

# Security workshop

## Tacacs lab

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# **1 getting the tacacs+ server configured**

```
$ sudo apt-get install tacacs+
$ sudo groupadd -r cisco
$ sudo vi /etc/tacacs+/tac_plus.conf
```

## **1.1 change the following settings**

- we want to set the shared key for routers who want to use our service to TacacsPassword
- We also want to limit access for users based on groups. For this example we will use settings in tac\_plus.conf

## **1.2 change this line**

```
key = TacacsPassword
```

In the real world we'd choose a much stronger shared key e.g.

```
$ pwgen -s 641
BRSWUWgJLkuxyqfmwfrlRC8JW54bpmp3a2rMEe1IWwwpupwGBreGCXGTdbqkMGo2F
```

## **1.3 . . . then at the end of the file . . add:**

```
#
# "level 2" users who cannot "debug" or "config"
#
group = l2_tacacs_users {
    default service = permit
    login = file /etc/passwd
    enable = file /etc/passwd
    service = exec {
        priv-lvl = 15
    }
    cmd = configure {
        deny "."
    }
    cmd = debug {
        deny "."
    }
}
#
# "level 2" users with full privileges
```

```

#
group = netops {
    default service = permit
    login = file /etc/passwd
    enable = file /etc/passwd
    service = exec {
        priv-lvl = 15
    }
}
#
# group member with entry in password fileapt-
#
user = sysadm {
    member = netops
}
#
# group member not in password file
# use tac_pwd command to encode password
#
user = rancid {
    member = netops
    login = des GAxtUcNh5DBFQ
}

```

### **1.3.1 check tacacs\_plus config**

```
$ sudo service tacacs_plus check
```

You should see a response like:

```
* Checking TACACS+ authentication daemon configuration files successful tacacs+
```

### **1.3.2 restart tacacs\_plus to pick up the new settings**

```
$ sudo service tacacs_plus restart
```

## **2 getting a cisco device to talk to your tacacs**

Enter configuration mode:

```
tacacs-server host 10.10.0.X0
tacacs-server key TacacsPassword
```

Check that you can reach the tacacs server and authenticate correctly:

```
test aaa group tacacs+ sysadm <password> port 49 legacy
```

You should see a response like:

```
Attempting authentication test to server-group tacacs+ using tacacs+
User was successfully authenticated.
```

## **2.1 Now you can finish configuring the router to use tacacs for login control:**

```
aaa new-model

aaa authentication login default group tacacs+ enable
aaa authentication login NSRCCONSOLE local-case
aaa authentication enable default group tacacs+ enable
aaa authorization exec default group tacacs+ none
aaa accounting delay-start
aaa accounting exec default start-stop group tacacs+
aaa accounting commands 15 default start-stop group tacacs+

! This lets us login via the console even if tacacs isn't working
username NSRCCONSOLE password 0 tpyPo9dT
line con 0
exec-timeout 15 0
login authentication NSRCCONSOLE
```

## **2.2 Now you can verify accounting**

```
Router#show aaa sessions
Router#show aaa users all
```