

Palo Alto Firewall Policy Review - CIS Controls Mapping

| # | Issue Category | Example Findings | Remediation Action | Related CIS Controls | Review Frequency |
|----|----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Over-Permissive Rules | Rules with source:any, dest:any, service:any | Restrict rules; use App-ID | CIS 11.3, 12.3, 9.1 | Monthly |
| 2 | Shadowed Rules | Rules with zero hits due to prior broader rule | Reorder rules; remove unused | CIS 11.2, 12.1 | Quarterly |
| 3 | Redundant Rules | Duplicate/overlapping rules | Consolidate or merge | CIS 11.2, 12.5 | Quarterly |
| 4 | Insecure Ports/Protocols | Telnet, FTP, SMBv1, RDP unnecessarily open | Remove; use SSH/SFTP | CIS 9.2, 12.2 | Monthly |
| 5 | Risky Applications | Remote admin tools like TeamViewer, TOR | Block/monitor; use App-ID | CIS 11.3, 12.7 | Monthly |
| 6 | Any-Any Temporary Rules | Temporary 'Allow All' rules left in place | Tag & remove after use | CIS 11.2, 12.5 | Monthly |
| 7 | Lack of Least Privilege | Broad access across zones | Use User-ID; restrict groups | CIS 14.1, 11.4 | Quarterly |
| 8 | Unused Rules | Rules with 0 hits | Disable/remove after validation | CIS 11.2, 12.5 | Quarterly |
| 9 | No Logging Enabled | No 'Log at Session End' | Enable logging; forward to SIEM | CIS 6.2, 12.6 | Monthly |
| 10 | No Rule Documentation | Missing owner/description | Add purpose & owner | CIS 11.1, 12.5 | Quarterly |
| 11 | Stale Objects | Unused address/service objects | Remove/cleanup objects | CIS 11.2, 12.4 | Semi-annual |
| 12 | Open DMZ Segments | DMZ allows any-to-internal | Enforce Zero Trust segmentation | CIS 12.3, 14.1 | Semi-annual |
| 13 | Unreviewed Policy Changes | No review/approval process | Implement change mgmt workflow | CIS 4.3, 12.5 | Ongoing |
| 14 | No Automated Audit Reports | Manual review only | Integrate Panorama/Expedition | CIS 11.4, 12.7 | Monthly |
| 15 | No Config Backup | No scheduled backups | Automate config backups securely | CIS 11.1, 12.7 | Weekly |