

Module 11

Security Methods

Objectives

1. 2.3 Secure a Workstation
2. 2.4 Disposal Methods
3. 2.5 Wireless Security
4. 2.6 Wired Security

WORKSTATION SECURITY

Security Policy

1. A formal document defining network, computer, and user security protocols for a system or organization:
 - A. For systems:
 - Limitations on functions
 - Limitations on access by external systems and users
 - B. For an organization:
 - Limitations on behavior of its members
 - Limitations on physical security
2. Questions to answer in writing a local security policy:
 - A. What assets require protection?
 - B. What are the possible threats?
 - C. What should be done in the event of a security breach?
 - D. What are the user responsibilities?
 - E. Crime and punishment

Protecting Physical Equipment

Since stealing the whole PC is the easiest way to steal data, physical computer equipment must be secured:



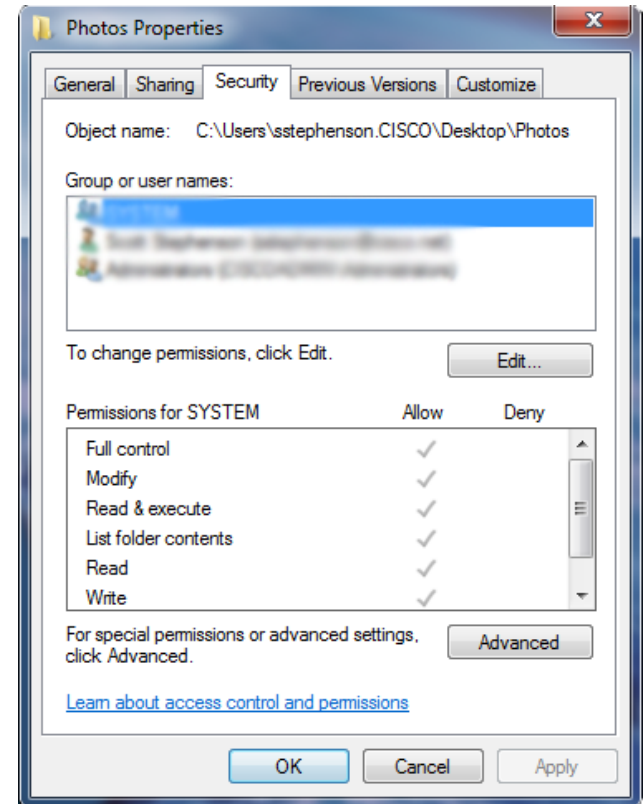
Physical Security Devices

1. Control access to facilities
2. Use cable locks
3. Lock telecommunication rooms
4. Use security screws
5. Use security cages around equipment
6. Label and install sensors on equipment

Protecting Digital Data

1. Methods of securing data:

- A. Password protection
- B. Restrict user permissions
- C. Disable guest accounts
- D. Screensaver passwords
- E. Data encryption
- F. Port protection
- G. Data backups
- H. File system security
- I. Disable autorun

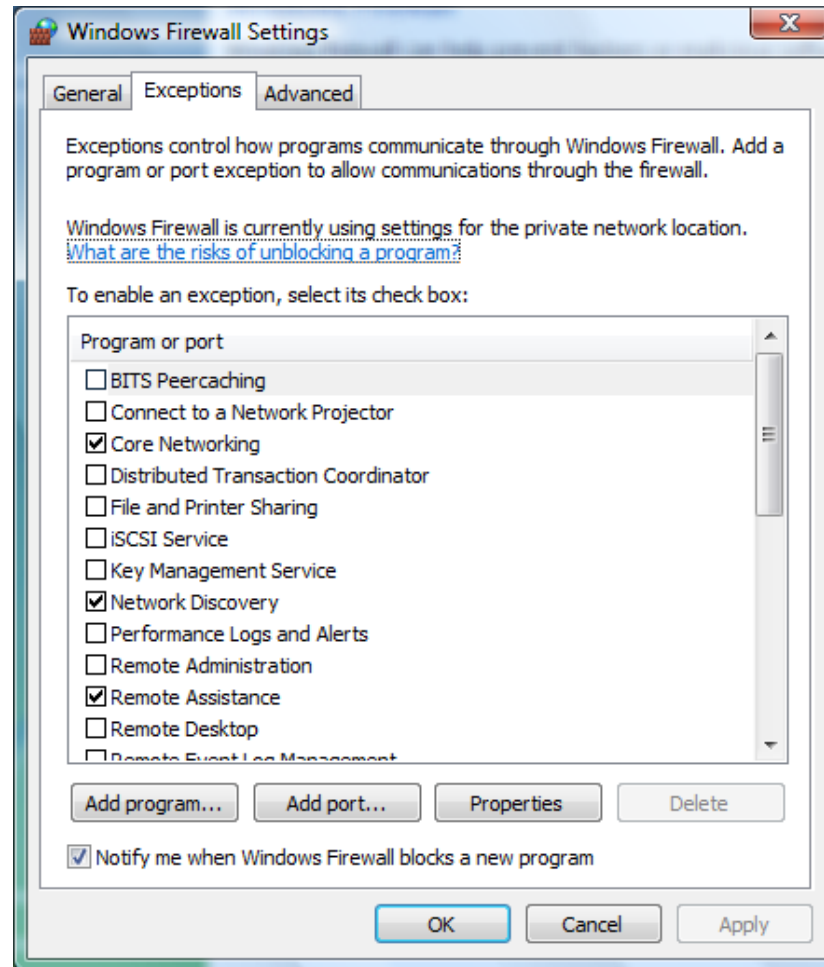


Folder Security Properties

Personal Firewall

1. Firewall restricts what can come in and go out of your computer across the network:
 - A. Stops bad stuff from coming in
 - B. Stops a compromised computer from infecting other computers on network
2. **Two-way personal software firewall** – Inspects network traffic passing through it and denies/permits passage based on rules
3. **Application-aware firewall** – allows user to specify which desktop applications can connect to the network
4. A **Stateful Packet Inspection (SPI)**:
 - A. Tracks of the state of network connections
 - B. Programmed to distinguish legitimate packets
 - C. Only packets matching a known active connection will be allowed and all others will be rejected

Check Firewall Settings



Update and Patch Management

Different types of Microsoft updates/patches:

- 1. Important updates** – offer significant benefits, such as improved security, privacy, and reliability. They should be installed as they become available, and can be installed automatically with Windows Update.
- 2. Recommended updates** – address non-critical problems or help enhance your computing experience. They should be installed as they become available, and can be installed automatically with Windows Update.
- 3. Optional updates** – can include program updates, drivers, or new software from Microsoft to enhance your computing experience. You can only install these manually.

Patch Management

1. Depending on the type of update, Windows Update can deliver the following:
 - A. Security updates** – A broadly released fix for a product-specific security-related vulnerability. Security vulnerabilities are rated based on their severity, which is indicated in the Microsoft security bulletin as critical, important, moderate, or low
 - B. Critical updates** – A broadly released fix for a specific problem addressing a critical, non-security related bug
 - C. Service Packs** – A tested, cumulative set of hotfixes, security updates, critical updates, and important updates, as well as additional fixes for problems found internally since the release of the product. Service Packs might also contain customer requested design changes or features
2. How to install patch
3. Auto-update feature



Automatic Updates Window

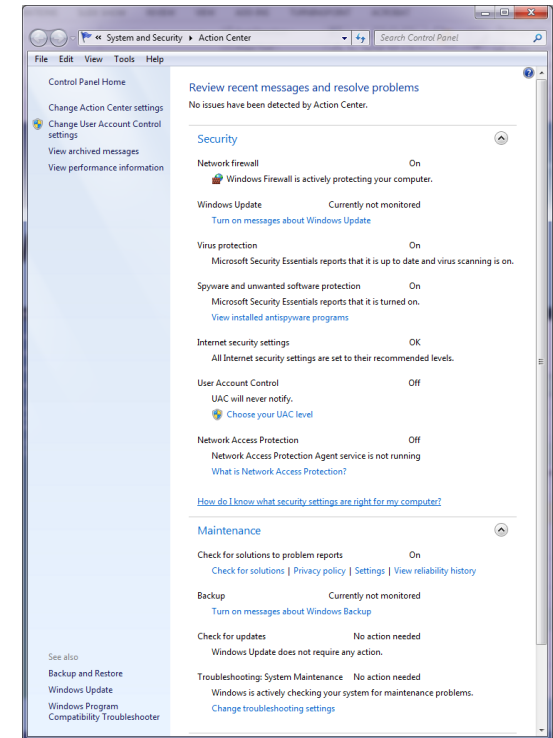
Know Your Antivirus/Antimalware

1. Know how to update
2. Know how to scan device
3. Know how to test antivirus
4. Know how to disinfect

Note: You should not install more than one antivirus program on a computer or they will conflict with each other. Then none of them will catch vulnerabilities.

Windows Action Center

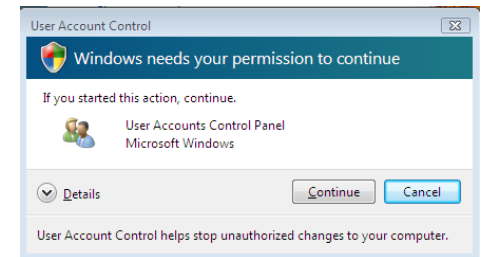
1. Displays system security and maintenance features
2. Constantly monitors & displays the status of Windows Firewall, Automatic Updates, anti-virus, anti-spyware, Internet Explorer security settings, and User Account Control
3. First in Windows XP SP2
4. Vista name it Windows Security Center (WSC)
5. Windows 7 renamed to “Action Center”



Action Center Window

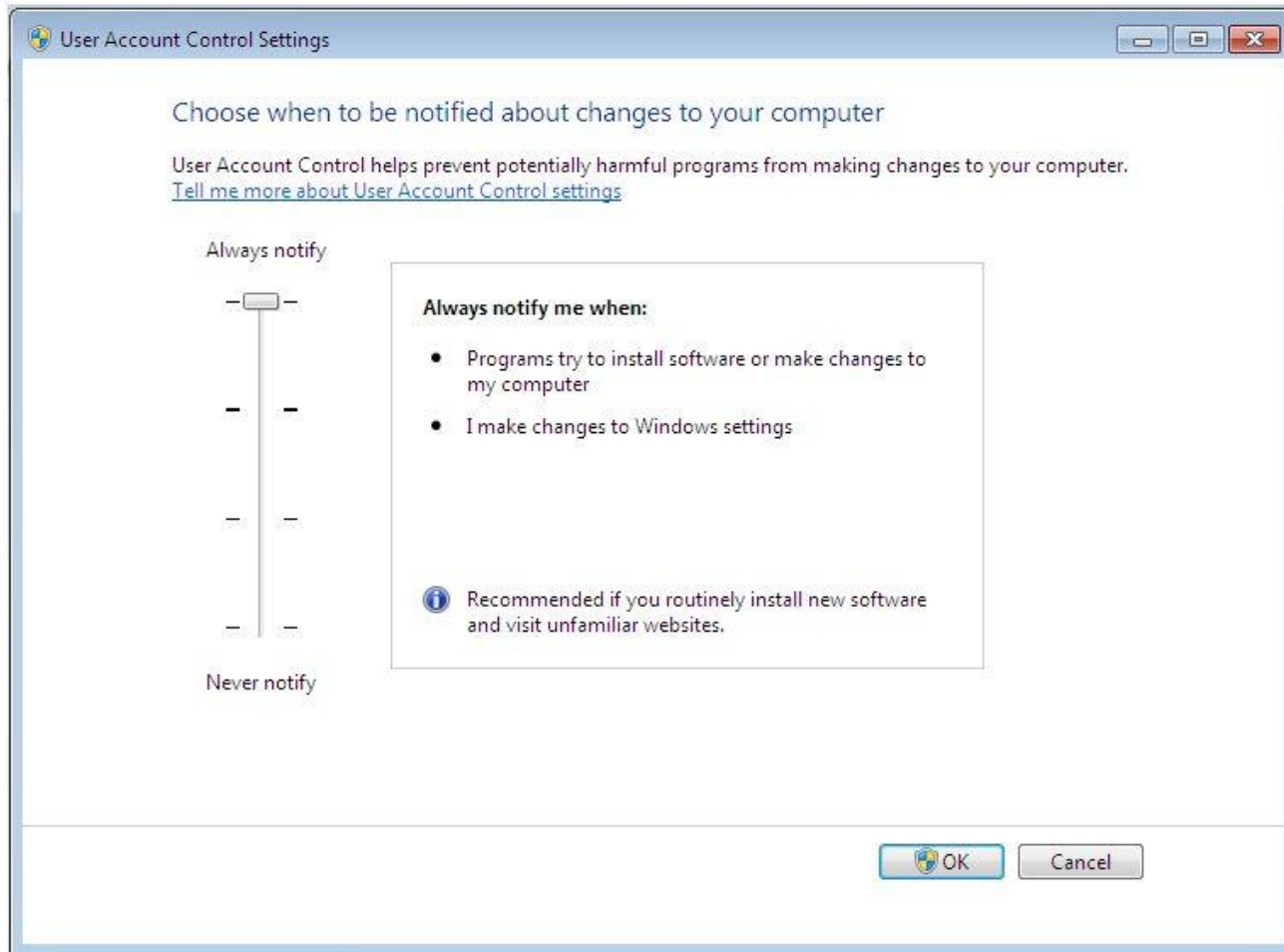
User Account Control (UAC)

1. Alerts users of attempts to perform tasks that require administrative access then prompts for approval or an administrator password (if standard user)
2. Displays authentication dialog box that must be answered before continuing
 - A. Administrators - Click Continue or Cancel
 - B. Standard users - Enter admin password



User Account Control

User Account Control (UAC)



DISPOSAL METHODS

Computer Disposal and Recycling

1. Data saved to a hard drive is persistent
2. Deleting data does not erase the data just the index
3. Remains on the drive until it is overwritten
4. To permanently get rid of data you can:
 - A. Overwrite – Uses a special third-party software tools to repeatedly overwrite the data on a computer's hard drive with random 1s and 0s
 - B. Secure erase – is a set of commands embedded on some hard drive that writes over every track on the drive but is disable by most BIOSs.
 - C. Beginning in Windows Vista, a basic hard drive wipe is performed during a standard (non-quick) format

Computer Disposal and Recycling

5. Physical Destruction Methods:

- A. To destroy software media (floppy disks and CDs), use a shredding machine designed for shredding these materials
- B. Use an electromagnetic device or degaussing tool on the disk to scramble the bits
- C. The only way to fully ensure that data cannot be recovered from a drive is to shatter the platters

INTERNET SECURITY

Internet Attacks

1. Attackers may use any of these tools to install a program on a computer:

A. ActiveX

- Controls interactivity on web pages

B. Java

- Allows applets to run within a browser
- Example: a calculator or a calendar

C. JavaScript

- Interacts with HTML source code to allow interactive web sites
- Example: a rotating banner or a popup window



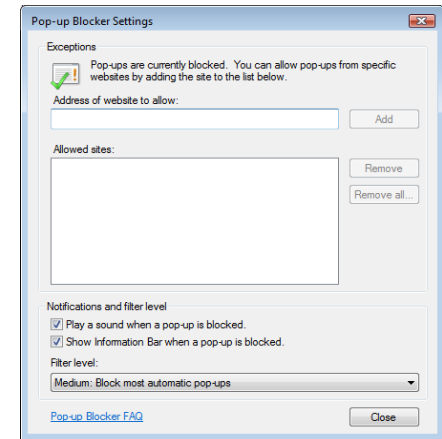
Spying Through Webcam

Internet Attacks

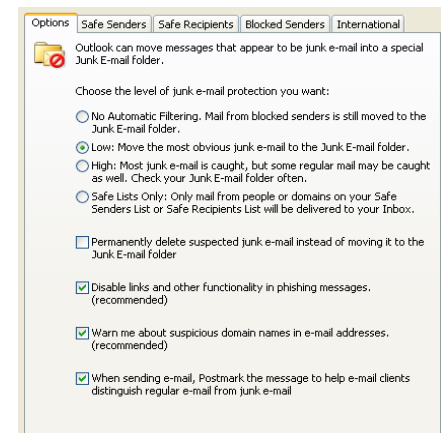
1. Privacy attacks
 - A. Cookies
 - B. Adware
2. Attacks while surfing
 - A. Redirected Web traffic
 - B. Drive-by downloads
3. E-mail attacks
 - A. Spam
 - B. Malicious attachments
 - C. Embedded hyperlinks

Internet Defenses

1. Defenses through browser settings
 - A. Advanced security settings
 - B. Security zones
 - C. Restricting cookies
 - D. Popup blockers
2. Defenses through email applications
 - A. Spam filters
 - B. E-mail security settings
3. E-mail defenses through good practices



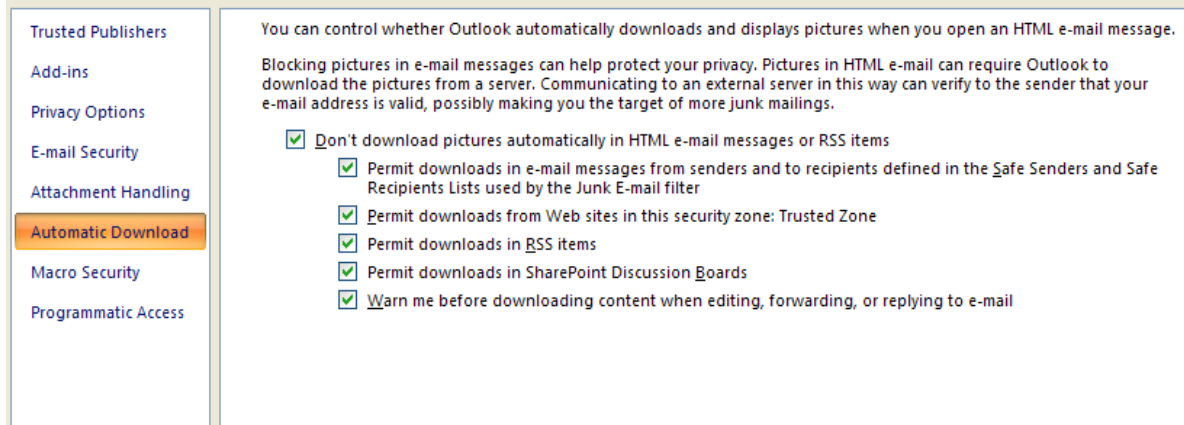
Popup Blocker



Email Spam Filter

E-Mail Security Settings

1. Read messages using a reading pane
2. Preview attachments
3. Block external content

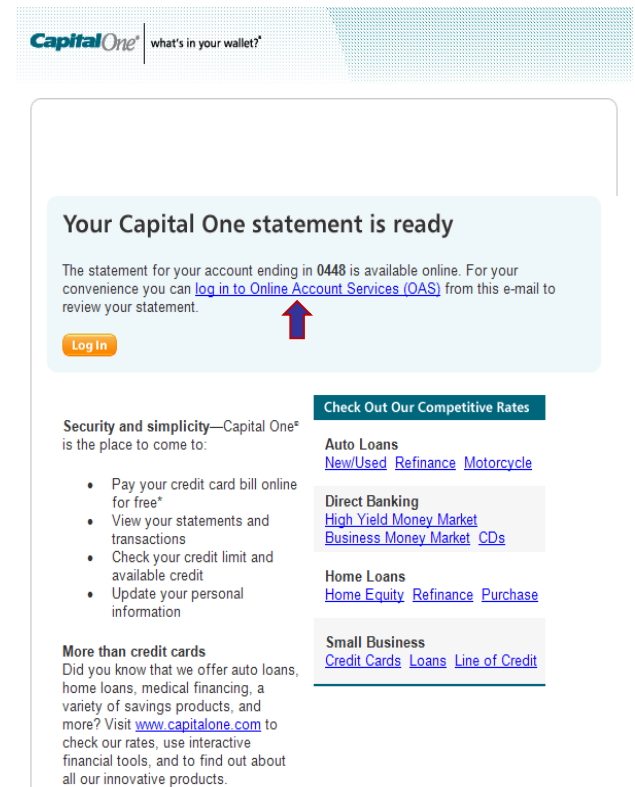


Email Security Settings

Embedded Hyperlink

1. . . . you can `log in to Online Account Services (OAS) ` from this e-mail

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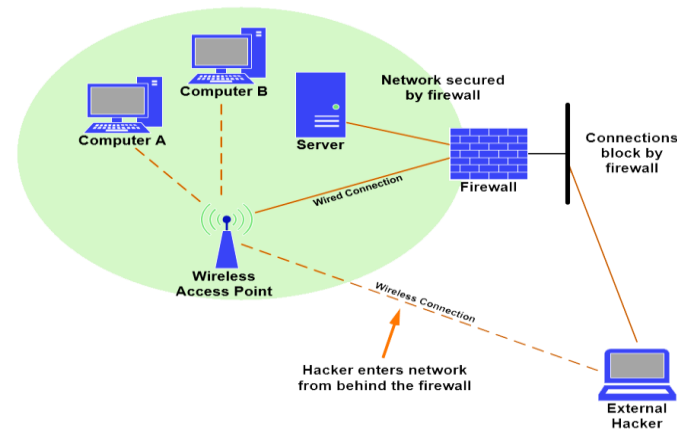


Fake Email

WIRELESS SECURITY

Does Wireless Security Matter?

1. Get into any folder set with file sharing enabled
2. See wireless transmissions
3. Access network behind firewall can inject malware
4. Download harmful content linked to unsuspecting owner



Typical Network Behind Firewall

1. Lock Down AP

1. Change the default password and create a strong Password
2. Disable Wireless Web Access (cannot access AP settings via wireless device, must be connected with cable)
3. Disable Remote Management (cannot access AP settings via Internet)
4. Access server via HTTPS
5. Disable UPnP

2. Access

1. Change the default IP address
2. Limit DHCP addresses
3. Change the default SSID
4. Disable SSID broadcast

The screenshot displays the configuration interface for a Wireless Access Point, divided into two main sections: Internet (WAN) Setup and Wireless settings.

Internet (WAN) Setup:

- Connection Type: Automatic Configuration - DHCP
- Domain Name: []
- MTU: Auto (Size: 1500)
- Network (LAN) Setup:
 - Host Name: MyRouter
 - Router Address IP Address: 192.168.30.1 (indicated by a red arrow)
 - Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0
 - Server Setting DHCP Server: Enabled Disabled
 - Start IP address: 192.168.30.100
 - Number of Users: 15 (indicated by a red arrow)
 - Client Lease Time: 0 minutes (0 means one day)
 - Static DNS 1: []
 - Static DNS 2: []
 - Static DNS 3: []
- Time Settings:
 - Time Zone: (GMT -6:00) Central Time (USA)
 - Automatically adjust clock for daylight savings time
 - Buttons: Save Settings, Cancel Changes

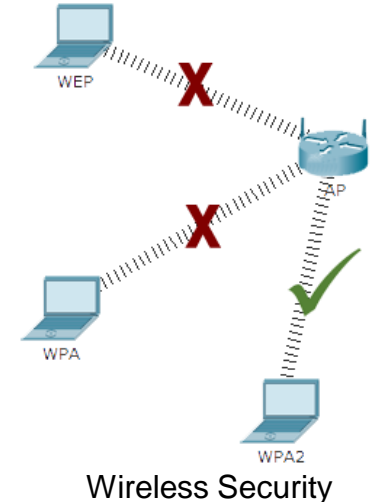
Wireless Settings:

- Configuration: Wireless Disabled
- 2.4 GHz Setting:
 - Network Mode: Mixed
 - Router Address Network Name (SSID): Wireless1 (indicated by a red arrow)
 - Security Mode: WPA2 Personal
 - Server Setting Passphrase: MyPassword123
 - Channel Width: Auto (20 MHz or 40 MHz)
 - Channel: 1 - 2.412 GHz
 - SSID Broadcast: Enabled Disabled (indicated by a red arrow)
- 5 GHz Setting:
 - Network Mode: Mixed
 - Router Address Network Name (SSID): Wireless2
 - Security: WPA2 Personal
 - Server Setting Passphrase: MyPassword123
 - Channel Width: 40 MHz Only
 - Channel: 149 - 5.745 GHz
 - SSID Broadcast: Enabled Disabled
 - Buttons: Save Settings, Cancel Changes

Wireless Access Point

Levels of Wireless Security

- 1. Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP)** is an outdated wireless security that uses either 64- or 128-bit encryption
- 2. Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA or WPA2)** uses 128- or 256-bit encryption
 - A. Personal** is managed by the router and uses the Shared Key
 - B. Enterprise** is intended for businesses using a Radius server to authenticate users



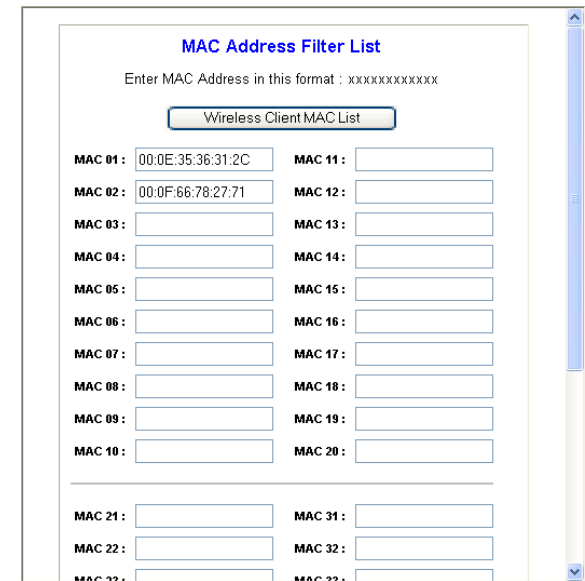
3. Turn on WPA2

1. On AP Security Mode set as WPA2 Personal
2. WPA Algorithms set as TKIP+AES (AES is best)
3. WPA Shared Key set minimum 8 characters
4. Group Key Renewal should not be set to less than 300 seconds (5 minutes)

The image displays two screenshots of a network configuration interface for wireless security. The top screenshot shows the 'Wireless Security' section with the 'Security Mode' dropdown menu open, listing options: Disable, WPA Personal, WPA Enterprise, WPA2 Personal (highlighted), WPA2 Enterprise, RADIUS, and WEP. The bottom screenshot shows the same section with the following settings: Security Mode: WPA2 Personal; WPA Algorithms: TKIP+AES; WPA Shared Key: 223alskdjueicmvxkdisowruw3; Group Key Renewal: 3600 seconds.

4. Limit Users By MAC

1. Edit MAC Filter List by entering MAC addresses of approved PCs
2. Permit only PCs listed to access the wireless network
3. Enable Wireless MAC Filter
4. Be sure to “Edit”, “Permit” then “Enable” or else cannot let yourself in
5. Apply after all devices have connected so they will appear in the list



The screenshot shows a web interface for configuring a MAC Address Filter List. At the top, it says "MAC Address Filter List" and "Enter MAC Address in this format : xxxxxxxxxxxx". Below this is a button labeled "Wireless Client MAC List". The main area contains a grid of 32 rows, each with a label (MAC 01 through MAC 32) and two input fields for MAC addresses. The first two rows are pre-filled with the addresses 00:0E:35:36:31:2C and 00:0F:66:78:27:71. The remaining rows have empty input fields. A vertical scrollbar is visible on the right side of the list.

| MAC | MAC Address | MAC | MAC Address |
|--------|-------------------|--------|-------------|
| MAC 01 | 00:0E:35:36:31:2C | MAC 11 | |
| MAC 02 | 00:0F:66:78:27:71 | MAC 12 | |
| MAC 03 | | MAC 13 | |
| MAC 04 | | MAC 14 | |
| MAC 05 | | MAC 15 | |
| MAC 06 | | MAC 16 | |
| MAC 07 | | MAC 17 | |
| MAC 08 | | MAC 18 | |
| MAC 09 | | MAC 19 | |
| MAC 10 | | MAC 20 | |
| MAC 21 | | MAC 31 | |
| MAC 22 | | MAC 32 | |
| MAC 23 | | MAC 33 | |

MAC Filtering

Summary

In this module we discussed:

1. Security Policies
2. Physical and Digital Security
3. Firewalls
4. Updates and Patches
5. Windows Action Center
6. User Account Controls
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8. Types on Internet attacks
9. Wireless Security

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- 10.JavaScript** – Interacts with HTML source code to allow interactive web sites like a rotating banner or a popup window.
- 11.Cookies** – A small piece of data sent to a website that contains information about the user. It is stored in the user's computer.
- 12.Hyperlink** – Text that automatically points to a document or web page.
- 13.HTTP** – HyperText Transfer Procotol
- 14.HTTPS** – HyperText Transfer Procotol with Security
- 14.UPnP** – Universal Plug-and-Play
- 15.DHCP** – Dynamic Host Control Protocol

Glossary and Terms

16.SSID – Service Set Identifier

17.WEP – Wired Equivalent Privacy is an outdated wireless security that uses either 64- or 128-bit encryption.

18.WPA – Wi-Fi Protected Access is the current wireless security protocol that uses 128- or 256-bit encryption.

19.TKIP – Temporal Key Integrity Protocol

20.AES – Advanced Encryption Standard

21.MAC – Media Access Control