

1. Retrieve user rights assignments.
2. Data Extraction
  - Extract:
    - Password policy
    - Lockout policy
    - Audit settings
    - Privilege assignments
3. Output Formatting
  - Present structured security policy summary.
4. Logging
  - Log operator and timestamp.

## 7. Expected Output

- Comprehensive local security policy overview.

## 8. Post-Execution Validation

- Operator may verify using `secpol.msc`.

## 9. Error Handling

- Access denied
- Policy retrieval failure

## 10. Security Considerations

- Security policy data is sensitive; restrict access.

## 11. Audit Logging Requirements

- Operator ID
- Timestamp

## 12. Organizational Benefit Statement

This script provides a consistent, auditable method for retrieving local security policy settings, supporting compliance and hardening.

# SOP 2 – Check Windows Defender Status

**Script Name:** Check Windows Defender Status **Category:** Security

## 1. Purpose

This script retrieves the operational status of Microsoft Defender Antivirus, supporting security monitoring, compliance checks, and incident response.

## 2. Scope

- Windows servers and workstations
- Microsoft Defender Antivirus

## 3. Definitions

- **Real-Time Protection:** Continuous malware monitoring.
- **Engine Version:** Version of Defender scanning engine.

## 4. Preconditions

- Operator must have permission to query Defender status.

## 5. Required Inputs

- None

## 6. Procedure Steps

1. Status Query
  - Retrieve Defender operational state.
  - Retrieve real-time protection status.
  - Retrieve engine and signature versions.
2. Output Formatting
  - Present structured Defender status summary.
3. Logging
  - Log operator and timestamp.

## 7. Expected Output

- Defender health and configuration status.

## **8. Post-Execution Validation**

- Operator may verify via Windows Security Center.

## **9. Error Handling**

- Defender disabled
- Access denied
- WMI or API failure

## **10. Security Considerations**

- Defender status reveals security posture; restrict access.

## **11. Audit Logging Requirements**

- Operator ID
- Timestamp

## **12. Organizational Benefit Statement**

This script provides a reliable, auditable method for validating Defender status, supporting security monitoring and compliance.

# **SOP 3 – Run Windows Defender Quick Scan**

**Script Name:** Run Windows Defender Quick Scan **Category:** Security

## **1. Purpose**

This script initiates a Microsoft Defender quick scan, supporting rapid malware detection and incident response.

## **2. Scope**

- Windows servers and workstations
- Microsoft Defender Antivirus

## **3. Definitions**

- **Quick Scan:** Scans common malware locations.

## **4. Preconditions**

- Defender must be installed and enabled.

- Operator must have administrative rights.

## 5. Required Inputs

- None

## 6. Procedure Steps

1. Scan Initialization
  - Trigger Defender quick scan.
2. Monitoring
  - Capture scan start and completion status.
3. Output Formatting
  - Present scan results summary.
4. Logging
  - Log operator and timestamp.

## 7. Expected Output

- Confirmation of scan completion and findings.

## 8. Post-Execution Validation

- Operator may verify via Windows Security Center.

## 9. Error Handling

- Defender disabled
- Access denied
- Scan engine failure

## 10. Security Considerations

- Scan results may reveal sensitive system activity.

## 11. Audit Logging Requirements

- Operator ID
- Scan type
- Timestamp

## **12. Organizational Benefit Statement**

This script provides a fast, auditable method for detecting malware, supporting incident response and security monitoring.

# **SOP 4 – Run Windows Defender Full Scan**

**Script Name:** Run Windows Defender Full Scan **Category:** Security

### **1. Purpose**

This script initiates a full system scan using Microsoft Defender, supporting deep malware detection and forensic investigation.

### **2. Scope**

- Windows servers and workstations
- Microsoft Defender Antivirus

### **3. Definitions**

- **Full Scan:** Scans all files, drives, and processes.

### **4. Preconditions**

- Defender must be installed and enabled.
- Operator must have administrative rights.
- Sufficient time and resources must be available.

### **5. Required Inputs**

- None

### **6. Procedure Steps**

1. Scan Initialization
  - Trigger Defender full scan.
2. Monitoring
  - Track scan progress and completion.
3. Output Formatting
  - Present scan results summary.
4. Logging

- Log operator and timestamp.

## 7. Expected Output

- Confirmation of full scan completion and findings.

## 8. Post-Execution Validation

- Operator may verify via Windows Security Center.

## 9. Error Handling

- Defender disabled
- Access denied
- Scan engine failure

## 10. Security Considerations

- Full scans may impact system performance.
- Scan results may contain sensitive data.

## 11. Audit Logging Requirements

- Operator ID
- Scan type
- Timestamp

## 12. Organizational Benefit Statement

This script provides a thorough, auditable method for detecting malware, supporting deep investigations and security assurance.

# SOP 5 – Get Installed Hotfixes / Security Updates

**Script Name:** Get Installed Hotfixes / Security Updates **Category:** Security

## 1. Purpose

This script retrieves installed Windows hotfixes and security updates, supporting patch compliance, vulnerability management, and forensic analysis.

## 2. Scope

- Windows servers and workstations
- Windows Update, WSUS, and manual patching

## 3. Definitions

- **Hotfix:** A specific update addressing a bug or vulnerability.
- **KB Number:** Knowledge Base identifier for an update.

## 4. Preconditions

- Operator must have permission to query update history.

## 5. Required Inputs

- Optional: KB filter
- Optional: Date range

## 6. Procedure Steps

### 1. Input Collection

- Wizard prompts for optional filters.

### 2. Update Enumeration

- Retrieve installed updates.
- Apply filters if provided.

### 3. Attribute Retrieval

- Extract:
  - KB number
  - Installation date
  - Description
  - Source (Windows Update, WSUS, manual)

### 4. Output Formatting

- Present structured update list.

### 5. Logging

- Log filters, operator, timestamp.

## **7. Expected Output**

- List of installed hotfixes and security updates.

## **8. Post-Execution Validation**

- Operator may verify via `wmic qfe` or Windows Update history.

## **9. Error Handling**

- Access denied
- Update history unavailable
- Invalid filter

## **10. Security Considerations**

- Patch data may reveal vulnerability exposure.

## **11. Audit Logging Requirements**

- Operator ID
- Filters used
- Timestamp

## **12. Organizational Benefit Statement**

This script provides a controlled, auditable method for retrieving patch history, supporting compliance and vulnerability management.