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Customizing SNMP Traps Technical Note

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1 SNMP TRAP CONFIGURATION

This technical note provides instructions for how to customize the SNMP configuration parameters that are displayed in the Custom Rules Wizard and modify the SNMP traps that the Custom Rule Engine sends. Unless otherwise noted, all references to IBM Security QRadar SIEM refer to QRadar SIEM, IBM Security QRadar Log Manager, and IBM Security QRadar Network Anomaly Detection.

This document includes the following topics:

SNMP Trap Overview

The technical note is intended for system administrators with experience with SNMP and manipulating XML files. For more information on SNMP, go to the http://www.ietf.org/ website and type RFC 1157 in the search field.

A Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) trap is an event or offense notification that QRadar SIEM can send to a configured SNMP host. In the Custom Rules Wizard, you can configure any rule to generate a rule response that sends an SNMP trap as a result of a rule's configured conditions being met.

You can customize the SNMP configuration parameters that are displayed in the Custom Rules Wizard and you can modify the SNMP traps that the Custom Rule Engine sends. QRadar SIEM provides two default traps, however, you can add custom traps or modify the existing traps to use new parameters.

Customizing the Custom Rules Wizard SNMP Parameters

By default, the Custom Rules Wizard allows you to send SNMP traps when a rule meets the configured conditions. However, the SNMP trap parameters are only displayed in the Custom Rules Wizard if SNMP is enabled within the system settings. You can customize the SNMP trap parameter to enable you to customize the information that is sent as a result of the rule's conditions being met.

To customize SNMP parameters that are displayed in the Custom Rules Wizard:

Step 1 Using SSH, log in to QRadar SIEM as the root user:

Username: **root**

Password: **<password>**

Step 2 Navigate to the **/opt/qradar/conf** directory.

Step 3 Make back-up copies of the following files:

- **eventCRE.snmp.xml**
- **offenseCRE.snmp.xml**

Step 4 Choose one of the following options:

- To edit the SNMP parameters for event rules, open the **eventCRE.snmp.xml** file.
- To edit the SNMP parameters for offense rules, open the **offenseCRE.snmp.xml** file.

Step 5 Insert the following section into the file inside the <snmp> tag before the <creSNMPTrap> element, and update the labels as required:

NOTE

The label values in this code are for example purposes only. You must update the labels.

```
<creSNMPResponse name="snmp_response_1">

    <custom name="MyColor">

        <string label="What is your favorite color?"/>

    </custom>

    <custom name="MyCategory">

        <list label="Select a category">

            <option label="Label1" value="Category1"/>

            <option label="Label2" value="Category2"/>

        </list>

    </custom>

</creSNMPResponse>
```
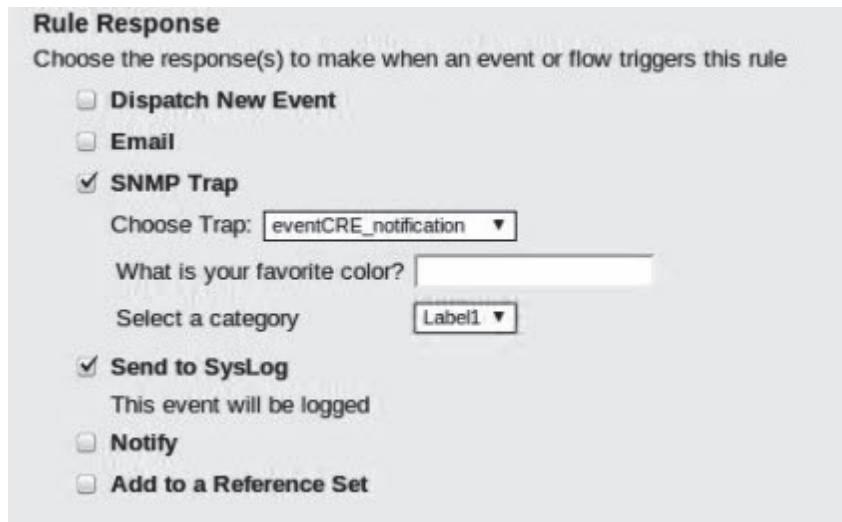
You can configure the Custom Rule Wizard to display two types of labels to display for SNMP traps:

- **string label** - Allows you to include a text box enabling the user to enter text.
- **list label**- Allows you to include list boxes enabling the user to select from a number of options.

For example, the code shown in Step 5 above is displayed as follows on the Custom Rules Wizard:

> **NOTE**
> To include the custom parameters in the SNMP trap, see **Customizing SNMP Trap Output**.

Step 6 Save and exit the file.

Step 7 Copy the file from the **/opt/qradar/conf** directory to the /store/configservices/staging/globalconfig directory.

Step 8 Log in to the QRadar SIEM user interface.

Step 9 On the **Admin** tab menu, select **Advanced > Deploy Full Configuration**.

The SNMP traps that you updated is now deployed to all managed hosts in your system.

Customizing SNMP Trap Output

SNMP allows QRadar SIEM to send traps that provide information when rule conditions have been met. By default, QRadar SIEM adheres to the QRadar SIEM MIB. You can customize the output of the SNMP traps to adhere to any MIB.

> **NOTE**
> For more information on the QRadar SIEM MIB, see the *IBM Security QRadar SIEM Administration Guide*.

To customize SNMP trap output:

Step 1 Using SSH, log in to QRadar SIEM as the root user:

Username: **root**

Password: **<password>**

Step 2 Navigate to the **/opt/qradar/conf** directory.

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Step 3 Make back-up copies of the following files:

- `eventCRE.snmp.xml`
- `offenseCRE.snmp.xml`

Step 4 Choose one of the following options:

a To edit an event rule, open the `eventCRE.snmp.xml` file.

b To edit an offense rule, open the `offenseCRE.snmp.xml` file.

Step 5 To change the trap that is used for SNMP trap notification, update the following line with the appropriate trap OID:

```
-<creSNMPTrap version="3" OID="1.3.6.1.4.1.20212.1.1"
name="eventCRENotification">
```

Step 6 Update the variable binding information, as necessary. You can include one of the following values types:

- **string** - Enables you to configure multiple values within the variable bindings.
- **integer32** - Enables you to include a numerical value in the variable binding. For example:

  ```
  name="ATTACKER_PORT" type="integer32">%ATTACKER_PORT%
  ```

- **oid** - Enables you to include OID information in the variable binding. For example:

  ```
  OID="1.3.6.1.4.1.20212.2.46"
  ```

- **ipAddress** - Enables you to include IP address information in the variable binding. For example:

  ```
  name="TARGET_IP" type="ipaddress">%TARGET_IP%
  ```

- **gauge32** - Enables you to include a numerical value range in the variable binding.
- **counter64** - Enables you to include a numerical value that increments within a defined minimum and maximum range in the variable binding.

For each of the above options, you can include one of the following fields:

- **NATIVE** - Include a native event from QRadar SIEM. For the NATIVE value, you can include any of the following fields:
  - **LOCALHOST**
  - **DATE_AND_TIME**
  - **OFFENSE_ID**
  - **OFFENSE_DESCRIPTION**
  - **OFFENSE_LINK**
  - **MAGNITUDE**
  - **SEVERITY**
  - **CREDITIBILITY**
  - **RELEVANCE**

- **CATEGORY_COUNT**
- **TOP_CATEGORIES**
- **TOP_CATEGORY_1**
- **TOP_CATEGORY_2**
- **TOP_CATEGORY_3**
- TOP_CATEGORY_4
- **TOP_CATEGORY_5**
- **ATTACKER_COUNT**
- **ATTACKER_IP**
- **ATTACKER_USERNAME**
- **ATTACKER_NETWORKS**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_IPS**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_IP_1**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_IP_2**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_IP_3**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_IP_4**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_IP_5**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_USERNAMES**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_USERNAME_1**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_USERNAME_2**
- **TOP_ATTACKER_USERNAME_3**
- TOP_ATTACKER_USERNAME_4
- **TOP_ATTACKER_USERNAME_5**
- **TARGET_COUNT**
- **TARGET_IP**
- **TARGET_USERNAME**
- **TARGET_NETWORKS**
- **TOP_TARGET_IPS**
- **TOP_TARGET_IP_1**
- **TOP_TARGET_IP_2**
- **TOP_TARGET_IP_3**
- **TOP_TARGET_IP_4**
- **TOP_TARGET_IP_5**
- **TOP_TARGET_USERNAMES**
- **TOP_TARGET_USERNAME_1**

- **TOP_TARGET_USERNAME_2**
- **TOP_TARGET_USERNAME_3**
- **TOP_TARGET_USERNAME_4**
- **TOP_TARGET_USERNAME_5**
- **ANNOTATION_COUNT**
- **TOP_ANNOTATION_1**
- **TOP_ANNOTATION_2**
- **TOP_ANNOTATION_3**
- **TOP_ANNOTATION_4**
- **TOP_ANNOTATION_5**
- **RULE_COUNT**
- **RULE_NAMES**
- **EVENT_COUNT**
- **EVENT_ID**
- **QID**
- **EVENT_NAME**
- **EVENT_DESCRIPTION**
- **CATEGORY_ID**
- **CATEGORY_NAME**
- **CATEGORY**
- **RULE_ID**
- **RULE_NAME**
- **RULE_DESCRIPTION**
- **RULE_NOTES**
- **SOURCE_IP**
- **SOURCE_PORT**
- **DESTINATION_IP**
- **DESTINATION_PORT**
- **PROTOCOL**
- **DATASOURCE_ID**
- **DATASOURCE_NAME**

For more information on the native fields, access and open the snmp.help file located in the /opt/qradar/conf directory.

You can put any native field into a variable binding by surrounding the native field name with percentage (%) signs. Within the percentage signs, native fields must match the value type. For example, if the value type is

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ipAddress, you must use a native or custom variable that is an IP address. The **string** value type accepts any format.

- **TEXT** - Type the text that you want to include in the SNMP trap.

- **CUSTOM** - Type the custom SNMP trap information. This is information that you configured in **Customizing the Custom Rules Wizard SNMP Parameters**. For example, if you used the default file information and wanted to include this information in the SNMP trap, you should include the following:

```
<variableBinding name="My Color Variable Binding"
OID="1.3.6.1.4.1.20212.3.1" type="string">My favorite color
is %MyColor%</variableBinding>
```

You can put any custom field into a variable binding by surrounding the native field name with percentage (%) signs. Within the percentage signs, custom fields must match the value type. For example, if the value type is **ipAddress**, you must use a native or custom variable that is an IP address. The **string** value type accepts any format.

For example, if you use the default information, the following SNMP trap is displayed if the rule conditions are met:

2006-07-11 16:06:44 NET-SNMP version 5.2.1 Started.

```
Cold Start: INFORM, SNMP v3, user admin, context

-SNMPv2-MIB::sysUPTime.0 - Timeticks: (555) 0:00:05.55

-SNMPv2-MIB::snmpTrapOID.0 = OID:
SNMPv2-SMI::enterprise.20212.200.0

-SNMPv2-SMI::enterprises:20212.100 = STRING: "Tue Jul 11
16:06:55 ADT 2006 QRADAR Custom Rule Engine Notification - Rule
'Network Scan' has fired. 172.168.1.42:32000 -> 10.100.100.25:80
6, Event Name: EmptyEventName, QID: 42, Category: 1004, Notes: A
scan of the network was detected"
```

Step 7 Save and exit the file.

Step 8 Copy the file from the **/opt/qradar/conf** directory to the /store/configservices/staging/globalconfig directory.

Step 9 Log in to the QRadar SIEM user interface.

Step 10 On the **Admin** tab menu, select **Advanced > Deploy Full Configuration**.

The SNMP traps that you updated are now deployed to all managed hosts in your system.

For more information on changing your SNMP settings, see the *IBM Security QRadar SIEM Administration Guide*.

Adding a Custom SNMP Trap

You can create a new option for the SNMP trap selection in the Custom Rule Wizard. The trap names specified in the list box are configured in the master SNMP configuration file (snmp-master.xml). To create a new trap, you need to create a new SNMP settings file, and then add the file name to the SNMP-master.xml file.

Step 1 Using SSH, log in to QRadar SIEM as the root user:

Username: **root**

Password: **<password>**

Step 2 Navigate to the `/opt/qradar/conf` directory.

Step 3 Create an SNMP settings file for the new trap. We recommend that you copy, rename, and modify one of the existing SNMP settings files.

Step 4 Make a back-up copy of the `snmp-master.xml` file.

Step 5 Open the `snmp-master.xml` file for editing.

The default file, which is supplied with QRadar SIEM, contains the following definitions:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="yes"?>
<snmpConfigurations>
    <include name="eventCRE_notification" uri="eventCRE.snmp.xml"/>
    <include name="offenseCRE_notification" uri="offenseCRE.snmp.xml"/>
</snmpConfigurations>
```

Step 6 Add a new **<include>** element. The traps are displayed in the menu in the same order in which they are listed in the `snmp-master.xml` file.

<include> elements have two attributes:

• **name** - The name of the trap you want to display in the list box.

• **uri** - The name of the custom SNMP settings file.

For example:

```
<include name="Custom_Event_Name" uri="customSNMPdef01.xml"/>
```

Step 7 Save the `snmp-master.xml` file.

Step 8 Copy the file from the **/opt/qradar/conf** directory to the `/store/configservices/staging/globalconfig` directory.

Step 9 Log in to the QRadar SIEM user interface.

Step 10 On the **Admin** tab menu, select **Advanced > Deploy Full Configuration**.

The custom SNMP trap that you added is now deployed to all managed hosts in your system.

Sending SNMP Traps to a Specific Host	By default, SNMP traps are sent to the host identified in your host.conf file; however, you can customize the snmp.xml file to send SNMP traps to a different host.

To send SNMP traps to a specific host in your deployment:

Step 1 Using SSH, log in to QRadar SIEM as the root user:

Username: **root**

Password: **<password>**

Step 2 Make back-up copies of the following files:

- `eventCRE.snmp.xml`
- `offenseCRE.snmp.xml`

Step 3 Choose one of the following options:

a To edit an event rule, open the `eventCRE.snmp.xml` file.

b To edit an offense rule, open the `offenseCRE.snmp.xml` file.

Step 4 Add the <trapConfig> tag into the file inside the <snmp> tag after the <creSNMPTrap> element:

```
<trapConfig>
    <!-- All attribute values are default -->
    <snmpHost snmpVersion="3" port="162" retries="2" timeout="500">HOST</snmpHost>
    <!-- Community String for Version 2 -->
    <communityString>COMMUNITY_STRING</communityString>
    <!-- authenticationProtocol (MD5 or SHA)securityLevel (AUTH_PRIV, AUTH_NOPRIV
    or NOAUTH_PRIV) -->
    <authentication authenticationProtocol="MD5"securityLevel="AUTH_PRIV">
    AUTH_PASSWORD </authentication>
    <!-- decryptionProtocol (DES, AES128, AES192 or AES256) --> <decryption
decryptionProtocol="AES256"> DECRYPTIONPASSWORD </decryption>
    <!-- SNMP USER-->
    <user> SNMP_USER </user>
</trapConfig>
```

a Update the following line to identify the host to which you want to send SNMP traps:

```
<snmpHost snmpVersion="3" port="162" retries="2"
timeout="500">HOST</snmpHost>
```

b Update the following line to specify the community string for the host:

```
<communityString>COMMUNITY_STRING</communityString>
```

c Update the following line to specify an authentication protocol, security level, and password for the host:

```
<authentication authenticationProtocol="MD5"
securityLevel="AUTH_PRIV"> AUTH_PASSWORD </authentication>
```

    d Update the following line to specify the description protocol and password for the host:

```
<decryption decryptionProtocol="AES256"> DECRYPTIONPASSWORD
</decryption>
```

    e Update the following line to specify the SNMP user:

```
<user> SNMP_USER </user>
```

Step 5 Save and exit the file.

Step 6 Copy the file from the **/opt/qradar/conf** directory to the `/store/configservices/staging/globalconfig` directory.

Step 7 Log in to the QRadar SIEM user interface.

Step 8 On the **Admin** tab menu, select **Advanced > Deploy Full Configuration**.

The SNMP traps that you updated are now deployed to all managed hosts in your system.

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