



# FIREEYE APP FOR SPLUNK ENTERPRISE 6.X

Configuration Guide Version 1.3

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# Welcome

This document provides instructions on installing the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise and configuring the devices to communicate.

# Supported FireEye Event Formats

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1	SYSLOG - TCP CEF	No	TCP does not require command-line configuration on FireEye Appliance
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4	SYSLOG - UDP CSV	No	JSON provides more data than CEF and CSV

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1	SYSLOG - TCP XML	No	TCP does not require command-line configuration on FireEye Appliance
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4	SYSLOG - UDP JSON	No	Last resort - May not send protocol field

#### Most effort to configure

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1	HTTPS JSON	Yes	Encrypted, lighter than XML
2	HTTPSXML	Yes	Encrypted

#### **General notes**

- When sending JSON or XML to EX, use concise alerting
- For everything else, use normal alerting
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## Warning

Preference is to use TCP, but if UDP is necessary -- set FireEye UDP syslog to max chunk-size of 4096:

ssh admin@<FireEyeBox> en conf t fenotify rsyslog trap-sink <splunk connector> chunk-size 4096



# **Original Build Environment**

- Linux base OS
- Splunk 6.X Non-distributed environment

# Possible Dashboard Configurations

- Analytics: User-provided content. Feel free to contribute favorite dashboards via the feedback link within the app.
- Visualization: Intended as a heads-up display for a NOC/SOC. GeoIP, trends, and charts.
- Analysis: Analyst dashboard contains more detailed event data
- Comprehensive: All panels displayed on one screen--Visualization + Comprehensive
- Toolbox: Useful tools for investigators that include third-party lookups

## Screenshots

The screenshots below provide default dashboards included in the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise.

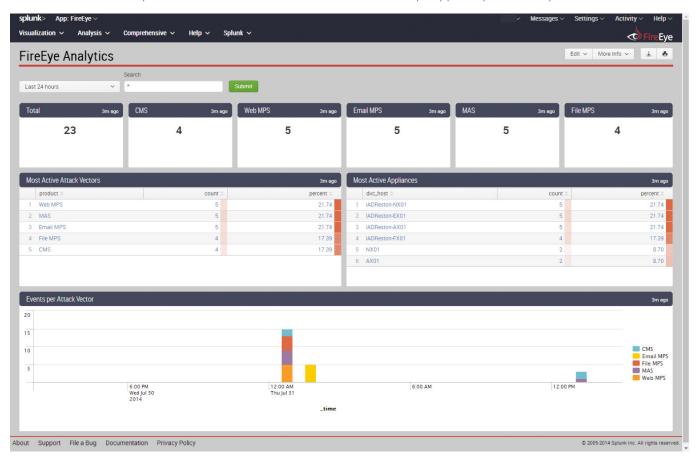


Figure 1: Analytics Dashboard



Figure 2: FireEye NX Visualization

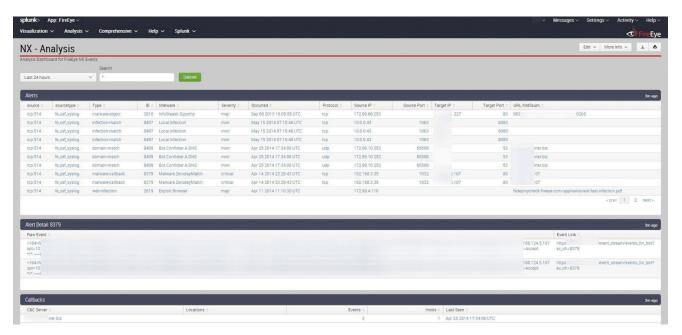


Figure 3: FireEye NX Analysis

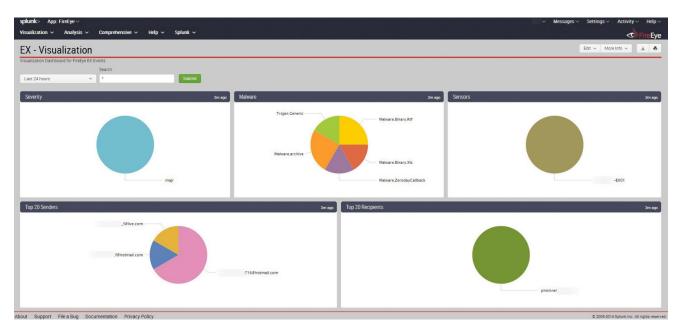


Figure 4: FireEye EX Visualization

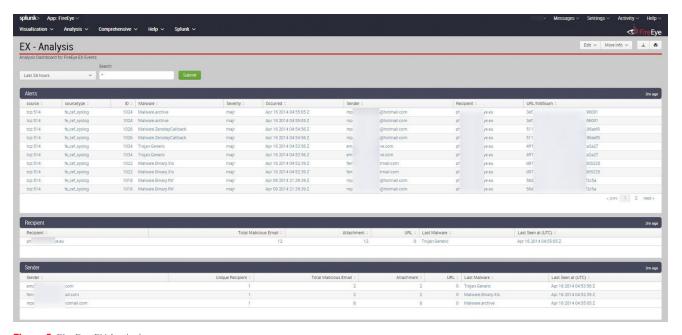


Figure 5: FireEye EX Analysis



# Installing the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise

Use the App Manager within Splunk or follow the manual installation instructions below:

# Manual Installation Procedures

- 1. Download the .spl or .tgz file.
- 2. Navigate to "Apps" -> "Manage Apps".
- 3. Click on "Install app from file".
- 4. Upload the downloaded file using the form provided.
- 5. Restart if the app requires it.

\$SPLUNK HOME/bin/splunk restart

Upon successful installation, the following screen will be present:

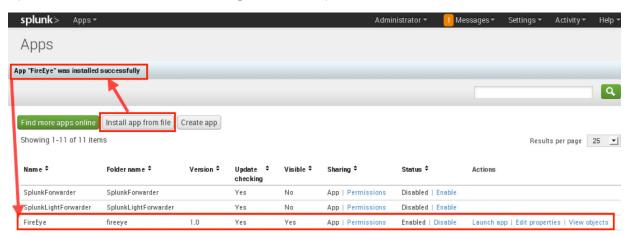


Figure 6: Successful Installation Message

# Configuring the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise

FireEye realizes that every customer may not own the entire suite of appliances, thus the FireEye app allows the user to customize their menu options to only contain the necessary appliances. This can be done by performing the following actions:

- 1. Log into Splunk using an Administrator account
- 2. We have made it easy to setup and change the menus by going to Help -> Configure App

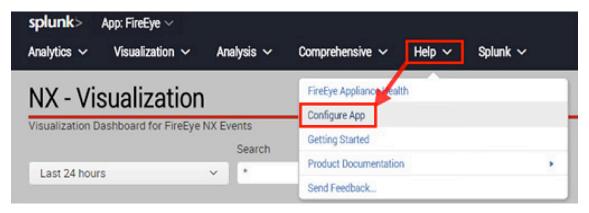


Figure 7: Help menu shows option to configure the application

3. In the next screen, users can enable certain FireEye products and optionally Daily Reports

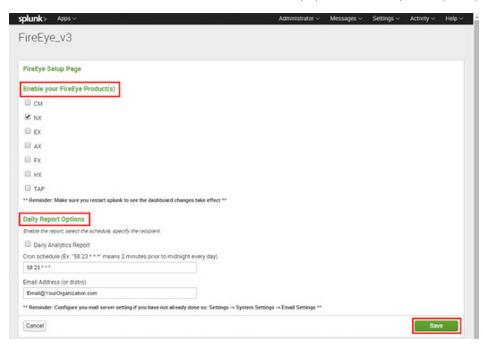


Figure 8: FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise configuration screen

4. Restart Splunk when the following message appears: "Successfully updated FireEye\_v3" in the top left hand corner of the screen.

\$SPLUNK\_HOME/bin/splunk restart



# **Configuring Splunk**

There are many options for configuring Splunk, but the main options are listed below. You choice will depend on the constraints in your environment.

#### **Explanation of Protocols:**

#	Protocol	Enc	Reason
1	SYSLOG - TCP	No	Easier to send large amounts of data than UDP
2	SYSLOG - UDP	No	Last resort - requires shell configuration of FireEye devices
3	HTTPS via Splunk RESTful API	Yes	Encrypted, flexible sending large amounts of data

# SYSLOG - TCP & UDP

The steps below should assist in the setup. The instructions below show TCP, but can easily be changed if UDP is required.

# **Creating Connectors**

Now that we have Splunk ready to go, we have to create the connection between the FireEye and Splunk devices. This involves creating a Splunk listener and configuring the FireEye device to send the data.

## Splunk Listener

The Splunk listener needs to be configured so it can receive data from other devices. Perform the following steps to create the listener:

- Again, log into the Splunk web UI with an admin account
- Click "Settings -> Data inputs -> Add data button"
- Click "From a TCP port"
- Enter "514" for the port
- Set Source Type: From list
- Select source type from list: syslog
- Click the "Save" button
- Click the "Back to home" link

Both FireEye and Splunk allow syslog over TCP. Using TCP, there are fewer concerns with data that is too large for SYSLOG—thus it is recommended.

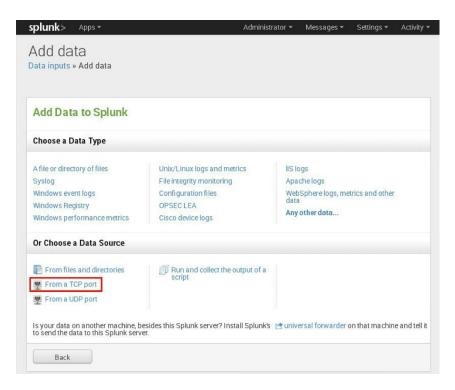


Figure 9: Adding a data connector in Splunk

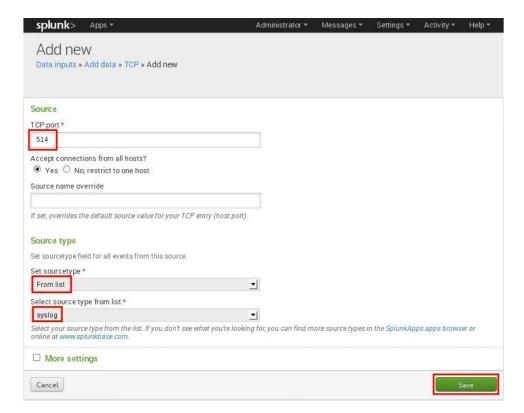


Figure 10: Adding a data connector in Splunk

# HTTPS via Splunk RESTful API

The steps below should assist in the setup.

# Splunk Listener

A default installation of Splunk 6.0 or later should automatically be listening via the RESTful API on port 8089. However, this can be verified by navigating to this API using a standard web browser: https://<SplunkBox>:8089

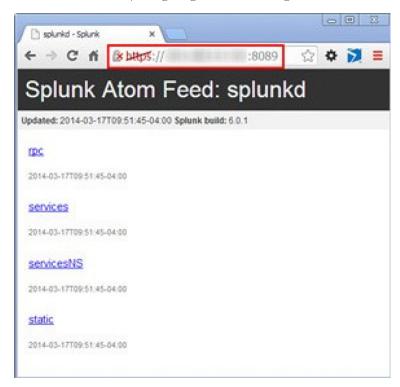


Figure 11: Splunk RESTful API is available on the default port 8089

If for whatever reason, you are not able to connect to this port, you can verify the service and port number using the following steps:

Using a web browser, log in to the web interface: http://<SplunkBox>:8000

- Username: <admin account>
- Password: <password>

#### Set up the Splunk listener:

- Click the "Settings" hyperlink in the top right hand corner of Splunk
- Under "System", click "System settings"
- Click "General Settings"
- Note the value in the "Management port" field

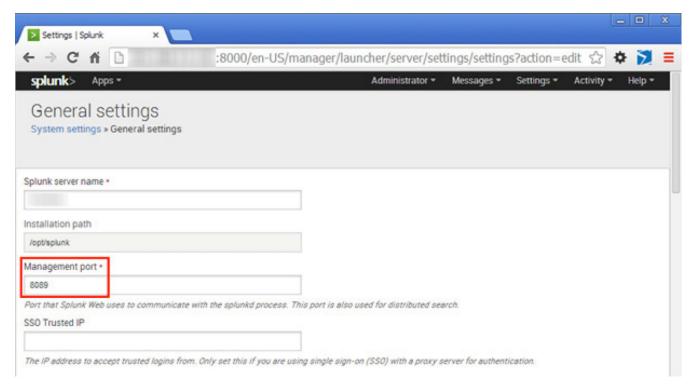


Figure 12: The port that Splunk uses for its RESTful API

# Splunk Role

We now want to create a user in Splunk that will be used for passing the RESTful API data. However, there is currently no predefined Splunk role that can perform the job while adhering to the principle of least privilege. We could just assign our new user the "admin" role, but this would create a more severe situation should this account ever become compromised.

The following instructions will create a Splunk role that has only the ability to accept data via the RESTful API:

- Log into the Splunk web UI with an admin account
- Click "Settings -> Users and authentication -> Access controls"
- Click "Roles" -> Click the "New" button
- Role Name: RESTfulAPI
- Capabilities: edit tcp

# Splunk User

Now that we have created a secure role, we need to create an account that will be used for authentication to post our event data.

#### Note:

- Make sure the account name is alphanumeric only (no whitespaces)
- Make sure password is 17 characters or less
  - Example username: fireeye
- Again, log into the Splunk web UI with an admin account
- Click "Settings -> Users and authentication -> Access controls"
- Click "Users" -> Click the "New" button
- Fill in the required data
- Privilege Note: Remember to use our newly created restfulapi role
- Click the "Save" button

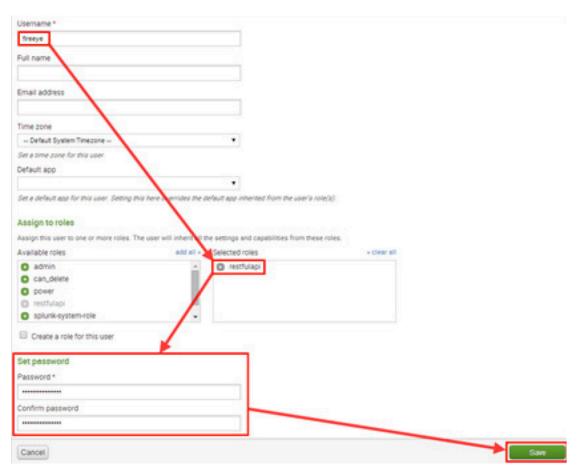


Figure 13: Creating the Splunk admin account that will accept our HTTP POST messages.



# Configuring FireEye (NX, EX, AX, FX)

There are many options for installation, but the most reliable options are listed below in order of preference. You choice will depend on the constraints in your environment.

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ssh admin@<FireEyeBox>
en

conf t

fenotify rsyslog trap-sink <splunk connector> chunk-size 4096

Two examples are provided below, **First for SYSLOG** and **Second for HTTPS**.

# **CEF over SYSLOG (TCP)**

The first option we will show is how to configure the FireEye device to send CEF over SYSLOG. We understand that sending data via HTTPS may not work for everyone.

Complete the following steps to send data to Splunk using CEF over SYSLOG (TCP):

- Log into the FireEye appliance with an administrator account
- Click Settings
- Click Notifications
- Click rsyslog
- Check the "Event type" check box
- Next to the "Add Rsyslog Server" button, type "Splunk CEF SYSLOG".
- Then click the "Add Rsyslog Server" button.
- Enter the IP address of the Splunk server in the "IP Address" field.

Make sure rsyslog settings are:

- Format: XML concise for EX, XML normal for everything else
- Delivery: Per event
- Send as: Alert
- Change the protocol dropdown to TCP (or use the special max chunk-size for UDP to 4096)

Remember to click the "Update" button when finished.

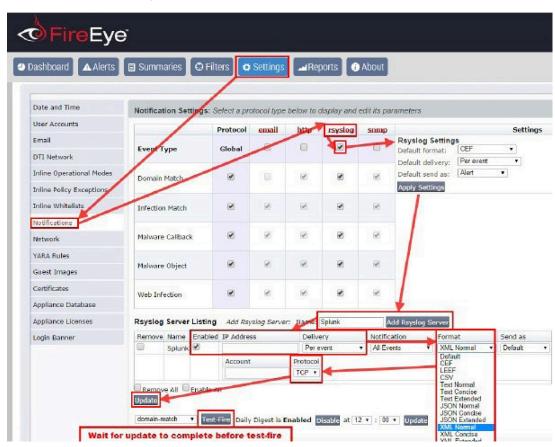


Figure 14: Steps to set up SYSLOG

# **JSON over HTTPS**

The second option we will show is how to configure the FireEye device to send JSON over HTTPS. HTTPS can be a good option if you are required or prefer to send data over an encrypted channel.

Complete the following steps to send data to Splunk using extended JSON via HTTPS Post:

- Log into the FireEye appliance with an administrator account
- Click "Settings"
- Click "Notifications"
- Click the "http" hyperlink
- Under the http hyperlink, make sure the "Event type" check box is selected
- HTTP settings should be:
- Default delivery: Per event
- Default provider: Generic
- Default format: JSON concise for EX, JSON normal for everything else
- Click the "Apply Settings" button

Next to the "Add HTTP Server" button, type "SplunkHTTPS". Then click the "Add HTTP Server" button.

Next to the newly created SplunkHTTPS entry: Select "Enabled", "Auth", and "SSL Enable" check boxes.

Enter the following settings:

- Server URL: https://<SplunkAD.DR.ESS>:<PORT>/services/receivers/simple?host=<FireEyeA ddress>&source=fe\_alert&sourcetype=fe\_json
- Username: fireeye (or username you created in Splunk)
- Password: <password you created above in Splunk>

**Note:** The default port used above is 8089--unless it has been changed.

Ex: https://192.168.33.152:8089/services/receivers/simple?host=192.168.33.131&source=fe\_alert&sourcetype=fe\_json

Remember to click the "Update" button when finished.

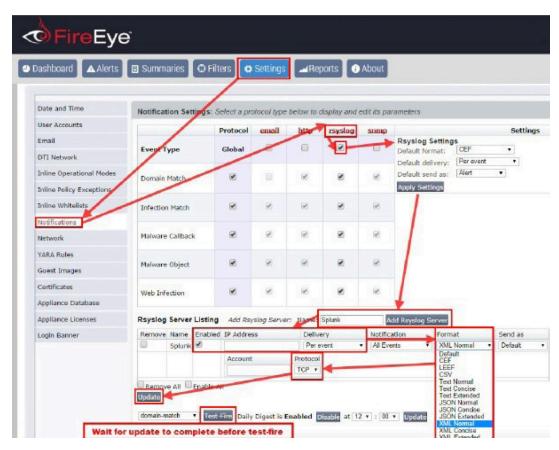


Figure 15: Steps to configure the FireEye appliance to send data to Splunk



# **Optional Indexing**

Note: Separate indexing may not work in all environments--such as complex distributed Splunk indexing and searching.

Upon installation, the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise stores all alert data in Splunk's default index called "main". Depending on the size of the deployment and the amount of data already stored in the main Index, this could cause a significant performance issue. You have the option to store this data in its own index to improve search performance, however at the current time this change is unsupported. That said, some clients have reported significant improvements in search time when using a separate index. One real-world example is shown below along with the required modification to enable separate indexing:

**Customer Results:** Year to date search takes **9 minutes 15 second**s to populate the main dashboard from the main index. After the change to a separate index, it was reduced to **20 seconds**.

#### Steps:

Remember to first create the index: Settings -> Data -> Indexes -> New -> Index name: fireeye -> Save

## Out of the box configuration: eventtypes.conf is:

```
[fe]
search = sourcetype=fe_* OR sourcetype=hx_*
```

## Modified configuration to support separate "fireeye" index: Change eventtypes.conf to:

```
[fe]
search = index=fireeye sourcetype=fe * OR sourcetype=hx *
```

**Props.conf change**: Remove the red hash (#) symbol below

```
# Uncomment the next line to send FireEye data to a separate index called "fireeye"
#TRANSFORMS-updateFireEyeIndex = fix_FireEye_CEF_in, fix_FireEye_CSV_in, fix_
FireEye_XML_in, fix_FireEye_JSON_st, fix_HX_CEF_in, fix_HX2_CEF_in
```

**Note:** If the infex is not going to be called fireeye, then transforms.conf needs to be modified.

#### Change RESTful string in the FireEye appliance:

https://xx.xx.xx.8089/services/receivers/simple?host=xx.xx.xx.xx&source=fe\_alert&index=fireeye&sourcetype=fe\_json

(Special thanks to Richard Griffith for the research and solution.)



# Integrating FireEye PX

Follow the steps below to integrate FireEye PX with the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise.

- 1. Run the setup within the app (Help -> Setup) and select the appliances
- 2. Add your PX appliance IP addresses in the following file: \$SPLUNK\_HOME/etc/apps/FireEye\_v3/lookups/px\_appliances.csv

#### Original config:

system
<Configure me>
<Read the config guide>

## After you are done (assuming your PX appliance is 192.168.5.100):

system 192.168.5.100

If the setup file is configured with the PX check box checked, a PX Pivoting menu will be available in the drop down. If the px\_appliances.csv file is not configured, then < Configure me > will appear in the PX appliance drop down. If it is configured, the IP of the appliance will be in the drop down.

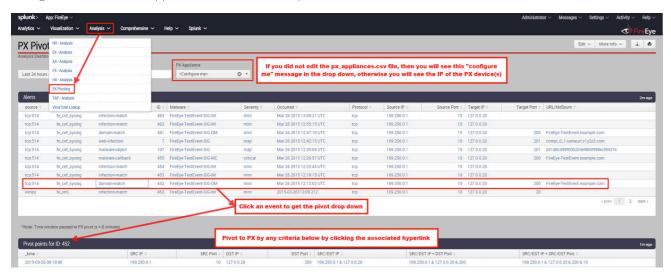


Figure 16: Error message displayed when the PX is not configured

Once set up, the dashboard can be used to pivot based on any of the following data (as shown in the screenshot below):

- Time
- Source IP
- Source Port
- Destination IP
- Destination Port
- Source and Destination IP
- Source and Destination IP and Destination Port
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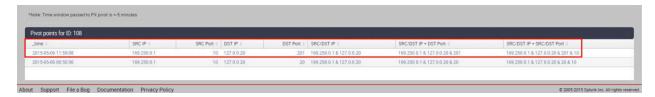


Figure 17: Fields that can be used to pivot

# Integrating FireEye HX

Follow the steps below to integrate FireEye HX with the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise.

1. Ensure that HX is selected as an option in the FireEye app under Help -> Configure App. (For more details, please see the section called:

"Configuring the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise")

- 2. Log into FireEye with an Administrator account
- 3. Navigate to FireEye -> Administration

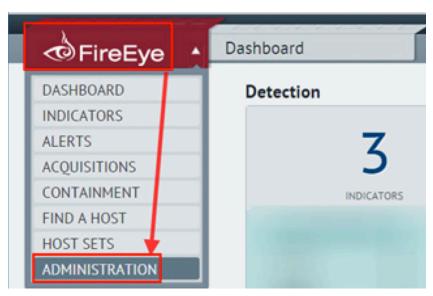


Figure 18: Administration menu in HX

4. Click the drop down and then Logging



Figure 19: Logging option

5. Enter the Splunk server IP, Port, and Select TCP as the protocol. Then click the Save button.

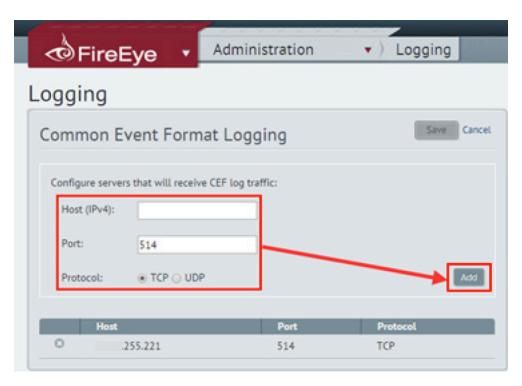


Figure 20: Entering syslog information

# Integrating FireEye Threat Analytics Platform (TAP)

This section will outline how to integrate FireEye TAP into the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise.

# How it works

The diagram below is designed to show one possible use case. It also helps to illustrate data flow options between Splunk and FireEye products.

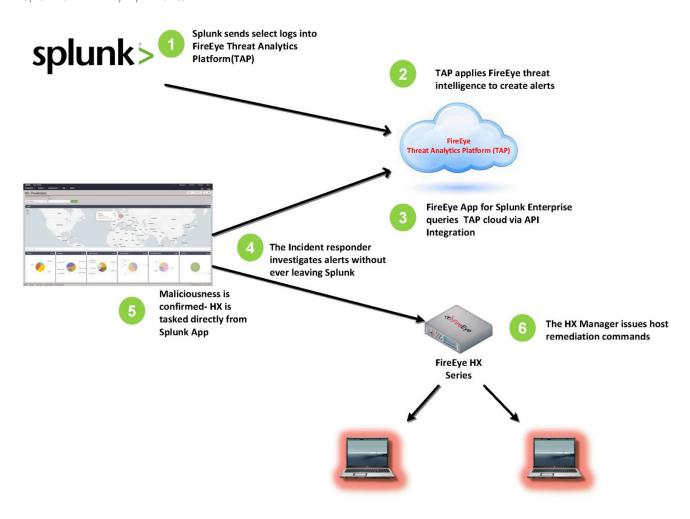


Figure 21: One possible use case for TAP / Splunk integration

# Requirements

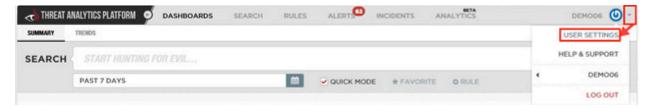
- FireEye TAP is setup and receiving proper logs to generate events
- Third party Splunk App Rest API Module Input (Big thanks to: Damien Dallimore)
  - https://apps.splunk.com/app/1546/

# Configuring the FireEye TAP API

The instructions below will outline how to configure the TAP API.

## Create an API key

- 1. Log into the Threat Analytics Platform
- 2. Go to User settings by clicking the drop down arrow in the top right hand corner and then selecting "USER SETTINGS"



3. Select Applications and click "ADD NEW API KEY"



- 4. Name the API key. Ex: Splunk API key
- 5. Save the API key in a secure place -- It will not be displayed again.

# **API Key Created**

Your API Key for Splunk API key is:



Be sure to save this code; It will not be displayed again.

OKAY, GOT IT

Figure 22: API key provided

# Discover the TAP Instance ID

The requirements for this step are the following:

- 1. URL of the TAP instance
- 2. API key from previous step

Using curl execute the following one-liner to retrieve the TAP Instance ID

#### Syntax:

curl -H "x-mansfield-key: INSERT\_KEY\_HERE" https://INSERT\_URL\_HERE/tap/api/v1/users/instance

#### Example:

curl -H "x-mansfield-key:eb5123456789" https://yours.fireeyeapps.com/ tap/api/v1/users/instance

#### **Expected response:**

[{"id":"1234-123-123-123-123456789","name":"demo06","active":true}]

Be sure to copy down the TAP instance id that was returned from your query.

Now you have three pieces of vital information:

- URL of the TAP instance
- API key from previous step
- TAP instance ID

# Install the Splunk Rest API Module Input

Use the App Manager within Splunk to search for "Rest API Module Input"

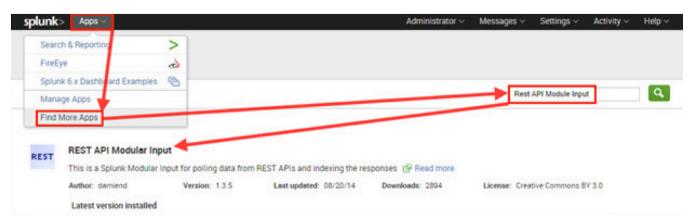


Figure 22: Installing Splunk REST API module Input

Or follow the manual installation instructions below:

- 1. Download the .spl or .tgz file from: https://apps.splunk.com/app/1546/
- 2. Navigate to "Apps" -> "Manage Apps".
- 3. Click on "Install app from file".
- 4. Upload the downloaded file using the form provided.
- 5. Restart if the apprequires it: \$SPLUNK HOME/bin/splunk restart splunk

# Configure the Splunk Rest API Module Input

1. 1. Add the following custom handlers:

```
$SPLUNK HOME/etc/apps/rest ta/bin/responsehandlers.py
class FireEyeAlertHandler:
     def init (self, **args): pass
     def call (self, response_object,raw_response_output,response_ type,req_
     args, endpoint):
          if response type == "json":
              output = json.loads(response object.content) last display id = -1
              for alert in output["alerts"]: print xml
              stream(json.dumps(alert)) if "displayId" in alert:
                        display id = alert["displayId"] if
                        display id > last display id:
                             last display id = display id if not
                             "params" in req args:
                   req args["params"] = {}
if last display id > -1: req args["params"]["offset"] = last display id
else:
     print xml stream(raw response output)
class FireEyeIncidentHandler:
     def init (self, **args): pass
     def call (self, response object, raw response output, response type, req
     args, endpoint):
          if response type == "json":
              output = json.loads(response object.content) last display id = -1
for incident in output["incidents"]:
```



- 2. Within Splunk, go to Settings -> Data -> Data Inputs
- 3. Next to REST, click on Add new

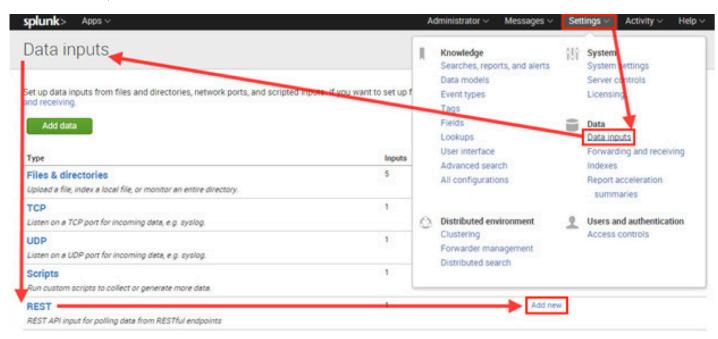


Figure 23: Configuring the RESTful query options

- 4. To set up TAP alerts, fill in the following data fields and click the save button
  - a. REST API Input Name: TAP-Alerts
  - b. Endpoint URL: https://INSERT\_URL\_HERE/tap/api/v1/alerts
  - c. HTTP Method: GET
  - d. Authentication Type: None
  - e. HTTP Header Properties: x-mansfield-key=INSERT\_KEY\_HERE,X-FireEye-Tap-Instance=INSERT\_TAP\_ID\_HERE
  - f. URL Arguments: offset=0
  - g. Response type: json
  - h. Response Handler: FireEyeAlertHandler
  - i. Polling Interval: 30
  - j. Set Sourcetype: "Manual"
  - k. Select source type from list: fe\_tap\_json
- 5. To set up TAP incidents, fill in the following data fields and click the save button
  - a. REST API Input Name: TAP-Incidents
  - b. Endpoint URL: https://INSERT\_URL\_HERE/tap/api/v1/incidents
  - c. HTTP Method: GET
  - d. Authentication Type: None
  - e. HTTP Header Properties: x-mansfield-key=INSERT\_KEY\_HERE,X-FireEye-Tap-Instance=INSERT\_TAP\_ID\_HERE
  - f. URL Arguments: offset=0
  - g. Response type: json
  - h. Response Handler: FireEye**Incident**Handler
  - i. Polling Interval: 30
  - j. Set Sourcetype: "Manual"
  - k. Select source type from list: fe\_tap\_ison
- 6. Upon saving, Splunk should attempt a query, thus if there are TAP events, they will show up in the FireEye App for Splunk Enterprise under Visualization -> Tap Visualization and Analysis -> Tap Analysis



Figure 24: TAP visualization

# **Troubleshooting**

There are many methods that can be used to troubleshoot connection issues.

# **Using Curl**

Using any Linux host, or Cygwin on Windows perform the following:

```
Step 1) echo test > test.xml
Step 2) curl -k -g --user <username>:<password> --data-binary @test.xml
```

#### **Example:**

 $curl-k-g--user\ fireeye: 1qaz@WSX--data-binary\ @oneline.txt\ "https://192.168.33.152:8089/services/receivers/simple?host=192.168.33.153\&source=fe\_alert\&sourcetype=fe\_xml"$ 

#### Result:

You should see something similar to the following response from Splunk after issuing the command above:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
    <response>
 <results>
     <result>
<field k=" index">
<value>
 <text>default</text>
 </value>
</field>
<field k="bytes">
<value>
 <text>4</text>
 </value>
</field>
<field k="host">
<value>
 <text>Source IP Address here</text>
</value>
</field>
<field k="source">
 <value>
```

# Splunk Search

After the data is successfully sent to Splunk, you should be able to search for it using the following search term: source=fe\_alert

You should see "test" as the message body because it was in the body of test.xml

# About the Author



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