
Installation Guide

Advanced Authentication - Windows Client

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About this Book

The Windows Client Installation User Guide has been designed for all users and describes the system requirements and the installation procedure for Windows Client.

Intended Audience

This book provides information for individuals responsible for understanding administration concepts and implementing a secure, distributed administration model.

About Windows Client

Windows Client replaces standard way of log on to Microsoft Windows by a more secure using the authentication chains configured in Advanced Authentication.

IMPORTANT: Advanced Authentication Windows Client supports offline logon (when the Advanced Authentication Server is not available) for non-local accounts of the authentication chains which contain the methods: LDAP Password, Password, HOTP, TOTP, Smartphone (offline mode), Card, FIDO U2F, and Fingerprint.

TIP: To log on with Microsoft account enter <WorkstationName>\<MicrosoftAccount> in the user name field, e.g. win81x64\pjones@live.com.

1 System Requirements

IMPORTANT: Installing and removing Windows Client requires Local Admins privileges.

The following system requirements should be fulfilled:

- ♦ Microsoft Windows 7 (x64/x86) SP1/Microsoft Windows 8.1 (x64/x86)/Microsoft Windows 10 (x64/x86)/Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2/ Microsoft Windows Server 2012 R2.
- ♦ The machine must be joined to a domain.
- ♦ DNS is properly configured for Advanced Authentication Server discovery [How to Set DNS for Server Discovery](#).
- ♦ Users of Active Directory repository or eDirectory repository (if [Domain Services for Windows](#) technology is used) may be used for logon. Users from AD LDS repository can't be used for logon.

2 Preliminary Configuration

The chapter contains articles about required pre-configuration.

- ♦ [How to Set DNS for Server Discovery](#)

2.1 How to Set DNS for Server Discovery

Question:

I would like to set DNS for server discovery. How can I do it and what is its workflow?

Answer:

To set a DNS for the Server Discovery, perform the following steps:

1. Open a DNS Manager. To open the DNS Manager, click **Start**, point to **Administrative Tools**, and click **DNS**.
2. Add Host A or AAAA record and PTR record:
 - a. In the console tree, right-click the forward lookup zone that includes your domain name and click **New Host (A or AAAA)**.
 - b. Specify a DNS name for the Advanced Authentication Server in **Name**.
 - c. Specify the IP address for the Advanced Authentication Server in **IP address**. You can specify the address in IP version 4 (IPv4) format (to add a host (A) resource record) or IP version 6 (IPv6) format (to add a host (AAAA) resource record).
 - d. Select **Create associated pointer (PTR) record** to create an additional pointer (PTR) resource record in a reverse zone for this host, based on the information that you provided in **Name** and **IP address**.
3. Add an SRV record:
 - a. For the Global servers:
 - i. In the console tree, locate **Forward Lookup Zones** and right-click on a node with domain name and click **Other New Records**.
 - ii. In the **Select a resource record type** list, click **Service Location (SRV)** and then click **Create Record**.
 - iii. Click **Service** and then specify **_aaa**.
 - iv. Click **Protocol** and then specify **_tcp**.
 - v. Click **Port Number** and then specify **443**.
 - vi. In **Host offering this service**, specify the FQDN of the server that is added. For example, `authsrv.mycompany.com`.
 - vii. Click **OK**.
 - b. For authentication servers in sites:
 - i. In the console tree, locate **Forward Lookup Zones**, switch to a node with domain name then to **_sites** node, right-click on an appropriate site name and click **Other New Records**.

- ii. In the **Select a resource record type** list, click **Service Location (SRV)** and then click **Create Record**.
- iii. Click **Service** and then specify **_aaa**.
- iv. Click **Protocol** and then specify **_tcp**.
- v. Click **Port Number** and then specify **443**.
- vi. In **Host offering this service**, specify the FQDN of the server that is added. For example, `authsrv.mycompany.com`.
- vii. Click **OK**.

Repeat steps 2 to 3 for all the authentication servers. The Priority and Weight values for different servers may vary.

DNS server contains SRV entries `_service._proto.name TTL class SRV priority weight port target`. The following descriptions define the elements present in the DNS server:

- ♦ **Service**: symbolic name of an applicable service
- ♦ **Proto**: transport protocol of an applicable service. Mostly, TCP or UDP.
- ♦ **Name**: domain name for which this record is valid. It ends with a dot.
- ♦ **TTL**: standard DNS time to live field.
- ♦ **Class**: standard DNS class field (this is always IN).
- ♦ **Priority**: priority of the target host. Lower value indicates that it is more preferable.
- ♦ **Weight**: a relative weight for records with the same priority. Higher value indicates that it is more preferable.
- ♦ **Port**: TCP or UDP port on which the service is located.
- ♦ **Target**: canonical host name of the machine providing the service. It ends with a dot.

Configuring Authentication Server Discovery on client side

You can use the following options for server discovery on the client side:

- ♦ `discovery.Domain`: DNS name of the domain. For Windows Client, this value is used if workstation is not connected to the domain.
- ♦ `discovery.subDomains`: list of additional sub domains separated by a semicolon. You can use them on MacOS Client or Linux Client to list AD sites.
- ♦ `discovery.useOwnSite`: Set the value to `True` to use the local site (Windows Client only).
- ♦ `discovery.dnsTimeout`: Time out for the DNS queries. The default value is 15 seconds.

Authentication Server Discovery Flow

Windows Client

The feature is not supported in Windows Client.

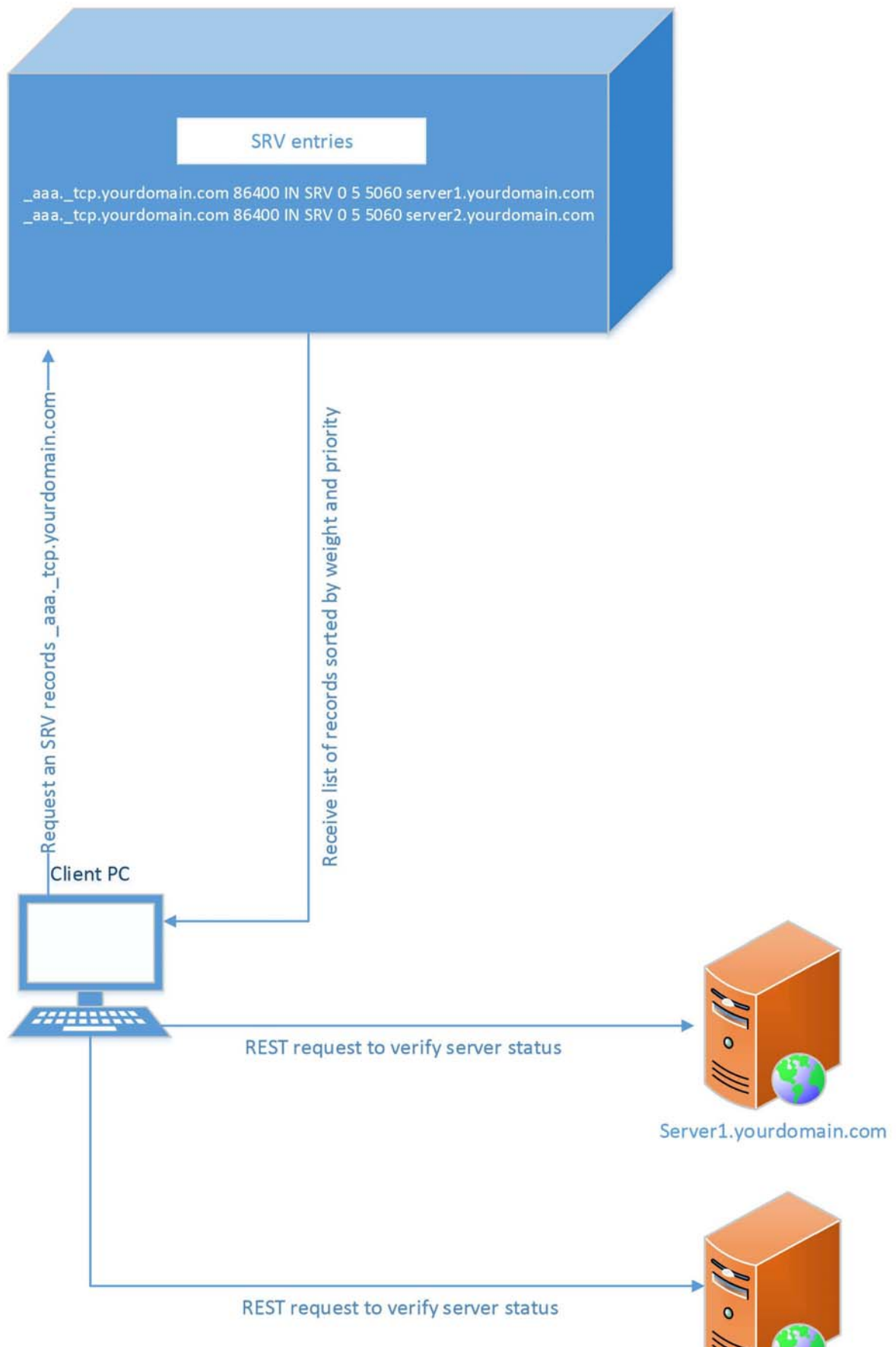
MacOS Client/ Linux PAM module

1. Get servers from the sub domains listed in `discovery.subDomain`.
2. Get servers from the domain specified in `discovery.Domain` (global list).

Path for the configuration file is as follows:

- ♦ **MacOS Client**: `/Library/Security/SecurityAgentPlugins/aucore_login.bundle/Contents/etc/aucore_login.conf`.
- ♦ **Linux PAM module**: `/opt/pam_aucore/etc/pam_aucore.conf`.

The following diagram illustrates the server discovery workflow graphically.



3 Installing and Removing Windows Client

In this chapter:

- ♦ [Installing Windows Client](#)
- ♦ [Removing Windows Client](#)

NOTE: To upgrade the Windows Client from 5.2 to 5.3, you must not uninstall 5.2 because it does not support the removal of endpoints during uninstallation. In this case, the administrator will have to remove the endpoint manually. See [Installing Windows Client](#) to perform the upgrade.

3.1 Installing Windows Client

To install Windows Client via Setup Wizard:

1. Check **System** properties (Control Panel\All Control Panel Items\System) to detect your **System type**.
2. Run NAAF-WinClientInstaller-Win32-<version>.msi in case of 32-bit Operating System, NAAF-WinClientInstaller-x64-<version>.msi in case of 64-bit Operating System.
3. Click **Next** to continue.
4. Read the **License Agreement**. Select the **I accept the terms in the license agreement** checkbox and click **Next**.
5. Click **Next** to install to the default folder or click **Browse** to choose another.
 - ♦ To change the destination folder, click the **Change** button and select an applicable destination.
 - ♦ To continue, click **Next**.
6. Click **Install** and wait until the component is installed.
7. Click **Finish** to close the Wizard.

IMPORTANT: It is required to set **Require admin password to register endpoint/workstation** to **OFF** in Endpoint management options on Advanced Authentication Administrative Portal. Otherwise the required endpoint won't be created.

8. Click **Yes** to restart the operating system.

3.2 Removing Windows Client

Windows Client can be removed via Setup Wizard or Control Panel.

NOTE: It is recommended to remove the component only in the online mode, when Advanced Authentication Server is available. Otherwise the endpoint will not be removed and administrator will need to remove it manually.

To remove Windows Client via Setup Wizard, follow the steps:

1. Run `NAAF-WinClientInstaller-Win32-<version>.msi` in case of 32-bit Operating System, `NAAF-WinClientInstaller-x64-<version>.msi` in case of 64-bit Operating System.
2. Click **Next** to continue.
3. Select **Remove** as an applicable operation and click **Next** to remove Windows Client from your computer.
4. Click **Remove** to confirm removal.

To remove Windows Client via Control Panel, select one of the links that corresponds to your operating system:

- ♦ [Microsoft Windows 7](#)
- ♦ [Microsoft Windows 8.1](#)
- ♦ [Microsoft Windows 10](#)

3.2.1 Microsoft Windows 7

1. In the **Start** menu, select **Control panel** and then double-click **Programs and Features**.
2. Select NetIQ **Windows Client** and click **Uninstall**.
3. Confirm the removal.
4. Wait a few seconds until the removal is completed.

3.2.2 Microsoft Windows 8.1

1. In the **Search** menu, select **Apps > Control Panel > Programs > Programs and Features**.
2. Select NetIQ **Windows Client** and click **Uninstall**.
3. Confirm the removal.
4. Wait a few seconds until the removal is completed.

3.2.3 Microsoft Windows 10

1. Right-click the **Start** button and select **Control Panel > Programs > Programs and Features**.
2. Select NetIQ **Windows Client** and click **Uninstall**.
3. Confirm the removal.
4. Wait a few seconds until the removal is completed.

4 Troubleshooting for Windows

To investigate the possible issues you may be asked to collect the debug logs.

1. Run `DiagTool.exe` (the tool must have Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5 installed).
2. Click **Clear All** (if applicable) in the **Debug logs** tab.
3. Click **Enable**.
4. Restart the system.
5. Reproduce your problem.
6. Run `DiagTool.exe`.
7. Click **Save logs** in the **Debug logs** tab.
8. Specify a file name and path. Click **Save** to save the logs.
9. Click **Disable** to disable the logging.
10. Click **Clear All**.

If you don't have the Diagnostic Tool you can perform the actions manually:

1. Create a text file `C:\ProgramData\NetIQ\Logging\config.properties`.
2. Add a string to the file: `logEnabled=True` that ends by a line break.
3. Create a directory: `C:\ProgramData\NetIQ\Logging\Logs\`.
4. Restart the machine.
5. Reproduce your problem.
6. Pack the logs located in `C:\ProgramData\NetIQ\Logging\Logs\` into a zip file.
7. Change `logEnabled=True` to `logEnabled=False` in the folder,
`C:\ProgramData\NetIQ\Logging\config.properties`

With the Diagnostic Tool, you can check the network problems on a workstation, issues in connection between a workstation and DNS Server, and to get a list of the Advanced Authentication Servers that can be discovered. To this, perform the following steps:

1. Run `DiagTool.exe` (the tool must have Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5 installed).
2. Switch to the **Servers** tab.
3. In the **Search settings** you must enter FQDN in **Domain** and click **Search**. A list of Advanced Authentication Servers is displayed.
4. If the list is not displayed, clear **Use system DNS server** and enter the IP address of your DNS server in **DNS server** and click **Search** again.

4.1 Chain Icons Cannot be Updated

Issue

System administrator applied the new icons for the used authentication chains, but they were not updated on the Windows Client.

Solution

Windows Client does not update the icons to reduce the traffic. Please remove the folder C:\ProgramData\NetIQ\Windows Client\logocache to clear the icons cache.

4.2 Long Boot

Question:

With the Windows Client installed I experience longer Please wait screen during OS boot?

Answer:

It happens because Advanced Authentication has to wait for network to get and show a list of available authentication chains.