How do I use the Firewall Rules Merge Wizard in ESET Remote Administrator?

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Issue

Create a new configuration (for use via ESET Remote Administrator) using existing firewall rules from clients

Solution

The Firewall Rules Merge Wizard allows you to quickly create a new firewall rules configuration based on rules from multiple client workstations. For example, after installing ESET Endpoint Security on several workstations, you can set the firewall filtering mode for all clients to interactive mode for a short period of time to create a basic set of rules and then combine the rules from all client workstations to create a configuration file that you can use as the basis of your default policy.

Importing new firewall rules into your existing policy will overwrite existing firewall rules

Attempting to merge a configuration created using the Firewall Rules Merge Wizard with your existing configuration will result in the deletion of your current firewall rules. We strongly recommend that you have a blank policy available where you can add rules created using the wizard.

Run the Firewall Rules Wizard

1. Open the ESET Remote Administrator Console (ERAC) by clicking **Start → All Programs → ESET → ESET Remote Administrator Console → ESET Remote Administrator**

Console, or by double-clicking the ERAC icon on your Desktop.

2. Click **Tools → Firewall Rules Merge Wizard**.



Figure 1-1
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3. Click **Next**, select the client workstation(s) that you want to share firewall rules from (click them and then click **>>**, or drag them into the **Selected items** window) and then click **Next → Next**.



Figure 1-2
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4. Select the check box next to each rule that you want to include in your new configuration (in this example there is only one unique rule on the client, **Allow FTP**; this will differ depending on your client's firewall configuration) and click **Save As**.



Figure 1-3

5. Specify where you want to save your new configuration file (in this example we save to **Desktop**), enter a name for the file and then click **Save**.



Figure 1-4

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