

To enable File Integrity Monitoring (FIM) on on-premises Windows and Linux servers using Azure Monitor and the Azure Monitor Agent (AMA), follow these steps:

Prerequisites

1. **Azure Subscription:** Ensure you have an active Azure subscription.
2. **Onboarding Servers to Azure Monitor:** The servers (both Windows and Linux) must be onboarded to Azure Monitor.
3. **Log Analytics Workspace:** Create a Log Analytics Workspace in Azure, if not already available.
4. **Permissions:** Ensure you have the necessary permissions to configure and manage Azure Monitor and Log Analytics.

Step-by-Step Guide

1. Create and Configure Log Analytics Workspace

1. **Create Log Analytics Workspace:**
 - Go to the Azure portal.
 - Search for and select "Log Analytics workspaces".
 - Click "Add" to create a new workspace. Fill in the required details and create the workspace.
2. **Get Workspace ID and Key:**
 - Navigate to the created Log Analytics workspace.
 - Go to "Agents management".
 - Note down the "Workspace ID" and "Primary Key".

2. Install Azure Monitor Agent (AMA)

For Windows Servers:

1. **Download and Install Agent:**
 - Download the Azure Monitor Agent installer from the Azure portal.
 - Run the installer on your Windows server.
 - During installation, select "Connect the agent to Azure Monitor".
 - Provide the Workspace ID and Primary Key you noted earlier.

For Linux Servers:

1. **Install the Azure Monitor Agent:**
 - Run the following commands on your Linux server to download and install the AMA
 - `wget https://aka.ms/InstallAzureMonitorAgentLinux`

- `bash InstallAzureMonitorAgentLinux.sh --workspace-id <Workspace ID> --workspace-key <Primary Key>`

Replace <Workspace ID> and <Primary Key> with your specific details.

3. Configure Data Collection Rules for FIM

1. Create Data Collection Rule (DCR):

- In the Azure portal, navigate to "Azure Monitor".
- Go to "Data Collection Rules" under "Settings".
- Click "Create" to create a new DCR.

2. Configure File Integrity Monitoring:

- Define the data sources. For FIM, specify the paths to monitor for file changes.
- Add the Windows or Linux servers as targets for this rule.
- Save and apply the DCR.

4. Deploy the FIM Configuration

1. Assign the DCR to the Servers:

- Ensure that the DCR created for FIM is assigned to the Windows and Linux servers.

5. Set Up Alerts

1. Navigate to Azure Monitor:

- In the Azure portal, go to "Azure Monitor".

2. Create an Alert Rule:

- Go to "Alerts" and then "New alert rule".
- Define the condition based on the logs collected from FIM.
- Specify the action group that will handle the alert (e.g., sending an email, triggering an automation, etc.).
- Name and create the alert rule.

Verification

1. Verify Agent Status:

- Ensure that the Azure Monitor Agent on your servers is successfully connected and sending data to Azure Monitor.

2. Monitor FIM Alerts:

- Regularly check the Azure Monitor logs and alerts to ensure FIM is functioning correctly and capturing file changes.

