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Release Notes

These release notes provide the latest information regarding your Alteon Switched Firewall (ASF) release 3.1.2. ASF 3.1.2 is a bridging or layer 2 firewall. A bridging firewall functions as a bridge whereas a layer 3 firewall functions as a router. This firewall is also called a transparent or stealth firewall because it is effectively invisible on the network.

This document is a supplement to the *ASF 3.1 Bridging Firewall Installation and User's Guide* (part number 212535-F). Refer to this document for additional technical questions regarding the product architecture and features.

The *ASF 3.1 Bridging Firewall Installation and User's Guide* (part number 212535-F) is available on the Web at <http://www.nortelnetworks.com/documentation>. Click on the Alteon Switched Firewall documentation link to access the ASF 3.1 manual. The manual is a PDF file which can be read and printed using the free Acrobat Reader software available from Adobe Systems Incorporated (<http://www.adobe.com>).

NOTE – To obtain a manual in hardcopy format, contact your Nortel Networks sales representative and order part number 212535-F.

Late-Breaking News

Please check your software and documentation for any readme.txt file. The readme file may contain important information regarding the product. View the file in any standard text editor.

Release 3.1.2 Changes

The following topics are discussed in these Release Notes:

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Software Support

ASF 3.1.2 Bridging Firewall is supported on

- Check Point™ FireWall-1® NG software with Feature Pack 3 (FP3) Hotfix Accumulator, number 315 (HFA_315)
- Check Point Express™

This version of ASF software is supported on Linux 2.4 kernel.

ASF 3.1.2 can be upgraded from ASF 3.1.1.x only.

New Director Support

ASF 3.1.2 is supported on Director 5014. This section describes the Firewall Director 5014 as shown in [Table 1](#) and in [Figure 1](#).

Table 1 Firewall Director 5014 Hardware Features




Firewall Director 5014	Features
Port capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Two Fiber Gig with LC connector ■ Two 10/100/1000 BaseT Copper Gigabit Ethernet Ports
RAM	1 GB
Hard disk capacity	40 GB
Dimension/Chassis	1U, 20-inch rack-mount
Power supply	Single



Figure 1 Front Panel of the Firewall Director 5014 with the Bezel

[Table 2](#) describes the front panel LEDs shown in [Figure 1](#).

Table 2 Firewall Director 5014 Front Panel LEDs

LED	Description
Amber system status indicator 	The amber system status indicator lights up when the system needs attention due to a problem. LED is normally off. If the system detects a problem with any of the system voltages, temperature sensors, or fans, this LED blinks amber. When the system is reset, the LED is off. When the system is running, this LED displays solid green. If the system hangs, the LED flashes.
Hard-disk drive activity indicator 	This LED blinks when activity is detected on the hard-disk drive.
System power indicator 	This LED is green when the power supply is turned on.

The front panel LEDs are duplicated on the back-panel.

Removing and Installing the Bezel

To remove the bezel off the Firewall Director 5014, open the flap (See ② in Figure 2) and slide the bezel to the right. Then, pull the bezel off the faceplate.

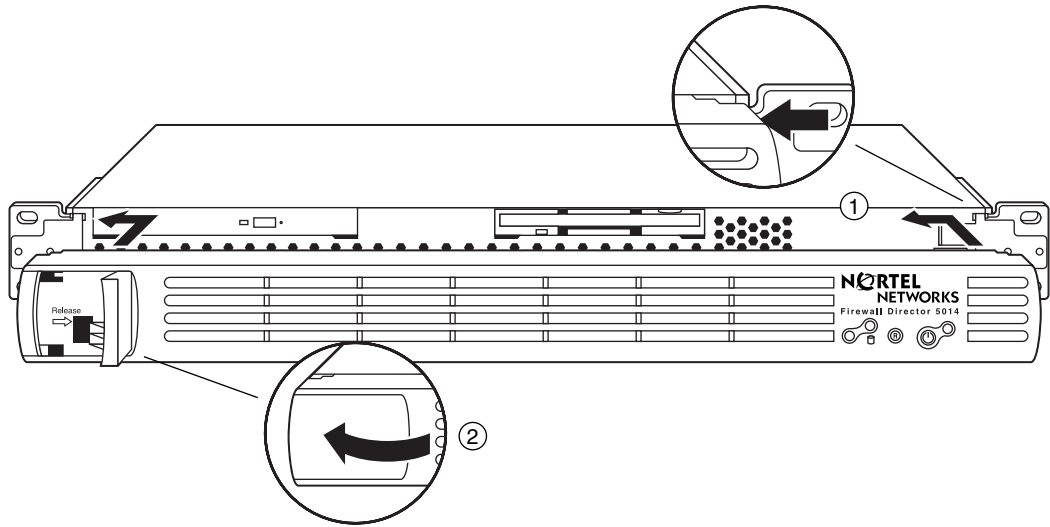


Figure 2 Installing the Bezel on the Firewall Director 5014

To install the bezel, slide the bezel on the face plate as shown in Figure 2 and follow the steps below:

1. **Lift the flap that is located at the left end of the bezel.**
2. **Slide the bezel on the face plate from right to left, until the edge of the bezel aligns with the edge of the face plate lengthwise. (See ① in Figure 2.)**
3. **Keep sliding all the way over until you hear a click, which means the bezel has locked on to the face plate.**
4. **Shut the flap. (See ② in Figure 2.)**

Front Panel Without the Bezel

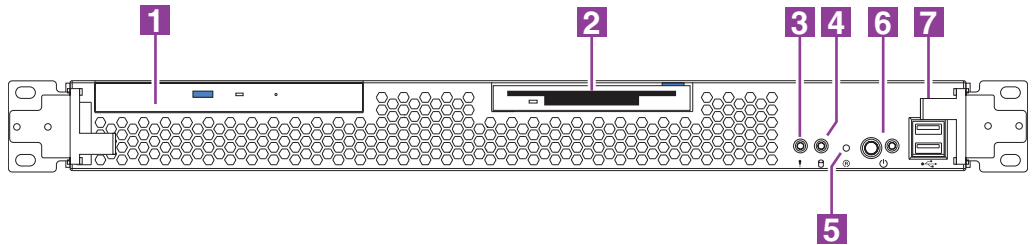


Figure 3 Front Panel of Firewall Director 5014 with Bezel Removed

1. CD-ROM drive
2. Floppy diskette drive
3. System error LED (amber)
4. Hard disk activity LED (green)
5. Reset button
6. Power button (left) and power LED (green)
7. Universal Serial Bus (USB) connectors (not supported)

Rear Panel

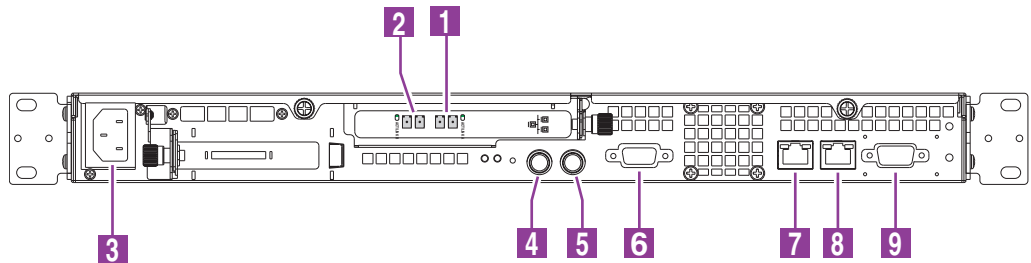


Figure 4 Rear Panel of the Firewall Director 5014

1. **Gigabit Port 1 with LC connector: 1000Base-SX Multimode Fiber Ethernet**
Use this port to connect to the Accelerator.

2. Gigabit Port 2 with LC connector: 1000Base-SX Multimode Fiber Ethernet

(See *ASF 3.1 Bridging Firewall Installation and User's Guide* for ports 1-2 LED status conditions.)

3. AC Receptacle**4. Keyboard Connector (not supported)****5. Mouse Connector (not supported)****6. Video Connector (not supported)****7. Port 1: 10/100/1000Base-T copper Ethernet port**

Use this port to connect to the management server.

8. Port 2: 10/100/1000Base-T copper Ethernet port

Use this port for Check Point synchronization.

(See *ASF 3.1 Bridging Firewall Installation and User's Guide* for ports 1 and 2 LED status conditions.)

9. Serial Connector (DTE) for system configuration and diagnostics (console connection)

Refer to the *ASF 3.1 Bridging Firewall Installation and User's Guide* to install and mount the Director.

Mixing Director Types

ASF 3.1.2 does not support different models of the Director in the same cluster. For example, you cannot mix Directors 5010 and 5014 in the same cluster.

Support for Newer Versions of OpenSSH and OpenSSL

ASF 3.1.2 includes newer versions of OpenSSL and OpenSSH with fixes for the following vulnerabilities:

- Buffer management vulnerability (CERT® Advisory CA-2003-24 Buffer Management Vulnerability in OpenSSH)
- Multiple vulnerabilities in SSL/TLS Implementations (CERT® Advisory CA-2003-26 Multiple Vulnerabilities in SSL/TLS Implementations)

Check Point Anti-spoofing Support

ASF 3.1.2 supports Check Point anti-spoofing. To support this feature you must manually enter the enforcement ports for every Director and define the IP addresses behind the interface.

Follow the step-by-step procedure to configure Check Point anti-spoofing support on ASF:

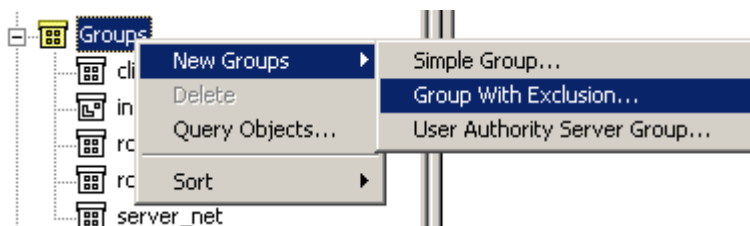
1. **Launch the SmartDashboard software from the Check Point management console.**
2. **Select Network and create Network objects for networks that are reachable from every “internal” port.**

This would include the network the port is on. See the sample configuration on [“Configuration Example” on page 17.](#)

3. **Select Node and create a Host/Node object for every system that would be on the external side of the Firewall.**
4. **For each internal port, combine all networks reachable from it into a Simple Group object, by clicking on Groups >New Groups >Simple Group.**

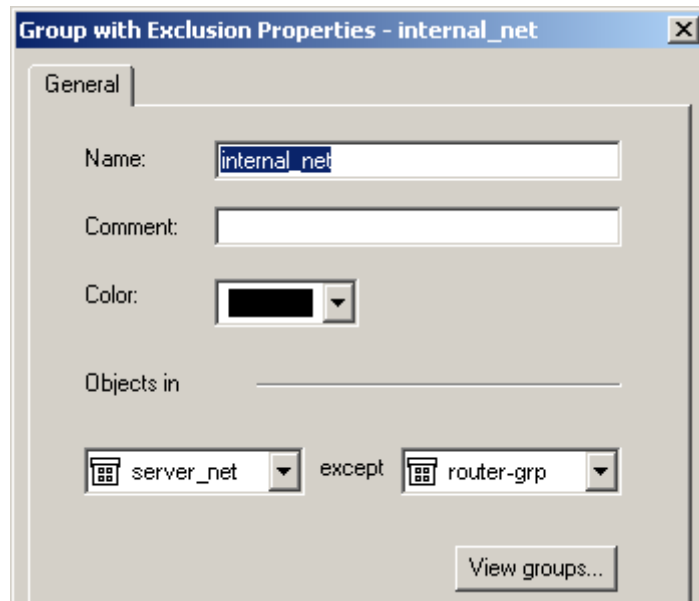
See the sample configuration on [“Configuration Example” on page 17.](#)

5. **Combine the Host/Node objects into a Simple Group object. Click Groups >New Groups >Simple Group.**
6. **Create a Group with Exclusion object. Click Groups >New Groups >Group With Exclusion.**



See the sample configuration in [Figure 6 on page 18.](#)

For each Simple Group object with networks, create a Group with Exclusion object. The “Objects in Group” is the group of networks and the “except” group is the group of hosts on the external side, as shown below.



7. **From the Check Point Main menu, open the Topology tab for the cluster Director. Click Check Point > L2 cluster > SFD.**

The initial topology is empty (unlike the individual Directors, where the management and sync interfaces are visible).

8. **Click Get Topology.**

Get Topology gets the sync and management networks.

9. **Click Add and manually add the enforcement interfaces.**

An arbitrary IP address and a network mask 255.255.255.255 are required. These addresses are not used, but they must be unique for each Director and they should not exist on the network, because packets from these addresses are refused.

The Interface Name option must correspond to the name `ifconfig` displays in the CLI menu. If the default VLAN is used and a port is not trunked, the interface name is “p” followed by the port number. If a VLAN is explicitly defined, a “-” followed by the VLAN Id is appended. For trunked ports, the list of ports contained in that trunk is used (for example, p12-10 is a trunk of ports 1 and 2 on VLAN 10).

NOTE – Do not click “Get Topology” after you manually add the enforcement interfaces. This will delete the newly added enforcement interfaces.

10. Click the Topology tab in the Interface Properties dialog box and select one of the following:

■ External

Select External if the port faces the outside world.

■ Internal

Select Internal and Specific.

Choose the correct Group with Exclusion to define the IP addresses reachable from this port.

A check mark appears automatically for the “Perform Anti-Spoofing based on interface topology” option.

11. Push the policy to activate the anti-spoofing definitions.

Configuration Example

Figure 5 shows an sample topology of layer 2 firewall. Port 1, 2, and 3 on the ASF are connected to networks. Ports 1 and 2 are internal ports (connected to the internal side). Port 1 is connected to a gateway to networks 10.20.1.0 and 10.30.1.0. Port 2 is connected to a hub with hosts but no gateway on the subnet 10.10.1.0. Port 3 is connected to a router (10.10.1.1), which connects to the outside world.

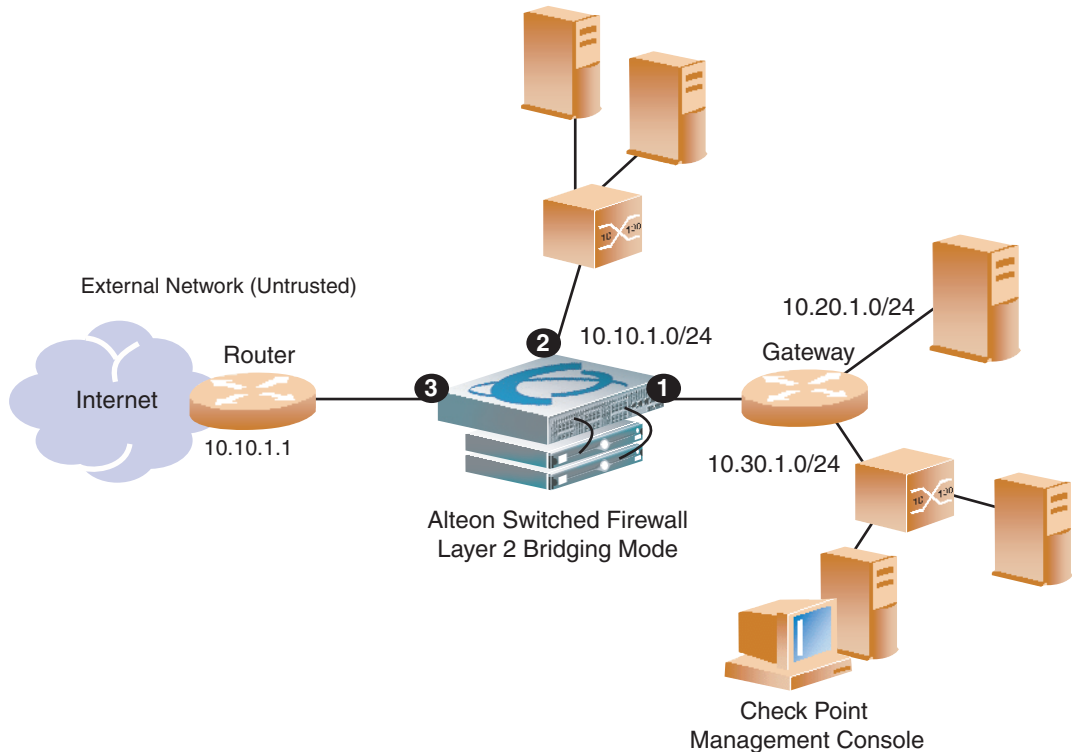


Figure 5 Check Point Anti-spoofing Configuration

1. **Create three network objects (one each for 10.10.1.0, 10.20.1.0, and 10.30.1.0).**
You do not need to create a network object for port 3 (10.10.1.1), because it is an external port.
2. **Create a Host/Node object for IP address 10.10.1.1.**
3. **Create a Simple Group containing the three networks and a Simple Group for the Host/Node object.**

Create three Simple Group objects: a Simple Group containing the three networks 10.10.1.0, 10.20.1.0 and 10.30.1.0, another Simple Group containing network 10.10.1.0 only, and a Simple Group containing 10.10.1.1 (the router group). Create two objects with exclusion by combining the network groups with the host/node (router) group as shown below.

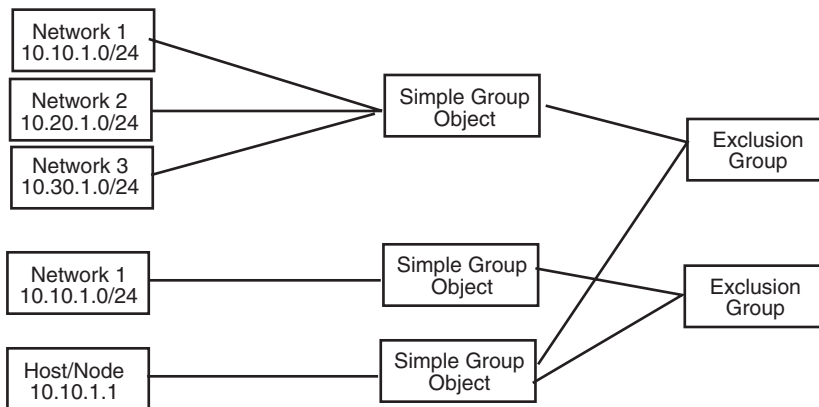


Figure 6 Creating Exclusion Groups

NOTE – If you are not concerned with spoofing on the internal side you could simply use the same group with exclusion for all internal ports and save creating one network group and one group with exclusion.

4. Add the interfaces to the cluster Director.

Add the interfaces p1, p2, and p3 to the topology of the cluster Director, choosing the addresses 1.1.1.1, 1.1.1.2 and 1.1.1.3 respectively with the network mask 255.255.255.255. Make p1 and p2 interfaces internal with the specific Group with Exclusion and p3 external.

5. Push the policy to activate the anti-spoofing definitions.

Layer 2 Filter Menu

Configure a layer 2 filter to allow non-IP and non-ARP multicast traffic bypass the firewall. For example, you can configure a layer 2 filter to allow BPDU packets for spanning tree or a GVRP packets. By default, non-IP and non-ARP packets are dropped unless specified in this layer 2 filter.

The Layer 2 Filter menu is configured using the Command Line Interface (CLI) or the Browser-Based Interface (BBI). If you are using the CLI, the layer 2 filter command is configured at `/cfg/net/adv/l2filt <#>`. Each of the menu commands in the Layer 2 Filter menu is explained in the following section.

`/cfg/net/adv/l2filter` *<filter number>*

Layer 2 Filter Definition Menu

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[Layer 2 Filter Definition 1 Menu]
  dmac      - Set Destination MAC
  ethtype   - Set Ether type
  ena       - Enable filter
  dis       - Disable filter
  del       - Remove Layer 2 Filter Definition
  cur       - Display current settings
```

The Layer 2 Filter menu allows you to specify non-IP and non-ARP packets to bypass the firewall. ASF 3.1.2 software lets you define up to 4 layer 2 filters.

Table 3 Layer 2 Filter Menu (`/cfg/net/adv/l2filter`)

Command Syntax and Usage

dmac *any|stp|bmga|gmrp|gvrp* *<destination MAC address>*

This command sets the destination MAC address of non-IP and non-ARP packets to bypass the firewall. You can select either the built-in options (*stp*, *bmga*, *gmrp*, *gvrp*) or enter a *destination MAC address* (for example, 00:60:cf:40:56:00) for a specific packet type. The built-in options are translated to their respective destination MAC addresses. The default option *any* affects all packet types.

ethtype *any|ether type* *<in hexadecimal>*

This command allows you to specify the ether type for non-IP and non-ARP packets to bypass the firewall. The ether type must be specified in hexadecimal, for example 1f02. The default is *any*.

Table 3 Layer 2 Filter Menu (/cfg/net/adv/l2filter)**Command Syntax and Usage****ena**

This command enables this filter.

dis

This command disables this filter.

del

This command removes this filter from the cluster configuration.

cur

This command displays current settings for all items in the Layer 2 Filter menu.

ASF Combinations

Typically, Firewall capacity refers to higher throughput, concurrent sessions, and sessions per second. Higher throughput and concurrent sessions are determined by the Firewall Accelerator model and sessions per second are determined by the Firewall Director model.

Use compatible ASF 3.1.2 Bridging Firewall components as shown in [Table 4](#) to achieve the desired performance.

Table 4 Supported Combinations for ASF 3.1.2

ASF	Firewall Accelerator Models	Firewall Director Models
5714	5700	5014
5710	5700	5010
5614	5600	5014
5610	5600	5010

The ASF components have been renamed for integration into Nortel Networks' larger vision for network security products. Although the manual uses the new product names, the information still applies to the Alteon Firewall Accelerator ("SFA") and Firewall Director ("SFD") products you may currently use.