Task 6: Configure the virtual machine DNS servers

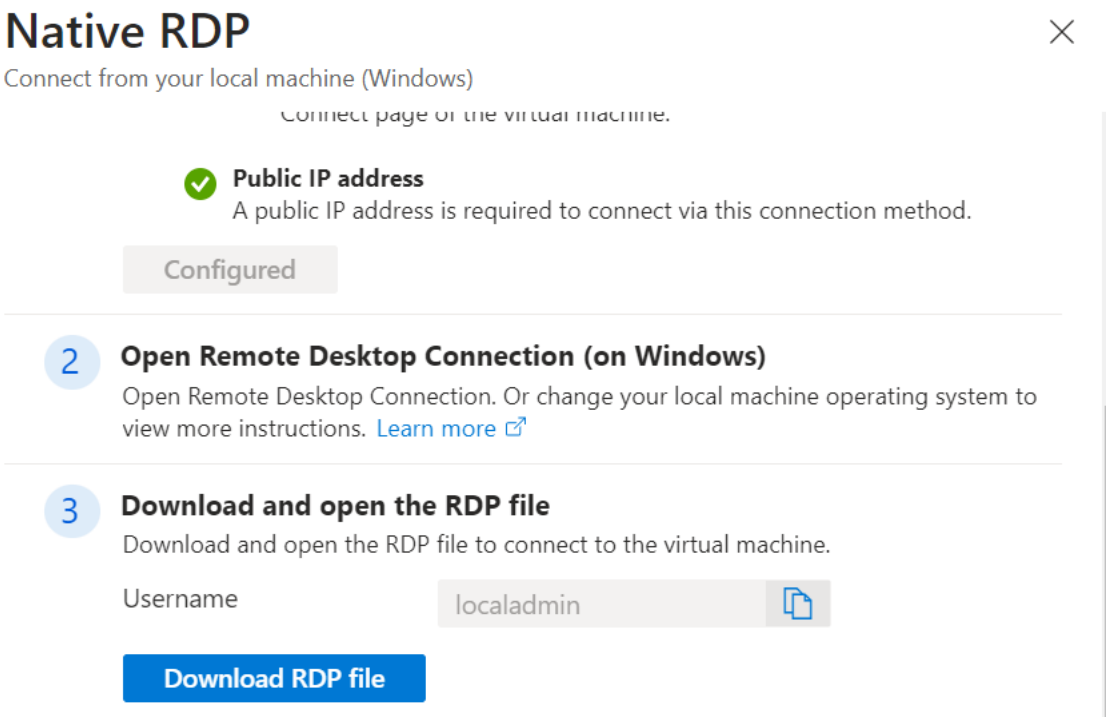
In this task, we configured the primary and secondary DNS addresses for the virtual machine. On the AZ500LAB08 blade, in the list of resources, clicked the Srv-Work virtual machine, in the Settings section, click Networking. Clicked the link next to the Network interface entry.

On the network interface blade, in the Settings section, clicked on DNS servers, selected the Custom option and added the two DNS servers referenced in the network rule: 209.244.0.3 and 209.244.0.4, and click Save to save the change.



Task 7: Test the firewall

In this task, we test the firewall to confirm that it works as expected. On the AZ500LAB08 blade, in the list of resources, clicked the Srv-Jump virtual machine and on the Srv-Jump blade, connected it and, clicked RDP to download the RDP file to share with the remote desktop to connect to the Srv-Jump.



CONCLUSION

In conclusion, learning how to set up and build a strong Azure firewall was a seamless process and I was surprised as how configuring firewalls were simple. The lab assignment also come with its challenges especially in task 7 where we were testing the firewall, since I personally lacked a second desktop hence testing was incomplete but overall, the assignment was a success. Additionally, I was ale to see the theory brought into practice when we were setting up two DNS for redundancy and resilience.