

# Opensense Monitoring Through Grafana and Prometheus

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## ■ Step 1 — Create VNet Peering Between Both VNets

You must peer:

- **VNet A** → where Grafana + Prometheus pods run
- **VNet B** → where OPNsense lives

✓ In Azure Portal:

**VNet A** → **Peerings** → **Add**:

- Remote VNet: **VNet B**
- **Allow Virtual network access**
- **Allow Forwarded traffic**
- **Gateway transit** → leave disabled (unless using VPN Gateway)

**VNet B** → **Peerings** → **Add**:

- Remote VNet: **VNet A**
- **Allow Virtual network access**
- **Allow Forwarded traffic**
- **Gateway transit** → disabled

This enables **routing** between Prometheus Pod and OPNsense.

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## ■ Step 2 — Update NSG Rules (If using Azure NSG)

Prometheus Pod must reach OPNsense's Prometheus exporter port.

Assume exporter port = **9100**.

On OPNsense VNet/subnet NSG:

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Setting	Value
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Source	<b>VNet A address range (CIDR)</b>
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Destination	<b>OPNsense private IP</b>
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Protocol	TCP
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Port	<b>9100</b>
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Action	Allow
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Example:

Source: 10.10.0.0/16 (Grafana/Prom VNet)

Destination: 10.20.1.5 (OPNsense)

Port: 9100

Action: Allow

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## ■ Step 3 — Configure OPNsense Firewall Rules

OPNsense must allow traffic from Prometheus VNet.

Go to:

Firewall → Rules → LAN (or interface OPNsense is on)

Add allow rule:

Source: <Grafana/Prometheus VNet CIDR>

Destination: This firewall

Port: 9100

## Step 4 — Prometheus Pod Configuration

ConfigMap (prometheus.yml with OPNsense target)

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
  name: prometheus-config
  namespace: monitoring
data:
  prometheus.yml: |
    global:
      scrape_interval: 15s

    scrape_configs:
      - job_name: 'prometheus'
        static_configs:
          - targets: ['localhost:9090']

      - job_name: 'opnsense'
        metrics_path: /metrics
        static_configs:
          - targets:
              [ '<OPNSENSE_PRIVATE_IP:9100' ]
```

Service (internal access only)

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: opnsense-prometheus
  namespace: monitoring
spec:
  type: ClusterIP
  selector:
    app: opnsense-prometheus
  ports:
    - port: 9090
      targetPort: 9090
      protocol: TCP
```

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apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: opensense-prometheus
  namespace: monitoring
spec:
  replicas: 1
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      app: opensense-prometheus
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: opensense-prometheus
    spec:
      containers:
        - name: prometheus
          image: prom/prometheus:latest
          args:
            - "--config.file=/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yaml"
          ports:
            - containerPort: 9090
          volumeMounts:
            - name: prometheus-config-volume
              mountPath: /etc/prometheus/
        volumes:
          - name: prometheus-config-volume
            configMap:
              name: prometheus-config

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### 🔥 After Deploying These Files

Apply everything:

`kubectl apply -f configmap.yaml`

`kubectl apply -f deployment.yaml`

`kubectl apply -f service.yaml`

Then verify Prometheus is running:

`kubectl get pods -n monitoring`

Test reachability:

`kubectl exec -it <prometheus-pod> -n monitoring -- curl`

`http://<OPNSENSE_PRIVATE_IP>:9100/metrics`

If peering + NSG + OPNsense firewall are correct → you will see metrics.

### ■ Step 5 — Test Connectivity From the Pod

Open a shell inside Prometheus pod:

`kubectl exec -it <prometheus-pod> -- sh`

Test reachability:

`curl http://10.20.1.5:9100/metrics`

If VNet peering + NSG + OPNsense firewall are correct, this will show metrics text.

### ■ Step 6 — Grafana

Grafana is in **same VNet** → so no network issues.

Just add Prometheus as data source.