

Web Policy Agent Release Notes

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Abstract

Notes covering prerequisites, fixes, known issues for ForgeRock® Access Management web policy agents. ForgeRock Access Management provides authentication, authorization, entitlement, and federation software.



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Preface

Read these release notes before you install the Web Policy Agent.

The information contained in these release notes cover prerequisites for installation, known issues and improvements to the software, changes and deprecated functionality, and other important information.

About ForgeRock Identity Platform™ Software

ForgeRock Identity Platform $^{\text{m}}$ is the only offering for access management, identity management, user-managed access, directory services, and an identity gateway, designed and built as a single, unified platform.

The platform includes the following components that extend what is available in open source projects to provide fully featured, enterprise-ready software:

- ForgeRock Access Management (AM)
- ForgeRock Identity Management (IDM)
- ForgeRock Directory Services (DS)
- ForgeRock Identity Gateway (IG)



Chapter 1 What's New in Web Policy Agents

Before you install AM web policy agents or update your existing web policy agent installation, read these release notes.

1.1. New Features in 4.1

• New NGINX Plus Policy Agent

Web Policy Agents 4.1 include a new policy agent that supports NGINX Plus web servers. For more information, see Section 2.1, "Web Policy Agents Platform Requirements" and Chapter 5, "Installing Web Policy Agents in NGINX Plus" in the Web Policy Agent Guide.

The NGINX Plus policy agent supports regular expressions to improve conditional login URL redirection. For more information, see the Regular Expression Conditional Login URL property on Section 8.1.4, "Configuring Access Management Services Properties" in the *Web Policy Agent Guide*.

Improved Logging and Caching

Web Policy Agents 4.1 have re-engineered logging and agent policy caching functionality for improved stability and performance.

New JSON-Formatted Response Properties

Additional properties for controlling JSON-formatted responses are available in Web Policy Agents 4.1.

For more information, see JSON-Formatted Response Properties in the Web Policy Agent Guide.

New Garbage Collector Statistics Log

Garbage collector statistics for all policy agent instances in the container are written into the new / web_agents/type/log/agent.log file.

For more information, see Section 8.1.8, "Configuring Web Policy Agent Environment Variables" in the *Web Policy Agent Guide*.

32-bit and 64-bit Web Policy Agent Package for IIS



New in Web Policy Agent 4.1 for IIS, there is only one downloadable package that supports both 32-bit and 64-bit IIS application pools.

Added Support for Windows built-in Secure Channel API

Web policy agents installed on Windows operating systems now use the built-in Secure Channel API for SSL/TLS communications with AM by default.

For more information, see Encryption Properties in the Web Policy Agent Guide.

• Relative URL Support in Access Denied Property

You can now specify a relative path in the com.sun.identity.agents.config.access.denied.url property.

For more information, see General Properties in the Web Policy Agent Guide.

The agentadmin Command Now Returns Status Codes on Failure

If running the **agentadmin** command in a script, you can now check the return value to determine if the command succeeded.

For more information, see agentadmin(1) in the Web Policy Agent Guide.

Added Support for PKCS#12/PFX Client Certificate Files

On Windows operating systems you can now specify a PKCS#12/PFX client certificate file in the com.forgerock.agents.config.cert.file property.

For more information, see Encryption Properties in the Web Policy Agent Guide.

1.2. New Features in 4

• Multi-site Support on IIS

Web policy agents 4 support multiple sites configured within IIS. Each site in IIS has its own web policy agent configuration. The web policy agents displays a list of the sites available in IIS during installation:

```
c:\> agentadmin.exe --i
IIS Server Site configuration:
Number of Sites: 2
id: 1    name: "DEFAULT WEB SITE"
id: 2    name: "CUSTOMERPORTAL"

Enter IIS Server Site identification number.
[ q or 'ctrl+c' to exit ]
```

For more information, see Section 4.3, "Installing IIS Web Policy Agents" in the *Web Policy Agent Guide*.



Virtual Hosts Support on Apache

Web policy agents 4 support installing agents into multiple virtual hosts on Apache web servers. Each virtual host has its own web policy agent configuration.

Automated Permissions

Folders that need to be written to by user the web server is running as can have their permissions applied automatically. Web policy agents installed into IIS set the required permissions by default. When installed into Apache, answer yes when prompted:

```
Change ownership of created directories using
User and Group settings in httpd.conf
[ q or 'ctrl+c' to exit ]
(yes/no): [no]: yes
```

Customizable Encryption Settings

You can configure which encryption protocols, and which ciphers are enabled for communication between the agents and AM.

For more information, see Encryption Properties in the Web Policy Agent Guide.



Chapter 2 Before You Install

This chapter covers software and hardware prerequisites for installing and running web policy agent software.

ForgeRock supports customers using the versions specified here. Other versions and alternative environments might work as well. When opening a support ticket for an issue, however, make sure you can also reproduce the problem on a combination covered here.

2.1. Web Policy Agents Platform Requirements

The following table summarizes platform support:

Table 2.1. Supported Operating Systems & Web Servers

Operating Systems (OS)	OS Versions	Web Servers & Versions
CentOS Red Hat Enterprise Linux Oracle Linux	5, 6, 7	Apache HTTP Server 2.2, 2.4
	6, 7	NGINX Plus R12
Microsoft Windows Server	2008 R2	Microsoft IIS 7.5 Apache HTTP Server 2.2, 2.4
	2012, 2012 R2	Microsoft IIS 8 Apache HTTP Server 2.2, 2.4
Oracle Solaris x64 Oracle Solaris SPARC	10, 11	Apache HTTP Server 2.2, 2.4
Ubuntu Linux	12.04 LTS, 14.04 LTS	Apache HTTP Server 2.2, 2.4
	14.04 LTS, 16.04 LTS	NGINX Plus R12
IBM AIX	6, 7	Apache HTTP Server 2.2, 2.4

Before installing web policy agents on your platform, also make sure that the system meets the following requirements:

Linux Systems

• Before installing web policy agents on Linux, make sure the system can run **gcc** 4.4.7. <u>libc.so</u> .6 must be available and it must support the GLIBC_2.3 ABI. You can check this by running the following command: **strings libc.so.6** | **grep GLIBC_2**.



• If agents on Linux systems are to use secure connections (SSL, TLS), make sure that a version of OpenSSL from 0.9.8 up to 1.0.2 is installed. OpenSSL 1.1.x or newer is not supported.

Note

OpenSSL 1.0.2 is required to support TLSv1.2

• Web Policy Agents on Linux systems require a minimum of 135 megabytes of free disk space at all times. If the amount of free space drops below this threshold, a warning similar to the following appears in the agent.log file:

```
[Fri Nov 11 10:02:10.138732 2016] [amagent:error] [pid 4350:tid 140545949357888] amagent_init() status: no space left on device [Fri Nov 11 10:02:10.138981 2016] [:emerg] [pid 4350:tid 140545949357888] AH00020: Configuration Failed, exiting am_log_init() free disk space on the system is only 116703232 bytes, required 134900080 bytes
```

Microsoft Windows Systems

- Before installing the IIS 7 web policy agent on Microsoft IIS 7 or IIS 8, make sure that the
 optional Application Development component of Web Server (IIS) is installed. In the Windows
 Server 2012 Server Manager for example, Application Development is a component of Web
 Server (IIS) | Web Server.
- If agents on Windows systems are to use OpenSSL for secure connections (SSL, TLS) rather than native Windows APIs, then make sure that a version of OpenSSL from 0.9.8 up to 1.0.2 is installed. OpenSSL 1.1.x or newer is not supported.

Note

OpenSSL 1.0.2 is required to support TLSv1.2

• Web Policy Agents on Windows systems require a minimum of 1.07 gigabytes of free disk space at all times. If the amount of free space drops below this threshold, a warning similar to the following appears in the agent.log file:

```
2016-11-10 10:12:10.291 +0000 ERROR [10716:9348] am_shm_create(): free disk space on the system is only 528949248 bytes, required 1073627136 bytes 2016-11-10 10:12:10.291 +0000 ERROR [10716:9348] get_memory_segment(): shared memory error: blocks
```

After making more disk space available, you will need to restart the web policy agent.

Failure to free up disk space and restart the web policy agent may result in errors similar to the following:

```
2016-11-10 10:19:43.610 +0000 ERROR [3764:9348] OpenAMHttpModule(): agent init for site 1 failed (error: -31)
```



2.2. Special Requests

If you have a special request regarding support for a combination not listed here, contact ForgeRock at info@forgerock.com.



Chapter 3

Changes and Deprecated Functionality

This chapter covers both major changes to existing functionality, and also deprecated and removed functionality.

3.1. Important Changes to Web Policy Agent Functionality

• UTF-8 strings in headers are now MIME-encoded

Web Policy Agents now base64-encode UTF-8 strings in headers, then wrap the string as described in RFC 2047:

```
encoded-word = "=?" charset "?" encoding "?" encoded-text "?="
```

For example, given a UTF-8 username, such as demo, Web Policy Agents will:

- 1. Encode the string in base64 format: yZfDq8mxw7g=.
- 2. Wrap the base64-encoded string as per RFC 2047: =?UTF-8?B?yZfDq8mxw7g=?=.

· Unencoded URLs are now passed to AM

Web Policy Agents no longer encode paths before passing them to AM for policy evaluation. AM will receive the path with the same formatting as provided by the user agent.

For example, given a URL containing UTF-8 characters, such as http://www.example.com/bon/cafe, Web Policy Agents will pass this exact string to AM.

AM performs its own URL encoding, so to match the example above the policy would need to be configured with the following as a resource: http://www.example.com/bon/caf%C3%A9

You may need to add additional resource specifiers to handle the raw URL strings that are now passed on from Web Policy Agents 4.1 and newer.

• Re-Implemented Properties for Forward Proxy Configuration

Properties for configuring a forward proxy for communication from the web policy agent to AM have been re-implemented. They were previously removed in Web Policy Agent 4.0.0.

For information on the properties, see Forward Proxy Custom Properties in the Web Policy Agent Guide.



New Swap Size Requirements on Solaris 11 x86

Web Policy Agent 4.1 requires that the amount of swap size on Solaris 11 x86 is configured to be at least as large as the amount of available RAM.

• 32-bit and 64-bit Application Pools Support on IIS

Web Policy Agent 4.1 now supports 32-bit and 64-bit application pools on the same IIS environment.

3.2. Deprecated Functionality

No features are deprecated in this release.

3.3. Removed Functionality

- The following agent configuration properties are no longer required:
 - com.forgerock.agents.nss.shutdown
 - com.sun.identity.agents.config.profilename



Chapter 4

Web Policy Agents Fixes, Limitations, and Known Issues

4.1. Key Fixes

4.1.1. Key Fixes in 4.1

- AMAGENTS-269: For remote audit logining need to be done additional configuration in OpenAM
- AMAGENTS-262: Update cookie reset properties to reflect new behaviour of AMAGENTS-247
- AMAGENTS-181: Memory leak in case of network connection failure
- AMAGENTS-256: Could not find a way to use a client certificate file with IIS
- **OPENAM-1769**: agentadmin should return exit codes other then 0
- AMAGENTS-125: "agentadmin.exe --d" command not working
- AMAGENTS-223: redirect loop if 'com.sun.identity.agents.config.access.denied.url' is set to absolute URL
- OPENAM-8486: WPA interactive installator can't correctly read provided Apache configuration path
- OPENAM-8681: RFE: Support com.sun.identity.agents.config.forward.proxy.* in WPA 4
- AMAGENTS-32: Audit logging in WPA 4.0.0 includes requests for not enforced URLs
- AMAGENTS-47: Agent truncates filtered HTTP POST body
- AMAGENTS-95: Improve Agent error handling of AM responses after OPENAM-8910
- AMAGENTS-103: Agent4 does not work well with mod autoindex generated pages
- AMAGENTS-105: IIS Agent Crash at read of log variable after destruction by another thread at application pool recycle
- AMAGENTS-119: Windows Apache Agent crashes under load when constantly recycled
- AMAGENTS-121: Web Agent not updating headers when AM Session Attributes are changed



- AMAGENTS-130: IIS agent can crash in get request url method
- AMAGENTS-132: WPA is not able to recover from XML parser error
- AMAGENTS-135: WPA4 running on Schannel might not read complete HTTP response body
- AMAGENTS-140: WPA is not using agents.config.polling.interval configuration property
- AMAGENTS-147: Agentadmin stops in OpenAM server validation phase
- AMAGENTS-164: Agent with remote audit logger enabled and a little more than 4K messages agent will crash
- AMAGENTS-173: WPA4 on AIX does not work with a new logger
- AMAGENTS-176: WPA4/3.x does not support policy.evaluation.application config property
- AMAGENTS-177: WebAgent 4 not enforced URL cannot take path with 'exception'
- AMAGENTS-186: first agent process should delete and recreate shared memory files
- AMAGENTS-207: Accessing the agent logout URL without session will cause a redirect
- AMAGENTS-208: Agent returns HTTP 500 internal error on logout page if com.sun.identity.agents.config.logout.url map is empty
- AMAGENTS-209: Notification does not end up removing session from cache if first apache bucket contains less than 6 bytes
- AMAGENTS-221: Location response header not set when 'com.sun.identity.agents.config.access.denied.url' is used
- AMAGENTS-229: protocol/port/host override don't work with Post Data Preservation
- AMAGENTS-257: IIS Agent crash in remove from freelist
- AMAGENTS-52: WPA on Windows should be able to use Schannel for SSL/TLS communication
- AMAGENTS-118: Delayed or missing log file entries possible in certain situations
- AMAGENTS-19: IIS agent should support mixed 32 and 64 bit application pools
- AMAGENTS-266: Agent recycle shutdown of shared memory occurs before all workers have finished
- AMAGENTS-264: Deadly embrace in log buffer handling with IIS recycling
- AMAGENTS-248: Agent might crash with misleading error when server is running out of disk space
- AMAGENTS-123: CDSSO session token cleared when hitting denied URL



- AMAGENTS-214: agent.log is set to debug level and it is not possible to change it
- AMAGENTS-193: Web Policy agent overrides Apache access control directives, Need to be documented
- AMAGENTS-27: WPA4 needs a configurable option to bypass POST data inspection
- AMAGENTS-252: WPA crashes on Solaris 11 if the swap size is not the same as the amount of RAM
- OPENAM-8261: Improve documentation of indexed / mapped configuration attributes
- **OPENAM-3888**: Possibility to disable redirect behaviour of the Policy Agents
- OPENAM-8904: OpenAM did not follow RFC 2616 and RFC 2047
- AMAGENTS-249: IIS Agent crash in purge of expired items or waiting for live readers when cache is shutting down in another thread
- AMAGENTS-172: WPA4 does not handle oversized log messages properly
- AMAGENTS-169: RFE: Don't depend on Apache's 'pathinfo'
- AMAGENTS-93: RFE: file permissions and/or ownership of log files should be configurable
- AMAGENTS-42: Percent encoded hash (#) (%23) is handled incorrectly during policy evaluation
- AMAGENTS-26: Attributes Processing does not map multiple values
- OPENAM-8428: WPA records audit logs to a local file although "Audit Log Location" is set to REMOTE
- AMAGENTS-24: Non-enforced URL validation should be lazy
- **OPENAM-8328**: WPA can't recognize custom access-denied page when there is GOTO parameter
- AMAGENTS-70: WPA4 Fetch attributes for Not enforced URL not entirely working
- AMAGENTS-68: invalid cookie causes 403 instead of redirect to login page
- AMAGENTS-246: Performance drop when targeting two agents on single IIS
- AMAGENTS-225: Under load remote audit logging produces many content length exceeded messages per batch
- AMAGENTS-228: With Remote audit Logging message size should be in sync with OpenAM default acceptable value 16K
- AMAGENTS-227: With Remote Audit logging, logging depends on time but not on buffer size which limits performance



- AMAGENTS-231: Agent does not log banner message on startup
- AMAGENTS-222: agent.conf has the wrong agent version
- AMAGENTS-216: Agent is crashing on Windows with more than one worker in application pool
- AMAGENTS-211: redirect location is not logged in case of access denied
- AMAGENTS-144: Apache http server 2.2 crashes on Linux systems hosted on VirtualBox
- AMAGENTS-192: New shared memory deletion code should handle fresh install
- AMAGENTS-129: Policy agent crash caused by invalid user offset in cache file
- AMAGENTS-185: Possibility of hanging in ssl handshake when recycling
- AMAGENTS-174: WPA4 agentadmin can not complete OpenAM server validation phase
- **OPENAM-8429**: WPA audit log is not rotated when it reaches the size limit
- AMAGENTS-133: WPA on Windows should use Schannel as default for its SSL/TLS communication
- AMAGENTS-122: Agent Hangs during httpd restart on linux
- OPENAM-8947: Web form submitted by a POST request is truncated by the Web Policy agent
- **OPENAM-8624**: It is possible to silently install agent for site which already has one agent configured on Win2012
- **OPENAM-8656**: It is possible to select not existing siteID on installation although installation fails with no helpful message
- AMAGENTS-59: Apache v24 Linux 64bit 4.0.0 fails to install on Suse 12 SP1
- OPENAM-8487: Parameter -- changeOwner doesn't work in WPA silent installation

4.1.2. Key Fixes in 4

New Features and Improvements

- OPENAM-6528: WPA4 agentadmin for IIS should set instance directory ACLs
- OPENAM-4610: WPA audit log entry should also contain client IP address
- **OPENAM-3775**: Windows 64bit web agent nightly build target is missing Apache policy agents
- **OPENAM-1812**: Policy agent should support more advanced not enforced ip/url configurations
- OPENAM-1151: Provide a configurable mechanism to to exclude weak ciphers for the client



Bug Fixes

- OPENAM-6356: agent_init() am_web_init failed error if multiple Apache instances are started as
 different users
- **OPENAM-5829**: Some Norwegian characters are not correctly encoded when the "Encode URL's Special Characters" is enable
- **OPENAM-5068**: WPA ignores notenforced.url.attributes.enable parameter while clearing http headers/cookies
- **OPENAM-4428**: IIS7 WPA post data preservation module does not return HTTP 501 error for POST with invalid Content-Type
- OPENAM-4414: Apache Policy Agent does not complete cleanup / logout
- **OPENAM-4391**: WPA does not remove consecutive forward slashes from request URI resulting in invalid policy evaluations
- OPENAM-4390: WPA might fail to sort (reorder) query parameters resulting in invalid policy evaluation
- OPENAM-4199: Web policy agent might fail to parse URL when there is no port value specified
- OPENAM-2781: WPA does not support more than one agent instance running on the same host

4.2. Limitations

4.2.1. Limitations in 4.1

- The NGINX Plus policy agent does not support the ignore path info properties:
 - com.sun.identity.agents.config.ignore.path.info
 - com.sun.identity.agents.config.ignore.path.info.for.not.enforced.list

4.2.2. Limitations in 4

• If you are running an Apache Web agent on RHEL 6 (CentOS 6), and are also running SELinux in enforcing mode, Apache may fail to restart with a 'Permission denied' message, with a pointer to a file in the /web_agents/apache2x_agent/lib directory. SELinux expects most library files to be configured with a lib_t label; you can set that up with the chcon -t lib_t /web_agents/apache2x_agent/lib/*.so and semanage fcontext -a -t lib_t /web_agents/apache2x_agent/lib/*.so commands.



• If you are using the mod_cgid module in your Apache installation the web policy agents cannot support the restart or graceful Apache options.

A workaround is to use a stop option followed by a start option for restarting the Apache HTTP Server. (OPENAM-7325)

4.3. Known Issues

4.3.1. Known Issues in 4.1

- OPENAM-2396: Agents should set 'amlbcookie' when running in CDSSO mode
- AMAGENTS-509: 1 CPU used per w3wp process caught in loop in read retry
- AMAGENTS-431: Not Enforced URLs Are Being Protected by Policy Agent 4.x
- AMAGENTS-382: Apache 's Error Document does not work on any directories except for document root
- AMAGENTS-380: Installer fails with permissions error 0xb7 on IIS
- AMAGENTS-357: Installation of IIS Agent with an application pool identity type of SpecificUser results in ACL update status: error
- AMAGENTS-349: GET method can change into HEAD due to use of ap method name of
- AMAGENTS-322: FastCGI module results in post data missing after processing with agent
- AMAGENTS-317: agentadmin --v can report 0.0 memory if there is no access to unistd.h on AIX
- AMAGENTS-315: Agent fails to start with insufficient shared memory
- AMAGENTS-310: Agents4 add well known port to goto URL when it did not exist in the original URL
- AMAGENTS-292: SIGBUS due to alignment issues in hashes on SPARC
- AMAGENTS-290: Login redirect loop in CDSSO enabled webagent
- AMAGENTS-285: Agent logging LOG ALLOW or LOG DENY does not work
- AMAGENTS-272: Bug in agent's net_client send/recv handling. It uses builtin/hardcoded AM_NET_POOL_TIMEOUT value of 4 sec
- AMAGENTS-268: 'agentadmin --v' does not show OS architecture
- AMAGENTS-267: not enforced IP processing broken
- AMAGENTS-263: Performance degradation when audit shared memory resizes



- AMAGENTS-258: If the Web agent Installation take more than 4 sec , it will throw "error validating OpenAM agent configuration"
- AMAGENTS-254: Apache's ErrorDocument does not work with Agents 4.x
- AMAGENTS-215: FQDN checking should be turned off by default Web agent local file
- AMAGENTS-178: Invert Not Enforced does not work if Not Enforced URLs list is empty
- AMAGENTS-46: 4.x WPA not enforced pattern matching not consistent with 3.x

4.3.2. Known Issues in 4

- **OPENAM-7352**: WPA 4: com.sun.identity.agents.config.encode.url.special.chars.enable is not used into wpa4
- OPENAM-7291: Fix performance problems caused by cache eviction algorithm
- OPENAM-7089: WPA4: It is not possible to create an agent profile during installation WPA
- OPENAM-6857: WPA 4: Agent version in debug log does not contain an agent platform or build machine



Chapter 5

Documentation Updates

The following table tracks changes to the documentation set following the release of AM Web Policy Agent 4.1:

Table 5.1. Documentation Change Log

Date	Description
2016-09-20	Reorganization of web policy agent documentation
2016-12-02	4.1.0 Release
2017-05-19	Web Policy Agents 4.1 documentation refresh, which includes the following updates:
	• NGINX Plus policy agent documentation added. For more information, see Chapter 5, "Installing Web Policy Agents in NGINX Plus" in the Web Policy Agent Guide.
	• Updated the procedure to create an agent profile. For more information, see Section 2.4, "Creating Agent Profiles" in the Web Policy Agent Guide
	• Added a procedure to upgrade web policy agents. For more information, see Chapter 6, "Upgrading Web Policy Agents" in the Web Policy Agent Guide.
	• Updated the list of known issues for the release. For more information, see Section 4.3.1, "Known Issues in 4.1".



Appendix A. Getting Support

For more information or resources about AM and ForgeRock Support, see the following sections:

A.1. Accessing Documentation Online

ForgeRock publishes comprehensive documentation online:

• The ForgeRock Knowledge Base offers a large and increasing number of up-to-date, practical articles that help you deploy and manage ForgeRock software.

While many articles are visible to community members, ForgeRock customers have access to much more, including advanced information for customers using ForgeRock software in a mission-critical capacity.

 ForgeRock product documentation, such as this document, aims to be technically accurate and complete with respect to the software documented. It is visible to everyone and covers all product features and examples of how to use them.

A.2. Joining the ForgeRock Community

Visit the Community resource center where you can find information about each project, browse the resource catalog, ask and answer questions on the forums, find community events near you, and find the source code for open source software.



A.3. Getting Support and Contacting ForgeRock

ForgeRock provides support services, professional services, classes through ForgeRock University, and partner services to assist you in setting up and maintaining your deployments. For a general overview of these services, see https://www.forgerock.com.

ForgeRock has staff members around the globe who support our international customers and partners. For details, visit https://www.forgerock.com, or send an email to ForgeRock at info@forgerock.com.