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secedit commands

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Configures and analyzes system security by comparing your current security configuration against specified security templates.

Note

The Microsoft Management Console (MMC) and the Security Configuration and Analysis snap-in are not available on Server Core.

Syntax

```
secedit /analyze
secedit /configure
secedit /export
secedit /generaterollback
secedit /import
secedit /validate
```

Parameters

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Parameter	Description
secedit /analyze	Allows you to analyze current systems settings against baseline settings that are stored in a database. The analysis results are stored in a separate area of the database and can be viewed in the Security Configuration and Analysis snap-in.
secedit /configure	Allows you to configure a system with security settings stored in a database.
secedit /export	Allows you to export security settings stored in a database.
secedit /generaterollback	Allows you to generate a rollback template with respect to a configuration template.
secedit /import	Allows you to import a security template into a database so that the settings specified in the template can be applied to a system or analyzed against a system.
secedit /validate	Allows you to validate the syntax of a security template.

Remarks

- If there is no filepath specified, all filenames will default to the current directory.
- Your analysis results are stored in a separate area of the database and can be viewed in the Security Configuration and Analysis snap-in to the MMC.
- If your security templates are created by using the Security Template snap-in, and if you run the Security Configuration and Analysis snap-in against those templates, the following files are created:

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File	Description
scesrv.log	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Location: %windir%\security\logs◦ Created by: Operating system◦ File type: Text◦ Refresh rate: Overwritten when <code>secedit analyze</code>, <code>secedit configure</code>, <code>secedit export</code> or <code>secedit import</code> is run.◦ Content: Contains the results of the analysis grouped by policy type.
user-selected name.sdb	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Location: %windir%\<user account>\Documents\Security\Database◦ Created by: Running the Security Configuration and Analysis snap-in◦ File type: Proprietary◦ Refresh rate: Updated whenever a new security template is created.◦ Content: Local security policies and user-created security templates.
user-selected name.log	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Location: User-defined, but defaults to %windir%\<user account>\Documents\Security\Logs◦ Created by: Running the <code>secedit analyze</code> or <code>secedit configure</code> commands, or by using the Security Configuration and Analysis snap-in.◦ File type: Text

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Refresh rate: Overwritten when <code>secedit analyze</code> or <code>secedit configure</code> is run, or by using the Security Configuration and Analysis snap-in.◦ Content: Log file name, date and time, and the results of the analysis or investigation.
<i>user-selected name.inf</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Location: <code>%windir%*<user account>\Documents\Security\Templates</code>◦ Created by: Running the Security Template snap-in.◦ File type: Text◦ Refresh rate: Overwritten each time the security template is updated.◦ Content: Contains the set up information for the template for each policy selected using the snap-in.

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