

## How do I use the ESET Configuration Editor?

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ESET Configuration Editor is an important component of the ESET Remote Administrator Console (ERAC). Its primary purpose is to provide a graphical means to edit ESET .xml configuration files, which are stored in an .xml format and can then be pushed to client workstations.

ESET configuration files can be used to do the following:

- Configure the ESET security clients both during package creation and post-deployment

- Tune the settings of the ESET Remote Administrator Server

- [Manage policies](#)

- Make configurations portable

### Opening the Configuration Editor

To create an ESET configuration file, open the ESET Remote Administrator (ERA) Configuration Editor by clicking **Start** → **All Programs** → **ESET** → **ESET Remote Administrator Console** → **ESET Configuration Editor**. The structure used by the Configuration Editor is an.xml template which stores the configuration in a tree-like structure. Your custom configuration is saved as an .xml file, which can then be pushed out to selected client workstations.

#### **NOTE:**

The process for making changes to a policy is different than the process described above. After changes are made to a policy, client workstations assigned to that policy will automatically inherit the new configuration. For more information, see the following Knowledgebase article:

## [What is the ESET Remote Administrator \(ERA\) Policy Manager and how does it work?](#)

### **Configuration Layering**

If a value is changed in the Configuration Editor, the change is marked by a blue symbol . Any entry with the grey icon  has not been changed and will not be written to the.xml output configuration. When applying said configuration to clients, only modifications which have been saved to the.xml output configuration file will be applied () , while all other items () will remain unchanged. This behavior allows you to pick and choose which settings you want to overwrite, without overwriting the entire configuration.

An example is shown in Figure 1-1 below. In this configuration the username EAV-12345678 and password are inserted and using a proxy server is prohibited.



**Figure 1-1**  
**Click the image to view larger in a new window**

### **NOTE:**

For more detailed, in-depth information about the ESET Configuration Editor, download the [ESET Remote Administrator Installation Manual and User Guide](#).  
For a guide to setting up a basic installation of ERA on your server, download the [ESET Remote Administrator Basic Setup Guide](#).