

Deployment Guide for Microsoft Lync 2010

Securing and Accelerating Microsoft Lync with Palo Alto Networks Next-Generation Firewall and Citrix NetScaler Joint Solution



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1. Overview

Microsoft Lync Server 2010 is a real-time enterprise communications server providing instant messaging (IM), presence, file transfer, peer-to-peer and multi-party voice and video calling, as well as ad-hoc and structured conferences (audio, video, web, and shared whiteboard). These features are available within an organization, between separate organizations, with outside users on the Internet, on standard telephones (mobile or fixed-line).

As with any sophisticated application, a best-in-class firewall and application delivery controller are recommended for providing appropriate security, scalability, and optimization. The combination of Citrix NetScaler® and Palo Alto Networks PA Series addresses these requirements and go on to deliver a comprehensive network system that takes the best of high-speed load balancing, content switching, state-of-the-art application acceleration, layer 4-7 traffic management, data compression, dynamic content caching, SSL acceleration, network optimization, deep packet inspection, and identity based security to provide a robust, tightly integrated solution. Deployed in front of application servers, the NetScaler and Palo Alto Networks next-generation firewalls significantly reduce processing overhead on application and database servers and improves security thereby reducing hardware and bandwidth costs.

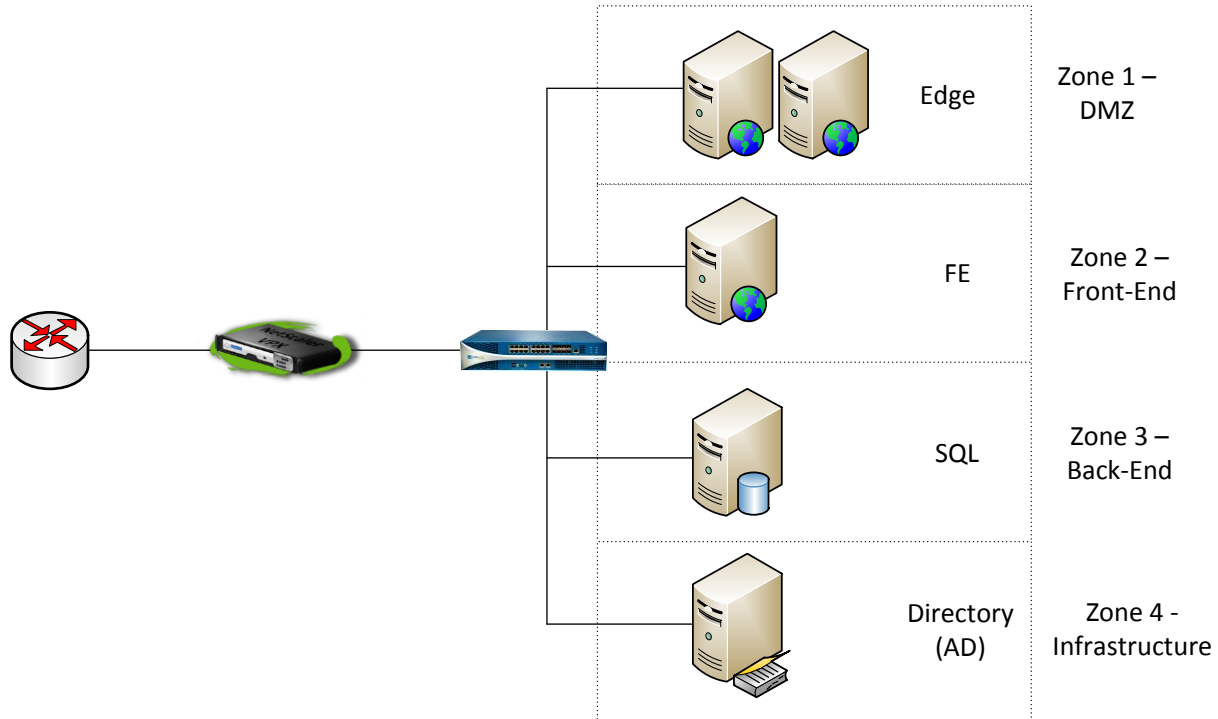
In this deployment guide, step-by-step instructions are provided on how to deploy Citrix NetScaler and the Palo Alto Networks next-generation firewalls to improve the security and performance of Microsoft Lync 2010.

2. Requirements

Required Component	Used in this Document	Note
NetScaler ADC	NS10.0 VPX Build 69.4.nc with Platinum License	
Palo Alto Networks Firewall	PAN-OS 4.1	
Lync 2010 Servers	4 Physical/VM servers	2x Edge; 1x Internal Front-end; 1x DB; 1x AD

3. Microsoft Lync Network Topology

3.1 Environment diagram



3.2 IP allocations

The following IP addresses were allocated in this reference environment.

Functional Device	IP	Subnet Mask
NetScaler IP (NSIP)	10.5.172.124	255.255.255.0
NetScaler Subnet IP (SNIP)	10.5.172.126	255.255.255.0
Lync External Edge (VIP)	10.5.172.170	255.255.255.0
Lync Edge Server 1	10.5.172.175	255.255.255.0
Lync Edge Server 2	10.5.172.176	255.255.255.0
Lync Internal Front-End (VIP)	10.5.172.177	255.255.255.0
Lync Front-End Server	10.5.172.171	255.255.255.0
Database SQL Server	10.5.172.152	255.255.255.0
Active Directory Server	10.5.172.155	255.255.255.0

3.3 Lync Protocol/Port Requirements

The following protocols and ports were used in this reference environment.

Virtual Server	Protocol	Load-Balanced Lync Server	Port	Services
Edge VIP	SSL_BRIDGE*	Edge Server1	443	
		Edge Server2	443	
Edge VIP	TCP	Edge Server1	135	

		Edge Server2	135	
Front-End VIP	TCP	Front-End Server**	135	
Front-End VIP	TCP	Front-End Server	444	
Front-End VIP	TCP	Front-End Server	5060	
Front-End VIP	TCP	Front-End Server	5061	
Front-End VIP	SSL_BRIDGE	Front-End Server	443	
Front-End VIP	TCP	Front-End Server	80	

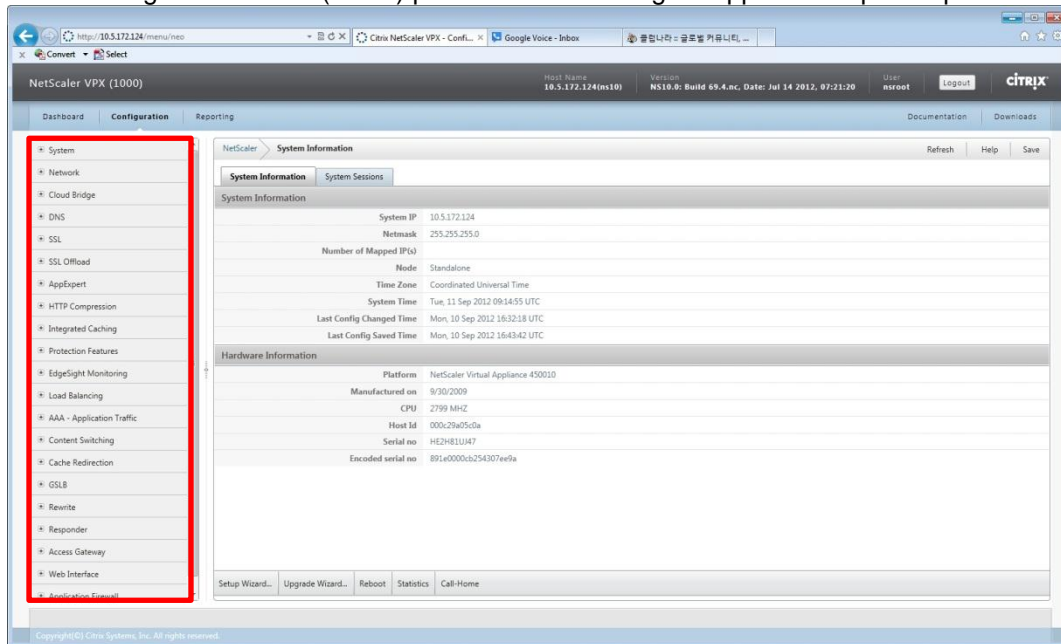
* SSL Offload is not supported on Lync by Microsoft. NetScaler will act as a bridge to pass the security certificate authentication to Lync servers.

** Although there is only one Front-End Server in this reference environment, this document will use a virtual server to communicate from NetScaler to Front-End Server.

4. Overview of NetScaler Installation and Configuration for Lync

4.1 NetScaler Configuration

During the installation and configuration process, from the main NetScaler screen, administrators will be able to navigate the menu (in red) panel where to configure application specific parameters.



The table below summarizes the specific menu and actions within NetScaler which need to be configured properly in order to complete the Lync configuration:

NetScaler Menu	NetScaler Sub-Menu	Action
System	Licenses	Manage Licenses
	Settings	Configure basic features
Network	IPs	NetScaler IP, Subnet IP
		Virtual IP
Load Balancing	Monitoring	Per Port
	Service Group	Per Port
	Servers	Per Physical/VM server

4.2 Step –by-Step Installation

The following is an overview of steps which are required to configure Lync services within NetScaler..

Step	Action	Detail	Custom Data
1	NetScaler IP, Subnet IP	NetScaler initial Configurations (by Setup Wizard)	NetScaler IP (NSIP), Subnet IP (SNIP)
2	Manage Licenses	NetScaler license installation	.lic license file
3	Configure basic features	NetScaler basic feature settings	Feature settings
4	Configure Lync Custom Monitoring	Creating Load Balancing Monitoring	TCP Port 80, 443, 50601 and 5061
5	Configure Backend Services	Creating a Service Group	IPs for Edge Server 1 and Edge Server 2; IP for Front-end Server
6	Configure Public Endpoint Services	Creating virtual servers (IP) to talk to multiple backend servers	Lync Virtual IPs (VIP)

5. Deployment Instruction

This section will describe detail steps from NetScaler VPX installation and initial configuration to Lync service configuration within NetScaler.

5.1 NetScaler Initial Configurations

Administrators can use the NetScaler command-line to set up the initial NSIP, Mapped IP (MIP), and Subnet IP (SNIP). You can also configure advanced network settings and change the time zone.

For information about MIP, SNIP, other NetScaler-owned IP addresses, and network settings, see the “Citrix NetScaler Networking Guide” at <http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX132369>.

5.1.1 Add NSIP, Subnet Mask, and Default Gateway on NetScaler:

At the Console prompt from XenCenter or vSphere client, enter the NSIP address, subnet mask, and then save the configuration. Use either the SSH client or the NetScaler VPX Console to access the NetScaler command line to complete initial configuration with default gateway.

```
> add route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 <gateway ip>
> show route
> save ns config
```

5.1.2 NetScaler Configuration by Using the Configuration Utility

Once the network connectivity to NetScaler is established, the Configuration Utility can be accessed from a browser to complete the rest of Lync configuration.

Connect to NetScaler on a web browser: <http://<NSIP address>>. In **Start in**, select **Configuration**, and then click **Login**. **Setup Wizard** should start up automatically. Otherwise, **Setup Wizard** can be started from menu under **Netscaler>System Information**:

NetScaler VPX (1000) Host Name: 10.5.172.124 Version: NS10.0: Build 69.4.nc, Date: Jul 14 2012, 07:21:20 User: nsroot Logout

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System Information

System Information System Sessions

System IP	10.5.172.124
Netmask	255.255.255.0
Number of Mapped IP(s)	
Node	Standalone
Time Zone	Coordinated Universal Time
System Time	Thu, 6 Sep 2012 14:51:03 UTC
Last Config Changed Time	Thu, 6 Sep 2012 14:32:10 UTC
Last Config Saved Time	Thu, 6 Sep 2012 14:26:26 UTC

Platform	NetScaler Virtual Appliance 450010
Manufactured on	9/30/2009
CPU	2799 MHz
Host Id	000c29a05c0a
Serial no	HE2H81U47
Encoded serial no	891e000c-b254307e9fa

Setup Wizard... Upgrade Wizard... Reboot Statistics Call-Home

5.1.3 Setup Wizard

Setup Wizard

Introduction
Welcome to the Setup Configuration Wizard.

Introduction
Network Config
Choose Application
Summary

This wizard is designed to help you set up the initial configuration.
To continue, click Next.

< Back Next > Close

Click **Next** to follow the instructions. Confirm the pre-populated **NSIP**, **Netmask** and **Gateway** addresses.

Setup Wizard

Network Config

System IP Address is the Management IP Address that is used for all management related access to the system. Mapped IP Address (MIP) and Subnet IP Address (SNIP) is used by the system to represent the client when communicating with a configured server. Default Gateway IP Address corresponds to the router that forwards traffic outside of the system subnet.

Introduction
Network Config
 Choose Application
 Summary

System Configuration

IP Address: 10 . 5 . 172 . 124
 Netmask: 255 . 255 . 255 . 0
 Gateway*: 10 . 5 . 172 . 1
 Host Name*: ns10

MIP / SNIP Configuration

Note: 0 MIP and 1 SNIP configured.

Mapped IP
 Subnet IP

IP Address: . . .
 Netmask: . . .

< Back Next > Close

Choose **Subnet IP (SNIP)** to add **SNIP** address and its subnet mask (**Netmask**) and Click **Next**.

Setup Wizard

Network Config

System IP Address is the Management IP Address that is used for all management related access to the system. Mapped IP Address (MIP) and Subnet IP Address (SNIP) is used by the system to represent the client when communicating with a configured server. Default Gateway IP Address corresponds to the router that forwards traffic outside of the system subnet.

Introduction
Network Config
 Choose Application
 Summary

System Configuration

IP Address: 10 . 5 . 172 . 124
 Netmask: 255 . 255 . 255 . 0
 Gateway*: 10 . 5 . 172 . 1
 Host Name*: ns10

MIP / SNIP Configuration

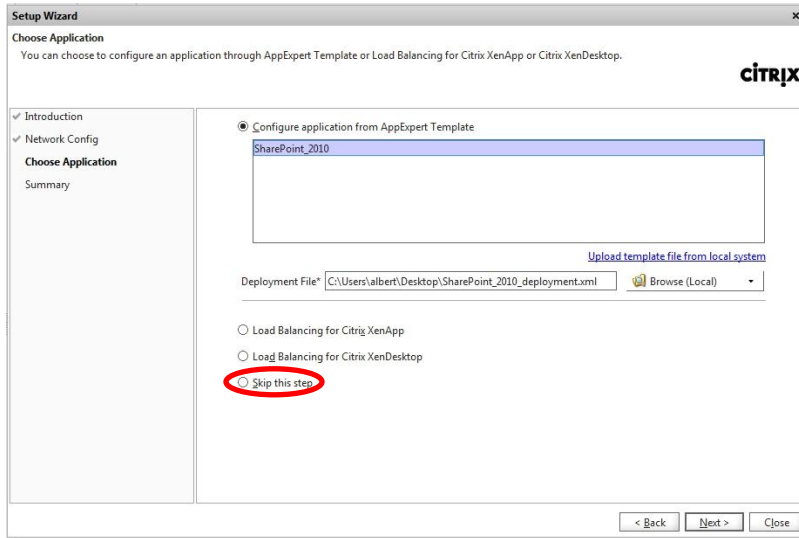
Note: 0 MIP and 1 SNIP configured.

Mapped IP **Subnet IP**

IP Address: 10 . 5 . 172 . 126
 Netmask: 255 . 255 . 255 . 0

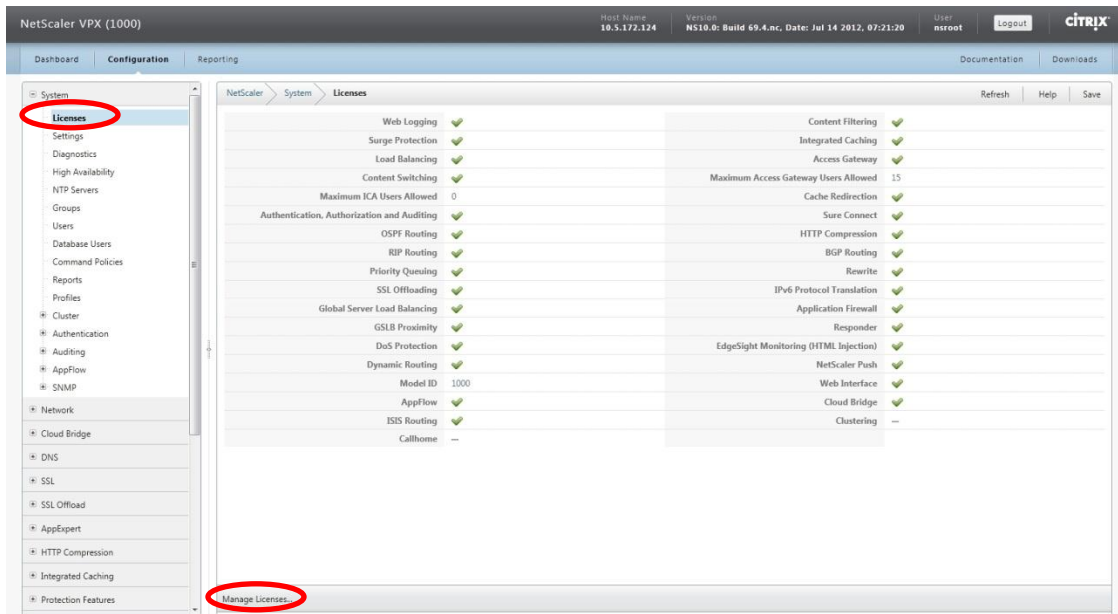
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Choose **Skip this Step**. Lync configuration data will be added manually.

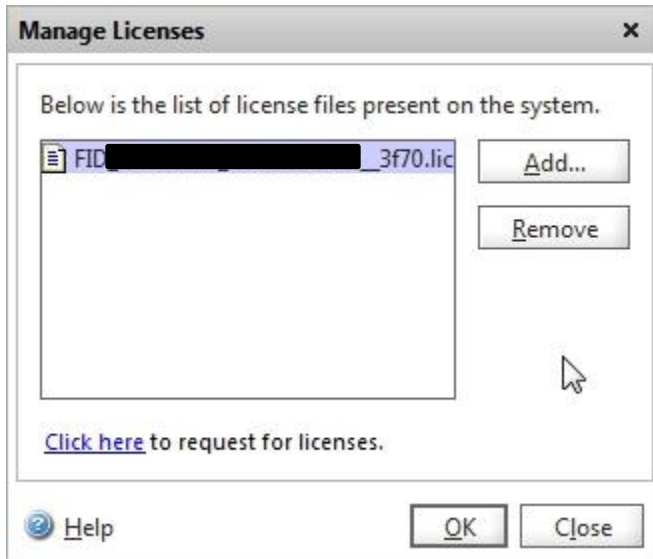


5.2 NetScaler License installation

Proper license is required in order to enable necessary services for Lync configuration. Refer to the “Citrix NetScaler VPX Licensing Guide” at <http://support.citrix.com/article/CTX122426>.



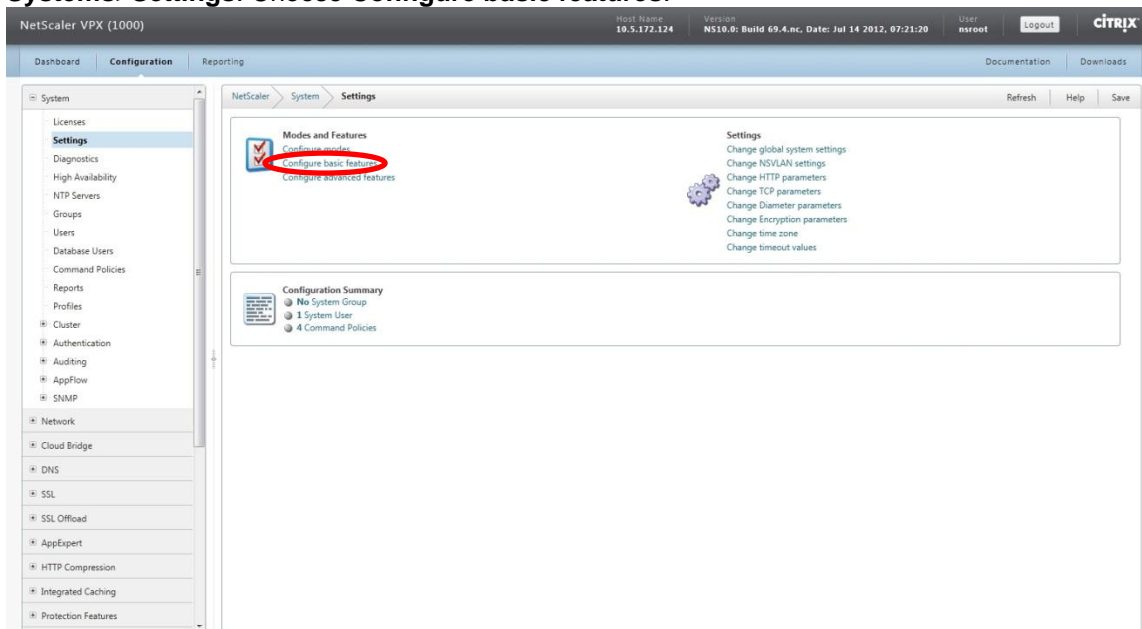
Click **Manage License** to install the downloaded license.



5.3 NetScaler Basic Feature Setting

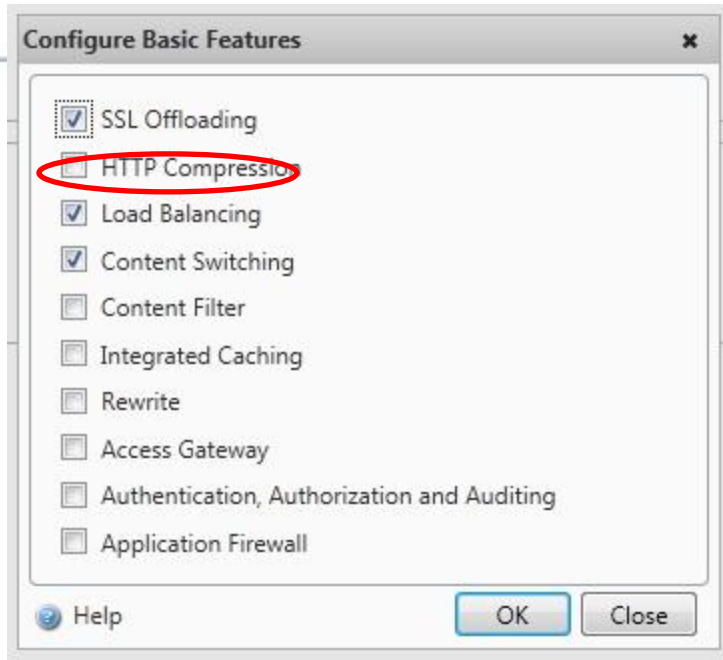
5.3.1 NetScaler Feature Setting

Once a proper license is installed, administrator can select the available features to enable them from **Systems>Settings**. Choose **Configure basic features**.



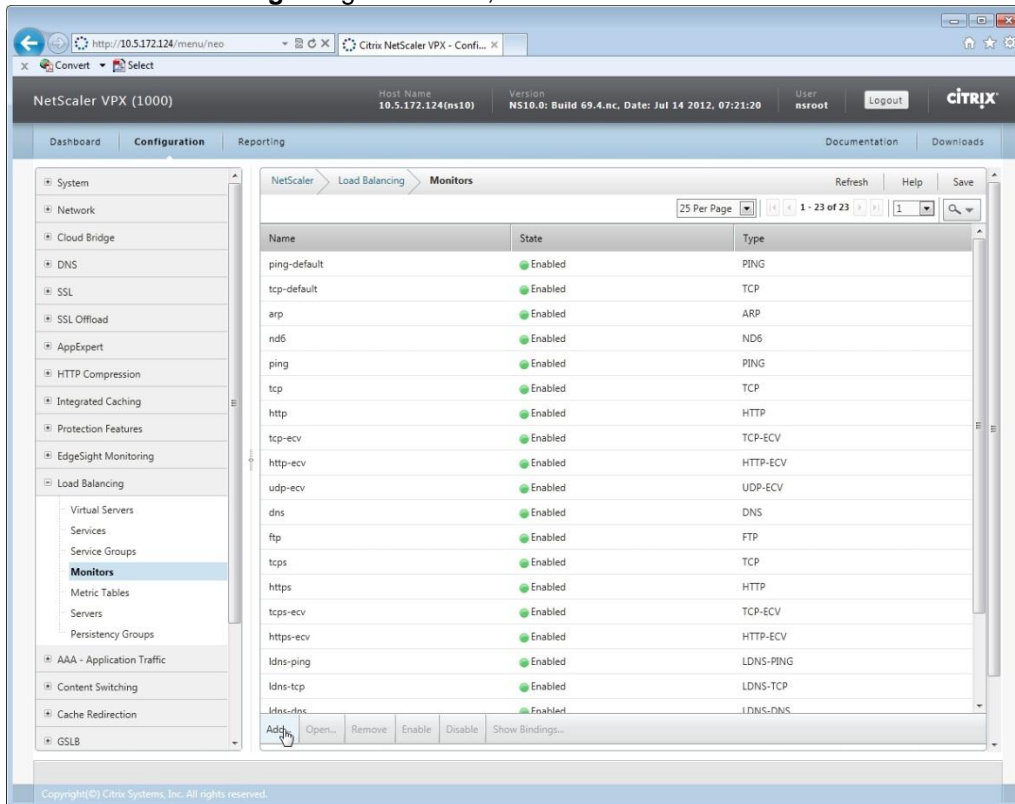
5.3.2 Basic Features

The following services are the minimal services required in order to enable and complete Lync configuration.



5.4 Creating Lync Load Balancing Custom Monitoring

Based on protocol/port requirements in Section 3.3, the following custom monitoring will be created – Port 80, 443, 5060 and 5061. The rest of ports 135, 444 will be monitored with port 5061. Under **Load Balancing** navigation menu, choose **Monitor** and **Add**.



Select **Name** to **lync_5060** and **Type** to **TCP**. **Destination Port** to **5060**. Then, **Create**.

Create Monitor [x]

Name* Type*

Standard Parameters | Special Parameters

Interval Seconds Destination IP IPv6

Response Time-out Seconds Destination Port

Down Time Seconds Dynamic Time-out Dynamic Interval Resp Time-out Threshold Action

Deviation Seconds Custom Header Treat back slash as escape character

Retries Net Profile Transparent Secure IP Tunnel

SNMP Alert Retries Enabled Reverse LRTM (Least Response Time using Monitoring)

Success Retries TOS TOS Id Create Close

Select Name to **lync_5061** and Type to **TCP**. Destination Port to **5061**. Then, **Create**.

Create Monitor [x]

Name* Type*

Standard Parameters | Special Parameters

Interval Seconds Destination IP IPv6

Response Time-out Seconds Destination Port

Down Time Seconds Dynamic Time-out Dynamic Interval Resp Time-out Threshold Action

Deviation Seconds Custom Header Treat back slash as escape character

Retries Net Profile Transparent Secure IP Tunnel

SNMP Alert Retries Enabled Reverse LRTM (Least Response Time using Monitoring)

Success Retries TOS TOS Id Create Close

Select Name to **lync_443** and Type to **TCP**. Destination Port to **443**. Then, **Create**.

Create Monitor x

Name*
Type*

Standard Parameters

Special Parameters

Interval	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="Seconds"/>	Destination IP	<input type="text" value=". . ."/>	<input type="checkbox"/> IPv6
Response Time-out	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="Seconds"/>	Destination Port	<input type="text" value="443"/>	
Down Time	<input type="text" value="30"/>	<input type="text" value="Seconds"/>	Dynamic Time-out	<input type="text"/>	
Deviation	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="Seconds"/>	Dynamic Interval	<input type="text"/>	
Retries	<input type="text" value="3"/>		Resp Time-out Threshold	<input type="text"/>	
SNMP Alert Retries	<input type="text"/>		Action	<input type="text" value="NONE"/>	
Success Retries	<input type="text" value="1"/>		Custom Header	<input type="text"/>	
Failure Retries	<input type="text"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Treat back slash as escape character		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Reverse		Net Profile	<input type="text"/>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LRTM (Least Response Time using Monitoring)			<input type="checkbox"/> Transparent	<input type="checkbox"/> Secure	<input type="checkbox"/> IP Tunnel
<input type="checkbox"/> TOS	TOS Id <input type="text"/>				

Help

Select Name to **lync_80** and Type to **TCP**. Destination Port to **80**. Then, **create**.

Create Monitor x

Name*
Type*

Standard Parameters

Special Parameters

Interval	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="Seconds"/>	Destination IP	<input type="text" value=". . ."/>	<input type="checkbox"/> IPv6
Response Time-out	<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="Seconds"/>	Destination Port	<input type="text" value="80"/>	
Down Time	<input type="text" value="30"/>	<input type="text" value="Seconds"/>	Dynamic Time-out	<input type="text"/>	
Deviation	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="Seconds"/>	Dynamic Interval	<input type="text"/>	
Retries	<input type="text" value="3"/>		Resp Time-out Threshold	<input type="text"/>	
SNMP Alert Retries	<input type="text"/>		Action	<input type="text" value="NONE"/>	
Success Retries	<input type="text" value="1"/>		Custom Header	<input type="text"/>	
Failure Retries	<input type="text"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Treat back slash as escape character		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Reverse		Net Profile	<input type="text"/>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LRTM (Least Response Time using Monitoring)			<input type="checkbox"/> Transparent	<input type="checkbox"/> Secure	<input type="checkbox"/> IP Tunnel
<input type="checkbox"/> TOS	TOS Id <input type="text"/>				

Help

5.5 Creating Load Balancing Service Groups

Each service port which communicates between backend physical/VM servers and public endpoint virtual server needs to be configured as a service group.

From NetScaler Configuration Utility navigation menu, choose **Service Groups** under **Load Balancing** menu. Click **Add**.

The screenshot shows the NetScaler Configuration Utility interface. The navigation menu on the left is expanded to 'Load Balancing', and 'Service Groups' is selected. The main content area displays a table of service groups with the following data:

Name	State	Effective State	Protocol	Max Clients	Max Requests	Max Bandwidth(kbits)	Monitor Threshold
SharePointServers	ENABLED	UP	HTTP	0	0	0	0
CASServers	ENABLED	UP	HTTP	0	0	0	0
CASServers-SSL	ENABLED	UP	SSL	0	0	0	0
Exchange_IMAP4	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Exchange_POP3	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Exchange_SMTP	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_5060	ENABLED	DOWN	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_5061	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_135	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_444	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_443	ENABLED	UP	SSL_BRIDGE	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_80	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_edge	ENABLED	DOWN	SSL_BRIDGE	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_edge1135	ENABLED	DOWN	TCP	0	0	0	0

At the bottom of the table, there is a toolbar with the following buttons: Add, Open..., Enable, Disable, Manage Members, Remove, Show Bindings, Flush Surge Queue, Statistics, and Rename. The 'Add' button is highlighted with a mouse cursor.

Set **Service Group Name** to **Lync_svc_5060**, **Protocol** to **TCP**. Add a physical or VM server one at a time under **Members>Specify Member(s)**.

Create Service Group

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_5060 Protocol* TCP

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | Monitors | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Specify Member(s)

IP Based Server Based

IP Address: 10 . 5 . 172 . 171 IPv6 - Range:

Port: 5060

Weight: 1

Server ID: "None"

Hash ID:

Enable Member

Buttons: Add > < Remove

Configured Members

Server Name	IP Address/Domain	Port	Weight	Server ID	Hash ID	Member State
10.5.172.171	10.5.172.171	5060	1	"None"		To be Enabled

Buttons: Add > < Remove

Comments:

Buttons: Help Create Close

Choose **lync_5060** from **Monitors** tab. Then **Create**.

Create Service Group

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_5060 Protocol* TCP

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | Monitors | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Available

- Monitors
- http
- tcp-ecv
- http-ecv
- udp-ecv
- dns
- ftp
- tcps
- https
- tcps-ecv
- https-ecv
- ldns-ping
- ldns-tcp
- ldns-dns
- lync_5061
- lync_443
- lync_80

Buttons: Add > < Remove

Configured

Monitors	Weight	State
lync_5060	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

Buttons: Help Create Close

Set **Service Group Name** to **Lync_svc_5061**, **Protocol** to **TCP**. Add a physical or VM server one at a time under **Members>Specify Member(s)**.

Create Service Group

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_5061 Protocol* TCP

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | **Monitors** | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Specify Member(s)

IP Based Server Based

IP Address: 10 . 5 . 172 . 171 IPv6 -

Port: 5061

Weight: 1

Server ID: "None"

Hash ID:

Enable Member

Configured Members

Server Name	IP Address/Domain	Port	Weight	Server ID	Hash ID	Member State
	10.5.172.171	5061	1	"None"		To be Enabled

Buttons: Add > < Remove

Comments:

Help Create Close

Choose **lync_5061** from **Monitors** tab. Then **Create**.

Create Service Group

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_5061 Protocol* TCP

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | **Monitors** | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Available

- ping
- tcp
- http
- tcp-ecv
- http-ecv
- udp-ecv
- dns
- ftp
- tcps
- https
- tcps-ecv
- https-ecv
- ldns-ping
- ldns-tcp
- ldns-dns
- lync_443
- lync_80

Configured

Monitors	Weight	State
lync_5061	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Buttons: Add > < Remove

Comments:

Help Create Close

Set **Service Group Name** to **Lync_svc_135**, **Protocol** to **TCP**. Add a physical or VM server one at a time under **Members>Specify Member(s)**.

Create Service Group

Service Group Name* Protocol*

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | Monitors | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Specify Member(s)

IP Based Server Based

IP Address Range IPv6

Port

Weight

Server ID

Hash ID

Enable Member

Add >

< Remove

Configured Members

Server Name	IP Address/Domain	Port	Weight	Server ID	Hash ID	Member State
10.5.172.171	10.5.172.171	135	1	None		To be Enabled

Monitors Deta...

Comments

Help

Choose **lync_5060** from **Monitors** tab. Then **Create**.

Configure Service Group

Service Group Name* Protocol*

Service Group State ENABLED Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | Monitors | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Available

Monitors

- arp
- nd6
- ping
- tcp
- http
- tcp-ecv
- http-ecv
- udp-ecv
- dns
- ftp
- tcps
- https
- tcps-ecv
- https-ecv
- ldaps
- ldaps-ecv

Add >

< Remove

Configured

Monitors	Weight	State
lync_5061	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Comments

Help

Set **Service Group Name** to **Lync_svc_444**, **Protocol** to **TCP**. Add a physical or VM server one at a time under **Members>Specify Member(s)**.

Create Service Group

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_444 Protocol* TCP

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | Monitors | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Specify Member(s)

IP Based Server Based

IP Address: 10 . 5 . 172 . 171 IPv6 -

Port: 444

Weight: 1

Server ID: "None"

Hash ID:

Enable Member

Configured Members

Server Name	IP Address/Domain	Port	Weight	Server ID	Hash ID	Member State
	10.5.172.171	444	1	"None"		To be Enabled

Buttons: Add > < Remove

Comments:

Help Create Close

Choose **lync_443** from **Monitors** tab. Then **Create**.

Configure Service Group

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_444 Protocol* TCP

Service Group State: ENABLED Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | **Monitors** | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Available

- Monitors
- tcp-ecv
- http-ecv
- udp-ecv
- dns
- ftp
- tftp
- https
- tftp-ecv
- https-ecv
- ldns-ping
- ldns-tcp
- ldns-dns
- lync_5060
- lync_443**
- lync_80

Configured

Monitors	Weight	State
lync_5061	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Buttons: Add > < Remove

Comments:

Help OK Close

Set **Service Group Name** to **Lync_svc_443**, **Protocol** to **SSL_BRIDGE**. Add a physical or VM server one at a time under **Members>Specify Member(s)**.

Create Service Group

Service Group Name* Protocol*

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | Monitors | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Specify Member(s)

IP Based Server Based

IP Address Range IPv6 -

Port

Weight

Server ID

Hash ID

Enable Member

Configured Members

Server Name	IP Address/Domain	Port	Weight	Server ID	Hash ID	Member State
10.5.172.171	10.5.172.171	443	1	"None"		To be Enabled

Comments

Choose **lync_443** from **Monitors** tab. Then **Create**.

Configure Service Group

Service Group Name* Protocol*

Service Group State ENABLED Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | **Monitors** | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Available

- Monitors
- tcp-ecv
- http-ecv
- udp-ecv
- dns
- ftp
- tcps
- https
- tcps-ecv
- https-ecv
- ldns-ping
- ldns-tcp
- ldns-dns
- lync_5060
- lync_5061
- lync_80

Configured

Monitors	Weight	State
lync_443	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Comments

Set **Service Group Name** to **Lync_svc_80**, **Protocol** to **TCP**. Add a physical or VM server one at a time under **Members>Specify Member(s)**.

Create Service Group

Service Group Name* Protocol*

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | Monitors | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Specify Member(s)

IP Based Server Based

IP Address Range IPv6

Port

Weight

Server ID

Hash ID

Enable Member

Configured Members

Server Name	IP Address/Domain	Port	Weight	Server ID	Hash ID	Member State
10.5.172.171	10.5.172.171	80	1	"None"		To be Enabled

Comments

Choose **lync_80** from **Monitors** tab. Then **Create**.

Configure Service Group

Service Group Name* Protocol*

Service Group State ENABLED Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members | **Monitors** | Profiles | Advanced | SSL Settings

Available

- Monitors
- tcp-ecv
- http-ecv
- udp-ecv
- dns
- ftp
- tcps
- https
- tcps-ecv
- https-ecv
- ldns-ping
- ldns-tcp
- ldns-dns
- lync_5060
- lync_5061
- lync_443

Configured

Monitors	Weight	State
lync_80	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Comments

Set **Service Group Name** to **Lync_svc_edge**, **Protocol** to **SSL_BRIDGE**. Add a physical or VM server one at a time under **Members>Specify Member(s)**.

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_edge Protocol* SSL_BRIDGE

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members Monitors Profiles Advanced SSL Settings

Specify Member(s)

IP Based Server Based

IP Address Range

10 . 5 . 172 . 176 IPv6 -

Port 443

Weight 1

Server ID "None"

Hash ID

Enable Member

Add >

< Remove

Server Name	IP Address/Domain	Port	Weight	Server ID	Hash ID	Member State
10.5.172.175	10.5.172.175	443	1	"None"		To be Enabled
10.5.172.176	10.5.172.176	443	1	"None"		To be Enabled

Monitors Deta...

Comments

Help Create Close

Choose **lync_443** from **Monitors** tab. Then **Create**.

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_edge Protocol* SSL_BRIDGE

Service Group State **ENABLED** Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members **Monitors** Profiles Advanced SSL Settings

Available

Monitors

tcp-ecv

http-ecv

udp-ecv

dns

ftp

tcps

https

tcps-ecv

https-ecv

ldns-ping

ldns-tcp

ldns-dns

lync_5060

lync_5061

lync_80

Add >

< Remove

Monitors	Weight	State
lync_443	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Comments

Help OK Close

Set **Service Group Name** to **Lync_svc_edge1135**, **Protocol** to **TCP**. Add a physical or VM server one at a time under **Members>Specify Member(s)**.

Create Service Group

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_edge1135 Protocol* TCP

Enable Service Group Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members Monitors Profiles Advanced SSL Settings

Specify Member(s)

IP Based Server Based

IP Address Range

10 . 5 . 172 . 176 IPv6 -

Port 135

Weight 1

Server ID "None"

Hash ID

Enable Member

Add >

< Remove

Configured Members

Server Name	IP Address/Domain	Port	Weight	Server ID	Hash ID	Member State
10.5.172.175	10.5.172.175	135	1	"None"		To be Enabled
10.5.172.176	10.5.172.176	135	1	"None"		To be Enabled

Monitors Deta...

Comments

Help Create Close

Choose **lync_443** from **Monitors** tab. Then **Create**.

Configure Service Group

Service Group Name* Lync_svc_edge1135 Protocol* TCP

Service Group State **ENABLED** Enable Health Monitoring AppFlow Logging

Members **Monitors** Profiles Advanced SSL Settings

Available

- tcp-ecv
- http-ecv
- udp-ecv
- dns
- ftp
- tcps
- https
- tcps-ecv
- https-ecv
- ldns-ping
- ldns-tcp
- ldns-dns
- lync_5060
- lync_443**
- lync_80

Add >

< Remove

Configured

Monitors	Weight	State
lync_5061	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Comments

Help OK Close

All Service Groups are listed under **Load Balancing>Service Groups**.

NetScaler VPX (1000)

Dashboard Configuration Reporting

NetScaler > Load Balancing > Service Groups

Name	State	Effective State	Protocol	Max Clients	Max Requests	Max Bandwidth(kbits)	Monitor Threshold
SharePointServers	ENABLED	DOWN	HTTP	0	0	0	0
CASServers	ENABLED	UP	HTTP	0	0	0	0
CASServers-SSL	ENABLED	UP	SSL	0	0	0	0
Exchange_IMAP4	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Exchange_POP3	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Exchange_SMTp	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_5060	ENABLED	DOWN	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_5061	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_135	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_444	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_443	ENABLED	UP	SSL_BRIDGE	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_80	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_edge	ENABLED	DOWN	SSL_BRIDGE	0	0	0	0
Lync_svc_edge1135	ENABLED	UP	TCP	0	0	0	0

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5.6 Creating Virtual Server

Each public endpoint server using a specific service port needs to be configured as a virtual server and to bind a service group along with backend physical/VM server(s).

From NetScaler Configuration Utility navigation menu, choose **Virtual Servers** under **Load Balancing** menu. Click **Add**.

NetScaler VPX (1000) Host Name: 10.5.172.124(ns10) Version: NS10.0: Build 69.4.nc, Date: Jul 14 2012, 07:21:20 User: nsroot Logout

Dashboard Configuration Reporting Documentation Downloads

NetScaler > Load Balancing > Virtual Servers

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Name	State	Effective State	IP Address	Port	Protocol	Method	Persistence	% Health
Exchange_IMAP4_VIP	Up	Up	10.5.172.165	993	SSL_TCP	ROUNDROBIN	NONE	100.00% 2 UP/0 DOWN
Exchange_POP3_VIP	Up	Up	10.5.172.165	995	SSL_TCP	LEASTCONNECTION	NONE	100.00% 2 UP/0 DOWN
Exchange_SMTP_VIP	Up	Up	10.5.172.166	25	TCP	LEASTCONNECTION	NONE	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_135_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.177	135	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_444_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.177	444	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_5060_VIP	Down	Down	10.5.172.177	5060	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	0.00% 0 UP/1 DOWN
Lync_5061_VIP	Up	Up	10.5.172.177	5061	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_443_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.177	443	SSL_BRIDGE	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_80_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.177	80	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_edge135_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.170	135	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	0.00% 0 UP/2 DOWN
Lync-edge-ssl	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.170	443	SSL_BRIDGE	LEASTCONNECTION	NONE	0.00% 0 UP/2 DOWN

Admin Open Enable Disable Remove Rename Visualizer Add Range... Show CS/CR Bindings... Enable EdgeSight Monitoring Dis

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Create Virtual Server (Load Balancing)
x

Name*

Protocol* HTTP

Network VServer Range 1

Directly Addressable State AppFlow Logging

IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

IP Address* . . . IPv6

Port* 80

Services
Service Groups
Policies
Method and Persistence
Advanced
Profiles
SSL Settings

Activate All Deactivate All
Find

Active	Service Name	IP Address	Port	Protocol	State	Weight	Dynamic Weight

Add...
Open...
Remove

Comments

Help
Create
Close

Set Name to **Lync_5060_VIP**. IP Address to **10.5.172.177**. Port to **5060**. Choose **Lync_svc_5060** service group from **Service Groups** tab.

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing)

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State DOWN AppFlow Logging

Services | **Service Groups** | Policies | Method and Persistence | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

[Activate All](#) [Deactivate All](#)

Active	Service Group Name	Protocol
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5060	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_IMAP4	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_POP3	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_SMTP	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5061	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_135	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_444	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_80	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_edge1135	TCP

Comments

Set Persistence to SOURCEIP under Method and Persistence tab

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing) [x]

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State DOWN AppFlow Logging

Services | Service Groups | Policies | **Method and Persistence** | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

LB Method

Method New Service Startup Request Rate

Increment Interval

Persistence

Persistence Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask IPv6 Mask Length

Backup Persistence

Persistence Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask IPv6 Mask Length

Comments

Set Name to **Lync_5061_VIP**. IP Address to **10.5.172.177**. Port to **5061**. Choose **Lync_svc_5061** service group from **Service Groups** tab.

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing)

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State UP Disable AppFlow Logging

Services **Service Groups** Policies Method and Persistence Advanced Profiles SSL Settings

Activate All Deactivate All Member binding details... Find

Active	Service Group Name	Protocol
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5061	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_IMAP4	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_POP3	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_SMTP	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5060	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_135	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_444	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_80	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_edge1135	TCP

Add... Open... Remove

Comments

Help OK Close

Set Persistence to **SOURCEIP** under **Method and Persistence** tab

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing)

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State UP Disable AppFlow Logging

Services Service Groups Policies **Method and Persistence** Advanced Profiles SSL Settings

LB Method

Method New Service Startup Request Rate

Increment Interval

Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Backup Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Comments

Help OK Close

Set Name to **Lync_135_VIP**. IP Address to **10.5.172.177**. Port to **135**. Choose **Lync_svc_135** service group from **Service Groups** tab.

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing)

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State OUT OF SERVICE AppFlow Logging

Services | **Service Groups** | Policies | Method and Persistence | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

[Activate All](#) [Deactivate All](#)

Active	Service Group Name	Protocol
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_135	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_IMAP4	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_POP3	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_SMTP	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5060	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5061	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_444	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_80	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_edge1135	TCP

Comments

Set Persistence to SOURCEIP under Method and Persistence tab

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing) [x]

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State UP AppFlow Logging

Services | Service Groups | Policies | **Method and Persistence** | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

LB Method

Method New Service Startup Request Rate

Increment Interval

Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Backup Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Comments

Set Name to **Lync_444_VIP**. IP Address to **10.5.172.177**. Port to **444**. Choose **Lync_svc_444** service group from **Service Groups** tab.

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing)

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State UP AppFlow Logging

Services | **Service Groups** | Policies | Method and Persistence | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

[Activate All](#) [Deactivate All](#)

Active	Service Group Name	Protocol
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_444	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_IMAP4	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_POP3	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_SMTP	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5060	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5061	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_135	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_80	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_edge1135	TCP

Comments

Persistence to SOURCEIP under Method and Persistence tab

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing) [X]

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State UP AppFlow Logging

Services | Service Groups | Policies | **Method and Persistence** | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

LB Method

Method New Service Startup Request Rate

Increment Interval

Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Backup Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Comments

Set **Name** to **Lync_443_VIP**. **IP Address** to **10.5.172.177**. **Port** to **443**. Choose **Lync_svc_444** service group from **Service Groups** tab.

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing) [x]

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State UP AppFlow Logging

Services | **Service Groups** | Policies | Method and Persistence | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

[Activate All](#) [Deactivate All](#)

Active	Service Group Name	Protocol
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_443	SSL_BRIDGE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_edge	SSL_BRIDGE

Comments

Persistence to SOURCEIP under Method and Persistence tab

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing)
✕

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State UP AppFlow Logging

Services |
 Service Groups |
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 Method and Persistence |
 Advanced |
 Profiles |
 SSL Settings

LB Method

Method New Service Startup Request Rate

Increment Interval

<p>Persistence</p> <p>Persistence <input type="text" value="SOURCEIP"/></p> <p>Time-out (min) <input type="text" value="2"/></p> <p>IPv4 Netmask <input .="" ."="" type="text" value="."/></p> <p>IPv6 Mask Length <input type="text" value="128"/></p>	<p>Backup Persistence</p> <p>Persistence <input type="text" value="NONE"/></p> <p>Time-out (min) <input type="text" value="2"/></p> <p>IPv4 Netmask <input .="" ."="" type="text" value="."/></p> <p>IPv6 Mask Length <input type="text" value="128"/></p>
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Comments

Set **Name** to **Lync_80_VIP**. **IP Address** to **10.5.172.177**. **Port** to **80**. Choose **Lync_svc_80** service group from **Service Groups** tab.

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing)

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State UP AppFlow Logging

Services | **Service Groups** | Policies | Method and Persistence | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

[Activate All](#) [Deactivate All](#)

Active	Service Group Name	Protocol
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_80	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_IMAP4	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_POP3	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_SMTP	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5060	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5061	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_135	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_444	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_edge1135	TCP

Comments

Persistence to SOURCEIP under Method and Persistence tab

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing) x

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State UP AppFlow Logging

Services | Service Groups | Policies | **Method and Persistence** | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

LB Method

Method New Service Startup Request Rate

Increment Interval

Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Backup Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Comments

Set **Name** to **Lync_edge_VIP**. **IP Address** to **10.5.172.170**. **Port** to **443**. Choose **Lync_svc_edge** service group from **Service Groups** tab.

Create Virtual Server (Load Balancing)

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address* IPv6

Network VServer Range Port*

Directly Addressable State AppFlow Logging

Services | **Service Groups** | Policies | Method and Persistence | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

[Activate All](#) [Deactivate All](#)

Active	Service Group Name	Protocol
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_443	SSL_BRIDGE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_edge	SSL_BRIDGE

Comments

Persistence to SOURCEIP under Method and Persistence tab

Create Virtual Server (Load Balancing) [X]

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address* IPv6

Network VServer Range Port*

Directly Addressable State AppFlow Logging

Services | Service Groups | Policies | **Method and Persistence** | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

LB Method

Method New Service Startup Request Rate

Increment Interval

Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Backup Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Comments

[Help](#)

Set Name to **Lync_edge135_VIP**. IP Address to **10.5.172.170**. Port to **135**. Choose **Lync_svc_edge1135** service group from **Service Groups** tab.

Create Virtual Server (Load Balancing)

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address* IPv6

Network VServer Range Port*

Directly Addressable State AppFlow Logging

Services | **Service Groups** | Policies | Method and Persistence | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

[Activate All](#) [Deactivate All](#)

Active	Service Group Name	Protocol
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_IMAP4	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_POP3	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exchange_SMTP	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5060	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_5061	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_135	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_444	TCP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_80	TCP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lync_svc_edge1135	TCP

Comments

Persistence to SOURCEIP under Method and Persistence tab

Configure Virtual Server (Load Balancing) [X]

Name* IP Address Based IP Pattern Based

Protocol* IP Address*

Network VServer Range Port*

State DOWN AppFlow Logging

Services | Service Groups | Policies | **Method and Persistence** | Advanced | Profiles | SSL Settings

LB Method

Method New Service Startup Request Rate

Increment Interval

Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Backup Persistence

Persistence

Time-out (min)

IPv4 Netmask

IPv6 Mask Length

Comments

All the virtual servers created can be viewed under **Load Balancing>Virtual Servers**

NetScaler VPX (1000) Host Name: 10.5.172.124(ns10) Version: NS10.0: Build 69.4.nc, Date: Jul 14 2012, 07:21:20 User: nsroot Logout

Configuration > Load Balancing > Virtual Servers

Name	State	Effective State	IP Address	Port	Protocol	Method	Persistence	% Health
Exchange_IMAP4_VIP	Up	Up	10.5.172.165	993	SSL_TCP	ROUNDROBIN	NONE	100.00% 2 UP/0 DOWN
Exchange_POP3_VIP	Up	Up	10.5.172.165	995	SSL_TCP	LEASTCONNECTION	NONE	100.00% 2 UP/0 DOWN
Exchange_SMTP_VIP	Up	Up	10.5.172.166	25	TCP	LEASTCONNECTION	NONE	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_135_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.177	135	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_444_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.177	444	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_5060_VIP	Down	Down	10.5.172.177	5060	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	0.00% 0 UP/1 DOWN
Lync_5061_VIP	Up	Up	10.5.172.177	5061	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_443_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.177	443	SSL_BRIDGE	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_80_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.177	80	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	100.00% 1 UP/0 DOWN
Lync_edge135_VIP	Out of service	Down	10.5.172.170	135	TCP	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	0.00% 0 UP/2 DOWN
Lync_edge_VIP	Down	Down	10.5.172.170	443	SSL_BRIDGE	ROUNDROBIN	SOURCEIP	0.00% 0 UP/2 DOWN

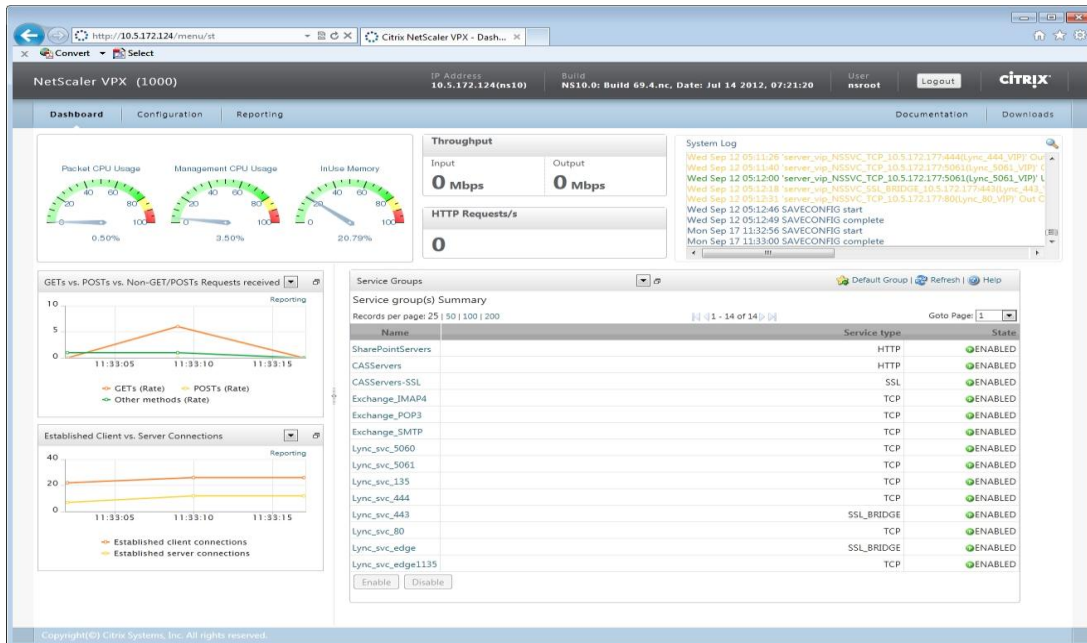
Deleted LB Virtual Server

6. Monitoring – NetScaler Dashboard

NetScaler provides **Dashboard** to display System Overviews, Logs, and Service Summary per Service Group(s):

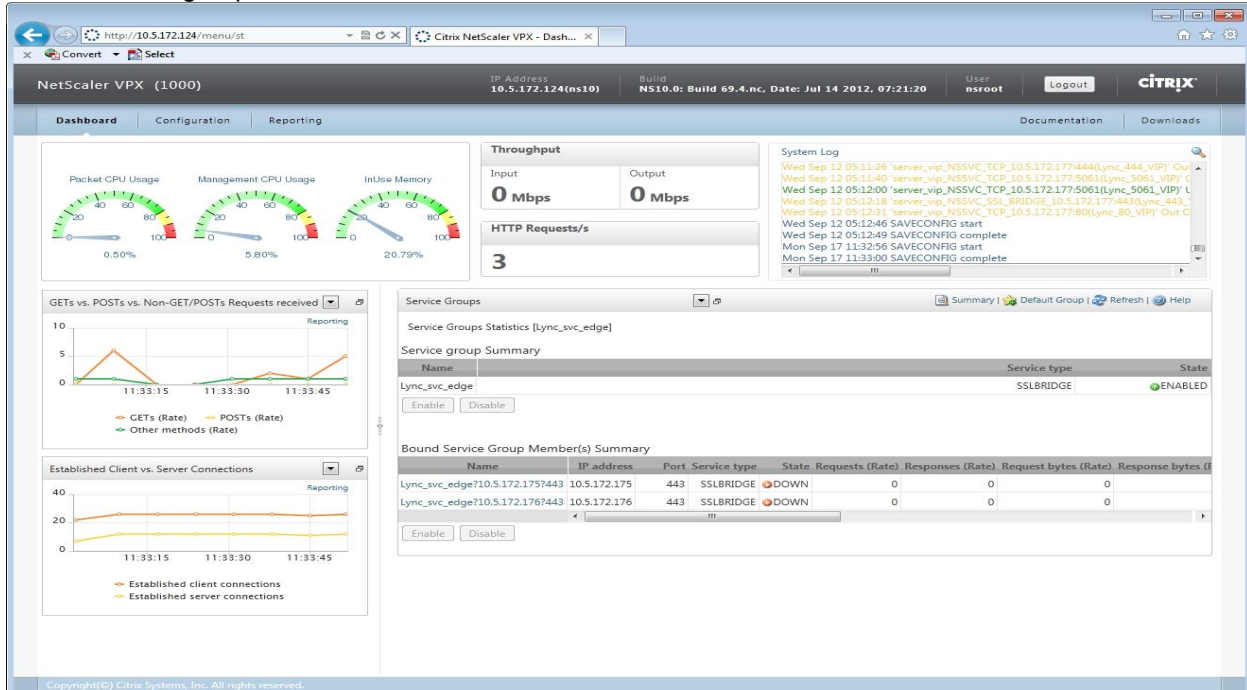
6.1 By Service Groups

Under **Service group(s) Summary**, all Lync services can be found:



6.2 Per Service Group Member

Under Service group **Name**, service backend servers are listed:



6.3 Per Server

Under Service Group Member Summary, each member server stats are listed:

The screenshot displays the NetScaler VPX (1000) dashboard. The top navigation bar includes 'Dashboard', 'Configuration', and 'Reporting'. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Throughput:** Shows 0 Mbps for both Input and Output.
- HTTP Requests/s:** Shows 1 request per second.
- System Log:** Lists recent events, including configuration saves and service restarts.
- Service Groups:** A dropdown menu is set to 'Default Group'.
- Service Group Member Statistics [Lync_svc_edge710.5.172.1757443]:**

Name	IP address	Port	Service type	State
Lync_svc_edge710.5.172.1757443	10.5.172.175	443	SSL_BRIDGE	DOWN

Buttons:
- Service Group Member Stats:**

	Rate (/s)	Total
Requests	0	0
Responses	0	0
Request bytes	0	0
Response bytes	0	0
Current client connections	-	0
Requests in surge queue	-	0
Current server connections	-	0
Current Server Est connections	-	0
Connections in reuse pool	-	0
Maximum server connections	-	0
Average server TTFB	-	0

7. Palo Alto Networks Next-Generation Firewall Deployment

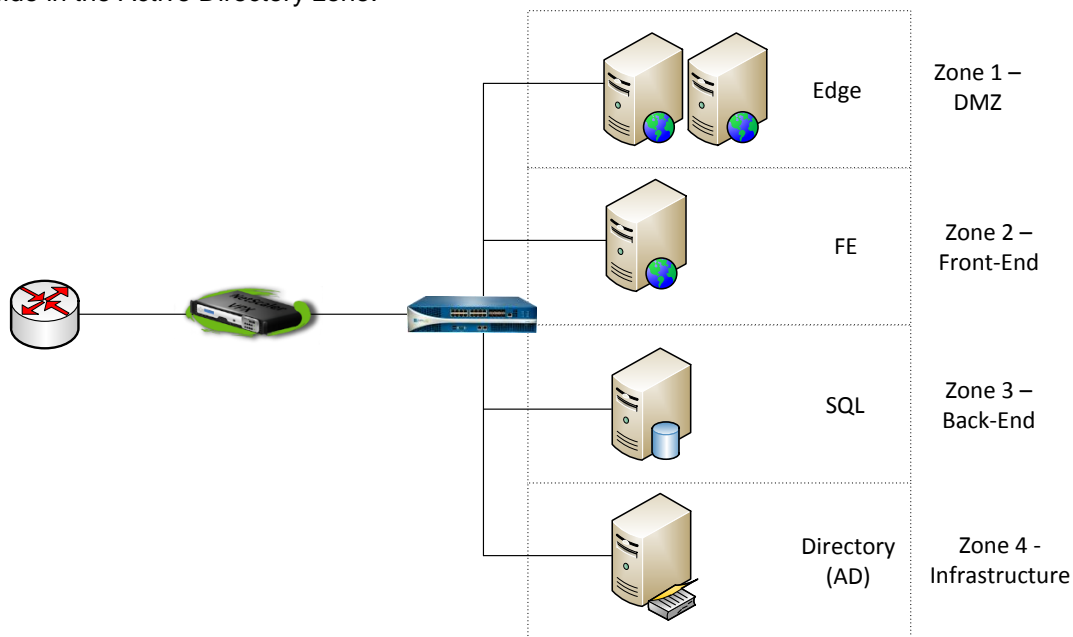
The Palo Alto Networks next-generation firewall safely enables enterprise applications in the data center and delivers meaningful segmentation by application, user and content. It identifies all traffic sent to the Microsoft Lync servers, based on actual application, not just port or protocol. Access to the Microsoft Lync servers can be further restricted to only the authorized users or groups. All content is scanned for malicious content - viruses, malware, and spyware – and dropped before they can reach the data center servers.

7.1 Data Center Segmentation

In a Lync data center implementation, there will be several different roles performed by the servers. In smaller implementations, some of these roles can be combined in a single server. For large Lync installations, the different server roles will be deployed on dedicated physical or virtual servers.

In order to properly segment and secure a large Lync implementation, the different server roles will be isolated in dedicated security zones that can only be accessed by authorized users with authorized applications.

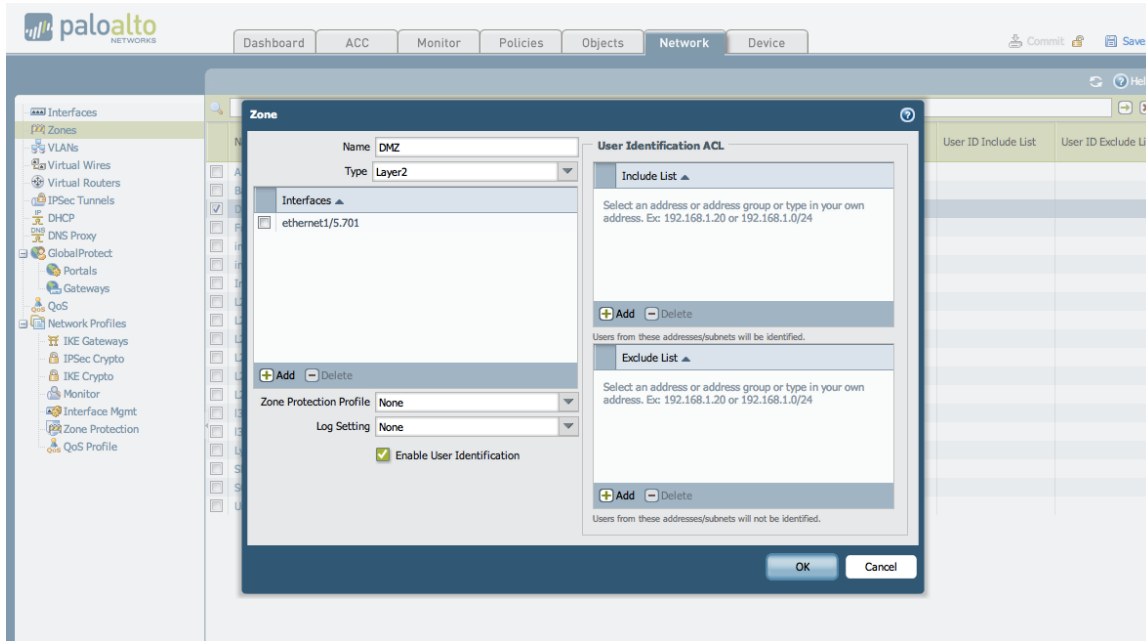
In this reference design, there will be segments for the Lync Front End Servers, Edge Servers, SQL Servers, and Active Directory Servers. Users and administrators accessing the Lync servers will come from the External zone, and there will be an infrastructure segment in which the Active Directory Domain Controllers reside. It is also important to note that Lync has a dependency on MS Exchange communications. To simplify this design and focus on the Lync components, all MS Exchange services will reside in the Active Directory zone.



To build these segments in the Palo Alto Networks firewall, the following zones will be created:

- DMZ** – Lync Edge Servers
- Front-End** – Lync Front End Servers
- Back-End** – SQL Server
- Infrastructure** – Domain controller
- External** – Users and administrators

For example, to create the Front-End zone, go to the Network tab, under the Zone section and click Add.



Enter the name of the zone, the type – Layer2 or Layer3, and click the check box for Enable User Identification.

Repeat this for each of the required zones.

7.2 Security Policy

Palo Alto Networks security policy is zone based. Each segment in a data center deployment will be in a separate zone. Once the traffic flow is understood, the security policy can be written based on actual application, not just ports and port ranges. Allowing the following protocols between the specified zones will enable Exchange, while restricting non-Lync traffic.

Every Lync implementation is different, and depending on the features and services enabled, the specific applications between zones, as well as the required zones, may vary. This will serve as a starting reference for a working Lync security policy.

Source Zone	Destination Zone	Application
External	Front-End	kerberos ms-lync rpc sip soap ssl stun web-browsing
External	DMZ	kerberos ms-lync rpc sip soap

		ssl stun
External	Infrastructure (AD/Exchange)	active-directory dns kerberos ldap ms-ds-smb ms-exchange ms-netlogon msrpc netbios-dg netbios-ss pop3 rpc rpc-over-http smtp ssl web-browsing
External	Back-End (Database)	mssql-db
Infrastructure (AD/Exchange)	External	active-directory ms-ds-smb msrpc netbios-dg netbios-ss
Infrastructure (AD/Exchange)	DMZ	active-directory ms-ds-smb msrpc netbios-dg netbios-ss
Infrastructure (AD/Exchange)	Front-End	active-directory ms-ds-smb msrpc netbios-dg netbios-ss
DMZ	Infrastructure (AD/Exchange)	dns ms-ds-smb msrpc netbios-dg netbios-ss
Front-End	Infrastructure (AD/Exchange)	dns ms-ds-smb msrpc netbios-dg netbios-ss
Front-End	DMZ	ssl

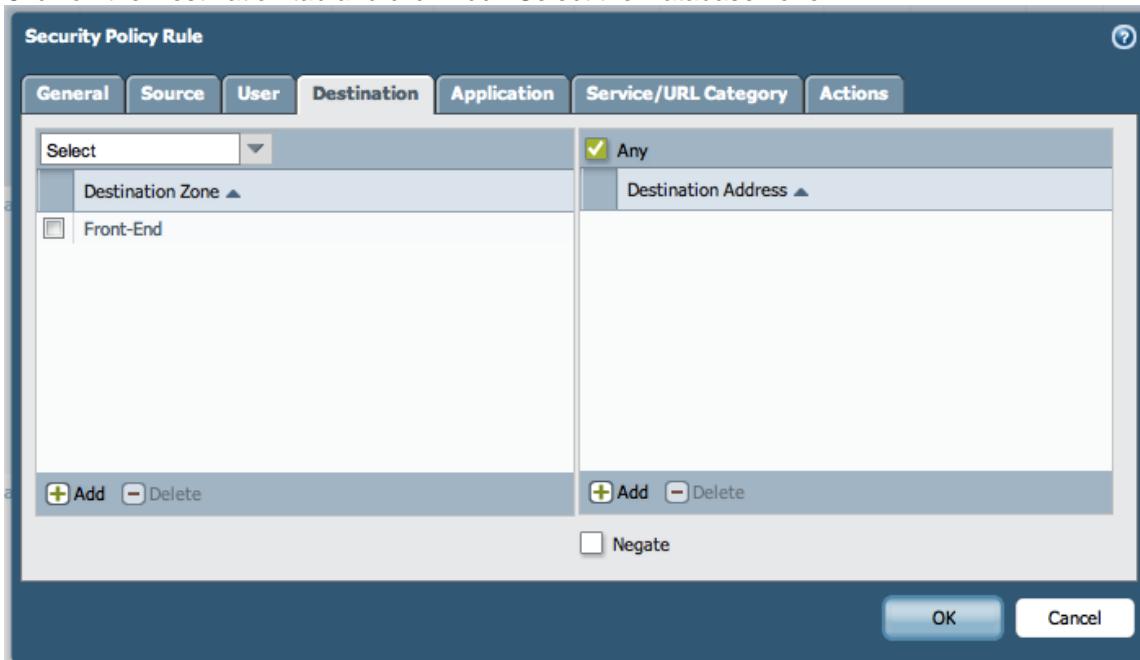
To create the security policy, each of these source and destination zone pairs will represent one line in the security policy. For example, to create the “External to Front-End” security policy line on the Palo Alto Networks firewall, go to the Policies tab (on top), and the Security section (on left), and click Add (on bottom). Enter the name of the security policy line.

The screenshot shows the "Security Policy Rule" configuration window with the "General" tab selected. The "Name/Description" section contains a "Name" field with the value "Lync-External-FE" and an empty "Description" field. To the right, there is a search bar and a table with one row labeled "Tag". At the bottom of the window are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons.

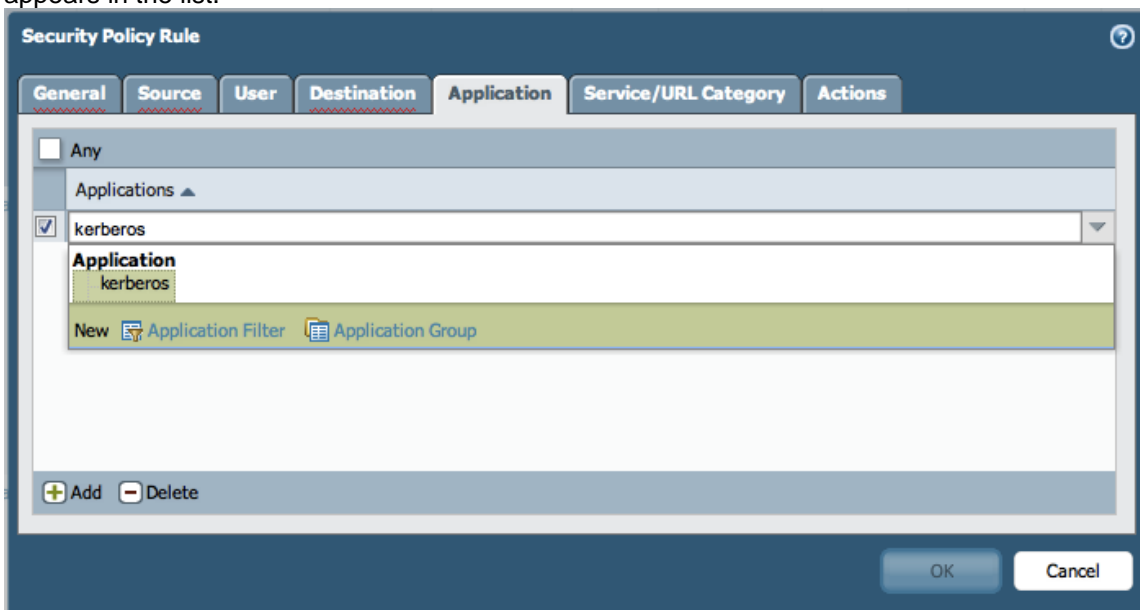
Click on the Source tab and click Add. Select the Application zone.

The screenshot shows the "Security Policy Rule" configuration window with the "Source" tab selected. It features two columns: "Source Zone" and "Source Address". The "Source Zone" column has a checkbox for "Any" (unchecked) and a list item "Lync-External" with a checkbox. The "Source Address" column has a checkbox for "Any" (checked). At the bottom, there are "Add" and "Delete" buttons for each column, and a "Negate" checkbox. "OK" and "Cancel" buttons are at the bottom right.

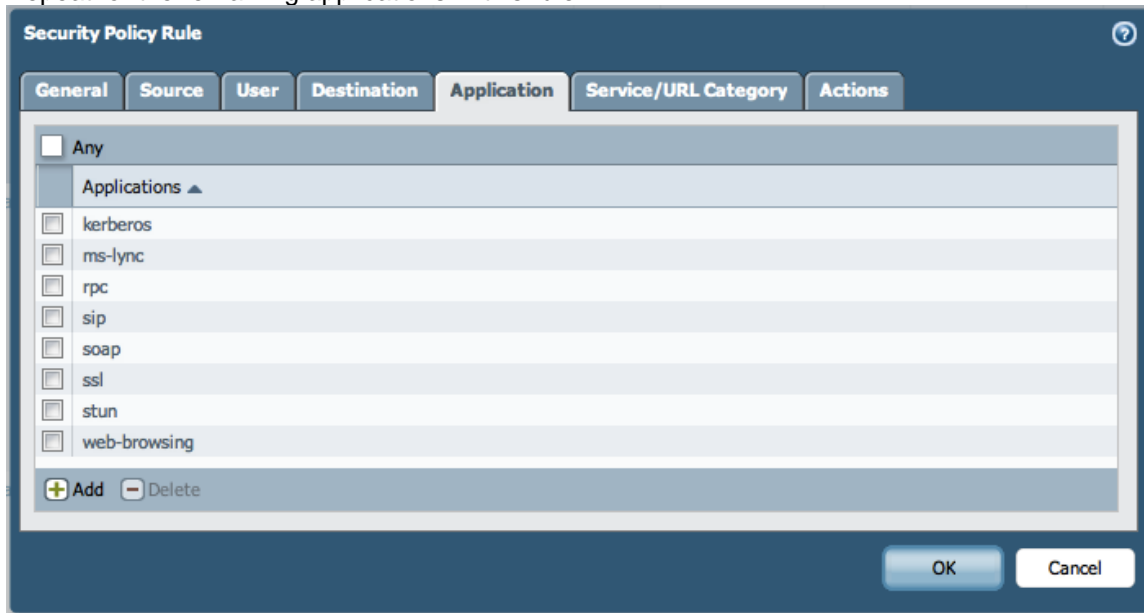
Click on the Destination tab and click Add. Select the Database zone.



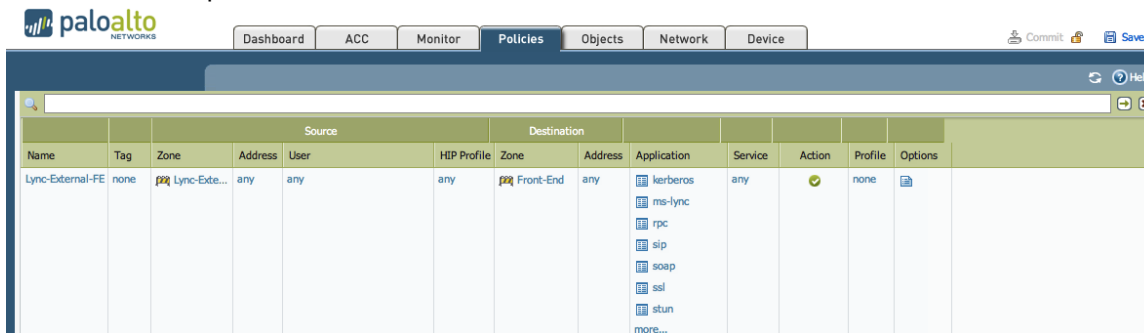
Click on the Application tab and click Add. Eight applications will be added to this rule: kerberos, ms-lync, rpc, soap, ssl, stun, web-browsing. Begin typing the first application name and select it when it appears in the list.



Repeat for the remaining applications in this rule.



Click OK. The rule will be added to the security policy. Repeat this process for each of the source and destination zone pairs listed above.



7.3 User Identification

The Palo Alto Networks firewall also allows security policy to be further refined by end user, not just source IP. Certain servers, or certain applications, in the data center may only need to be accessed by specific people or groups. The firewall will retrieve user and group information from the local user directory service, and allow that information to be used in security policies.

For example, say that the Lync servers need to be accessible by the System Administrators with Remote Desktop for management purposes. The rest of the enterprise does not need this access.

The security policy rule allowing the applications, in this case, ms-rdp and t.120, would only be accessible by the administrators group. Lync would be accessible by the entire company using the client applications.

Name	Tag	Source				Destination		Application	Service	Action	Profile	Options
		Zone	Address	User	HIP Profile	Zone	Address					
Remote Access	none	L2-External	any	enterprise/administrators	any	L2-Web	any	ms-rdp t.120	any	✓	none	
DMZ-Ex	none	L2-DMZ	any	any	any	L2-External	any	web-browsing	any	✓	none	
Ping	none	any	any	any	any	any	any	ping	any	✓	none	
Web-App	none	L2-Web	any	any	any	L2-App	any	ms-ds-smb msrpc netbios-dg netbios-ss	any	✓	none	

7.4 Threat Prevention

In addition to validating the application used to access a security zone and the user initiating the request, the next-generation firewall can scan the network traffic for threats. These include viruses, malware, spyware, or files with confidential data. By creating a security profile that scans traffic into the data center, the firewall can prevent a user from unknowingly infecting data center servers with malware, or getting infected from a compromised server.

Each rule in the security policy can have its own security profile applied, allowing for the greatest flexibility in setting policy. For example, you may have a strict security profile blocking viruses, malware, and spyware on traffic that originates outside the data center and accesses the front-end servers, but not have any profile on traffic between the application and database servers.

To begin creating the security profile, locate the Profile column in the security policy page. If nothing has been configured there yet, it will indicate “none”.

Name	Tag	Source			Destination			Application	Service	Action	Profile	Options
		Zone	Address	User	HIP Profile	Zone	Address					
Lync-External-FE	none	Lync-External	any	any	any	Front-End	any	kerberos ms-lync rpc sip soap ssl stun more...	any	✓	none	
Lync-External-Edge	none	Lync-External	any	any	any	DMZ	any	kerberos ms-lync rpc sip soap ssl stun more...	any	✓	none	

Click the “none” and a dialog window will open. Choose “Profiles” from this window to configure the security profile.

Name	Tag	Source			Destination			Application	Service	Action	Profile	Options
		Zone	Address	User	HIP Profile	Zone	Address					
Lync-External-FE	none	Lync-External	any	any	any	Front-End	any	kerberos ms-lync rpc sip soap ssl stun more...	any	✓	none	
Lync-External-Edge	none	Lync-External	any	any	any	DMZ	any	kerberos ms-lync rpc sip soap ssl stun more...	any	✓	none	

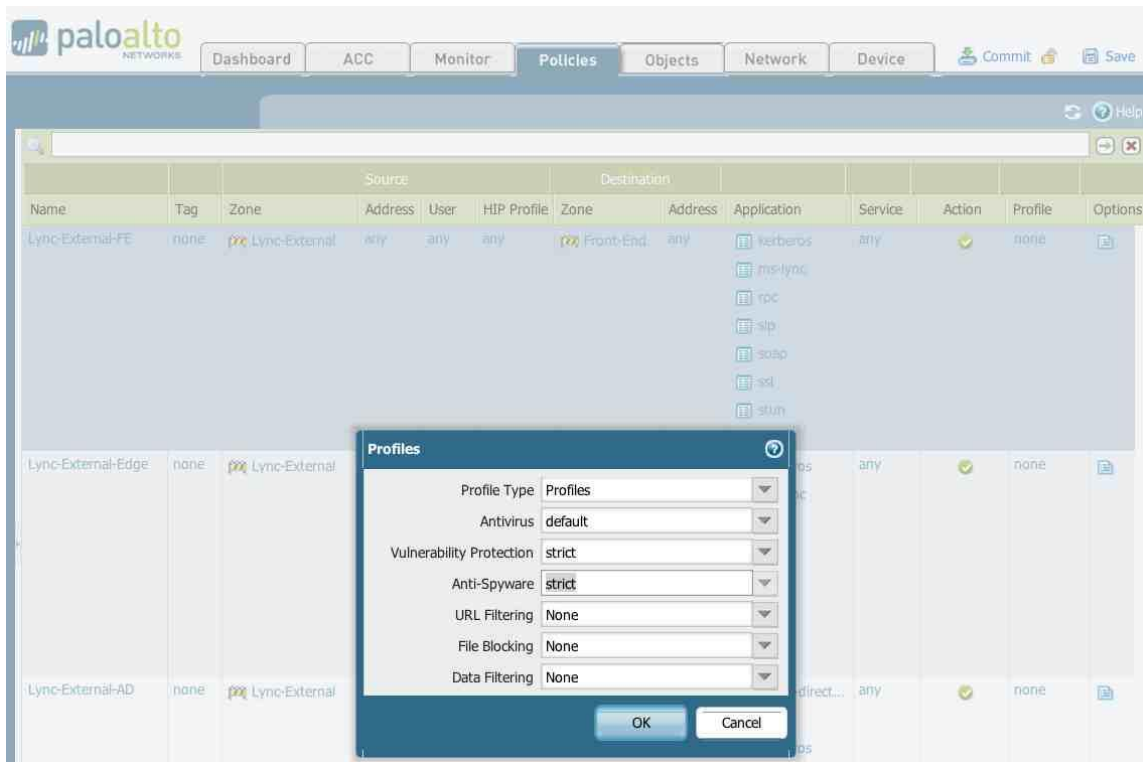
Profiles

Profile Type: None

- Profiles
- Group
- None

In the security profile window, select the specific profile settings for each of the different areas, Antivirus, Vulnerability Protection, etc. Some of these will have pre-configured profiles, such as “default” or “strict”.

These pre-configured options can be chosen, or a customized profile can be created. Please see Palo Alto Networks Administration Guide for details on creating custom profiles.



Click OK, and the new security profile should now be part of the security policy rule. This will be displayed with icons for the specific areas that profiles were chosen for.

Name	Tag	Zone	Source			Destination			Application	Service	Action	Profile	Options
			Address	User	HIP Profile	Zone	Address						
Lync-External-FE	none	Lync-External	any	any	any	Front-End	any	kerberos ms-lync rpc sip soap ssl stun more...	any	✓			
Lync-External-Edge	none	Lync-External	any	any	any	DMZ	any	kerberos ms-lync rpc sip soap ssl stun more...	any	✓	none		

Repeat this process for all of the rules to which a security profile should be applied.

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