

Guide to the Secure Configuration of Fedora

with profile `Standard System Security Profile for Fedora`

— This profile contains rules to ensure standard security baseline of a Fedora system.

Regardless of your system's workload all of these checks should pass.

The SCAP Security Guide Project

<https://www.open-scap.org/security-policies/scap-security-guide>

This guide presents a catalog of security-relevant configuration settings for Fedora. It is a rendering of content structured in the eXtensible Configuration Checklist Description Format (XCCDF) in order to support security automation. The SCAP content is available in the `scap-security-guide` package which is developed at <https://www.open-scap.org/security-policies/scap-security-guide>.

Providing system administrators with such guidance informs them how to securely configure systems under their control in a variety of network roles. Policy makers and baseline creators can use this catalog of settings, with its associated references to higher-level security control catalogs, in order to assist them in security baseline creation. This guide is a *catalog, not a checklist*, and satisfaction of every item is not likely to be possible or sensible in many operational scenarios. However, the XCCDF format enables granular selection and adjustment of settings, and their association with OVAL and OCIL content provides an automated checking capability. Transformations of this document, and its associated automated checking content, are capable of providing baselines that meet a diverse set of policy objectives. Some example XCCDF *Profiles*, which are selections of items that form checklists and can be used as baselines, are available with this guide. They can be processed, in an automated fashion, with tools that support the Security Content Automation Protocol (SCAP). The DISA STIG, which provides required settings for US Department of Defense systems, is one example of a baseline created from this guidance.

Do not attempt to implement any of the settings in this guide without first testing them in a non-operational environment. The creators of this guidance assume no responsibility whatsoever for its use by other parties, and makes no guarantees, expressed or implied, about its quality, reliability, or any other characteristic.

Evaluation Characteristics

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|--------------------------|--|
| Evaluation target | Inanna. |
| Benchmark URL | <code>#scap_org.open-scap_comp_ssg-fedora-xccdf.xml</code> |
| Benchmark ID | <code>xccdf_org.ssgproject.content_benchmark_FEDORA</code> |
| Benchmark version | 0.1.75 |
| Profile ID | <code>xccdf_org.ssgproject.content_profile_standard</code> |
| Started at | 2025-05-27T19:00:58-06:00 |
| Finished at | 2025-05-27T19:07:39-06:00 |
| Performed by | root |
| Test system | <code>cpe:/a:redhat:openscap:1.4.2</code> |

CPE Platforms

- `cpe:/o:fedoraproject:fedora:39`
- `cpe:/o:fedoraproject:fedora:40`
- `cpe:/o:fedoraproject:fedora:41`
- `cpe:/o:fedoraproject:fedora:42`
- `cpe:/o:fedoraproject:fedora:43`
- `cpe:/o:fedoraproject:fedora:44`
- `cpe:/o:fedoraproject:fedora:45`

Addresses

- **IPv4** 127.0.0.1
- **IPv4** 10.255.255.254
- **IPv4** 172.19.81.111
- **IPv6** 0:0:0:0:0:0:1
- **IPv6** fe80:0:0:0:215:5dff:fe85:45d4
- **MAC** 00:00:00:00:00:00
- **MAC** 00:15:5D:85:45:D4

Compliance and Scoring

The target system did not satisfy the conditions of 4 rules! Please review rule results and consider applying remediation.

Rule results

19 passed
4 failed
0 other

Severity of failed rules

0 other
1 low
2 medium
1 high

Score

| Scoring system | Score | Maximum | Percent |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------|---------|
| urn:xccdf:scoring:default | 82.870369 | 100.000000 | 82.87% |

Rule Overview

| Title | Severity | Result |
|---|----------|--------|
| Guide to the Secure Configuration of Fedora | 4x fail | |
| System Settings | 4x fail | |
| Installing and Maintaining Software | 1x fail | |

| Title | Severity | Result |
|---|----------|-------------|
| System and Software Integrity 1x fail | | |
| Software Integrity Checking 1x fail | | |
| Verify Integrity with RPM 1x fail | | |
| Verify File Hashes with RPM | high | pass |
| Verify and Correct File Permissions with RPM | high | fail |
| Verify Integrity with AIDE | | |
| System Cryptographic Policies | | |
| Updating Software | | |
| Account and Access Control 3x fail | | |
| Protect Accounts by Configuring PAM 1x fail | | |
| Ensure PAM Displays Last Logon/Access Notification | low | fail |
| Protect Accounts by Restricting Password-Based Login 2x fail | | |
| Set Account Expiration Parameters | | |
| Set Password Expiration Parameters 2x fail | | |
| Set Password Maximum Age | medium | fail |
| Set Password Minimum Age | medium | fail |
| Set Password Warning Age | medium | pass |
| Verify Proper Storage and Existence of Password Hashes | | |
| Restrict Root Logins | | |
| Secure Session Configuration Files for Login Accounts | | |
| Network Configuration and Firewalls | | |
| File Permissions and Masks | | |
| Services | | |
| System Accounting with auditd | | |

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