6: Applying Compliance Frameworks Using InSpec



Useful references for this module:

https://docs.chef.io/release/compliance_1-0/dsl_compliance.html

https://docs.chef.io/inspec_reference.html

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Objectives

After completing this module, you should be able to:

> Translate CIS (Center for Internet Security) specifications into InSpec tests.

> Translate DoD (Department of Defense) specifications into InSpec tests.

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The CIS Security Benchmarks program provides well-defined, un-biased and consensus-based industry best practices to help organizations assess and improve their security.

Resources include secure configuration benchmarks, automated configuration assessment tools and content, security metrics and security software product certifications.

https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/

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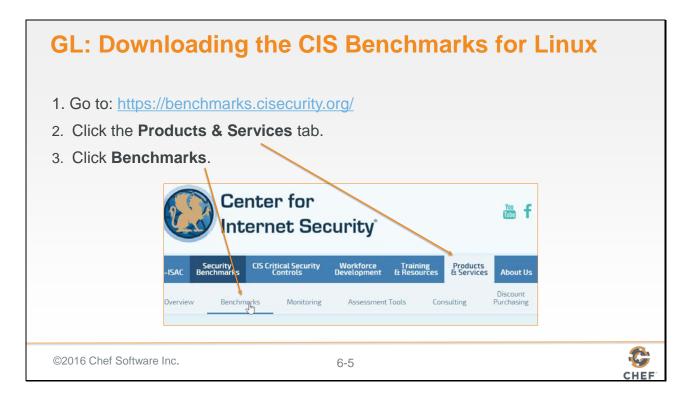


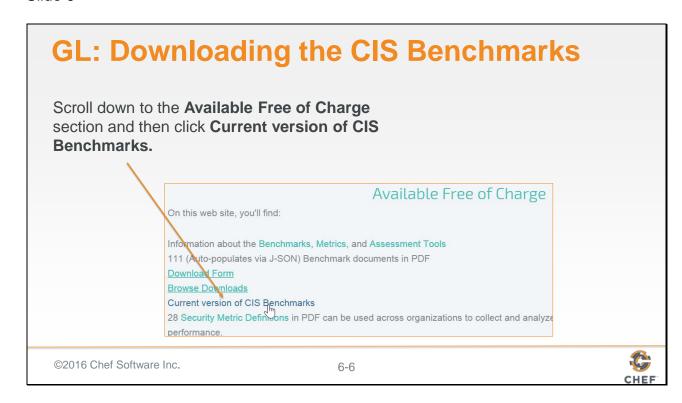
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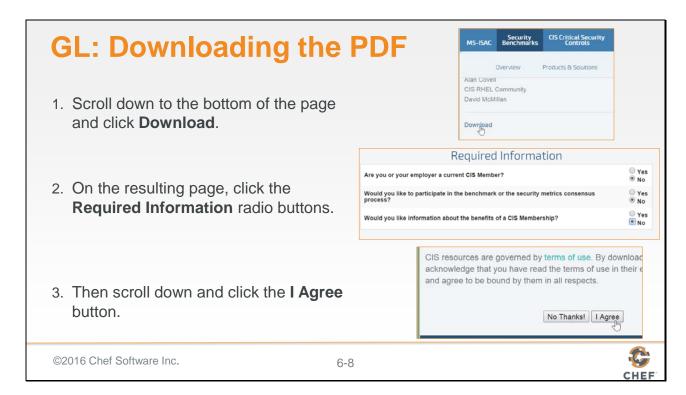


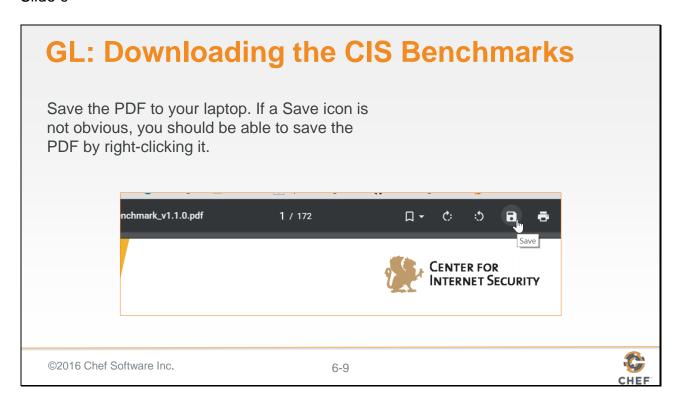


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GL: Downloading the CIS Linux Benchmarks Scroll down to the benchmark for the system you're running. In our case, click the CIS CentOS Linux 6 Benchmark link. Overview Products & Solutions Try & Buy Communities & 111u Apr 2 10.0 entos Linux / Denominark 1.1.0 CIS Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 Benchmark 1.1.0 Thu Apr 2 18:3 CIS Microsoft Exchange Server 2013 Benchmark 1.1.0 Wed Mar 25 1 CIS Microsoft Exchange Server 2010 Benchmark 1.1.0 Mon Mar 23 23 CIS CentOS Linux 6 Benchmark 1.1.0 Mon Mar 2 21: CIS Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6 Benchmark 1.4.0 Mon Mar 2 21: CIS Red Hat Enterprise Linux 5 Benchmark 2.2.0 Mon Mar 2 21:





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3 Special Purpose Services

This section describes services that are installed on servers that specifically need to run these services. If any of these services are not required, it is recommended that they be disabled or deleted from the system to reduce the potential attack surface.

3.1 Set Daemon umask (Scored)

Profile Applicability:

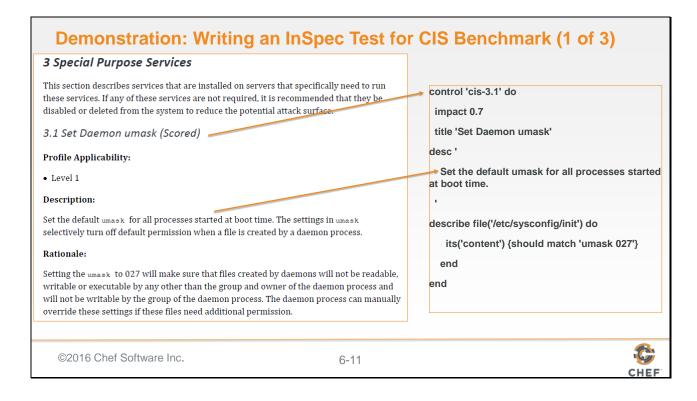
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The text in the example on the left can be used to create a Compliance Profile control (on the right).

In this example, you can name the control the same as the section in the CIS document: control 'cis-3.1'

The Description text from the CIS document can be used to write the `desc` section.

As you can see on that page, the 3.1 Set Daemon umask (Scored) section says:

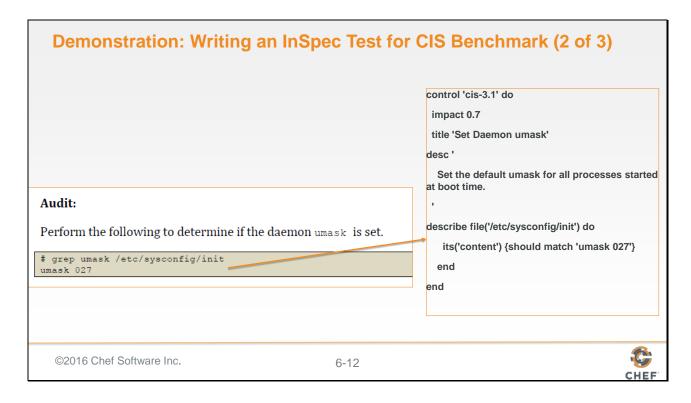
Description:

Set the default umask for all processes started at boot time. The settings in umask selectively turn off default permission when a file is created by a daemon process.

Rationale:

Setting the umask to 027 will make sure that files created by daemons will not be readable, writable or executable by any other than the group and owner of the daemon process and will not be writable by the group of the daemon process. The daemon process can manually override these settings if these files need additional permission.

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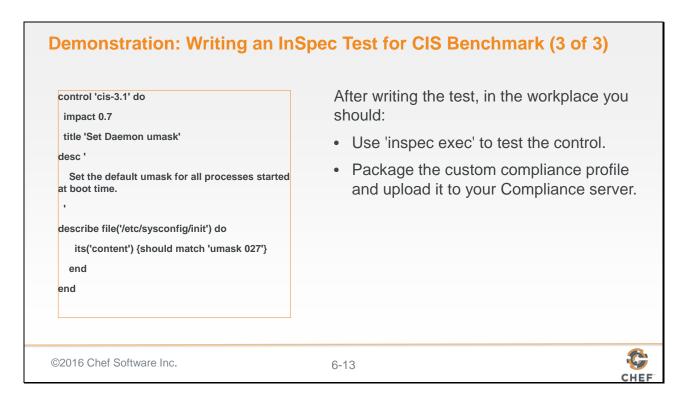
If you scrolled down in that section, you will see an Audit example.

So based on the Audit example on the left, you could write an InSpec test as shown on the right. In this way you can subsequently use this custom profile to scan nodes for umask compliance.

https://docs.chef.io/release/compliance_1-0/dsl_compliance.html

https://docs.chef.io/inspec_reference.html

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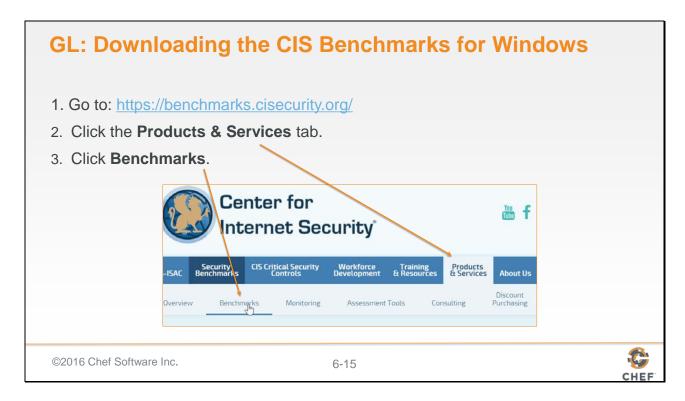


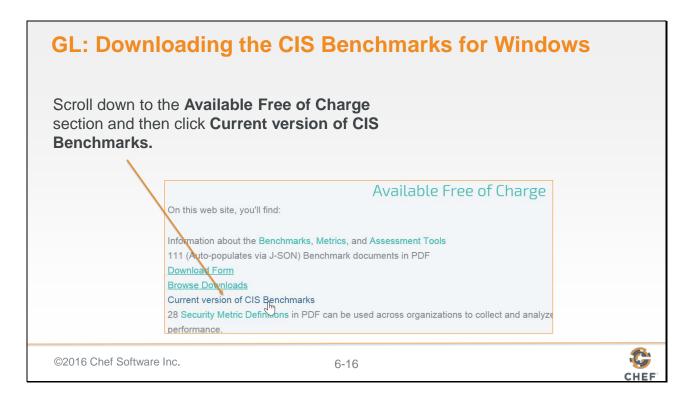
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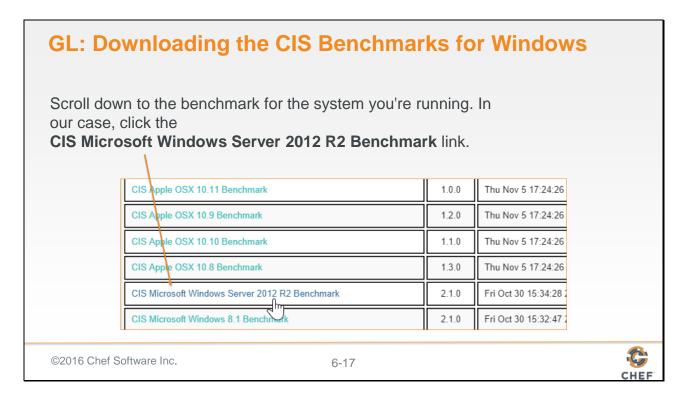
Use 'inspec exec' to test the control.

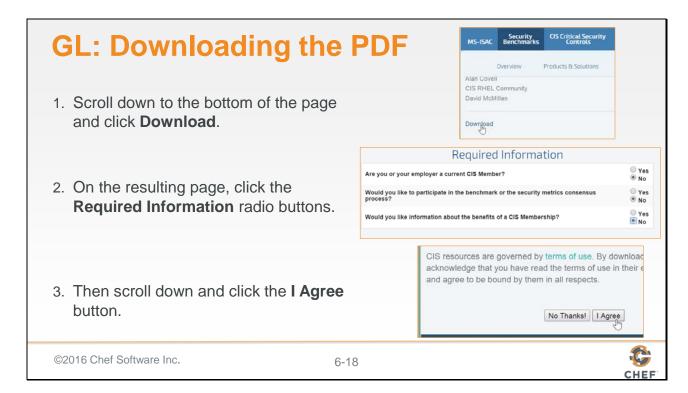
Package the custom compliance profile and upload it to your Compliance server.

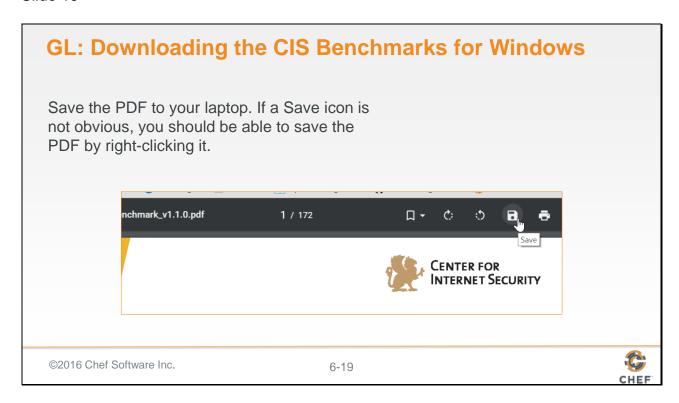












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GL: CIS Benchmarks for Windows

Implement Section 1.1 - Password Policy as InSpec controls with the profile of Level 1 - Member Server.

Use 'inspec exec' to test the control.

Package profile and upload to your Compliance server.

1.1.2 (L1) Set 'Minimum password length' to '14 or more character(s)' (S
1.1.5 (L1) Set 'Password must meet complexity requirements' to 'Enabled

1.1 Password Policy

This section contains recommendations for password policy.

1.1.1 (L1) Set 'Enforce password history' to '24 or more password(s) (Scored)

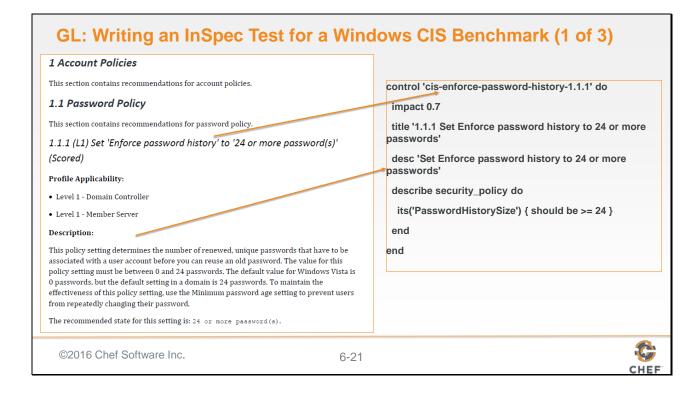
Profile Applicability:

- Level 1 Domain Controller
- Level 1 Member Server

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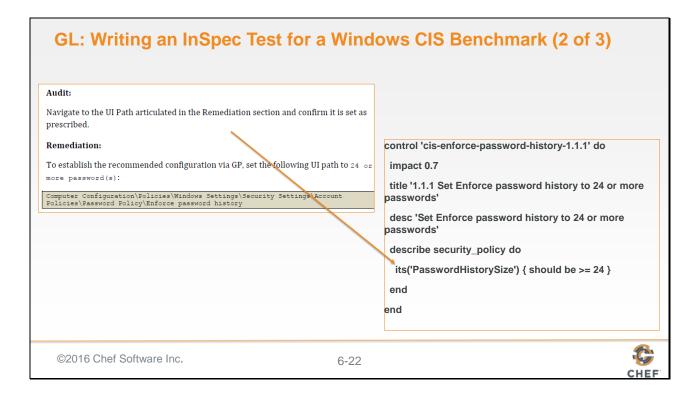
Scroll down to the 1.1 Password Policy section,

The text in the example on the left can be used to create a Compliance Profile control (on the right).

In this example, you can name the control the same as the section in the CIS document: cis-enforce-password-history-1.1.1

The Description text from the CIS document can be used to write the `desc` section.

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If you scrolled down in that section, you will see an Audit example.

So based on the Audit example on the left, you could write an InSpec test as shown on the right. In this way you can subsequently use this custom profile to scan nodes for umask compliance.

The path shown in this example could be used if you wanted to manually navigate on the Windows node to see how password history parameter is set. However, when the Compliance Server scans the node, the Compliance server's inspec will use cmd = inspec.command('secedit /export /cfg win_secpol.cfg') to locate the parameter.

https://github.com/chef/inspec/blob/master/lib/resources/security_policy.rb

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```
GL: Writing an InSpec Test for a Windows CIS Benchmark (3 of 3)
This inspec code below shows how inspec
                                                 control 'cis-enforce-password-history-1.1.1' do
can scan for security policy compliance by
                                                  impact 0.7
parsing secedit /export /cfg
                                                  title '1.1.1 Set Enforce password history to 24 or more
win_secpol.cfg.
                                                 passwords'
                                                  desc 'Set Enforce password history to 24 or more
                                                 passwords'
# load security content
                                                  describe security_policy do
  def load
                                                   its('PasswordHistorySize') { should be >= 24 }
                                                  end
     # export the security policy
                                                 end
     cmd = inspec.command('secedit
/export /cfg win_secpol.cfg')
                                              https://github.com/chef/inspec/blob/ma
     return nil if
cmd.exit_status.to_i != 0
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The Compliance server's inspec will parse cmd = inspec.command('secedit /export /cfg win_secpol.cfg') to locate the parameter.

The following URL shows the full inspec/lib/resources/security_policy.rb code.

https://github.com/chef/inspec/blob/master/lib/resources/security_policy.rb

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After writing such a Compliance policy, in a production environment you would use 'inspec exec' to test the control.

Then you could package the profile and upload it to your Compliance server.

control 'cis-enforce-password-history-1.1.1' do

impact 0.3

title '1.1.1 Set Enforce password history to 24 or more passwords'

desc 'Set Enforce password history to 24 or more passwords'

describe security_policy do

its('PasswordHistorySize') { should be >= 24 }

end

end

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Department of Defense (DoD) STIGs

The Security Technical Implementation Guides (STIGs) and the NSA Guides are the configuration standards for DOD IA and IA-enabled devices/systems.

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Department of Defense (DoD) STIGs

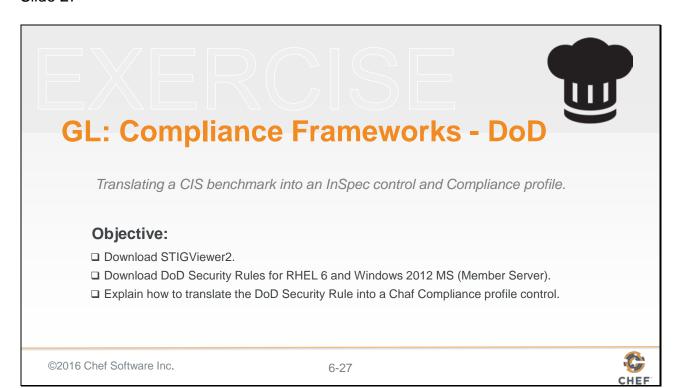
Since 1998, DISA has played a critical role enhancing the security posture of DoD's security systems by providing the Security Technical Implementation Guides (STIGs).

The STIGs contain technical guidance to "lock down" information systems/software that might otherwise be vulnerable to a malicious computer attack.

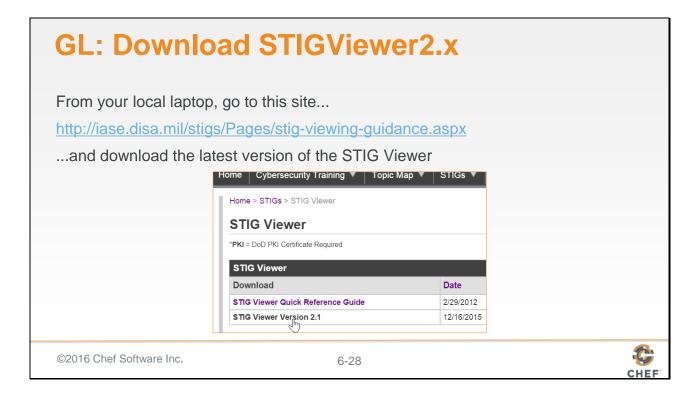
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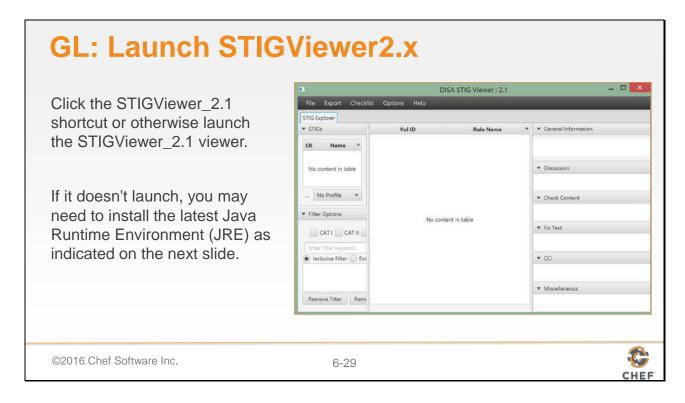


Go to this site...

http://iase.disa.mil/stigs/Pages/stig-viewing-guidance.aspx

...and download the latest version of the STIG Viewer. In this example we are downloading Version 2.1.

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Try to run the STIG Viewer. If it fails due to a Java error, you may need to install the latest Java Runtime Environment (JRE) as indicated on the next slide.

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GL: Download Java JRE if Necessary

You may need to install the latest Java Runtime Environment (JRE) if your STIG Viewer doesn't launch when clicked.

http://www.oracle.com/technetwo rk/java/javase/downloads/jre8downloads-2133155.html Java SE Runtime Environment 8u65

You must accept the Oracle Binary Code License Agreement for Java SE to download this software.

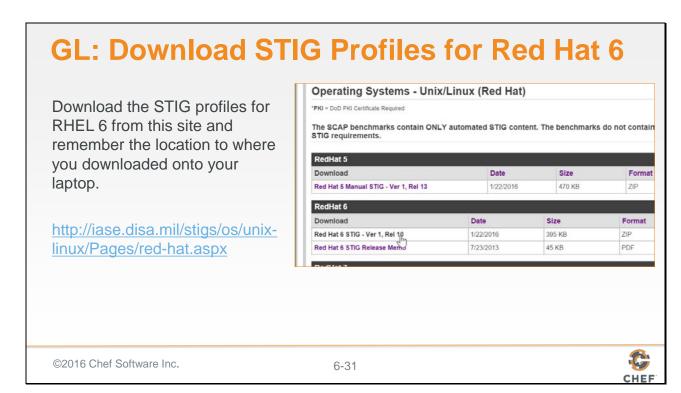
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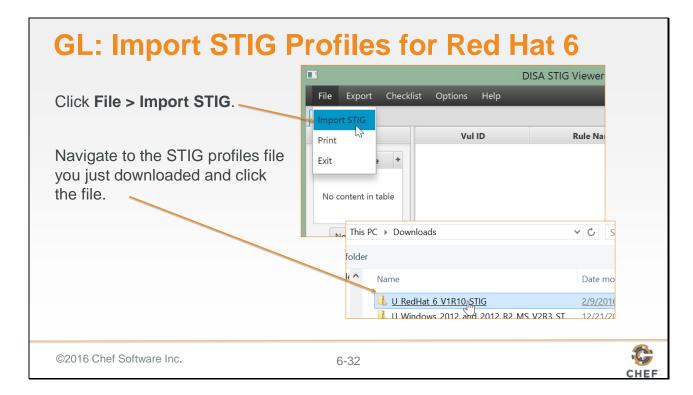
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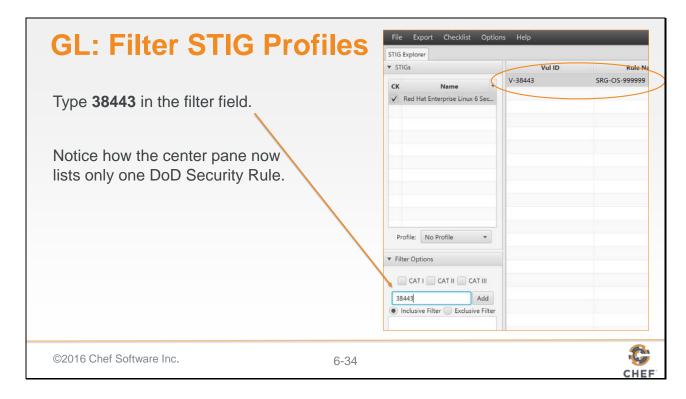






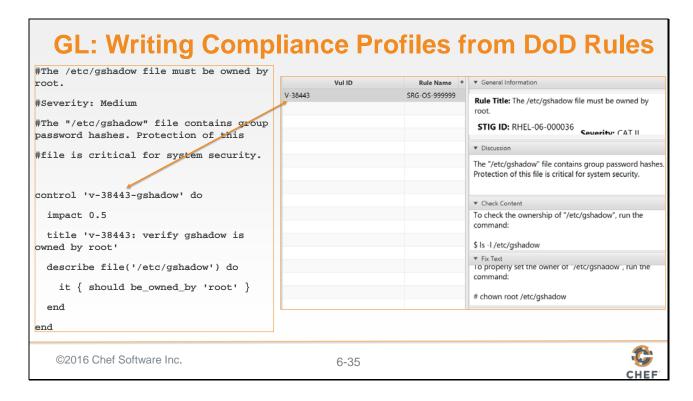


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TBD SCAP Roadmap.

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The image on the right shows the right-side pane of the STIG viewer including the details of this DoD Security rule. This rule states that /etc/gshadow must be owned by root.

The image on the left shows a Chef Compliance Profile that was written based on the details of this DoD Security rule. Notice how the Chef Compliance Profile control name reflects the DoD Security rule name. This is a best practice that you should follow when writing Chef Compliance Profiles for DoD Security rules.

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GL: Writing Compliance Profiles from DoD Rules

If you have permissions you can access a list of predefined DoD controls at this link:

https://github.com/chef/complianceprofiles/tree/DOD-STIG/stig/rhel6/test

```
#The /etc/gshadow file must be owned by
root.

#Severity: Medium

#The "/etc/gshadow" file contains group
password hashes. Protection of this

#file is critical for system security.

control 'v-38443-gshadow' do
   impact 0.5
   title 'v-38443: verify gshadow is
owned by root'
   describe file('/etc/gshadow') do
    it { should be_owned_by 'root' }
   end
end
```

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DoD STIG References

Windows 2012 - http://iase.disa.mil/stigs/os/windows/Pages/2012.aspx

Unix/Linux (Red Hat) - http://iase.disa.mil/stigs/os/unix-linux/Pages/red-hat.aspx

All Operating Systems - http://iase.disa.mil/stigs/os/Pages/index.aspx

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Compliance Profiles for Compliance Premium

Chef Compliance Premium customers can download all CIS profiles in a package that can be directly uploaded to the Chef Compliance server.

In the near future, NIST Security Standards/DoD profiles will be available for Chef Compliance Premium customers in a package that can be directly uploaded to the Chef Compliance server.

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