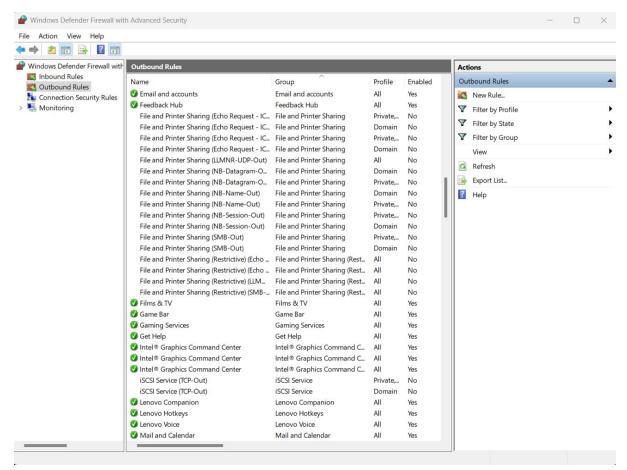
# Windows Firewall Configuration and Testing Task 4

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- 1. Open Windows Firewall with Advanced Security
  - 1. Press Win + R to open Run dialog
  - 2. Type wf.msc and press Enter
  - 3. Windows Firewall with Advanced Security console will open



Step 2: Alternative Access Methods

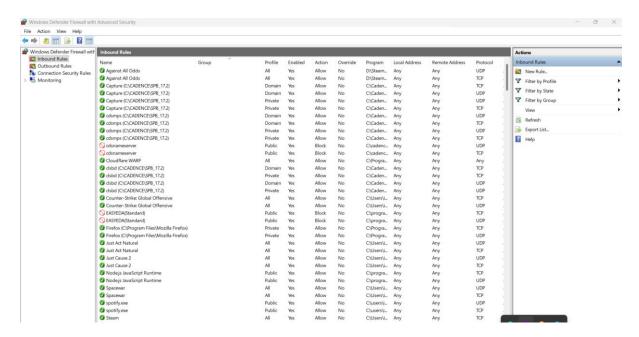
- Through Control Panel: Control Panel → System and Security → Windows Defender Firewall → Advanced settings
- Through Settings: Settings → Network & Internet → Windows Firewall → Advanced settings

## 2. Listing Current Firewall Rules

## **GUI Method**

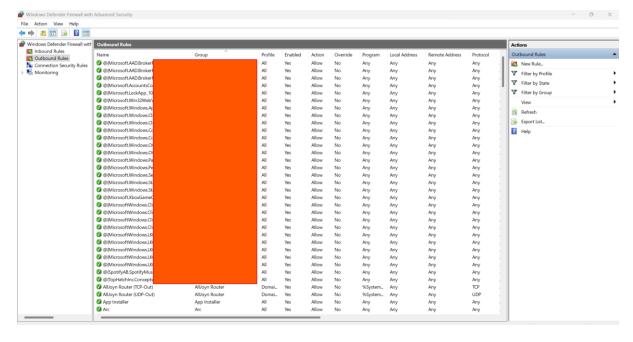
# Step 1: View Inbound Rules

- 1. In the left pane, click on "Inbound Rules"
- 2. Review the list of current inbound rules
- 3. Note the enabled/disabled status and actions (Allow/Block)



Step 2: View Outbound Rules

- 1. In the left pane, click on "Outbound Rules"
- 2. Review the list of current outbound rules



#### Command Line Method

#### PowerShell Commands:

#### List all firewall rules

Get-NetFirewallRule | Select-Object DisplayName, Enabled, Direction, Action

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PS C:\Users\isoum> Get-NetFirewallRule | Select-Object DisplayName, Enabled, Direction, Action
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Network Discovery (UPnP-Out)
Wi-Fi Direct Spooler Use (Out)
Remote Assistance (TCP-Out)
Network Discovery (SSDP-Out)
Network Discovery (WSD Events-Out)
Remote Event Log Management (NP-In)
Remote Scheduled Tasks Management (RPC)
Wi-Fi Direct Spooler Use (In)
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Remote Assistance (TCP-Out)
Distributed Transaction Coordinator (TCP-Out)
Routing and Remote Access (L2TP-Out)
Core Networking - Packet Too Big (ICMPv6-Out)
Connected Devices Platform (UDP-Out)
Windows Collaboration Computer Name Registration Service (PNRP-In)
Network Discovery (NB-Name-Out)
Network Discovery (NB-Datagram-Out)
Windows Peer to Peer Collaboration Foundation (WSD-In)
Remote Event Log Management (RPC)
Core Networking - IPv6 (IPv6-In)
Connected Devices Platform - Wi-Fi Direct Transport (TCP-Out)
Network Discovery (LLMNR-UDP-In)
Remote Event Log Management (NP-In)
SNMP Trap Service (UDP In)
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Delivery Optimization (UDP-In)
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 Core Networking - Parameter Problem (ICMPv6-Out)
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 Core Networking
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 Core Networking - Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP-In)
Network Discovery (WSD-In)
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 Routing and Remote Access (GRE-In)
TPM Virtual Smart Card Management (DCOM-In)
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## List inbound rules only

Get-NetFirewallRule -Direction Inbound | Select-Object DisplayName, Enabled, Action

```
PS C:\Users\isoum> Get-NetFirewallRule -Direction Inbound | Select-Object DisplayName, Enabled, Action
DisplayName

Remote Event Log Management (NP-In)
Remote Scheduled Tasks Management (RPC)
Wi-Fi Direct Spooler Use (In)
Windows Collaboration Computer Name Registration Service (PNRP-In)
Windows Collaboration Computer Name Registration Service (PNRP-In)
Windows Peer to Peer Collaboration Foundation (WSD-In)
Remote Event Log Management (RPC)
Core Networking - IPv6 (IPv6-In)
Network Discovery (LLMNR-UDP-In)
Remote Event Log Management (NP-In)
SNMP Trap Service (UDP In)
Delivery Optimization (UDP-In)
Core Networking - Router Advertisement (ICMPv6-In)
Core Networking - Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP-In)
Network Discovery (WSD-In)
Routing and Remote Access (GRE-In)
TPM Virtual Smart Card Management (DCOM-In)
Core Networking - Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6(DHCPV6-In)
Distributed Transaction Coordinator (RPC)
Network Discovery for Teredo (SSDP-In)
Distributed Transaction Coordinator (RPC-EPMAP)
Wi-Fi Direct Scan Service Use (In)
Network Discovery (WSD-In)
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# List outbound rules only

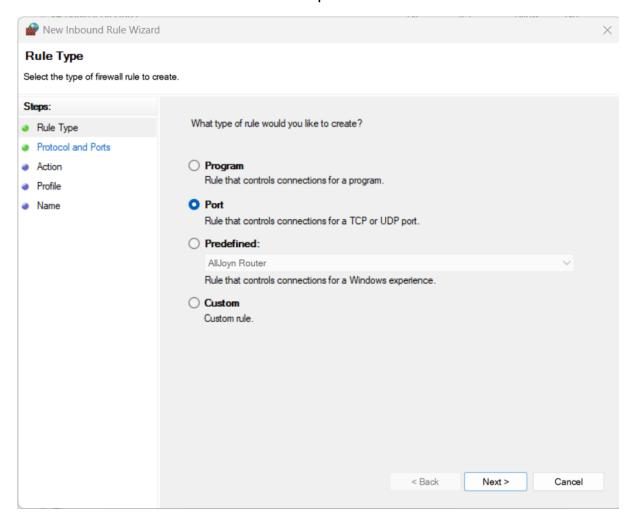
Get-NetFirewallRule -Direction Outbound | Select-Object DisplayName, Enabled, Action

# 3. Creating a Block Rule for Telnet (Port 23)

## **GUI Method**

## Step 1: Create New Inbound Rule

- 1. Right-click on "Inbound Rules" in the left pane
- 2. Select "New Rule..." from the context menu
- 3. New Inbound Rule Wizard will open



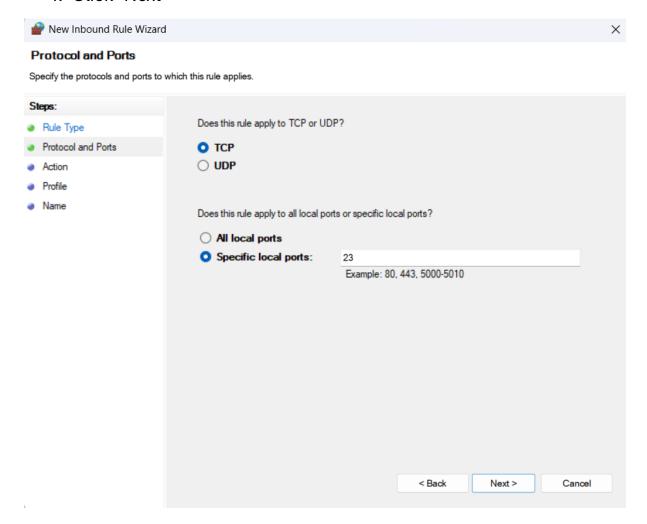
Step 2: Configure Rule Type

- 1. Select "Port" as the rule type
- 2. Click "Next"

# Step 3: Configure Protocol and Ports

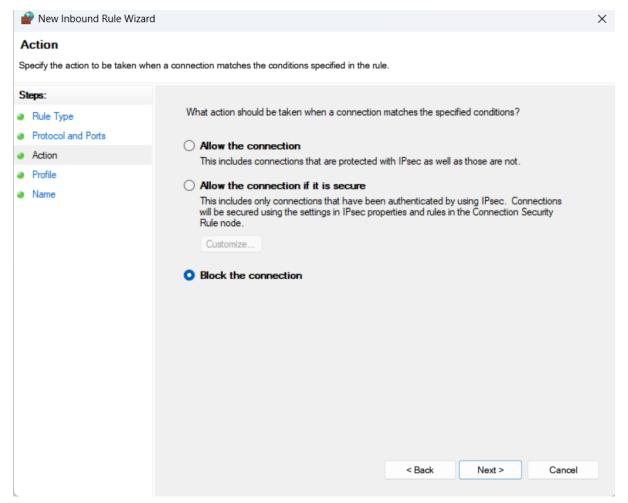
- 1. Select "TCP"
- 2. Select "Specific local ports"

- 3. Enter "23" in the text field
- 4. Click "Next"



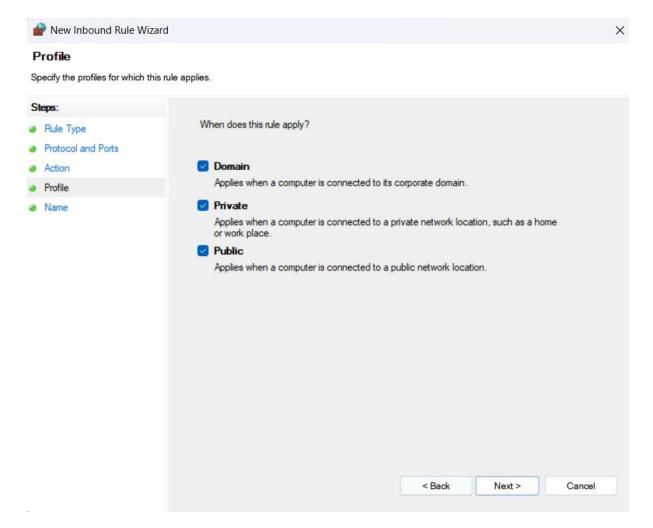
Step 4: Configure Action

- 1. Select "Block the connection"
- 2. Click "Next"



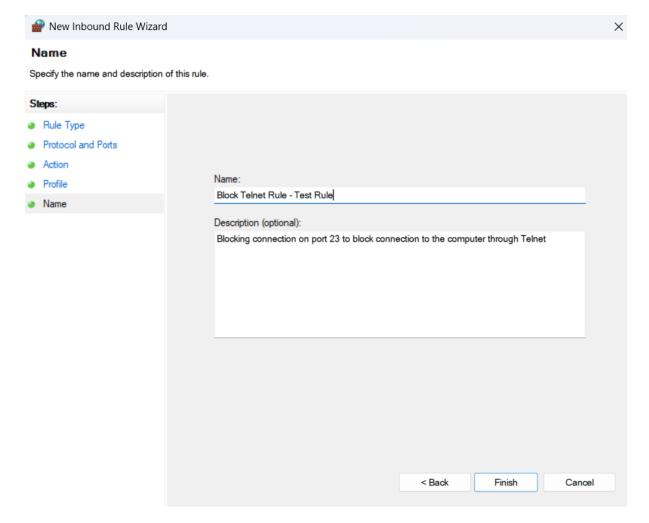
Step 5: Configure Profile

- 1. Keep all profiles selected (Domain, Private, Public)
- 2. Click "Next"



Step 6: Name the Rule

- 1. Name: "Block Telnet Port 23 Test Rule"
- 2. Description: "Test rule to block inbound Telnet traffic on port 23"
- 3. Click "Finish"



## Command Line Method

#### PowerShell Command:

New-NetFirewallRule -DisplayName "Block Telnet Port 23 - Test Rule" - Direction Inbound -Protocol TCP -LocalPort 23 -Action Block

Verification of Rule Creation:

Get-NetFirewallRule -DisplayName "Block Telnet Port 23 - Test Rule"

# 4. Testing the Firewall Rule

Test Method 1: Local Telnet Connection Attempt

Step 1: Enable Telnet Client (if not already enabled)

- 1. Open "Turn Windows features on or off"
- 2. Check "Telnet Client"
- 3. Click OK and wait for installation

# Step 2: Test Connection

telnet localhost 23

Expected Result: Connection should fail or timeout due to the firewall block rule.

```
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.26100.4061]
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Users\isoum>telnet localhost 23
Connecting To localhost...Could not open connection to the host, on port 23: Connect failed

C:\Users\isoum>
```

# Test Method 2: Using PowerShell Test-NetConnection

Test-NetConnection -ComputerName localhost -Port 23

Expected Result: TcpTestSucceeded should be False

```
PS C:\Users\isoum> Test-NetConnection -ComputerName localhost -Port 23
WARNING: TCP connect to (::1 : 23) failed
WARNING: TCP connect to (127.0.0.1 : 23) failed

ComputerName : localhost
RemoteAddress : ::1
RemotePort : 23
InterfaceAlias : Loopback Pseudo-Interface 1
SourceAddress : ::1
PingSucceeded : True
PingReplyDetails (RTT) : 0 ms
TcpTestSucceeded : False
```

# 5. Adding SSH Allow Rule (Port 22)

## **GUI Method**

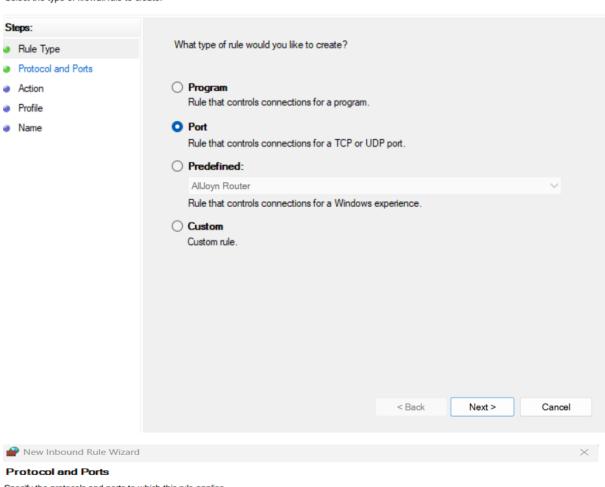
Step 1: Create New Inbound Rule for SSH

- 1. Right-click on "Inbound Rules"
- 2. Select "New Rule..."
- 3. Select "Port" → Next
- 4. Select "TCP" and enter "22" for specific local ports
- 5. Select "Allow the connection" → Next
- 6. Keep all profiles selected → Next
- 7. Name: "Allow SSH Port 22"
- 8. Description: "Allow inbound SSH connections on port 22"
- 9. Click "Finish"



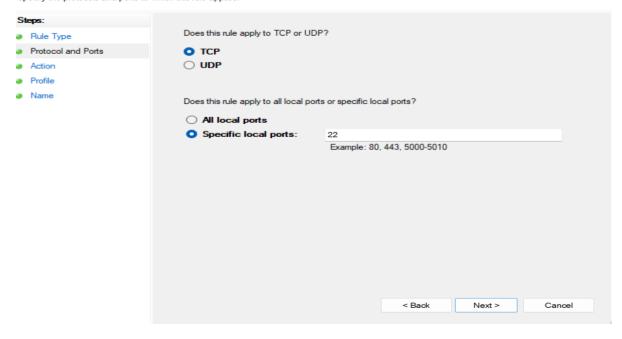
#### Rule Type

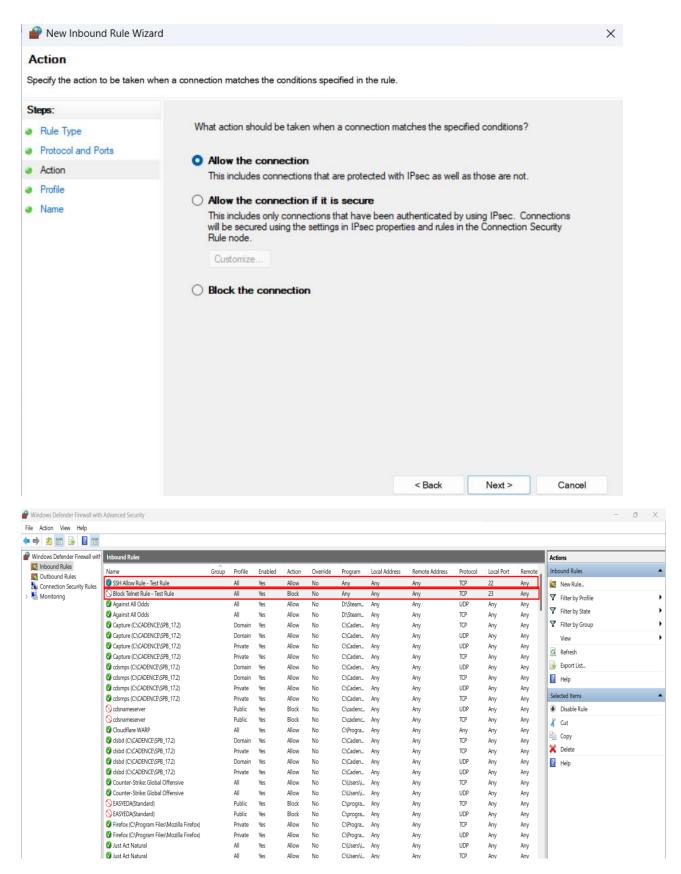
Select the type of firewall rule to create.



X

Specify the protocols and ports to which this rule applies.





#### Command Line Method

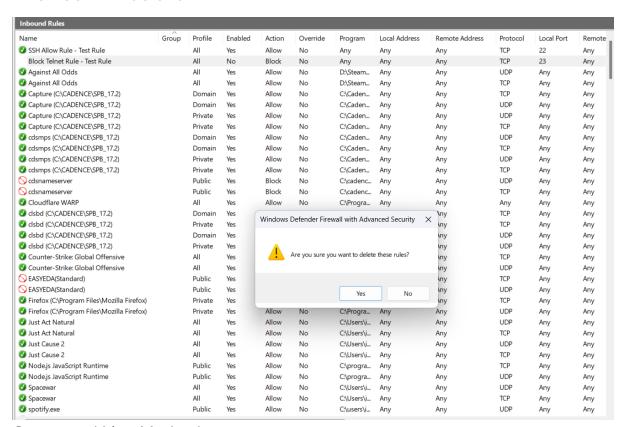
New-NetFirewallRule -DisplayName "Allow SSH Port 22" -Direction Inbound -Protocol TCP -LocalPort 22 -Action Allow

# Part 6: Removing the Test Block Rule

#### **GUI Method**

## Step 1: Locate and Delete Rule

- 1. Navigate to "Inbound Rules"
- 2. Find "Block Telnet Port 23 Test Rule"
- 3. Right-click on the rule
- 4. Select "Delete"
- 5. Confirm deletion



#### Command Line Method

Remove-NetFirewallRule -DisplayName "Block Telnet Port 23 - Test Rule" Verification:

Get-NetFirewallRule -DisplayName "Block Telnet Port 23 - Test Rule"

### 7. Documentation of Commands Used

## PowerShell Commands Summary

Command	Purpose
Get-NetFirewallRule	List existing firewall rules
New-NetFirewallRule	Create new firewall rule
Remove-NetFirewallRule	Delete firewall rule
Test-NetConnection	Test network connectivity

# **GUI Navigation Summary**

1. Access Firewall: Win + R → wf.msc

2. Create Rule: Right-click Inbound/Outbound Rules → New Rule

3. Configure Rule: Port → Protocol/Port → Action → Profile → Name

4. Delete Rule: Right-click rule → Delete

Windows Firewall with Advanced Security acts as a network packet filter that examines incoming and outgoing network traffic based on predefined rules.

## Traffic Filtering Process

## 1. Packet Inspection

- Every network packet is examined against firewall rules
- Rules are processed in order of precedence
- First matching rule determines the action

## 2. Rule Types

Inbound Rules: Control traffic coming into the computer

Outbound Rules: Control traffic leaving the computer

#### 3. Rule Criteria

Protocol: TCP, UDP, ICMP, etc.

Port Numbers: Specific ports or port ranges

IP Addresses: Source and destination addresses

Programs: Specific applications

Services: Windows services

#### 4. Actions

Allow: Permit the traffic

Block: Deny the traffic

Allow if secure: Permit only authenticated/encrypted traffic

#### 5. Profiles

o Domain: When connected to domain network

Private: When connected to private network

Public: When connected to public network

## **Default Behaviour**

• Inbound: Block by default, allow specific exceptions

• Outbound: Allow by default, can create block rules

## Rule Precedence

1. Explicitly configured rules take precedence

2. Block rules generally override allow rules

3. More specific rules override general rules