

# DOS & DDOS Prevention, Mitigation

## Preface

Since R80.20 DOS/DDOS Prevention changed in Check Point.  
The following is a summary how you can setup and mitigate DOS & DDOS attacks.

### SYN Defender since R80.20

Important changes in IPS "SYN Attack" (SYN Defender) protection for R80.20 and above

[https://supportcenter.checkpoint.com/supportcenter/portal?eventSubmit\\_doGoviewsolutiondetails=&solutionid=sk120476](https://supportcenter.checkpoint.com/supportcenter/portal?eventSubmit_doGoviewsolutiondetails=&solutionid=sk120476)

How to configure Rate Limiting rules for DoS Mitigation (R80.20 and newer)

[https://supportcenter.checkpoint.com/supportcenter/portal?eventSubmit\\_doGoviewsolutiondetails=&solutionid=sk112454](https://supportcenter.checkpoint.com/supportcenter/portal?eventSubmit_doGoviewsolutiondetails=&solutionid=sk112454)

## Mitigation

How to configure Security Gateway to detect and prevent port scan

[https://supportcenter.checkpoint.com/supportcenter/portal?eventSubmit\\_doGoviewsolutiondetails=&solutionid=sk110873&partition=Advanced&product=Security](https://supportcenter.checkpoint.com/supportcenter/portal?eventSubmit_doGoviewsolutiondetails=&solutionid=sk110873&partition=Advanced&product=Security)

How to create and view Suspicious Activity Monitoring (SAM) Rules

[https://supportcenter.checkpoint.com/supportcenter/portal?eventSubmit\\_doGoviewsolutiondetails=&solutionid=sk112061](https://supportcenter.checkpoint.com/supportcenter/portal?eventSubmit_doGoviewsolutiondetails=&solutionid=sk112061)

## Best practice

- Set "Host Scan" and "Sweep Scan" in IPS Policy to "User Alert 1".
- In Global Settings on Smartcenter at "User Alert 1" 120 seconds blocking of source ip run via script

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sam_alert -t 120 -I -src
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