

Veri-NAC Quick Start Guide

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Network Access Control (NAC) appliance for
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1. Todas las instrucciones de seguridad y operación deberán ser leídas antes de que el aparato eléctrico sea operado.
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4. Todas las instrucciones de operación y uso deben ser seguidas.
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6. El aparato eléctrico debe ser usado únicamente con carritos o pedestales que sean recomendados por el fabricante.
7. El aparato eléctrico debe ser montado a la pared o al techo sólo como sea recomendado por el fabricante.
8. Servicio—El usuario no debe intentar dar servicio al equipo eléctrico más allá a lo descrito en las instrucciones de operación. Todo otro servicio deberá ser referido a personal de servicio calificado.
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10. El equipo eléctrico debe ser situado fuera del alcance de fuentes de calor como radiadores, registros de calor, estufas u otros aparatos (incluyendo amplificadores) que producen calor.
11. El aparato eléctrico deberá ser conectado a una fuente de poder sólo del tipo descrito en el instructivo de operación, o como se indique en el aparato.
12. Precaución debe ser tomada de tal manera que la tierra física y la polarización del equipo no sea eliminada.
13. Los cables de la fuente de poder deben ser guiados de tal manera que no sean pisados ni pellizcados por objetos colocados sobre o contra ellos, poniendo particular atención a los contactos y receptáculos donde salen del aparato.
14. El equipo eléctrico debe ser limpiado únicamente de acuerdo a las recomendaciones del fabricante.
15. En caso de existir, una antena externa deberá ser localizada lejos de las líneas de energía.
16. El cable de corriente deberá ser desconectado del cuando el equipo no sea usado por un largo periodo de tiempo.
17. Cuidado debe ser tomado de tal manera que objetos líquidos no sean derramados sobre la cubierta u orificios de ventilación.
18. Servicio por personal calificado deberá ser provisto cuando:
 - A: El cable de poder o el contacto ha sido dañado; u
 - B: Objetos han caído o líquido ha sido derramado dentro del aparato; o
 - C: El aparato ha sido expuesto a la lluvia; o
 - D: El aparato parece no operar normalmente o muestra un cambio en su desempeño; o
 - E: El aparato ha sido tirado o su cubierta ha sido dañada.

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Chapter 1: Setting Up the Veri-NAC Appliances

1. Setting Up the Veri-NAC Appliance

The Veri-NAC Appliance can help provide better Network Access Control and help prevent intrusions on your network.

There are five Veri-NAC models: LVN5200A-R2, LVN5250A-R2, LVN5400A-R2, LVN5600A-R2, and LVN5800A-R2 rackmountable 1U appliances.

1.1 What's Included

Your package should include the following items. If anything is missing or damaged, contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500.

LVN5200A-R2, LVN5250A-R2:

- Veri-NAC appliance
- (2) EVNSL81-0010 cables
- This printed Quick Start Guide, a Default Password Sheet, and a License Agreement
- This QSG, full manual, readme file, and FAQ on CD-ROM
- Printed read.me document

LVN5400A-R2, LVN5600A-R2, LVN5800A-R2:

- Veri-NAC appliance
- EVNSL81-0010 cables ([4] for LVN5400A-R2, [6] for LVN5600A-R2, [8] for LVN5800A-R2)
- This printed Quick Start Guide, a Default Password Sheet, and License Agreement
- Printed full manual
- This QSG, full manual, readme file, and FAQ on CD-ROM
- Printed read.me document

1.2 LVN5200A-R2/LVN5250A-R2 and LVN5400A-R2/LVN5600A-R2/LVN5800A-R2 Appliances

To set up the Veri-NAC appliance on your network, connect it to the first switch or hub inside your firewall. Then follow these steps:

Step One: Connect to Your Network

1. A power cable is included with each Veri-NAC. Connect the power cable to the power jack on the rear side, on the far left end of the appliance and to a 3-prong grounded 120-VAC, 60-Hz outlet.

NOTE: We strongly recommend that you plug your Veri-NAC appliance into a surge protector to ensure that your appliance is protected from voltage spikes.

2. Connect your local area network to the Ethernet 0 port (labeled Eth0) on the rear of the Veri-NAC appliance (see Figure 1-2 or 1-4).

Figure 1-1 shows the LVN5200A-R2/LVN5250A-R2 front panel. Table 1-1 describes its components.



Figure 1-1. LVN5200A-R2/LVN5250A-R2 front panel.

Table 1-1. LVN5200A-R2/LVN5250A-R2 front panel components.

Number	Component	Description
1	System overheat LED	Lights when the system overheats
2, 3	Network activity LEDs	Lights during activity on the network
4	Hard drive activity LED	Lights during activity on the hard drive
5	Power LED	Lights when the unit is powered on
6	System reset button	Press this button to reset the system
7	Power ON/OFF button	Press this button to turn power ON/OFF

Figure 1-2 shows the LVN5200A-R2/LVN5250A-R2 back panel. Table 1-2 describes its components.

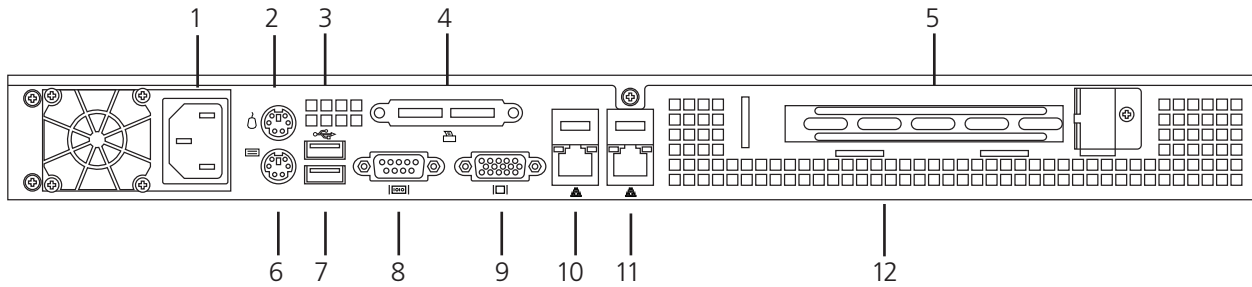


Figure 1-2. LVN5200A-R2/LVN5250A-R2 back panel.

Table 1-2. LVN5200A-R2/LVN5250A-R2 back panel components.

Number	Component	Description
1	IEC 320 power connector	Connects to power
2	PS/2 mouse connector	Links to PS/2 mouse
3, 12	Air holes	Allow cooling
4	Not used	—
5	Expansion slot cover	Covers expansion slots
6	PS/2 keyboard connector	Links to PS/2 keyboard
7	(2) USB Type A ports	Links to USB peripherals
8	DB9 serial	Links to serial connector
9	HD15 VGA	Links to monitor
10	Eth 1	Connects to LAN 2
11	Eth 0	Connects to LAN 1

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Figure 1-3 shows the LVN5400A-R2/LVN5600A-R2/LVN5800A-R2 models' front panel. Table 1-3 lists its components.



Figure 1-3. LVN5400A-R2/LVN5600A-R2/LVN5800A-R2 front panel.

Table 1-3. LVN5400A-R2/LVN5600A-R2/LVN5800A-R2 components.

Number	Component	Description
1	System overheat LED	Lights when the system overheats
2, 3	Network activity LEDs	Lights during activity on the network
4	Hard drive activity LED	Lights during activity on the hard drive
5	Power LED	Lights when the unit is powered on
6	System reset button	Press this button to reset the system
7	Power ON/OFF button	Press this button to turn power ON/OFF
8, 9	Vent holes for airflow	Allows for system cooling

Figures 1-4 through 1-6 show the LVN5400A-R2/LVN5600A-R2/LVN5800A-R2 models' back panels. Table 1-4 lists their components.

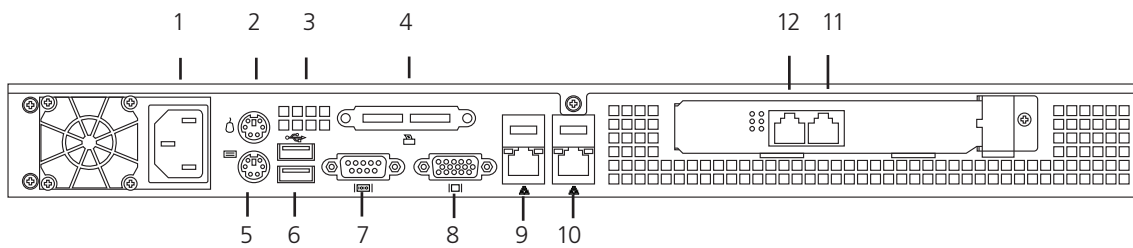


Figure 1-4. LVN5400A-R2 back panel.

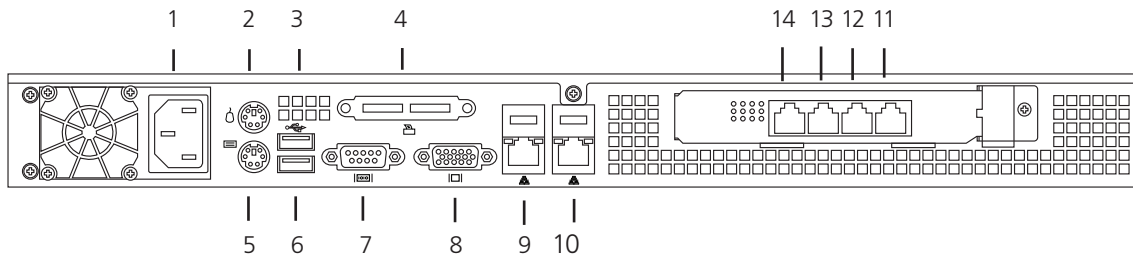


Figure 1-5. LVN5600A-R2 back panel.

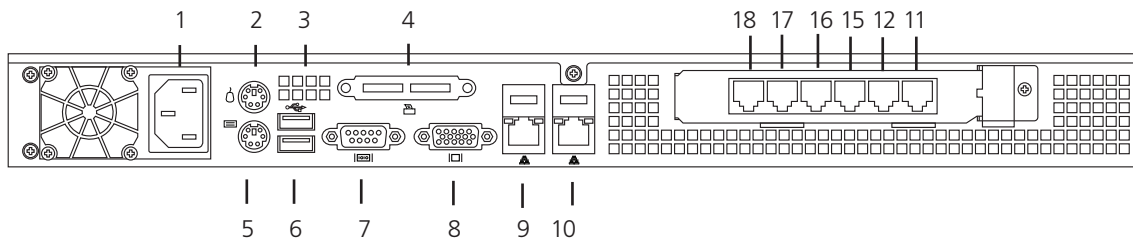


Figure 1-6. LVN5800A-R2 back panel.

Table 1-4. LVN5400A-R2/LVN5600A-R2/LVN5800A-R2 components.

Number	Component	Description
1	IEC 320 power connector	Connects to power
2	PS/2 mouse connector	Links to PS/2 mouse
3	Air holes	Allow cooling
4	Not used	—
5	PS/2 keyboard connector	Links to PS/2 keyboard
6	(2) USB Type A ports	Links to USB peripherals
7	DB9 serial	Links to serial connector
8	HD15 VGA	Links to monitor
9	Eth 0 (LVN5400A-R2, LVN5600A-R2, LVN5800A-R2)	Connects to LAN 0
10	Eth 1 (LVN5400A-R2, LVN5600A-R2, LVN5800A-R2)	Connects to LAN 1
11	Eth 2 (LVN5400A-R2, LVN5600A-R2, LVN5800A-R2)	Connects to LAN 2
12	Eth 3 (LVN5400A-R2, LVN5600A-R2, LVN5800A-R2)	Connects to LAN 3
13	Eth 4 (LVN5600A-R2)	Connects to LAN 4
14	Eth 5 (LVN5600A-R2)	Connects to LAN 5
15	Eth 4 (LVN5800A-R2)	Connects to LAN 4
16	Eth 5 (LVN5800A-R2)	Connects to LAN 5
17	Eth 6 (LVN5800A-R2)	Connects to LAN 6
18	Eth 7 (LVN5800A-R2)	Connects to LAN 7

NOTE: The network cable must be CAT5 cable or higher with RJ-45 connectors.

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Step Two: Connect the Monitor and Keyboard

1. Connect the monitor cable to the 15-pin (VGA color) Monitor port on the rear of the appliance.
2. Connect a keyboard to the Keyboard outlet on the rear of the appliance.
3. Press the Power button on the far right front panel of the appliance. The Power LED indicates that power is on, and the network LED flashes indicating network traffic is occurring. On the rear panel, adjacent to the Ethernet port, another LED begins flashing to indicate that network traffic is occurring. After a scan completes, a bootup screen appears.

Step Three (A): If Your Environment Is DHCP

In a DHCP environment, the IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway settings have been assigned automatically and should appear on the next menu. Do not make any selections or change any settings. Do not save any settings if you have not changed anything.

1. IMPORTANT: Write down the appliance IP address for later use. _____
2. Disconnect the monitor, keyboard, and computer from the appliance. No further direct connection to the appliance is required.

Step Three (B): If Your Environment Is Non-DHCP

In a Non-DHCP environment, you must assign the IP address/other settings:

1. Type the number of a parameter at <Make a selection>, then press <Enter>. As prompted, type a new value and press <Enter>. To enter Network Configuration, press <1>.
2. IMPORTANT: Write down the appliance IP address. _____
3. To set the IP address, press <2> and press <Enter>. At the Enter new IP address prompt, type the IP address (i.e., 192.168.254.156) and press <Enter>. The list of settings is displayed with the IP address you entered.
4. Enter values for the Subnet mask <3>, Default gateway <4>, and Host name <6> that apply to your network.
5. To add a DNS server, press <5> and <Enter>. After you have added your DNS servers, press <3> to save your server values, then press <Q> and <Enter> to return to the Main Menu.
6. Disconnect the monitor and keyboard from the Veri-NAC. No further direct connection to the appliance is required.

Step Four: Open Ports for Automatic Download

To enable downloads to take place, have your System Administrator or Network Engineer open port 443 on your firewall server.

Next, access the Veri-NAC through a Web browser window on any system on the same subnet or Local Area Network (LAN).

Step Five: Use a Browser to Configure the Veri-NAC

1. To log on, open a secure browser window (with the protocol https instead of just http) using the IP address of the Veri-NAC as the URL. For example, if the Veri-NAC has IP address 192.168.254.156, the URL to open in your browser would be:
https://192.168.254.156 (using the default SSL port) OR
https://192.168.254.156:<custom SSL port number>
2. The Veri-NAC login window appears.
3. Enter the user name and password provided on the Password Sheet delivered with your appliance.
4. Click on the Login button. The License Agreement appears first. Accept this license using the button at the bottom of the screen. (This request to accept will appear at every log in until you accept it.)
5. Next, the Help/Product Overview page of the Veri-NAC opens in the browser with brief descriptions and links to all the other product pages.

CAUTION: To be sure that Veri-NAC produces accurate results, you must be sure you have downloaded the latest Common Vulnerabilities and Exposure (CVE) vulnerability signatures; later, when Veri-NAC updates itself regularly, it will download new signatures daily, but if you do not add all known vulnerabilities when it starts, it will not realize that it doesn't have them. To be sure you have the latest CVEs initially, you must carry out the next step—Downloading CVE Tests.

Step Six: Downloading CVE Tests and Making Sure Malware Updates are Running (All Models Except LVN5200A-R2)

Before you take any other action with the product, you must download the latest Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVEs) tests into the Veri-NAC database.

CAUTION: If you skip this step, Veri-NAC will not do its job effectively.

1. Go to the left frame menu bar and select Updates→Vulnerability Signatures.
2. Click the Update Now button.
3. As long as the appliance is on a network connected to the Internet, you just need to click "Download Updates" and, after the updates download, click "Install Now."
4. If your appliance is NOT on a network connected to the Internet, you must update from a machine that is. Go to that machine and log into Veri-NAC, then click "Download Updates." Then browse to the file using the Browse button and click "Upload Now" to install the update on Veri-NAC.
5. After you have updated the vulnerability signatures, you may now return to the Vulnerability Signature Updates page and select "Daily" so that the updates automatically occur daily. Be sure to click "Save" to save the setting.
6. Click on "Updates => Malware Signatures." You should see the following:

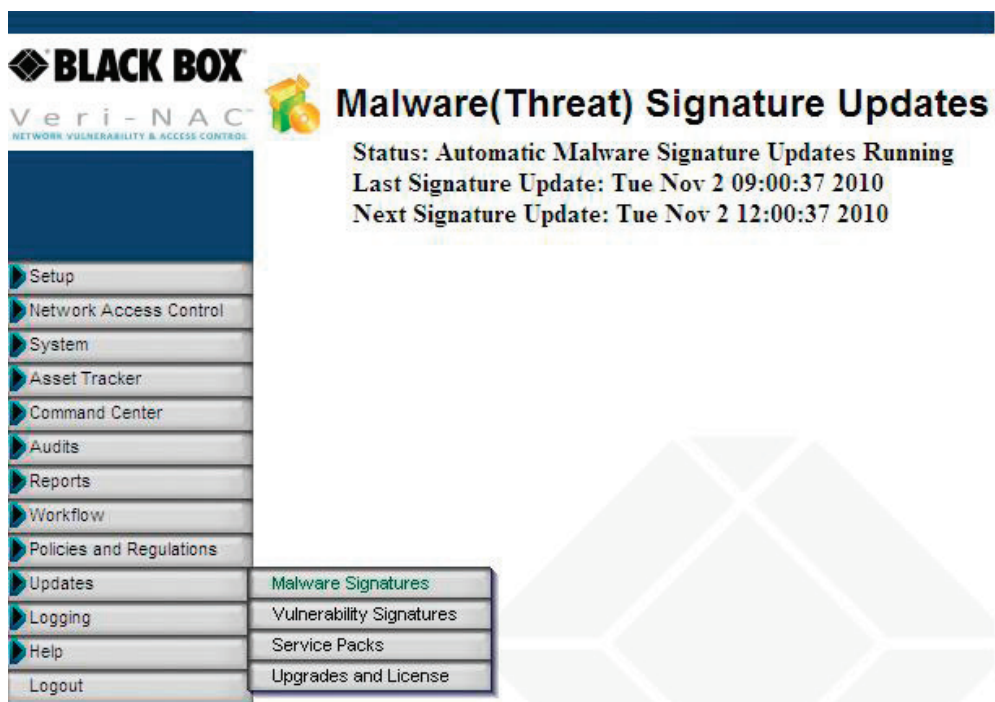


Figure Q1-7. Veri-NAC malware updates status.

Step Seven: Discovering All Your Network Assets

Before you can turn on alerts and the blocking engine, create a list of all your trusted network assets. To do this:

1. Go to the left frame menu bar and select Network Access Control→Asset Discovery.
2. If you use NetBIOS on any of your equipment, click the Use NetBIOS Scans for host names.
3. Click the Refresh IPs button and wait approximately 5-15 minutes while the appliance discovers all the trusted network assets on the current subnet.

Your Veri-NAC is now up and running. Start reading through the User Guide. In particular, learn about the Network Access Control→Dynamic Detection System as well as the Inventory Alerts. Remember, one of the most powerful features of your Veri-NAC appliance is your Veri-NAC blocking engine, so you'll also need to look at the Manage IPs list to determine how to add and remove assets to and from your trust list.

2. Configuring the Browser

Veri-NAC has been verified with the following Web browsers: Microsoft® Internet Explorer® Versions 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, and 8.0; Mozilla® Firefox® Versions 2.x and 3.x; and Opera® Version 9.63.

2.1 Internet Explorer—Cache Issues

Occasionally, if you perform a task with Veri-NAC, Internet Explorer 6.0 does not immediately update the display. If, for example, you decide to add a custom comment to a report and then recreate the report, when you next open that report or view the Text of Vulnerabilities, your new comment may not display. Instead, you may see the older, cached version of the report. To be sure you see the newest version of the report every time, change your browser settings as follows (see Figure 2-1):

- Go to the Internet Explorer menu bar and select Tools→Internet Options.
- In the Internet Options window, click on the General tab, and then click the Settings button.
- Under Check for newer versions of stored pages, select Every visit to the page.

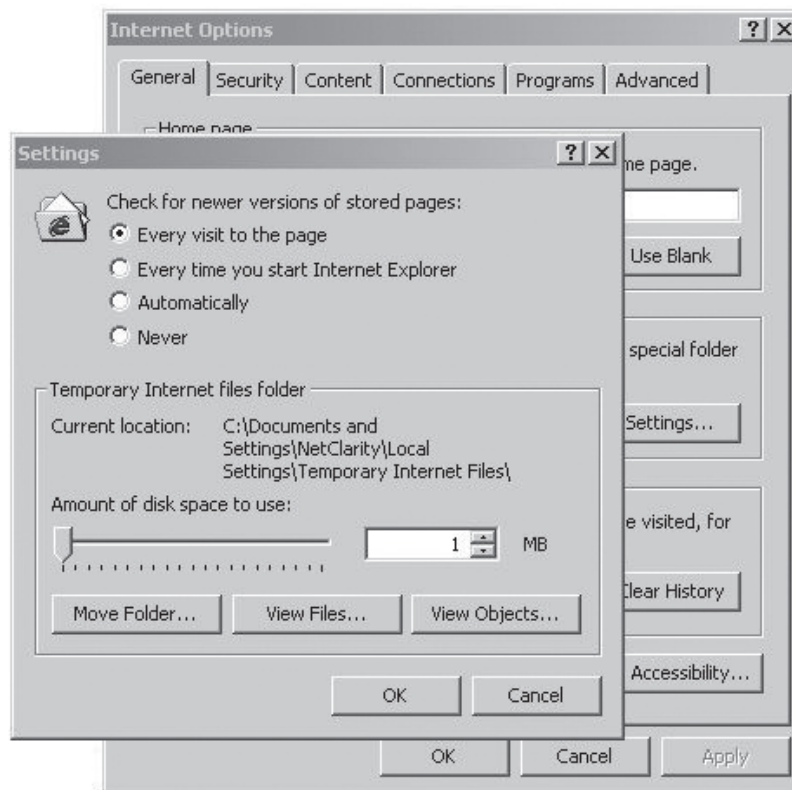


Figure 2-1. Settings screen.

This setting clears the cache and ensures all edits to reports display upon subsequent visits.

2.2 Internet Explorer—Security Issues

In Internet Explorer, you may frequently receive prompts like this (see Figure 2-2):

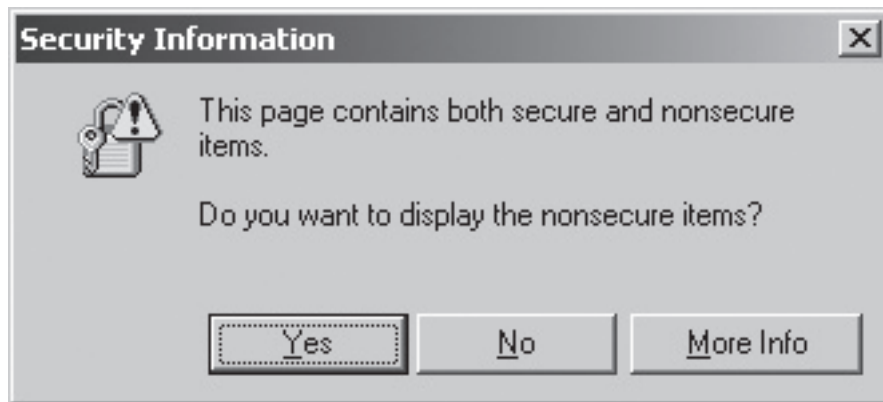


Figure 2-2. Security information prompt.

To turn off this prompt:

- Select Tools→Internet Options.
- Click on the Security tab.
- Click on the Custom Level button.
- Scroll down to the Miscellaneous category and find Display mixed content.
- To change the prompt setting, select Enable for this setting, then click OK to save it (see Figure 2-3).

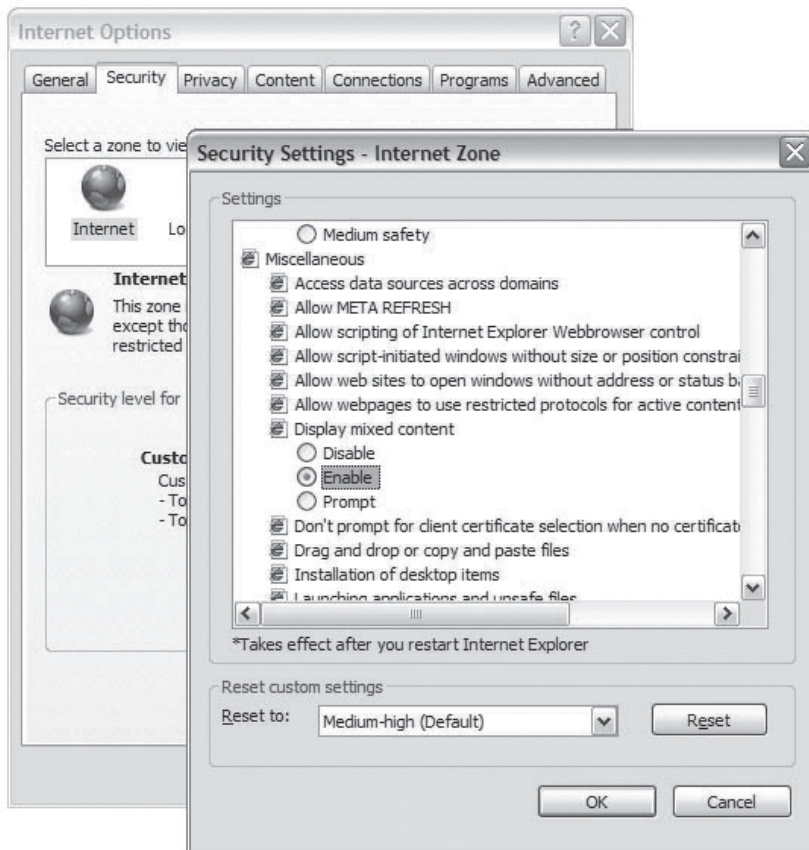


Figure 2-3. Security settings.

2.3 Mozilla Firefox—Security Issues

To get rid of certificate errors in Firefox:

1. On the screen that comes up when you get a certificate error, click on “Or you can add an exception” (see Figure 2-4).
2. Click on Add Exception.
3. The appliance’s IP should be automatically filled in the Server Location field.
4. Click Get Certificate→Confirm Security Exception.



Secure Connection Failed

Veri-NAC uses an invalid security certificate.

The certificate is not trusted because it is self certificate.
The certificate is only valid for Unknown.

(Error code: sec_error_untrusted_issuer)

- This could be a problem with the server's configuration, or it could be someone to impersonate the server.
- If you have connected to this ever successfully in the past, the error may be temporary and you can try again later.

Or you can add an exception...

Figure 2-4. Secure connection failed screen.

You may also run into a specific Firefox security error that reads Error code: sec_error_reused_issuer_and_serial. To remedy this problem:

1. Go to Tools→Options→Advanced→Encryption and click on View Certificates (see Figure 2-5).
2. In the Servers and Authorities tab, remove the appliance certificate by highlighting the appliance's IP and clicking Delete.
3. Try refreshing the page and add the appliance to the exception list.

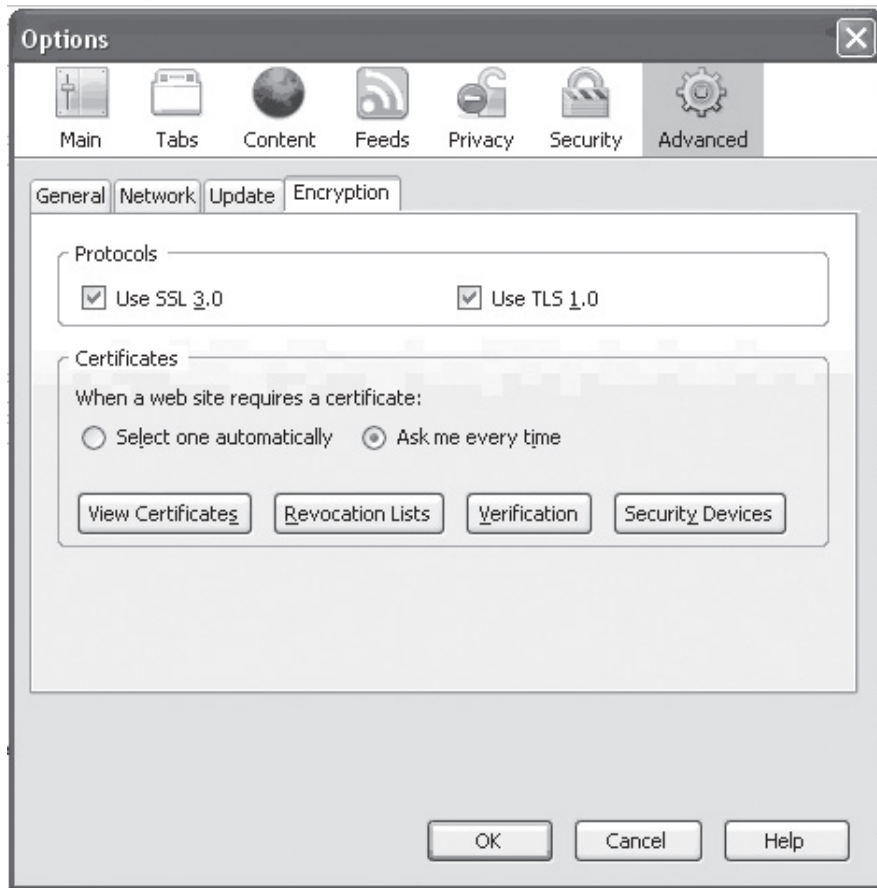


Figure 2-5. Options screen.

Chapter 3: Troubleshooting

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For additional help, please consult the User Guide or Black Box Network Services Technical Support at 724-746-5500. Additionally, you can contact your Authorized Black Box Network Services Reseller for support.

For more information, contact Black Box Network Services at 724-746-5500.

Please have the following information ready:

- Total number of network assets
- Veri-NAC model and serial number
- Veri-NAC firmware/software version
- A network topology diagram
- Type of firewalls and switches you are using
- Presence of VLANs, proxy servers, remote subnets
- What symptoms or issues you are experiencing

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