



SonicOS 7

Diagnostics

Administration Guide
for the NSa Series

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Tech Support Report

The Tech Support Report generates a detailed report of the SonicWall security appliance configuration and status and saves it to the local hard disk using the **DOWNLOAD REPORT** button. This file can then be emailed to SonicWall Technical Support to help assist with a problem.

① **NOTE:** You must register your SonicWall security appliance on MySonicWall to receive technical support.

Topics:

- [Completing a Tech Support Request](#)
- [Generating a Tech Support Report](#)

Completing a Tech Support Request

Before emailing the Tech Support Report to the SonicWall Technical Support team, complete a Tech Support Request Form at <https://www.mysonicwall.com>. After the form is submitted, a unique case number is returned. Include this case number in all correspondence, as it allows SonicWall Technical Support to provide you with better service.

Generating a Tech Support Report

TECH SUPPORT REPORT

Automatic secure crash analysis reporting

Periodic secure diagnostic reporting for support purposes

Time Interval (minutes)

Include raw flow table data entries when sending diagnostic report

CONFIGURE

Sensitive Keys <input type="checkbox"/>	Inactive users <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Extra Routing Info <input type="checkbox"/>
ARP Cache <input type="checkbox"/>	Detail of users <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Capture ATP Cache <input type="checkbox"/>
DHCP Bindings <input type="checkbox"/>	IP Stack Info <input type="checkbox"/>	Vendor Name Resolution <input type="checkbox"/>
IKE Info <input type="checkbox"/>	IPv6 NDP <input type="checkbox"/>	Debug info in report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
List of current users <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IPv6 DHCP <input type="checkbox"/>	IP Report <input type="checkbox"/>
DNS Proxy Cache <input type="checkbox"/>	Geo-IP/Botnet Cache <input type="checkbox"/>	ABR Entries <input type="checkbox"/>
	User Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Application Signatures <input type="checkbox"/>

ACTIONS

To generate a Tech Support Report (TSR):

1. In the Tech Support Report section, turn on any of the following report options:
 - **Sensitive Keys** -Saves shared secrets, encryption, and authentication keys to the report.
 - **ARP Cache** -Saves a table relating IP addresses to the corresponding MAC or physical addresses.
 - **DHCP Bindings** -Saves entries from the firewall DHCP server.
 - **IKE Info** -Saves current information about active IKE configurations.
 - **Wireless Diagnostics** -Lists log data if the SonicPoint or internal wireless radio experiences a failure and reboots.
 - **List of current users** -Lists all currently logged in active local and remote users.
 - **DNS Proxy Cache** -This option is not selected by default.
 - **Inactive users** -Lists the users with inactive sessions. Selected by default.
 - **Detail of users** -Lists additional details of user sessions, including timers, privileges, management mode if managing, group memberships, CFS policies, VPN client networks, and other information. The Current users report checkbox must be enabled first to obtain this detailed report.
 - **IP Stack Info** -This option is not selected by default.
 - **IPv6 NDP** -This option is not selected by default.
 - **IPv6 DHCP** -This option is not selected by default.
 - **Geo IP/Botnet Cache** -Saves the currently cached Geo IP and Botnet information.
 - **User Name** - Shows user name in the report.
 - **Extra Routing Info** - Shows extra routing information in the report.
 - **Capture ATP Cache** -Saves the currently cached Capture information.
 - **Vendor Name Resolution** -This option is not selected by default.
 - **Debug Info in report** -Specifies whether the downloaded TSR is to contain debug information.
 - **IP Report** - This option is not selected by default.
 - **ABR Entries** - This option is not selected by default.
 - **Application Signatures** - Shows application signature information in the report.
2. Click **Download Tech Support Report** to save the file to your system.
3. Click **OK** to save the file.
4. Attach the report to your Tech Support Request email.
5. To send the TSR, system preferences, and trace log to SonicWall Engineering (not to SonicWall Technical Support), click **Send Diagnostic Reports to Support**. The Status indicator at the bottom of the page displays **Please wait!** while the report is sent, and then displays **Diagnostic reports sent successfully**. You would normally do this after talking to Technical Support.
6. To send diagnostic files to SonicWall Tech Support for crash analysis, select the **Automatic secure crash analysis reporting** toggle switch.
7. To periodically send the TSR, system preferences, and trace log to MySonicWall for SonicWall Engineering:
 - a. Select the **Periodic secure diagnostic reporting for support purposes** switch.
 - b. Enter the interval in minutes between the periodic reports in the **Time Interval (minutes)** field. The default is 1440 minutes (24 hours).

8. To include flow table data in the TSR, toggle the switch for **Include raw flow table data entries when sending diagnostic report**.

Check Network Settings

Check Network Settings is a diagnostic feature that automatically checks the network connectivity and service availability of several pre defined functional areas of SonicOS, returns the results, and attempts to describe the causes if any exceptions are detected.

IPv4		IPv6	
GENERAL NETWORK CONNECTION			
SERVER	IP ADDRESS	TEST RESULTS	NOTES
<input type="checkbox"/> Default Gateway (X1)	→ 10.206.24.1		
<input type="checkbox"/> DNS Server 1	→ 10.206.229.148		
Total: 2 Item(s)			
SECURITY MANAGEMENT			
SERVER	IP ADDRESS	TEST RESULTS	NOTES
<input type="checkbox"/> My SonicWall	→ www.mysonicwall.com		
<input type="checkbox"/> License Manager	→ lm2.sonicwall.com		
<input type="checkbox"/> Content Filtering	→ filterlist.sonicwall.com		
Total: 3 Item(s)			

This tool helps you locate the problem area when users encounter a network problem. The feature lists both IPv4 and IPv6 network settings in different tabs.

Specifically, Check Network Settings automatically tests the following functions:

- Default Gateway settings
- DNS settings
- MySonicWall server connectivity
- License Manager server connectivity
- Content Filter server connectivity

The return data consists of two parts:

- Test Results – Provides a summary of the test outcome
- Notes – Provides details to help determine the cause if any problems exist

The **Check Network Settings** feature is dependent on the **Network Monitor** feature available under **Network | Network Monitor** view. Whenever the Check Network Settings tool is being executed (except during the Content Filter test), a corresponding Network Monitor Policy appears on the **Network | Network Monitor** page, with a special diagnostic tool policy name in the form:

```
diagTestPolicyAuto_<IP_address/Domain_name>_0
```

To use the Check Network Settings tool, first select it in the Diagnostic Tools drop down list and then click the Test button in the row for the item that you want to test. The results are displayed in the same row. A green check mark signifies a successful test, and a red X indicates that there is a problem.

To test multiple items at the same time, check the box for each desired item and then click **TEST ALL SELECTED**.

DNS Name Lookup

The DNS lookup tool returns the IPv4 and IPv6 IP address of a URL. If you enter an IPv4 and/or IPv6 IP address, the tool returns the domain name for that address. If you enter a domain name, the tool returns the DNS server used and the resolved address.

With the **DNS Server** radio buttons, you can select either a **System** or **Customized** DNS server. The options change, depending on which you choose.

The **IPv4/IPv6 DNS Server** fields display the IP addresses of the DNS Servers configured on the firewall. If there is no IP address (0.0.0.0 for IPv4 or :: for IPv6) in the fields, you must configure them on the **Network > DNS** page.

Under **Find location of this URL**, enter the URL and select, IPv4, IPv6, or All and click **GO**.

Resolving a System DNS Server

To resolve a system DNS Server:

1. Select **System** for the DNS Server.

DNS NAME LOOKUP

DNS Server System Customized

IPv4 DNS Server 10.65.1.51
10.50.129.148
0.0.0.0

IPv6 DNS Server ::
::
::

Find location of this URL IPv4 ⓘ

2. In the **Find location of this URL** field, enter either the domain name or the IP address.

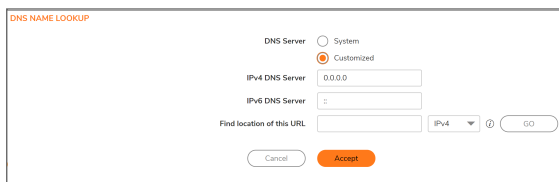
3. Select the type of IP address from the drop down menu:
 - IPv4 (default)
 - IPv6
 - All (both IPv4 and IPv6)
4. Click **GO**. The firewall returns the matching pair of addresses and domain names.

① | **IMPORTANT: IMPORTANT:** When specifying a domain name, do not add http or https to the name.

Resolving a Customized DNS Server

To resolve a Customized DNS Server:

1. Select **Customized** under DNS Server.



The screenshot shows a window titled "DNS NAMELOOKUP". It contains the following fields and controls:

- DNS Server:** Radio buttons for "System" and "Customized". "Customized" is selected.
- IPv4 DNS Server:** Text input field containing "0.0.0.0".
- IPv6 DNS Server:** Text input field containing ":".
- Find location of this URL:** Text input field.
- IP Type:** A dropdown menu currently set to "IPv4".
- Buttons:** "Cancel" and "Accept" (highlighted in orange) at the bottom; "GO" at the bottom right.

2. If the DNS Server IP address is not populated, enter it in the IPv4 or IPv6 field.
3. In the **Find Location of this URL** field, enter either the domain name or the IP address.
4. Select the type of IP address from the drop down menu:
 - IPv4 (default)
 - IPv6
 - All (both IPv4 and IPv6)
5. Click **GO**.

Network Path

Enter an IP address to determine the network path of it. The Network Path feature finds if the IP is located on a specific network interface, if it reached a router gateway IP address, and if it reached through an Ethernet address.

FIND NETWORK PATH

Find location of this IP address

To find network path of an IP address:

1. Under **Diagnostics**, click **Network Path**.
2. Enter the IP address of the network.
3. Click **GO**.

Ping

The Ping test sends a packet off a machine on the Internet and returns it to the sender. This test shows if the firewall is able to contact the remote host. If users on the LAN are having problems accessing services on the Internet, try pinging the DNS server, or another machine at the ISP location. If the test is unsuccessful, try pinging devices outside of the ISP. If you can ping devices outside of the ISP, then the problem lies with the ISP connection.

PING

Ping host or IP address

Interface ⓘ

Prefer IPV6 Networking

GO

To ping an IP address:

1. Select **Ping** under **Diagnostics**.
2. Enter the IP address or host name of the target device.
3. In the **Interface** drop down menu, select which WAN interface you want to test the ping from. Selecting **ANY** allows the appliance to choose among all interfaces—including those not listed in the drop down menu.
4. Toggle **Prefer IPv6 Networking** switch if you prefer pinging to an IPv6 address.
5. Click **GO**.

Trace Route

Trace Route is a diagnostic utility that assists in diagnosing and troubleshooting router connections on the Internet. By using Internet UDP packets similar to Ping packets, Trace Route can test interconnectivity with routers and other hosts that are spread along the network path until the connection fails or until the remote host responds.

Trace Route tool includes a IPv6 networking option. When testing interconnectivity with routers and other hosts, SonicOS uses the first IP address that is returned and shows the actual Trace Route address. If both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses are returned, by default, the firewall checks the IPv4 address. If the **Prefer IPv6 Networking** option is enabled, the check only IPv6 address.

TRACE ROUTE

TraceRoute this host or IP address

Interface ⓘ

Prefer IPV6 Networking

GO

To troubleshoot with Trace Route:

1. Select **Trace Route** from **Diagnostics** menu.
2. Type the IP address or domain name of the destination host in the **TraceRoute this host or IP address** field.
3. In the **Interface** drop down menu, select which WAN specific interface you want to test the trace route from. Selecting ANY, the default, allows the firewall to choose among all interfaces—including those not listed in the drop down menu.
4. To TraceRoute for IPv6, select the **Prefer IPv6 Networking** checkbox.
5. Click **GO**. Depending on the route, this may take a few minutes. A popup table displays with each hop to the destination host. By following the route, you can diagnose where the connection fails between the firewall and its destination.

Real-Time Blacklist

The Real Time Blacklist feature allows you to blacklist SMTP IP addresses, RBL services, and DNS servers.

REAL-TIME BLACKLIST

IP address

RBL Domain

DNS Server

GO

To blacklist an IP address, RBL domain, or a DNS server:

1. Click **Real-Time Blacklist** under **Diagnostics**.
2. Enter an IP address in the **IP address** field, a FQDN for the RBL in the **RBL Domain** field, or DNS server information in the **DNS Server** field.
3. Click **GO**.

Reverse Name Lookup

The Reverse Name Lookup feature returns the DNS server name for a given IP address. The Log Resolution DNS server 1, 2, and 3 shows the DNS servers configured for the firewall. You can manually configure the DNS servers from **Network > DNS**.

REVERSE NAME LOOKUP

Log Resolution DNS Server 1	<input type="text" value="10.65.1.51"/>
Log Resolution DNS Server 2	<input type="text" value="10.50.129.148"/>
Log Resolution DNS Server 3	<input type="text" value="0.0.0.0"/>
Reverse Lookup the IP Address	<input type="text"/>

GO

To look up an IP address:

1. Click **Reverse Name Lookup** under **Diagnostics**.
2. Enter the IP address in the **Reverse Lookup the IP Address** field.
3. Click **GO**.

Connection TopX

The Connection TopX feature lists the top 10 connections by the source and destination IP addresses. Before you can use this tool, you must enable source IP address connection limiting and /or destination IP address connection limiting for your appliance. If these are not enabled, the page displays a message to tell you where you can enable them.

NOTE: Access Rules listed here are those policies that are enabled and on which source or destination IP address connection limit is enabled.									
#	FROM	TO	PRIORITY	SOURCE	DESTINATION	SERVICE	USER INCLUDED	USER EXCLUDED	COMMENT
No Data									
Total: 0 item(s)									

Geo and Botnet

The Geo and Botnet Lookup feature allows you to block connections to or from a geographic location based on IP address and to or from Botnet command and control servers.

GEO AND BOTNET

Lookup IP

GO

To troubleshoot with GEO Location and BOTNET Server Lookup:

1. Select **Geo and Botnet** under **Diagnostics** menu.
2. Type the IP address or domain name of the destination host in the **Lookup IP** field.
3. Click **GO**. The result displays underneath the Lookup IP field.

MX and Banner

In the MX Record Lookup and Banner Check section, you can perform:

- An MX Record lookup for a given domain name.
- A connection check to the resulting host server or supplied IP address to retrieve the SMTP banner.

MX AND BANNER

DNS Server 1	<input type="text" value="10.50.129.149"/>
DNS Server 2	<input type="text" value="10.50.129.148"/>
DNS Server 3	<input type="text" value="0.0.0.0"/>
Lookup name or IP	<input type="text"/>
SMTP Port	<input type="text" value="25"/>

GO

The DNS servers are displayed by default in the **DNS Server 1/2/3** fields. The SMTP port is displayed in the **SMTP Port** field.

When you enter a domain name or IP address, the Comprehensive Anti-Spam service attempts to connect to that server and retrieve the SMTP banner. This feature allows you to verify that an email sender is not spoofing an address to appear more legitimate.

To look up the MX record of an emailer or domain:

1. Enter the domain name or IP address in the **Lookup name or IP** field.
2. Click **GO**. The results are displayed.

URL Rating Request

Content Filtering Service feature classifies websites under 64 categories based on the content. You can find information about a website by looking up the URL in the CFS URL Rating Request feature.

CFS URL RATING REQUEST	
Lookup Rating for URL	<input type="text" value="https://www.sonicwall.com,"/> <input type="button" value="Submit"/>
RESULT	
URL	www.sonicwall.com/
Rated as	Category 27: Information Technology/Computers

To look up a URL:

1. Under **Diagnostics**, click **CFS URL Rating Request**.
2. Enter the URL in the **Lookup Rating for URL** field.
3. Click **Submit**.

PMTU Discovery

PMTU Discovery is a diagnostic tool that uses a standardized technique for determining the maximum transmission unit (MTU) size on the network path between two Internet Protocol (IP) hosts, usually with the goal of avoiding IP fragmentation. PMTU Discovery works with both IPv4 and IPv6 protocols.

PMTU DISCOVERY

Path MTU Discovery to this host or IP address

Interface ⓘ

GO

To troubleshoot with PMTU Discovery::

1. Under **Diagnostics**, select **PMTU Discovery**.
2. Type the IP address or domain name of the destination host in the **Path MTU Discovery to this host or IP address** field.
3. In the Interface drop down menu, select which WAN specific interface you want to test the trace route from. Selecting **ANY**, the default, allows the firewall to choose among all interfaces—including those not listed in the drop down menu.
4. Click **GO**.

Depending on the route, this may take a few minutes. A pop-up table displays with each hop to the destination host. By following the route, you can diagnose where the connection fails between the firewall and the destination.

Switch Diagnostics

The **Switch Diagnostics** page displays the port status and port counters of respective interfaces of a switch.

SWITCH DIAGNOSTICS

Interface:

PORT STATUS		PORT COUNTERS	
Interface	X0	Tx Octets	2413297605
Switch	0	TxDropPkts	0
Port	4	TxBroadcastPkts	1116
Admin Status	Enabled	TxMulticastPkts	10131
Link Status	UP	TxUnicastPkts	3713813
Link Failed	No	TxCollisions	0
Speed	1G	RxOctets	455781826
Duplex	FD	RxUndersizePkts	0
Auto Negotiation	Yes	RxOversizePkts	0
Pause	Tx Rx	RxJabbers	0
Frame Maximum	1518	RxAlignmentErrors	0
		RxFCSErrors	0
		RxGoodOctets	459636327
		RxDropPkts	0
		RxUnicastPkts	2478488
		RxMulticastPkts	15078
		RxBroadcastPkts	17172
		RxFragments	0
		RxUndersizePkts	0
		RxJumboPkts	0
		RxDiscard	0

To access Switch Diagnostics::

1. Navigate to **Device > Diagnostics > Switch Diagnostics**.
2. Select the interface from the **Interface** drop down menu.

SonicWall Support

Technical support is available to customers who have purchased SonicWall products with a valid maintenance contract.

The Support Portal provides self-help tools you can use to solve problems quickly and independently, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. To access the Support Portal, go to <https://www.sonicwall.com/support>.

The Support Portal enables you to:

- View knowledge base articles and technical documentation
- View and participate in the Community forum discussions at <https://community.sonicwall.com/technology-and-support>.
- View video tutorials
- Access <https://mysonicwall.com>
- Learn about SonicWall professional services
- Review SonicWall Support services and warranty information
- Register for training and certification
- Request technical support or customer service

To contact SonicWall Support, visit <https://www.sonicwall.com/support/contact-support>.

About This Document

① | **NOTE:** A NOTE icon indicates supporting information.

① | **IMPORTANT:** An IMPORTANT icon indicates supporting information.

① | **TIP:** A TIP icon indicates helpful information.

⚠ | **CAUTION:** A CAUTION icon indicates potential damage to hardware or loss of data if instructions are not followed.

⚠ | **WARNING:** A WARNING icon indicates a potential for property damage, personal injury, or death.

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