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## Overview

The ASA REST API provides a programmatic model-based interface to configure classic ASAs starting from the 9.3.2 release. The term 'classic ASA' refers to the ASA which doesn't include CX or SourceFire Sensor, or integrated functionality of NGFW. Also when other modules are present with classic ASA, there are no APIs for those other modules.

The following are highlights of support for 1.0.1 release:

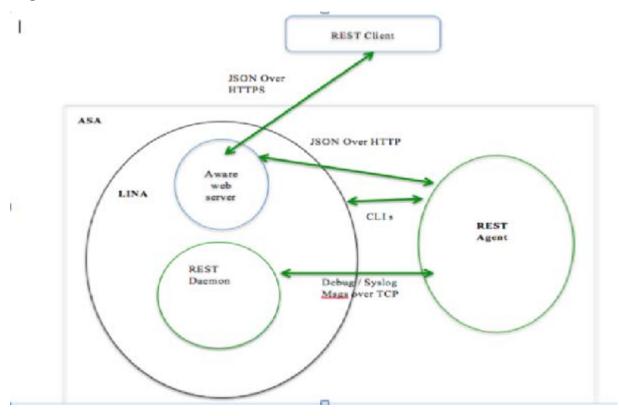
- Provide critical use cases of firewall feature support such as access control, NAT etc.
- Support for OOB by co-exisiting CLI and API, and providing CLI pass-through API for features not supported in API
- · Provide critical Monitoring API

# Supported platforms

For Phase1, the REST API is supported only on the 5500-X series (including the 5585-X) and ASAv platforms; it is not supported on ASA Service Modules (ASA-SMs). See <u>ASA REST API Compatibility</u> for more information.

Overview

# High Level Architecture



# Typical request flow

The following is the flow for any REST PUT/POST/DELETE API request:

- REST Client establishes SSL connection to ASA.
- REST Client sends API request with basic authentication header to ASA.
- ASA http server validates and processes client's request.
- ASA http server opens the connection to REST Agent using TCP channel, and writes the HTTP request to the REST Agent.
- ASA http server waits for REST Agent process's response.
- REST Agent processes API request, picks the session/user info and invokes CLI commands request to LINA listening on localhost port in ASA. REST Agent includes the session/user info in the request.
- · Lina admin handler processes the CLI commands and collects the results output.
- Lina sends the response for the CLI commands request to REST Agent.
- REST Agent prepares the response for REST API request and sends to the ASA HTTP server.
- ASA http server forwards the response to the client. Server doesn't do any processing on the response received from REST Agent process.

Resource Identity

# Resource Identity

All Resources will have a unique identifier 'objectId' which will be either a natural unique name for the given type given by user or a generated hash out of composite unique attributes. Note that CLI has no notion of UID so it's not possible for REST Agent to generate any distinct unique identifier since REST Agent is stateless.

Example:

```
{
  kind: "object#AccessGroup",
  selfLink: "https://<asa_ip>/api/access/in/inside",
  ACLName: "inside_in_acl",
  direction: "IN",
  interface: {
    kind: "objectRef#Interface",
    refLink: "https://<asa_ip>/api/interfaces/physical/GigabitEthernet0_API_SLASH_1",
    objectId: "GigabitEthernet0_API_SLASH_1",
    name: "inside"
  }
}
```

### Attribute 'selfLink'

This is complete URL for a resource specified within the JSON object of an object. This is useful when a collection is retrieved to traverse to individual items without figuring out through documentation on how to construct URL To reach to an object from its objectld. This attribute will be specified in JSON object of every resource.

The objectId part of the selfLink will be URL encoded, whether the selfLink is part of JSON response or location header.

Whenever an API request comes, first canonicalization check will be done on the request URL to check for any double or mixed encodings. If URL is double encoded, 400 bad request will be returned. If it passes canonicalization check, then the request URL is URL-decoded and sent for further processing.

**Note:** The objectId within the JSON response will never be URL encoded. So, instead of using selfLink, if URL is being explicitly constructed using the objectId from JSON response, then it should be constructed after appropriately URL encoding the objectId.

# Resource Type - 'kind' attribute

All objects represented in JSON will have a 'kind' attribute specifying the type of the object content. If the object represents a list then it will have syntax as 'collection#{type}' otherwise it will be 'object#{type}'

Examples:

#### Resource Identity

```
'kind': 'collection#accessPolicySet' => represents list of ACL type.
```

'kind':'object#networkobject' => represents object of type 'networkobject'

'kind':'objectref#networkobject' => represents a reference to an object of type 'networkobject'

'kind': 'IPAddress => represents a primitive resource of type 'ipAddress'

### Primitive kinds

Some primitives like IP Address, Network, FQDN, Service Type etc could be represented using 'kind' as well when they are mixed with other resource types. In those cases the 'kind' will be without any '#' and will be specified directly. Such resources will be very simple and besides 'kind' they will only contain 'value' attribute, which specifies the value.

#### Example:

```
{
"kind": "IPv4Address"
"value": "1.1.1.1"
}
```

### Resource association

Other resources could be referenced from a given resource. There are two type of referencing:

- 1. Through inline object where the complete referring object is present in its entirety. This approach is used rarely and supported only in certain APIs.
- 2. The most common way to refer to another resource is through its resource identifier, which could be objected or refLink.

#### Example:

```
{
    "kind": "objectref#networkObjectGroup" ,
    "refLink": "http://host/api/object/networkObjectGroups/548292" ,
    "objectId":548292
}
OR
{
    "kind": "objectref#networkObjectGroup" ,
    "refLink": "http://host/api/object/networkObjectGroup/Lab%20Printers" ,
    "objectId": "Lab Printers"
}
```

# Object 'rangeInfo'

Most collection resources will contain a rangeInfo object in it, which will provide details on the range of items currently contained in the collection. The GET and Query API support pagination and will never return more than a predefined MAX number of items. So if you have 20,000 network objects, you cannot get all of it in one single call. Also in the API request you can specify the offset and the limit from that offset that should be returned in the result. The result will always contain a rangeInfo specifying what was the offset and limit that are being returned and the total items.

```
"rangeInfo": {
"offset": integer,
"limit": integer,
"total": integer,
},
```

Maximum accepted value of limit will be 100; if REST Client queries for more than 100 items, if more than 100 items available, only 100 items will be returned and total will indicate the available item count.

### **REST API Authentication**

HTTP Basic Authentication with secure HTTPS transport- Basic Authorization header must be added to every REST API request and authentication will be performed for every request.

**Note:** It is recommended to use Certificate Authority (CA) issued certificates on ASA, so that REST API clients can validate the server certificates of ASA during the SSL connection establishment.

Privilege 3 or greater is needed to invoke monitoring APIs. Privilege 5 or greater is needed for invoking GET APIs. Privilege 15 is needed for invoking PUT/POST/DELETE operations.

# **REST API Conventions**

Standard REST API conventions for using the HTTP request methods are as follows:

An HTTP PUT request is used to replace, update, or modify an existing resource, while HTTP POST is used to
create a new resource (or any action that is not covered by PUT). You must not use HTTP PUT to create a
resource.

**Note:** Some types of object–for example, management access host and any ACE–are identified by a hash value which is calculated based on several of the object's parameters. If you use HTTP PUT to change any of these parameters, the object's hash value changes. Since this value identifies the object, it might seem that the HTTP PUT call created a new object, but this is in fact not the case.

The request body of an HTTP PUT request must contain the complete representation of the mandatory attributes
of the resource.

#### **REST API Codes**

- An HTTP PUT accepts a complete resource. It does not return the updated version in the response. If a modified resource in not sent in the response, the HTTP status code is 204 (not 200 OK) in the HTTP header response.
- HTTP PATCH is supported where applicable to partially update a resource. Any attribute not specified will take
  the value of the server value.

**Note:** As noted for HTTP PUT, use of HTTP PATCH can change an object's identifying hash value, and as with HTTP PUT, this does not mean that the HTTP PATCH call created a new object.

- An HTTP POST request contains the details of a new resource to be created in JSON format.
- An HTTP POST response to a Create request will have a 201 return code and a Location header containing the URI of the newly created resource in the HTTP header.
- An auto-created configuration (resource) will not support a create and delete REST operation, for example, no
  HTTP POST and DELETE request. For example, you cannot create or delete the logging-related configuration,
  but it can be modified (PUT) or retrieved (GET).
- Neither HTTP GET nor HTTP DELETE has a request body.
- An HTTP DELETE of a collection of resources is not supported since you would be deleting the resource identified by that URL. If that resource was deleted, you would not be able to create a sub-resource (the 'item' in the collection).
- An HTTP GET response has a "kind" attribute to indicate the name of the object, or collection of objects.
- All REST API requests and responses must be in JSON format.
- All JSON attributes must employ the "CamelCase" naming convention; for example, "policyType."
- JSON values of type String must be in double quotes; values of type Boolean or Number need not be double quoted. A Boolean value is either true or false, in lower case.
- Every received HTTP request is expected to have this "Accept: application/json" statement in its HTTP header, indicating the REST client expects the REST response to be in JSON format.
- Every HTTP POST request must include a JSON body (an attribute).
- The Location header in the HTTP response will contain the complete URL for all the POST (create) scenarios.
- Brackets, as in [<items>] in the JSON representation of a schema, indicate a list of items.
- Unless specified, an HTTP GET returns the currently configured state.
- Whether an attribute will be shown if it has no value depends if it is an optional attribute or not. If it is optional, it can be omitted in the HTTP GET response. If it is not optional, its value will be presented as an empty string if the attribute is of type String, or as a 0 (zero) if it is a Number.
- Pagination is supported and will be restrict the maximum number of items that can be retrieved through a GET or Query API call.

# **REST API Codes**

HTTP error codes will be reported based on standards:

HTTP Error Code appearing in Description

#### **REST API Codes**

HTTP header	
400 Bad Request	Invalid query parameters – unrecognized parameters or, missing parameters, or invalid values.
404 Not Found	The URL does not match a resource that exists. For example, a HTTP DELETE of a resource fails because the resource is unavailable.
405 Method not Allowed	An HTTP verb that is not allowed, such as a POST on a read-only resource.
500 Internal Server Error	Server Error A catch-all for any other failure – this should be the last choice when no other response code makes sense.

#### HTTP success codes will be reported based on standards:

HTTP Success Code appearing in HTTP header	Description
200 Success OK	The resource is retrieved successfully using GET method.
201 Created	The resource was created successfully using POST method.
204 No Content	The resource was updated successfully using PUT or PATCH method or deleted successfully (DELETE).

In addition to the error code, the return response may contain body, which will have error object containing more details about the error as appropriate.

# JSON Error/Warning Response Schema

Property	Туре	Description
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messages	List of Dictionaries	List of error or warning messages
code	String	Error/Warning/Info code
details	String	Detailed message corresponding to Error/Warning/Info

# **REST Agent in ASA**

# **Enabling REST Agent in ASA**

With the current rest-api implementation, JRE and rest-api agent are bundled in the ASA image. This causes significant increase in the size of ASA image from 9.3.1 release. And with this approach, Java is bundled by default in ASA images and this caused concerns from field/sales engineers.

To address this issue, through rounds of discussions, it is decided that we will package rest-api + JRE together, sign and publish separately on CCO. (New keys will be needed signing the REST package) This way, shipped ASA images will not have rest-api plugin package. Only the customers needing rest-api will download the separate package, put it on flash and invoke the CLI command to start rest-api agent. As a result, we plan to add the following CLI to install/uninstall restapi image. Users still need to invoke the existing "[no] rest-api agent" command to enable/disable rest-api agent after the installation. But per customer requirement, "[no] rest-api agent" will now be part of the running config instead of storing in a file on flash.

[no] rest-api image disk0:/<package>

### Description

- It will perform the compatibility/validation checks and inform if there are problems. If all checks pass, it will install the rest-api image.
- Installing/updating rest-api package will not trigger reboot of ASA.
- This config will be saved in the startup config file.
- "clear configure" will clear this config.
- To uninstall, use the "no" form of the command.

### Syntax & Help message

image Use this keyword to install the REST API image on ASA.

### **Output of Show Commands**

REST API image file, <path to the file> E.g. CLI sequence for installing rest-api image: copy tftp://<tftpserver/asa-restapi-9.3.2-32.pkg disk0: rest-api image disk0:/asa-restapi-9.3.2-32.pkg E.g. CLI sequence for uninstalling rest-api image: no rest-api image disk0:/asa-restapi-9.3.2-32.pkg E.g. CLI sequence for Upgrading rest-api image:

no rest-api image disk0:/asa-restapi-9.3.2-32.pkg copy tftp://<tftpserver/asa-restapi-9.3.2-33.pkg disk0: rest-api image disk0:/asa-restapi-9.3.2-33.pkg

REST Agent is a process based on ASDM code. By default REST Agent process will not be started in ASA. A new CLI command when invoked by user will start the REST Agent process in ASA.

[no] rest-api-agent

#### rest-api agent

Will start the REST Agent process in ASA. Prerequisite: http server should be enabled prior to this. If Http server was not enabled warning will be printed in the CLI.

When enabled '/api' URL requests will be redirected from ASA http server to the REST Agent.

#### no rest-api-agent

Will stop the REST Agent process in ASA.

When disabled, '/api' URL requests will be rejected by ASA http server with 404 status code response.

# Additional boot-strapping required for REST Agent

- Enable http server and let clients connect over management interface: 'http server enable'; 'http 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0
   <mgmt interface nameif>'
- Set the authentication approach for http: 'aaa authentication http console LOCAL'
- Create a local user with privilege 15 (for read/write operations): 'username <user> password <pass> encrypted privilege 15
- · Configure (static) routes

# **REST Agent debugging**

"debug rest-api agent {event | error}" CLI command will enable and show the REST API Agent debug traces on CLI.

When invoked the above command will trigger message from REST Daemon to REST Agent for enabling and forwarding the debug logs. Subsequently REST API Agent will forward debug logs over TCP to REST API Daemon; and these logs will be displayed on CLI session. When the CLI session closes or when 'no debug rest-api agent' CLI command invoked, REST daemon will inform REST Agent to disable logging for the session.

#### CLI commands

Debugging REST API modules / agent

#### CLI:

debug rest-api [agent | daemon | cli | client | process] {event, error}

#### Syntax & Help message:

rest-api
 REST API information
 agent
 REST API Agent debugging information
 daemon
 REST API Daemon to REST API Agent communication debugging information.
 cli
 REST API CLI Daemon to REST API Agent communication debugginginformation
 client
 Message routing between a REST API Client and the REST API Agent debugging information
 process
 REST API Agent process start/stop debugging information

#### **Supported Modes:**

single/multi-context, routed/transparent

#### **Output of Show Commands:**

- "debug rest-api agent is enabled" / "debug rest-api agent is disabled"
- "debug rest-api daemon is enabled" / "debug rest-api daemon is disabled"
- "debug rest-api cli is enabled" / "debug rest-api cli is disabled"
- "debug rest-api http is enabled" / "debug rest-api http is disabled"

#### **Enabling Disabling REST API Agent**

#### CLI:

[no] rest-api agent

#### **Description:**

Use this command to enable the REST API Agent residing on ASA. This config command is slightly different from other config commands:

- This config is saved in a separate file on flash, not in the startup config file.
- Once enabled, "clear configure" will not clear this config.
- To disable, use the "no" form of the command.

### Syntax & Help message:

#### **Supported Modes:**

single/multi-context, routed/transparent

### **Output of Show Commands:**

<sup>&</sup>quot;debug rest-api process is enabled" / "debug rest-api process is disabled"

"The REST API Agent is currently enabled" / "The REST API Agent is currently disabled"

Another way to find out if the REST API Agent is enabled is by issuing the command show version:

### Version info for REST agent

The "show version" output will be modified when REST API Agent is enabled.

#### CLI:

```
Saleen6(config)# show version
Cisco Adaptive Security Appliance Software Version 100.10(0)84
REST API Agent Version version number>
```

# Syslogs

### **REST API Install Syslogs**

#### Syslog #1

#### **Description/Rationale/Overview:**

The REST API image has been successfully installed.

#### **Default Level:**

7

#### **Syslog Number and Format:**

%ASA-7-342005: REST API image has been installed successfully.

#### **Rate Limited:**

No

#### **Explanation:**

The REST API image must be successfully installed before starting the REST API Agent.

### **Recommendation/Action:**

None

### Syslog #2

### Description/Rationale/Overview:

Failure reason behind the REST API image installation is reported.

Default	Level:
-0.44.6	

3

#### **Syslog Number and Format:**

%ASA-3-342006: Failed to install REST API image, reason: <reason>

<reason> The reason why the REST API Agent installation failed

#### **Rate Limited:**

No

#### **Explanation:**

The REST API image could fail to be installed for the following reasons:

version check failed |image verification failed | image file not found | out of space on flash | mount failed

#### **Recommendation/Action:**

The administrator should fix the failure and try to install the image again using "rest-api image <image>".

#### Syslog #3

#### **Description/Rationale/Overview:**

The REST API image is successfully uninstalled.

#### **Default Level:**

7

### **Syslog Number and Format:**

%ASA-7-342007: REST API image has been uninstalled successfully.

Rate Limited:

No

#### **Explanation:**

The old REST API image must be successfully uninstalled before a new one can be installed.

### **Recommendation/Action:**

None

### Syslog #4

### **Description/Rationale/Overview:**

The REST API image fails to uninstall.

### **Default Level:**

3

#### **Syslog Number and Format:**

%ASA-3-342008: Failed to uninstall REST API image, reason: <reason>.

#### **Rate Limited:**

No

#### **Explanation:**

The REST API image could fail to be uninstalled for the following reasons: unmount failed | rest agent is enabled

#### **Recommendation/Action:**

The administrator should disable rest agent before trying to uninstall the REST API image.

#### **REST API Agent Syslogs**

#### Syslog #1

#### Description/Rationale/Overview:

The REST API Agent was successfully started.

#### **Syslog Number and Format:**

%ASA-7-342001: REST API Agent started successfully.

#### **Explanation:**

The REST API Agent must be successfully started before a REST API Client can configure ASA.

#### **Recommendation/Action:**

None

#### Syslog #2

#### **Description/Rationale/Overview:**

The reason behind the REST API Agent failure is reported.

#### **Syslog Number and Format:**

%ASA-3-342002: REST API Agent failed, reason: <reason>

<reason> The reason why the REST API Agent failed.

#### **Explanation:**

The REST API Agent could fail to start or crash for many different reasons. One reason could be that the REST API Agent is running out of memory. Another reason could be that the messaging carried out to enable/disable the REST API Agent is failing.

#### **Recommendation/Action:**

The administrator should attempt to disable "no rest-api agent" and enable the REST API Agent again using "rest-api agent".

#### Syslog #3

#### Description/Rationale/Overview:

A notification that the REST API Agent has failed.

#### **Syslog Number and Format:**

%ASA-3-342003: REST API Agent failure notification received. Agent will be restarted automatically.

#### **Explanation:**

A notification of the REST API Agent is received and a restart of the Agent is being attempted.

#### **Recommendation/Action:**

None

#### Syslog #4

#### **Description/Rationale/Overview:**

The REST API Agent could not be successfully started after multiple attempts.

#### **Syslog Number and Format:**

%ASA-3-342004: Failed to automatically restart the REST API Agent after 5 unsuccessful attempts. Use the 'no rest-api agent' and 'rest-api agent' commands to manually restart the Agent.

#### **Explanation:**

The REST API Agent has failed to start after many attempts.

#### **Recommendation/Action:**

Administrator should refer should to syslog %ASA-3-342002 (if logged) to better understand the reason behind the failure. The administrator should attempt to disable "no rest-api agent" and enable the REST API Agent again using "rest-api agent".

# Out of band changes handling

When processing the REST API request if out-of-band configuration change was observed, configuration will be reloaded in to REST API Agent before further handling the request.

# Typical request flow

The following is the flow for any REST PUT/POST/DELETE API request:

- REST Client establishes SSL connection to ASA.
- REST Client sends API request with basic authentication header to ASA.

- ASA http server authenticates client's request.
- ASA http server opens the connection to REST Agent using TCP channel, and writes the HTTP request to the REST Agent.
- ASA http server waits for REST Agent process's response.
- REST Agent processes API request, picks the session/user info and invokes CLI commands request to LINA listening on localhost port in ASA. REST Agent includes the session/user info in the request.
- · Lina admin handler processes the CLI commands and collects the results output.
- Lina sends the response for the CLI commands request to REST Agent.
- REST Agent prepares the response for REST API request and sends to the ASA http server.
- ASA http server forwards the response to the client. Server doesn't do any processing on the response received from REST Agent process.

# Supported ASA Features

#### AAA

The AAA API currently supports configuring AAA-related features of authentication, authorization, and command privilege.

AAA server groups and accounting are not yet supported.

### Authentication

#### api/aaa/authentication

Configure network authentication.

#### Limitations:

Currently, only the LOCAL server group is supported.

#### **Error Codes:**

AAA-UNSUPPORTED-OPERATION - Unsupported operation (POST)

AAA-UNSUPPORTED-SERVER-GROUP - A server group other than LOCAL is specified

AAA-BAD-SERVER-GROUP - Invalid server group specified

AAA-MISSING-SERVER-GROUP - Server group is missing from the data

### Authorization

### api/aaa/authorization

Configure network authorization.

#### Limitations:

Currently, only the LOCAL server group is supported.

#### **Error Codes:**

AAA-UNSUPPORTED-OPERATION - Unsupported operation (POST)

INVALID-MODE-ENABLE-SHELL - Invalid value specified for enable shell mode (must be "DISABLED," "REMOTE," "LOCAL")

AAA-UNSUPPORTED-SERVER-GROUP - A server group other than LOCAL is specified

AAA-BAD-SERVER-GROUP - Invalid server group specified

# **Command Privileges**

#### api/aaa/commandprivileges

Configure the local command privilege levels.

#### Limitations:

#### **Error Codes:**

COMMAND-PRIVILEGE-OUT-OF-RANGE - Invalid privilege level provided

#### **Access Rules**

Use the Access REST API to configure network access in both routed and transparent firewall modes.

With REST API you can GET access groups access rules. The access groups are automatically created when the first access rule is created for a particular interface and direction. Similarly, an access group is deleted when its last access rule is deleted. Global access rules are supported as well.

With REST API you can GET/POST/PUT/PATCH/DELETE access rules. The access URIs are grouped per interface and direction and have a common URI root of /access:

#### **Limitations:**

No limitations; support same features as the ASDM GUI.

#### **Error Codes:**

ACCESS\_DIRECTION\_UNKOWN - missing direction (in/out/global)

ACCESS\_INTERFACE\_UNKOWN - missing interface

ACCESS\_FIELD\_EMPTY - a particular field cannot be empty (e.g., sourceAddress)

ACCESS\_EMPTY\_GROUP - a particular field cannot contain an empty object group

ACCESS\_SRC\_DST\_SAME\_IP\_VER - Source and Destination addresses should be of the same IP version

ACCESS\_SRC\_DST\_SVC\_SAME\_TYPE - Destination Service and Source Service mismatch in protocol type or inline/vs. service group types

ACCESS\_SRC\_SERVICE\_GROUP - Source Service cannot be specified with service group

### Failover

**Limitations:** 

N/A

**Error Codes:** 

N/A

### Interfaces

There are six set of URLs that can be used to make interface related configuration. They are for physical interface, vlan interface, port-channel interface, redundant interface, bridge group interface (bvi) which is available in transparent mode, and global interface setup, respectively.

#### **Limitations:**

N/A

#### **Error Codes:**

```
"INTERFACE-OBJECT-AND-HW-ID-MISMATCH"

"INTERFACE-HW-ID-INVALID"

"INTERFACE-PHYSICAL-UNSUPPORTED-OPERATION"

"INTERFACE-BASIC-DESC-EXCEED-200-CHAR"

"INTERFACE-NAME-INVALID"

"INTERFACE-SECURITY-LEVEL-INVALID"

"INTERFACE-PHYSICAL-MAC-ADDR-INVALID"

"INTERFACE-PHYSICAL-MAC-ADDR-EMPTY"

"INTERFACE-LACP-PORT-PRIORITY-INVALID"

"INTERFACE-MTU-INVALID"

"INTERFACE-MTU-MISSING-NAMEIF"

"INTERFACE-FREQUENCY-LESS-THAN-TIMEOUT"

"INTERFACE-CHANGE-STATIC-IP-OR-MASK-WHEN-USING-PPPOE"

"INTERFACE-NAME-CONTRADICT-CHANNEL-GROUP-ID"
```

```
"INTERFACE-CHANNEL-GROUP-ID-RANGE"
"INTERFACE-CHANNEL-GROUP-ID-INVALID"
"INTERFACE-PHYSICAL-DUPLEX-INVALID"
"INTERFACE-PHYSICAL-SPEED-INVALID"
"INTERFACE-MODIFY-FAILOVER-INTF"
"INTERFACE-FORWARD-CX-NOT-AVAILABLE"
"INTERFACE-FORWARD-SFR-NOT-AVAILABLE"
"INTERFACE-CHANNEL-GROUP-MODE-INVALID"
"INTERFACE-DELETE-EASY-VPN-ON"
"INTERFACE-DELETE-HAS-SUB-INTERFACE"
"INTERFACE-DELETE-USED-BY-FO"
"INTERFACE-REDUNDANT-ID-ALREADY-EXIST"
"INTERFACE-REDUNDANT-MEMBER-TYPE-INVALID"
"INTERFACE-REDUNDANT-ID-RANGE"
"INTERFACE-REDUNDANT-MEMBER-INVALID "
"INTERFACE-REDUNDANT-INVALID-MEMBER"
"INTERFACE-REDUNDANT-MEMBER-IP-NOT-ALLOWED"
"INTERFACE-REDUNDANT-MEMBER-SECURITY-LEVEL-NOT-ALLOWED"
"INTERFACE-REDUNDANT-MEMBER-NAMEIF-NOT-ALLOWED"
"INTERFACE-VLANID-NO-NAMEIF"
"INTERFACE-VLANID-ALREADY-EXIST"
"INTERFACE-VLANID-INVALID"
"INTERFACE-VLANID-MAX-OUT"
"INTERFACE-PC-ACTIVE-MEMBER-OUT-OF-RANGE"
"INTERFACE-PC-ID-ALREADY-EXIST"
"INTERFACE-PC-MEMBER-INVALID"
"INTERFACE-INTRA-NOT-SUPPORTED"
```

```
"INTERFACE-BVI-TRANSPARENT-ONLY"
"INTERFACE-BVI-ID-RANGE"
"INTERFACE-BVI-MAX-MEMBER"
"INTERFACE-FC-WATER-MARK-INVALID"
"INVALID-INTERFACE-DHCP-OPTION--VALUE"
"CANNOT-ENABLE-DHCP-IN-FO"
"CANNOT-ENABLE-DHCP-PPPOE-WITHOUT-INTF-NAME"
"INVALID-TRACK-ID"
"DUP-TRACK-ID "
"INVALID-TRACK-IP"
"INVALID-SLA-ID"
"DUP-SLA-ID"
"INVALID-METRIC"
"MORE-THAN-ONE-DHCP-INTF-CONFIGED"
"INVALID-GROUP-NAME"
"INVALID-USER-NAME"
"INVALID-PASSWORD "
"INVALID-INTERFACE-PPPAuthentication-VALUE"
"INVALID-IP-ADDRESS"
"INVALID-IP-SUBNET-MASK"
"NO-IP-ASSIGNED"
"NO-NETMASK-ASSIGNED"
"INVALID-IP-NETWORK-ADDRESS"
"INVALID-IP-BROADCAST-ADDRESS"
"INVALID-IP-OVERLAPPED"
"INVALID-IP-FAILOVER"
"INTERFACE-IP-NOT-SUPPORTED-IN-TRANSPARENT_MODE"
```

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```
"IPV6-NO-LINK-LOCAL-IN-TRANSPARENT-MODE"
"IPV6-AUTOCONFIG-IN-TRANSPARENT-MODE"
"IPV6-SUPRESS-ROUTE-ADVERT-IN-TRANSPARENT-MODE"
"IPV6-PREFIX-IN-TRANSPARENT-MODE"
"IPV6-ROUTE-ADVERT-INTERVAL-IN-TRANSPARENT-MODE"
"IPV6-ROUTE-ADVERT-LIFETIME-IN-TRANSPARENT-MODE"
"IPV6-PREFIX-VALID-AND-PREFERRED-LIFETIME-NOT-VALID"
"IPV6-RA-INTERVAL-AND-LIFETIME-NOT-VALID"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-LINK-LOCAL-ADDRESS"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-LINK-LOCAL-STANDBY-ADDRESS"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-ADDRESS"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-ROUTER-ADVERT-LIFETIME"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-ROUTER-ADVERT-INTERVAL"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-REACHABLE-TIME"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-NEIGHBOR-SOLICIT-INTERVAL"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-NUMBER-SOLICIT-MESSAGES"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-PREFIX-VALID-LIFETIME"
"IPV6-INTERFACE-INVALID-PREFIX-PREFERRED-LIFETIME"
```

# Licensing

# Permanent and Activation Key Licenses

### api/licensing/activation

API to support viewing and configuring key-based licenses. The permanent license is retrieved via GET just like the activation licenses.

#### **Limitations:**

ASA must be manually reloaded after changes to the activation license configuration (e.g., new license added, licenses enabled/disabled).

#### **Error Codes:**

Logging

ACTIVATION-KEY-INVALID-FORMAT - Activation key is an invalide format

ACTIVATION-KEY-RUNNING-FLASH - Activation key provided is the same as the current running flash key

ACTIVATION-KEY-DUPLICATE - Duplicate activation key license exists on the device

ACTIVATION-LICENSE-DEVICE-ERROR - Error communicating with the device

PERMANENT-LICENSE-UNSUPPORTED-OPERATION - Unsupported operation for the permanent license key (only GET is supported)

### **Shared License**

#### api/licensing/shared

API to support configuring the shared license settings (either client or server shared license, as defined by the active license).

#### **Limitations:**

N/A

#### **Error Codes:**

SHARED-LICENSE-SECRET-LENGTH - Invalid secret length

SHARED-LICENSE-PORT-VALUE - Invalid TCP port

SHARED-LICENSE-CLIENT-ROLE - Only one role can be configured

SHARED-LICENSE-ROLE-NOT-CONFIGURED - Configuration specified does not match the type of shared license role configured on the device

SHARED-LICENSE-REFRESH-INTERVAL - Refresh interval out of range

SHARED-LICENSE-MISSING-BACKUP-ADDRESS - Missing backup address

SHARED-LICENSE-MISSING-BACKUP-SERIAL - Missing backup serial

SHARED-LICENSE-LICENSE-INTERFACES - Missing list of interfaces

SHARED-LICENSE-SERIAL-LENGTH - Serial length is too long

# Logging

# Syslog Server

#### api/logging/syslogserver

API to support CRUD operations for syslog servers.

#### **Limitations:**

N/A

#### Logging

#### **Error Codes:**

SYSLOG-SERVER-INVALID-TCP-PORT - Invalid TCP port provided

SYSLOG-SERVER-INVALID-UDP-PORT - Invalid UDP port provided

SYSLOG-SERVER-INVALID-PORT-RANGE - Port out of range

SYSLOG-SERVER-INVALID-PROTOCOL - Invalid protocol provided (must be TCP or UDP)

SYSLOG-SERVER-EMBLEM-WITH-DEVICE-ID - EMBLEM formatted messages are not applicable when device ID is used

SYSLOG-SERVER-DUPLICATE-ENTRY - Duplicate syslog server exists

SYSLOG-SERVER-INVALID-IP - Invalid IP address specified

SYSLOG-SERVER-MAX-REACHED - Max number of syslog servers reached (16)

SYSLOG-SERVER-EMBLEM-NOT-SUPPORTED - EMBLEM mode only applicable with UDP

SYSLOG-SERVER-SECURE-NOT-SUPPORTED - Secure mode only applicable with TCP

### Syslog Server Settings

#### /api/logging/syslogserversettings

API to support advanced settings for syslog servers, including configuring the logging queue and permiting TCP logging when the syslog server is down.

#### **Limitations:**

N/A

#### **Error Codes:**

SYSLOG-SERVER-SETTINGS-QUEUE-RANGE - Settings queue limit out of range

SYSLOG-SERVER-SETTINGS-FEATURE-NOT-SUPPORTED - Deny full queue feature is configured but not supported

### Syslog Message Configuration

### /api/logging/syslogconfig

API to support configuring syslog message details, including level and enabling/disabling a message.

#### Limitations:

N/A

### **Error Codes:**

SYSLOG-MSG-INVALID-LOG-LEVEL - Invalid log level provided

SYSLOG-MSG-MISSING-ATTRIBUTE - Attribute missing from JSON data (likely "syslogID")

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### Syslog Message Settings

#### /api/logging/syslogconfigsettings

API to support configuring syslog message settings, such as including the device ID in non-EMBLEM format, timestamp, or cluster IP (when applicable).

#### **Limitations:**

N/A

#### **Error Codes:**

SYSLOG-CONFIG-SETTINGS-CONTEXT-NAME-NOT-SUPPORTED - Device is not multicontext

SYSLOG-CONFIG-SETTINGS-CLUSTER-NAME-NOT-SUPPORTED - Device is not in cluster mode

SYSLOG-CONFIG-SETTINGS-STRING-MISCONFIGURED - Invalid string provided for deviceIDValue

SYSLOG-CONFIG-SETTINGS-CLUSTER-IP-NOT-ENABLED - Cluster IP is not enabled for the syslog message

SYSLOG-CONFIG-SETTINGS-UNSUPPORTED-FACILITY-LEVEL - Unsupported facility level specified

SYSLOG-CONFIG-SETTINGS-UNSUPPORTED-DEVICE-ID-TYPE - Unsupported device ID type specified

# **Netflow Configuration**

/api/logging/netflow

API to support CRUD operations for netflow configuration.

#### Limitations:

N/A

#### **Error Codes:**

Invalid template timeout rate

Invalid flow update interval

Invalid flow create delay - The update interval should be at least 5 seconds longer than the flow creation delay interval

# **Netflow Collector Settings**

API to support CRUD operations for netflow collector settings.

#### **Limitations:**

Service policy rules with netflow not supported

#### **Error Codes:**

Reached maximum collector count

**Management Access** 

Invalid IP

Invalid UDP port

Invalid interface

# Management Access

# General management access

#### api/mgmtaccess

Use this API to configure ASA access settings related to telent, SSH, and HTTPS (ASDM).

#### Limitations:

N/A

#### **Error Codes:**

MGMT-ACCESS-PORT-RANGE - Invalid port range MGMT-ACCESS-HTTP-IDLE-TIMEOUT - Invalid HTTP idle timeout MGMT-ACCESS-TELNET-TIMEOUT - Invalid telnet timeout

MGMT-ACCESS-SSH-TIMEOUT - Invalid SSH timeout

MGMT-ACCESS-HTTP-SESSION-TIMEOUT - Invalid HTTP session timeout

MGMT-ACCESS-SSH-VERSION - Invalid SSH version

### Hosts

#### /api/mgmtaccess/hosts

Allows CRUD operations on mgmt access hosts for telnet, SSH, and HTTPS (ASDM) connections.

#### Limitations:

N/A

#### **Error Codes:**

MGMT-ACCESS-INVALID-TYPE - Invalid host type specified (must be telnet, ssh, or http)

MGMT-ACCESS-DUPLICATE-HOST - Duplicate host exists

# Monitoring

For health and performance monitoring of the various statistics we query the device. There are two ways to get the metrics, one using the ASDM handler output and the other is using the show commands on the device.

#### Limitations:

For cluster member and resource usage info, queries should be made to the cluster master only.

NAT

#### **Error Codes:**

"RESOURCE-NOT-FOUND"

# NAT

NAT API supports TwiceNAT (aka Manual NAT) and ObjectNAT (aka AutoNAT). Each NAT type has its unique URI. before and after autoNATs is fully supported (Routed and Transparent mode).

Attributes for configuring InterfacePAT, DynamicPAT (hide), PAT Pool are also included in the API

Single list showing all NAT types (Twice and Auto) in the same list is not supported.

#### **NAT Error Codes:**

INVALID-NAT-RULE - NAT rule can be invalid because of many reasons for example; original source/destination and translated source/destination address combination is not valid

INVALID-DESTINATION - Destination address (original/translated) is invalid

INVALID-SERVICE - Service is not valid

INVALID-SOURCE - Source address is invalid

DUPLICATE-NAT - Duplicate NAT (a rule matching the current rule already exist)

INVALID-INTERFACE - Interface is not valid input

INDEX-OOB - Position is incorrect

# ObjectNAT (AutoNAT)

#### **Limitations:**

Creating an inline network object with NAT rule is not supported. To create an object NAT for an existing network object, source Address should point to network object to be translated.

#### **Error Codes:**

See above.

# TwiceNAT (Manual NAT)

BeforeNAT and afterNAT are separated into two lists and have their own URIs. Moving a beforeNAT to afterNAT or viceversa is not supported

#### Limitations:

N/A

### **Error Codes:**

See above.

Objects

# **Objects**

Objects are re-usable components for use in your configuration. They can be defined and used in ASA configurations in the place of inline IP addresses, services, names, and so on.

Similarly to access rules, extended ACLs are created when their first ACE is created and are deleted when their last ACE is deleted. There is another URI for services, /objects/predefinednetworkservices; available only for a GET that returns the predefined services, which can be used to cut and paste as inline services, or when creating a service object. REST API supports inline objects and object groups on par with the ASDM GUI.

#### Limitations:

Only local users are supported in this release.

#### **Error Codes:**

OBJECT\_USED - object used (e.g. in an access list) and cannot be deleted

NAME\_NULL - name needs to be provided

NAME\_NO\_SPACE - name cannot have spaces

MIXED\_ACE\_ACTIONS - Extended ACE error: mixed ACE actions are not allowed in DAP

# Routing

Only static routes are supported.

#### **Limitations:**

N/A

#### **Error Codes:**

```
"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-FREQ"

"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-DATA-SIZE"

"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-THRESHOLD"

"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-TOS"

"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-TIMEOUT"

"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-TRACK-IP"

"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-TUNNEL"

"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-TUNNEL"

"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-EQUAL-ROUTE"
```

Service Policy

```
"STATIC-ROUTES-DUP-ROUTE-ON-NETWORK-METRIC"

"STATIC-ROUTES-DUP-ROUTE-ON-NETWORK"

"STATIC-ROUTES-INVALID-NUM-OF-PACKETS"

"STATIC-ROUTES-TUNNELED-NOT-ALLOWED"

"STATIC-ROUTES-TRACKED-NOT-ALLOWED"
```

# Service Policy

**Limitations:** 

N/A

**Error Codes:** 

None.

### **VPN**

Only S2S VPN configuration is currently supported in Rest API. IPv2 and IPV6 are both supported. S2S VPN Monitoring is not supported.

#### Limitations:

Only S2S Configuration is supported. Certificate Management as seen in ASDM is not yet supported.

N/A

#### **Error Codes:**

"INVALID-INPUT"

INVALID RULE PRIORITY

**INVALID MAP NAME** 

CAN'T EDIT PRIORITY AND MAP NAME

**RULE ALREADY EXISTS** 

# Special APIs

### **Bulk API**

This API allows to group multiple POST, PUT, PATCH, DELETE for different resources in a single HTTP POST call. This is for optimization purposes to make a single request to modify multiple configurations. This will provide a wrapper where

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individual request for each resource data could be grouped together in a single JSON content. It might provide atomicity for certain level of validations where the complete request is rejected if syntax validations fail for some.

This digresses from REST paradigm although each individual operation specified will follow REST convention and users don't need to relearn new API but just how to package up multiple REST calls in bulk.

The details of request payload, response structure are as follows.

Post URL: /api

Post request payload: [{}, {}, {} ...] - each JSON object is an operation wrapper. The object wrapper is given below.

```
{
    method:<HTTP_REQUEST_METHOD_FOR_RESOURCE >,
    resourceUri:<RESOURCE_URI>,
    data:<POST_CONTENT_FOR_THIS_URI_IF_APPLICABLE>
}
```

Property	Туре	Description
method	string	Supported are 'GET', 'POST', 'DELETE', 'PATCH'
resourceUri	string	The resource URI if the request was made independently
data	string	JSON data sent as raw body if the request was made individually. For 'DELETE' method, this is not needed.

The bulk request response structure will be as follows.

```
{
    "entryMessages":[{}, {}, ..],
    "commonMessages": []
}
```

Entry messages will be an array of objects, with each corresponding to the bulk entry.

### Generic CLI Command Executer API

This special API can take single or multi-line CLI commands and will present the output of the CLI as the API response Post URL:

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#### /api/cli

Post Request Payload/Content:

```
{
''commands'': [''command-1'', ''command-2'',..., ''command-n'']
}
```

#### Response:

```
{
'`response'': ['`command-1 response'', '`command-2 response'',..., '`command-n response'']
}
```

# Limitations

The debug commands are not supported in CLI pass-through. All debug commands are per terminal session, and not a global configuration. So, if debug commands are sent over CLI pass-through, either they might return error or success response, but they do not have any effect on the device.

# **REST-API Online Documentation**

The on-line documentation interface (Doc-UI) combines the functionality of a user interface with all the information contained in the embedded API documentation. The Doc-UI can be run in any of the following browsers: Chrome (current), Firefox (current), Internet Explorer 9+, Safari 5.1+, Opera (current). Older versions may work, but Internet Explorer 8 and below will not.

The REST API Agent must be enabled to access the Doc UI; the Doc-UI is accessible from https://<asa management interface ip>/doc/ (note that the ending '/' is necessary for accessing the Doc-UI).

# Types of Scripts

There are three types of scripts that can be generated by the Doc-UI that will allow you to perform REST API operations: Javascript, Python, and Perl.

# Pre-requisites for Using Generated Scripts

The Javascript scripts require the installation of node.js, which can be found at http://nodejs.org/. Node.js allows you to use Javascript, typically written for a browser, like a command line script (such as Python or Perl). Simply follow the installation instructions, and run your script with:

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```
node script.js
```

The Python scripts require you to install Python, found at https://www.python.org/. Once you have installed Python, you can run your script with:

```
python script.py <username> <password>
```

The Perl scripts require some additional set-up. You will need five components: Perl itself, and four Perl libraries:

- Perl, found at http://www.perl.org/
- Bundle::CPAN, found at http://search.cpan.org/~andk/Bundle-CPAN-1.861/CPAN.pm
- REST::Client, found at http://search.cpan.org/~mcrawfor/REST-Client-88/lib/REST/Client.pm
- MIME::Base64, found at http://perldoc.perl.org/MIME/Base64.html
- JSON, found at http://search.cpan.org/~makamaka/JSON-2.90/lib/JSON.pm

Here is an example installation on a Macintosh:

```
Boot strapping for MAC:

$ sudo perl -MCPAN e shell

cpan> install Bundle::CPAN

cpan> install REST:: Client

cpan> install MIME::Base64

cpan> install JSON
```

After installing the dependencies, you can run your script with:

```
perl script.pl <username> <password>
```

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