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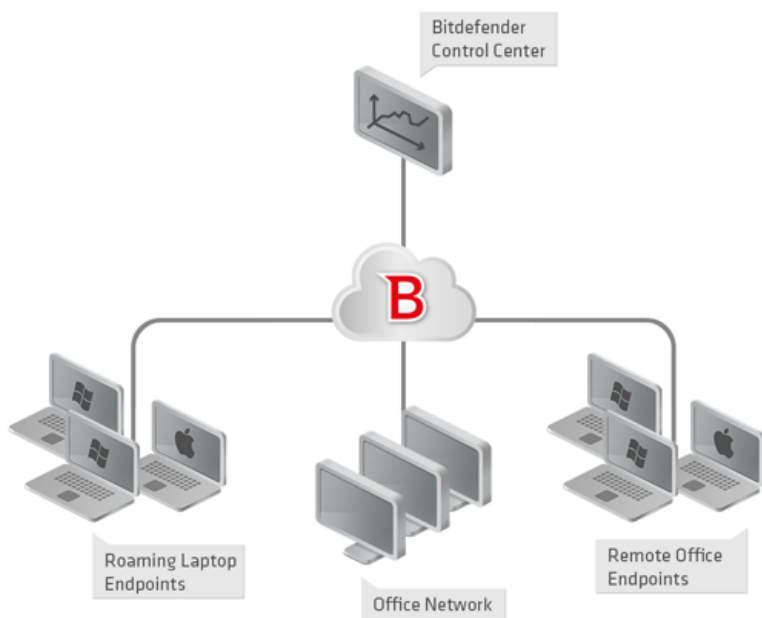


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1. About Small Office Security

Small Office Security is a cloud-based malware protection service developed by Bitdefender for computers running Microsoft Windows and Macintosh operating systems. It uses a centralized Software-as-a-Service multiple deployment model suitable for enterprise customers, while leveraging field-proven malware protection technologies developed by Bitdefender for the consumer market.



Small Office Security Architecture

The security service is hosted on Bitdefender's public cloud. Subscribers have access to a Web-based management interface called **Control Center**. From this interface, administrators can remotely install and manage malware protection on all their Windows and Macintosh-based computers such as: servers and workstations within the internal network, roaming laptop endpoints or remote office endpoints.

A local application called **Endpoint Security** is installed on each protected computer. Local users have limited visibility and read-only access to the security settings, which are centrally managed by the administrator from the Control Center; while scans, updates and configuration changes are commonly performed in the background.

2. Getting Started

Security for Endpoints can be configured and managed using Control Center, a web-based interface hosted by Bitdefender.

Control Center also serves as management console for Bitdefender partners selling the service. It enables them to create and manage accounts for their customers and, optionally, to manage the service for end-user customers.

2.1. Connecting to Control Center

Access to Control Center is done via user accounts. You will receive your login information by email once your account has been created.

Prerequisites:

- Internet Explorer 9+, Mozilla Firefox 14+, Google Chrome 15+, Safari 5+
- Recommended screen resolution: 1024x768 or higher

To connect to Control Center:

1. Open your web browser.
2. Go to the following address: <https://gravityzone.bitdefender.com>
3. Enter the email address and password of your account.
4. Click **Login**.

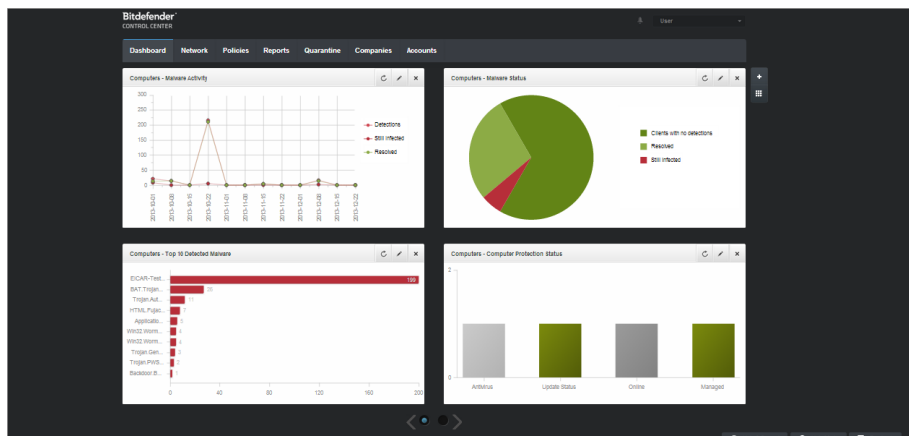


Note

If you have forgotten your password, use the password recovery link to receive a new password. You must provide the email address of your account.

2.2. Control Center at a Glance

Control Center is organized so as to allow easy access to all the features. Use the menu bar in the upper area to navigate through the console. Available features depend on the type of user accessing the console.



The Dashboard

2.2.1. Control Center Overview

Partners can access the following sections from the menu bar:

Dashboard

View easy-to-read charts providing key security information concerning your network.

Network

View your companies and networks, install protection, apply policies to manage security settings, run tasks remotely and create quick reports.

Policies

Create and manage security policies.

Reports

Get security reports concerning the managed computers and companies.

Quarantine

Remotely manage quarantined files.

Companies

Create and manage company accounts (partner companies and customer companies).

Accounts


Create and manage user accounts for your partners and customer companies you provide services to.

Under this menu you can also find the **User Activity** page, which allows accessing the user activity log.



Note

For partners without Manage Network rights, only the monitoring and administrative menu entries are available.

Additionally, in the upper-right corner of the console, the  **Notifications** icon provides easy access to notification messages and also to the **Notifications** page.

By pointing to the username in the upper-right corner of the console, the following options are available:

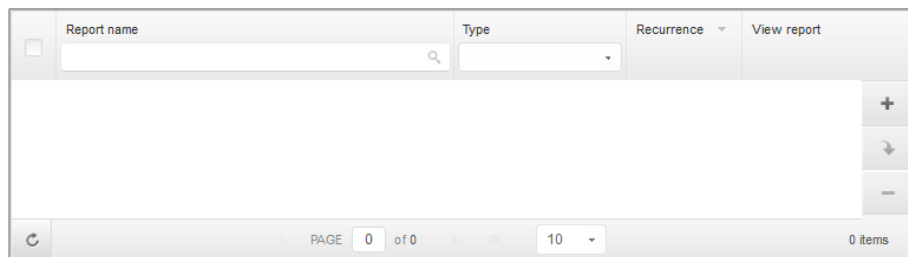
- **My Account.** Click this option to manage your user account details and preferences.
- **My Company.** Click this option to manage your company account details and preferences.
- **Integrations.** Click this option to manage Small Office Security integration with other management platforms.
- **Credentials Manager.** Click this option to add and manage the authentication credentials required for remote installation tasks.
- **Logout.** Click this option to log out of your account.

On the lower-right corner of the console, the following links are available:

- **Help and Support.** Click this button to find help and support information.
- **Help Mode.** Click this button to enable a help feature providing expandable tooltips boxes placed on Control Center items. You will easily find out useful information regarding the Control Center features.
- **Feedback.** Click this button to display a form allowing you to edit and send your feedback messages regarding your experience with Small Office Security.

2.2.2. Table Data

Tables are frequently used throughout the console to organize data into an easy-to-use format.



Report name	Type	Recurrence	View report
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PAGE 0 of 0 10 0 items

The Reports page - Reports Table

Navigating through Pages

Tables with more than 10 entries span on several pages. By default, only 10 entries are displayed per page. To move through the pages, use the navigation buttons at the bottom of the table. You can change the number of entries displayed on a page by selecting a different option from the menu next to the navigation buttons.

Searching for Specific Entries


To easily find specific entries, use the search boxes available below the column headers.

Enter the search term in the corresponding field. Matching items are displayed in the table as you type. To reset the table contents, clear the search fields.

Sorting Data

To sort data by a specific column, click the column header. Click the column header again to revert the sorting order.

Refreshing Table Data

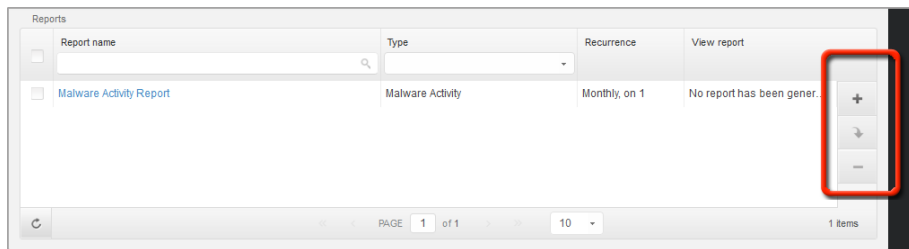
To make sure the console displays the latest information, click the  **Refresh** button in the bottom-left corner of the table.

2.2.3. Action Toolbars

In Control Center, action toolbars allow you to perform specific operations pertaining to the section you are in. Each toolbar consists of a set of icons that is usually placed to the right side of the table. For example, the action toolbar in the **Reports** section allows you to perform the following actions:

- Create a new report.
- Download reports generated by a scheduled report.

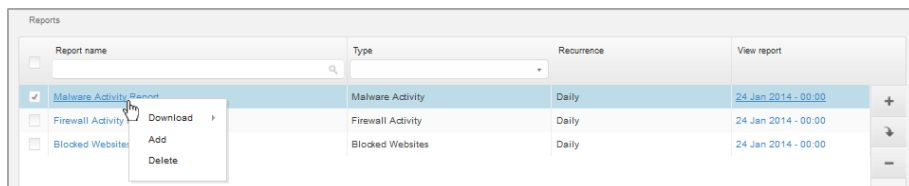
- Delete a scheduled report.



The Reports page - Action Toolbars

2.2.4. Contextual Menu

The action toolbar commands are also accessible from the contextual menu. Right-click the Control Center section you are currently using and select the command that you need from the available list.

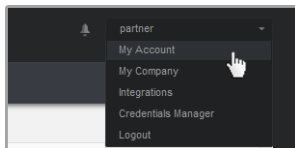


The Reports page - Contextual menu

2.3. Managing Your Account

To check or change your account details and settings:

1. Point to your username in the upper-right corner of the console and choose **My Account**.



The User Account menu

2. Under **Account Details**, correct or update your account details.
 - **Full name.** Enter your full name.

- **Email.** This is your login and contact email address. Reports and important security notifications are sent to this address. Email notifications are sent automatically whenever important risk conditions are detected in the network.
 - **Password.** A **Change password** link allows you to change your login password.
3. Under **Settings**, configure the account settings according to your preferences.
 - **Timezone.** Choose from the menu the timezone of the account. The console will display time information according to the selected timezone.
 - **Language.** Choose from the menu the console display language.
 - **Session Timeout.** Select the inactivity time interval before your user session will expire.
4. Click **Save** to apply the changes.



Note

You cannot delete your own account.

2.4. Managing Your Company

To check or change your company details and license settings:

1. Point to your username in the upper-right corner of the console and choose **My Company**.

Company Details

Company Name:

Address:

ID:

Phone:

Logo: The logo needs to have the size 200x30 px, and needs to be in png or jpg format

Allow other companies to manage the security of this company

License

License Key:

Expiry date: 30 Jun 2019
Used: 19
Available for install: 313
Reserved: 20
Total: 333

Bitdefender Partner [Change](#)

Company Name:

ID:

Address:

Phone:

Link this company to MyBitdefender (optional)

My Company Page

2. Under **Company Details**, fill in your company information, such as company name, address and phone.
3. You can change the logo displayed in Control Center and also in your company's reports and email notifications as follows:
 - Click **Change** to browse for the image logo on your computer. The image file format must be .png or .jpg and the image size must be 200x30 pixels.
 - Click **Default** to delete the image and reset to the image provided by Bitdefender.
4. By default, your company can be managed by other companies' partner accounts that may have your company listed in their Bitdefender Control Center. You can block the access of these companies to your network by disabling the option **Allow other companies to manage the security of this company**. As a result, your network will no longer be visible in other companies' Control Center and they will no longer be able to manage your subscription.
5. Under **License** section you can view and modify your license details.
 - To add a new license key:
 - a. From the **Type menu**, choose a **License** subscription type.
 - b. Enter the key in the **License key** field.
 - c. Click the **Check** button and wait until Control Center retrieves information about the entered license key.
 - To check your license key's details, view the information displayed below the license key:
 - **Expiry date**: the date until the license key can be used.
 - **Used**: the number of used seats from the total amount of seats on the license key. A license seat is used when the Bitdefender client has been installed on an endpoint from the network under your management.
 - **Available for install**: the number of free seats from the total number of seats on a monthly license pool (excluding used and reserved seats).
 - **Reserved**: the total number of seats that you have reserved for other companies from your monthly license pool.
 - **Total**: the total number of seats available on your license key.
6. Under **Bitdefender Partner** you can find information about your service provider company. To change your managed service provider:
 - a. Click the **Change** button.
 - b. Enter the partner's company ID code in the **Partner ID** field.



Note

Each company can find its ID in **My Company** page. Once you have made an agreement with a partner company, its representative must provide you with its Control Center ID.

c. Click **Save**.

As a result, your company is automatically moved from the previous partner to the new partner's Control Center.

7. Optionally, you can link your company with your MyBitdefender account using the provided fields.
8. Click **Save** to apply the changes.

2.5. Changing Login Password

After your account has been created, you will receive an email with the login credentials.

It is recommended to do the following:

- Change the default login password first time you visit Control Center.
- Change your login password periodically.

To change the login password:

1. Point to your username in the upper-right corner of the console and choose **My Account**.
2. Under **Account Details**, click **Change password**.
3. Enter your current password and the new password in the corresponding fields.
4. Click **Save** to apply the changes.

3. Managing Accounts

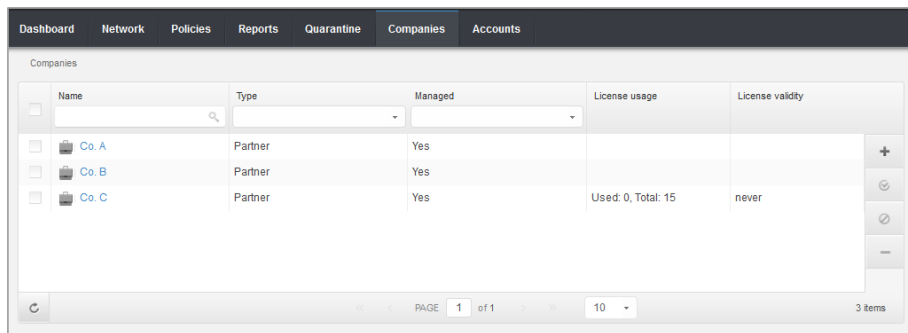
As Bitdefender partner, you will be in charge of creating and managing Control Center accounts for your partner and customer companies you provide services to. Additionally, you will manage the service subscriptions of your end-customer companies.

First you have to create company accounts for your partner or customer companies. For each company under your management you can create one single company account. Then, you have to create user accounts linked to the corresponding companies. For each of your companies you can create as many user accounts as required.

- [Managing company accounts](#)
- [Managing user accounts](#)

3.1. Managing Company Accounts

You can create and manage company accounts in the **Companies** page.



The screenshot shows the 'Companies' page in the Bitdefender interface. The page has a navigation bar with tabs: Dashboard, Network, Policies, Reports, Quarantine, Companies (selected), and Accounts. Below the navigation bar, there is a table with the following columns: Name, Type, Managed, License usage, and License validity. The table contains three rows of data:

Name	Type	Managed	License usage	License validity
Co. A	Partner	Yes		
Co. B	Partner	Yes		
Co. C	Partner	Yes	Used: 0, Total: 15	never

At the bottom of the table, there is a pagination bar showing 'PAGE 1 of 1', a dropdown menu set to '10', and '3 items'.

The Companies page

You can create two types of company accounts:

1. **Partner companies**, intended for companies that sell Small Office Security to other companies (end users, distributors or resellers of the service).

Small Office Security enables partner companies to provide value-added services by allowing them to directly manage customers' computer networks.

Partner companies can also use Small Office Security to protect their own networks, provided they have the **Manage Networks** right enabled and a valid license key assigned to their company account.

A partner company must be linked to at least one partner user account.

2. **Customer companies**, intended for companies that use the Security for Endpoints service to protect their computer networks. Such companies can install, configure, manage and monitor their own protection.

A customer company must be linked to at least one company administrator user account.

3.1.1. Creating Partner Companies

To create a partner company:

1. Go to the **Companies** page.
2. Click the **+ Add** button at the right side of the table. The **New company** window is displayed.
3. Under **New Company Details** section, fill in the company details.
 - **Name**. Enter the name of the partner company. The company name must be unique.
 - **Address**. You can add the address of the partner company.
 - **Phone**. You can add the phone number of the partner company.
 - **Logo**. You can add the partner company's logo image. All reports and email notifications issued for this company will include the logo image.
 - Click **Change** to browse for the image logo on your computer.
 - Click **Default** to delete the image and reset to the image provided by Bitdefender.
 - Select **Partner** for the company type.
 - Use **Manage Networks** option to configure the partner company's right to manage the security of its customers' networks.
 - When this option is enabled, the partner company will have visibility and control over its child companies' networks.
 - When this option is disabled, the partner company can create other companies and manage their service subscriptions, without having access to their networks. This configuration is suited for partner companies acting as service resellers only.
 - By default, each new created company can be managed by all parent companies. You can block the access of parent companies to the new company's network by disabling the option **Allow other companies to manage the security of this company**. The company will be invisible for other partners in your network, and you will not be able to edit or manage subscriptions for this company anymore.



Important

Once disabled, this option cannot be restored.

4. Under **License**, you can configure the subscription settings for a partner company that also uses Small Office Security for managing its own network.

- There are three options for licensing a company under your account:
 - **Trial**. This option assigns the new company with an automatically generated trial license key.
 - **License**, for a paid subscription. In this case, enter the license key corresponding to the customer's subscription type.

Click the **Check** button and wait until Control Center retrieves information about the entered license key.



Note

When licensing a partner company, **Manage Networks** option must be enabled.



Warning

Unchecking **Manage Networks** option while editing an already created company will also delete its license key and all protected computers from the database.

- **Monthly subscription**, to share a monthly usage license key between several child companies under your account. This option is available only when one of the parent companies has a monthly usage license key.

In this case, all child companies under the parent company licensed with the monthly usage license key will share the same number of license seats.

You can also limit the number of seats the company can use from a shared monthly license key, by selecting the **Reserve seats** option. In this case, specify the number of seats that you want in the corresponding field. The company will be allowed to license only the specified number of seats.

5. You can provide the partner's **My Bitdefender** account credentials, if available.

6. Optionally, you can proceed with creating a partner user account by scrolling down the configuration window. Enter the account details under **Add new Account** section. You can view and manage the partner user account afterwards in the **Accounts** page.



Note

You can also create the corresponding user accounts at a later time. However, if **Allow other companies to manage the security of this company** option is disabled, this step is mandatory.

7. Click **Save** to create the company account. The new account will appear in the company accounts list.

If you have also configured the user account linked to the new company, an email with the login details is instantly sent to the provided email address.

Once the account has been created, your partner can start building and managing their Small Office Security customer network.

3.1.2. Creating Customer Companies

To create a customer company:

1. Go to the **Companies** page.
2. Click the **+ Add** button at the right side of the table. The **New company** window is displayed.
3. Under **New Company Details** section, fill in the company details.
 - **Name.** Enter the name of the customer company. The company name must be unique.
 - **Address.** You can add the address of the customer company.
 - **Phone.** You can add the phone number of the customer company.
 - **Logo.** You can add the customer company's logo image. All reports and email notifications issued for this company will include the logo image.
 - Click **Change** to browse for the image logo on your computer.
 - Click **Default** to delete the image (reset to default).
 - Select **Customer** for the company type.
 - By default, each new created company can be managed by all parent companies. You can block the access of parent companies to the new company's network by disabling the option **Allow other companies to manage the security of this company**. The company will be invisible for other partners in your network, and you will not be able to edit or manage subscriptions for this company anymore.



Important

Once disabled, this option cannot be restored.

4. Under **License** you can configure the customer's subscription settings.
 - There are three options for licensing a company under your account:
 - **Trial.** This option assigns the new company with an automatically generated trial license key.
 - **License,** for a paid subscription. In this case, enter the **License key** corresponding to the customer's subscription type.
Click the **Check** button and wait until Control Center retrieves information about the entered license key.

- **Monthly subscription**, to share a monthly usage license key between several child companies under your account. This option is available only when one of the parent companies has a monthly usage license key.

In this case, all child companies under the parent company licensed with the monthly usage license key will share the same number of license seats.

You can also limit the number of seats the company can use from a shared monthly license key, by selecting the **Reserve seats** option. In this case, specify the number of seats that you want in the corresponding field. The company will be allowed to license only the specified number of seats.

5. You can provide the customer's **My Bitdefender** account credentials, if available.
6. Optionally, you can proceed with creating a company administrator user account by scrolling down the configuration window. Enter the account details under **Add new Account** section. You can view and manage the customer user account afterwards in the **Accounts** page.



Note

You can also create the corresponding user accounts at a later time. However, if **Allow other companies to manage the security of this company** option is disabled, this step is mandatory.

7. Click **Save** to create the company account. The new account will appear in the company accounts list.

If you have also configured the user account linked to the new company, an email with the login details is instantly sent to the provided email address.

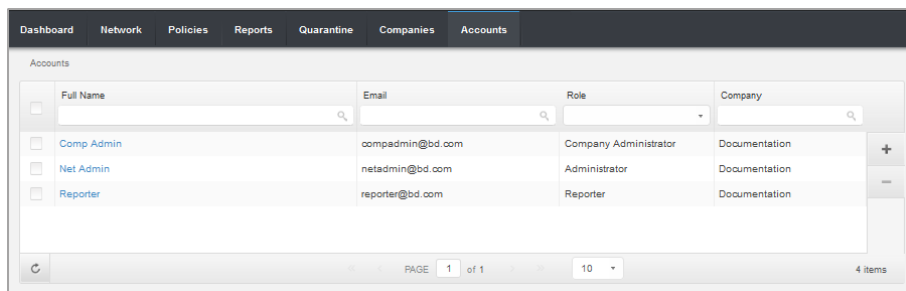
Once the account has been created, your customer can start using the service. Depending on your business relationship, the service can be managed by your customer or by your company.

3.2. Managing User Accounts

Small Office Security uses an integrated distribution and deployment ecosystem in which different types of user accounts are connected in a hierarchical structure under each company. Each account has visibility over its child accounts. For accountability reasons, user actions are documented in activity logs for both the current and child accounts.

To allow the employees of companies under your account to access Small Office Security, you have to create user accounts linked to their companies. Each company account must be linked to at least one user account with corresponding administration rights. For each user account role, you can customize the access to Small Office Security features or to specific parts of the network it belongs to.

You can create and manage user accounts in the **Accounts** page.



The screenshot shows the 'Accounts' page in the Bitdefender interface. It features a navigation bar with tabs for Dashboard, Network, Policies, Reports, Quarantine, Companies, and Accounts. Below the navigation bar, there is a search and filter section with fields for Full Name, Email, Role, and Company. The main content area displays a table of user accounts with columns for checkboxes, Full Name, Email, Role, and Company. The table contains three rows: 'Comp Admin', 'Net Admin', and 'Reporter'. At the bottom of the table, there is a pagination control showing 'PAGE 1 of 1' and a dropdown menu set to '10', along with a '4 items' indicator.

	Full Name	Email	Role	Company
<input type="checkbox"/>	Comp Admin	compadmin@bd.com	Company Administrator	Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Net Admin	netadmin@bd.com	Administrator	Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reporter	reporter@bd.com	Reporter	Documentation

The Accounts page

3.2.1. User Account Roles

When creating a user account, you can choose one of the predefined roles or you can create a custom role. As a partner, you can create the following user accounts roles:

1. **Partner** - Suited for Small Office Security distributors and resellers. Users with partner accounts can create and manage other companies. When expanding their distribution chain, they create subordinate partner company accounts. When selling directly to end-users, they create customer company accounts. Partner users can manage the licenses of their subordinate companies and also manage user accounts linked to these companies. Since partners can act as security service providers, they have administrative privileges over security settings for their children customer accounts. Partner user accounts can also manage the security of their own company.
2. **Company Administrator** - Suited for managers of customer companies that have purchased a Small Office Security license from a partner. A company administrator manages the license, the company's profile and its entire Small Office Security deployment, allowing top-level control over all security settings (unless overridden by its parent partner account in a security service provider scenario). Company administrators can share or delegate their operational responsibilities to subordinate administrator and reporter user accounts.
3. **Network Administrator** - Network Administrator accounts are internal accounts with administrative privileges over the company's entire Small Office Security deployment or over a specific group of computers. Network Administrators are responsible for actively managing the Small Office Security security settings.
4. **Reporter** - Reporter accounts are internal read-only accounts. They only allow access to reports and user activity logs. Such accounts can be allocated to personnel with monitoring responsibilities or to other employees who must be kept up-to-date with security status.
5. **Custom** - Predefined user accounts include a certain combination of user rights. If a predefined user role does not fit your needs, you can create a custom account by selecting only the rights that you are interested in.

The following table summarizes the relationships between different account roles and their rights. For detailed information regarding user rights, refer to “[User Rights](#)” (p. 16).

Account Role	Allowed Child Accounts	User Rights
Partner	Partner, Company Administrators, Network Administrators, Reporters	Manage Companies Manage Users Manage Company Manage Networks Manage Reports
Company Administrator	Company Administrators, Network Administrators, Reporters	Manage Company Manage Users Manage Networks Manage Reports
Network Administrator	Network Administrators, Reporters	Manage Users Manage Networks Manage Reports
Reporter	-	Manage Reports

3.2.2. User Rights

- **Manage Companies.** When expanding their distribution chain, partner users create subordinate partner company accounts. When selling directly to end-users, they create customer company accounts. Partner users can also edit, suspend or delete companies under their account. This privilege is specific to partner accounts.
- **Manage Users.** Create, edit or delete user accounts.
- **Manage Company.** Users can manage their own Small Office Security license key and edit their company profile settings. This privilege is specific to company administrator accounts.
- **Manage Networks.** Provides administrative privileges over the network security settings (network inventory, policies, tasks, installation packages, quarantine). This privilege is specific to network administrator accounts.

Administrators from partner companies may have management privileges over the security of customer company networks.

- **Manage Reports.** Create, edit, delete reports and manage dashboard.

3.2.3. Creating User Accounts

Before creating a user account, make sure you have the required email address at hand. This address is mandatory for creating the Small Office Security user account. Users will

receive their Small Office Security login details at the supplied email address. Users will also use the email address to login to Small Office Security.

To create a user account:

1. Log in to Control Center.
2. Go to the **Accounts** page.
3. Click the **+ Add** button at the right side of the table. A configuration window is displayed.
4. Under the **Details** section, fill in the user details.

- **Email.** Enter the user's email address. Login information will be sent to this address immediately after creating the account.



Note

The email address must be unique. You cannot create another user account with the same email address.

- **Full Name.** Enter the full name of the account owner.
 - **Company.** Select the company to which the new user account belongs.
5. Under the **Settings and Privileges** section, configure the following settings:
 - **Timezone.** Choose from the menu the timezone of the account. The console will display time information according to the selected timezone.
 - **Language.** Choose from the menu the console display language.
 - **Role.** Select the user's role. For details regarding the user roles, refer to “[User Account Roles](#)” (p. 15)
 - **Rights.** Each predefined user role has a certain configuration of **rights**. However, you can select only the rights that you need. In this case, the user role changes to **Custom**.
For example, a user with partner role acting as a service distributor only does not need to manage networks. When creating this type of user account, you can disable the manage networks right and the user role becomes a **Custom** partner.
 6. **Select Targets.** Scroll down the configuration window to display the targets section. Select the network groups the user will have access to. You can restrict the user access to specific network areas.
 7. Click **Save** to add the user. The new account will appear in the user accounts list.



Note

The password for each user account is automatically generated once the account has been created, and sent to the user's email address along with the other account details.

You can change the password after the account has been created. Click the account name in the **Accounts** page to edit its password. Once the password has been modified, the user is immediately notified via email.

Users can change their login password from Control Center, accessing the **My Account** page.

4. Managing the Service for Your Customers

Besides customer account and subscription management, partner accounts also allow setting up and managing the service for end-user customers. In this way, Bitdefender partners can provide their customers with fully-managed value-added services.

In the following, you will learn the basics of setting up and managing the service for end-user customers from a partner account.

4.1. Installation and Setup

Installation and setup is fairly easy. These are the main steps:

1. [Step 1 - Preparing for installation.](#)
2. [Step 2 - Installing service on computers.](#)
3. [Step 3 - Organizing computers into groups \(optional\).](#)
4. [Step 4 - Creating and configuring a security policy.](#)

For the first two steps, you will need your customer's support, as on-premise access and, possibly, computer login information are required to carry them out. The other two steps are performed from Control Center. Make sure to agree with the customer on the security settings to be applied on computers.

4.1.1. Preparing for Installation

Before installation, follow these preparatory steps to make sure it goes smoothly:

1. Make sure the computers meet the [minimum system requirements](#). For some computers, you may need to install the latest operating system service pack available or free up disk space. Compile a list of computers that do not meet the necessary requirements so that you can exclude them from management.
2. Uninstall (not just disable) any existing antimalware, firewall or Internet security software from computers. Running Endpoint Security simultaneously with other security software on a computer may affect their operation and cause major problems with the system.

Many of the security programs that are incompatible with Endpoint Security are automatically detected and removed at installation time. To learn more and to check the list of detected security software, refer to [this KB article](#).



Important

No need to worry about Windows security features (Windows Defender, Windows Firewall), as they will be turned off automatically before installation is initiated.

3. The installation requires administrative privileges and Internet access. Make sure you have the necessary credentials at hand for all computers.
4. Computers must have connectivity to Control Center.

4.1.2. Installing Service on Computers

Security for Endpoints is intended for workstations, laptops and servers running on Microsoft® Windows. To protect computers with Security for Endpoints, you must install Endpoint Security (the client software) on each of them. Endpoint Security manages protection on the local computer. It also communicates with Control Center to receive the administrator's commands and to send the results of its actions.

You can install Endpoint Security with one of the following roles (available in the installation wizard):

1. **Endpoint**, when the corresponding computer is a regular endpoint in the network.
2. **Endpoint Security Relay**, when the corresponding computer is used by other endpoints in the network to communicate with Control Center. Endpoint Security Relay role installs Endpoint Security together with an update server, which can be used to update all the other clients in the network. Endpoints in the same network can be configured via policy to communicate with Control Center through one or several computers with Endpoint Security Relay role. Thus, when an Endpoint Security Relay is unavailable, the next one is taken into account to assure the computer's communication with Control Center.



Warning

- The first computer on which you install protection must have Endpoint Security Relay role, otherwise you will not be able to deploy Endpoint Security on other computers in the network.
- The computer with Endpoint Security Relay role must be powered-on and online in order for the clients to communicate with Control Center.

There are two installation methods:

- **Local installation.** Download the installation packages from Control Center on individual computers, then run locally the Endpoint Security installation. Another option is to download the package, save it on a network share and send users within the company email invites with the package link, asking them to download and install protection on their computer. Local installation is wizard-guided.
- **Remote installation.** Once you have locally installed the first client with Endpoint Security Relay role, it may take a few minutes for the rest of the network computers to become

visible in Control Center. The Security for Endpoints protection can then be remotely installed from the console on other computers in the network. Remote installation is performed in the background, without the user knowing about it.

Endpoint Security has a minimal user interface. It only allows users to check protection status and run basic security tasks (updates and scans), without providing access to settings.

By default, the display language of the user interface on protected computers is set at installation time based on the language of your account. To install the user interface in another language on certain computers, you can create an installation package and set the preferred language in the package configuration options. For more information on creating installation packages, refer to “[Creating Endpoint Security Installation Packages](#)” (p. 20).

Local Installation

Local installation requires downloading from Control Center and running the installation package on each target computer. You can create different installation packages according to specific requirements of each computer (for example, the installation path or the user interface language).

Creating Endpoint Security Installation Packages

You can create installation packages for your own company or for each company under your account. An installation package is valid only for the company it was created for. An installation package linked to a certain company cannot be used on computers belonging to another company in Control Center.

Each installation package will be visible in Control Center only for the partner that has created the package and for the user accounts under the company linked to the installation package.

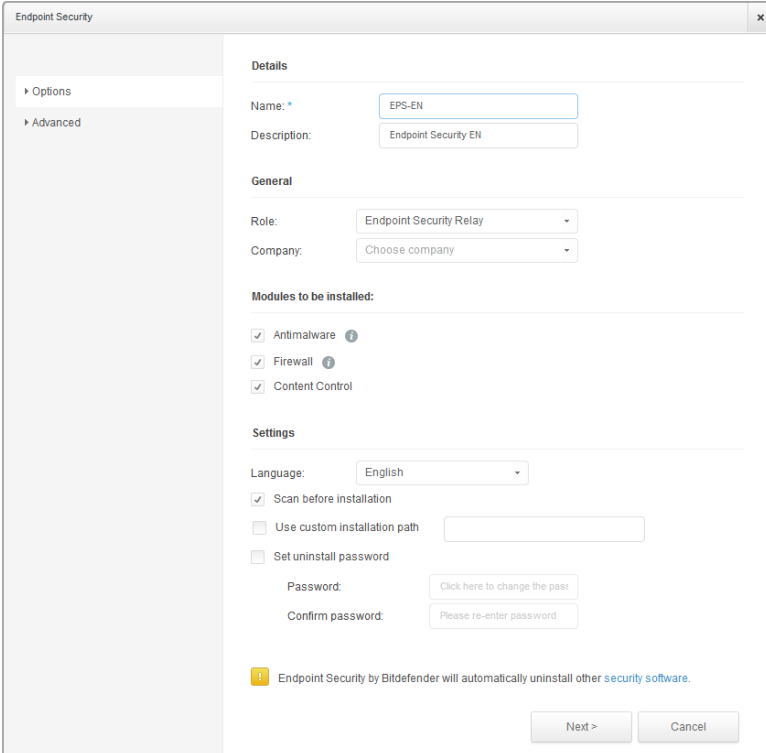
To create an Endpoint Security installation package:

1. Connect and log in to Control Center using your account.
2. Go to the **Network > Packages** page.

Name	Type	Language	Description	Status	Company
<input type="checkbox"/> Rly	Endpoint Security	English		Ready to download	Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/> EPS	Endpoint Security	English	update through Relay	Ready to download	Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal	Endpoint Security	English		Ready to download	Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/> EWR	Endpoint Security	English	eps for windows - relay	Ready to download	Documentation

The Packages page

- Click the **+** **Add** button at the right side of the table. A configuration window will appear.



The screenshot shows the 'Endpoint Security' configuration window. On the left, there is a sidebar with 'Options' and 'Advanced' sections. The main area is divided into several sections:

- Details:** Name: EPS-EN, Description: Endpoint Security EN.
- General:** Role: Endpoint Security Relay, Company: Choose company.
- Modules to be installed:** Antimalware, Firewall, Content Control (all checked).
- Settings:** Language: English, Scan before installation (checked), Use custom installation path (unchecked), Set uninstall password (unchecked). Password and Confirm password fields are present with placeholder text.

At the bottom, there is a warning icon and text: 'Endpoint Security by Bitdefender will automatically uninstall other security software.' and two buttons: 'Next >' and 'Cancel'.

Create Endpoint Security Packages - Options

- Enter a suggestive name and description for the installation package you want to create.
- Select the target computer role:
 - **Endpoint.** Select this option to create the package for a regular endpoint.
 - **Endpoint Security Relay.** Select this option to create the package for an endpoint with Endpoint Security Relay role. Endpoint Security Relay is a special role which installs an update server on the target machine along with Endpoint Security, which can be used to update all the other clients in the network, lowering the bandwidth usage between the client machines and Control Center.
- Select the company where the installation package will be used.
- Select the protection modules you want to install.
- From the **Language** field, select the desired language for the client's interface.

9. Select **Scan before installation** if you want to make sure the computers are clean before installing the Endpoint Security on them. An on-the cloud quick scan will be performed on the corresponding computers before starting the installation.
10. Endpoint Security is installed in the default installation directory on the selected computers. Select **Use custom installation path** if you want to install the Endpoint Security in a different location. In this case, enter the desired path in the corresponding field. Use Windows conventions when entering the path (for example, D:\folder). If the specified folder does not exist, it will be created during the installation.
11. If you want to, you can set a password to prevent users from removing protection. Select **Set uninstall password** and enter the desired password in the corresponding fields.
12. Click **Next**.
13. Depending on the installation package role (Endpoint or Endpoint Security Relay), choose the entity to which the target computers will periodically connect to update the client:
 - **Bitdefender Cloud**, if you want to update the clients directly from the Internet.
 - **Endpoint Security Relay**, if you want to connect the endpoints to an Endpoint Security Relay installed in your network. All computers with Endpoint Security Relay role detected in your network will show-up in the table displayed below. Select the Endpoint Security Relay that you want. Connected endpoints will communicate with Control Center only via the specified Endpoint Security Relay.




Important

Port 7074 must be open for the deployment through Endpoint Security Relay to work.

14. Click **Save**.

The new installation package will appear in the list of packages of the target company.

Downloading and Installing Endpoint Security

1. Connect to <https://gravityzone.bitdefender.com/> using your account from the computer on which you want to install protection.
2. Go to the **Network > Packages** page.
3. Select the Endpoint Security installation package you want to download.
4. Click the  **Download** button at the right side of the table and select the type of installer you want to use. Two types of installation files are available:
 - **Downloader**. The downloader first downloads the full installation kit from the Bitdefender cloud servers and then starts the installation. It is small in size and it can be run both on 32-bit and 64-bit systems (which makes it easy to distribute). On the downside, it requires an active Internet connection.

- **Full Kit.** The full kit is to be used to install protection on computers with slow or no Internet connection. Download this file to an Internet-connected computer, then distribute it to other computers using external storage media or a network share. Note that two versions are available for Windows: one for 32-bit systems, the other for 64-bit systems. Make sure to use the correct version for the computer you install on.
5. Save the file to the computer.
 6. Run the installation package.



Note

For installation to work, the installation package must be run using administrator privileges or under an administrator account.

7. Follow the on-screen instructions.

Once Endpoint Security has been installed, the computer will show up as managed in Control Center (**Network** page) within a few minutes.

Remote Installation

Once you have locally installed the first client with Endpoint Security Relay role, it may take a few minutes for the rest of the network computers to become visible in the Control Center. From this point, you can remotely install Endpoint Security on computers under your management by using installation tasks from Control Center.

To make deployment easier, Security for Endpoints includes an automatic network discovery mechanism that allows detecting computers in the same network. Detected computers are displayed as **unmanaged computers** in the **Network** page.

To enable network discovery and remote installation, you must have Endpoint Security already installed on at least one computer in the network. This computer will be used to scan the network and install Endpoint Security on unprotected computers. It may take a few minutes for the rest of the network computers to become visible in Control Center.

Remote Installation Requirements

For network discovery to work, a number of requirements must be met. To learn more, refer to [“How Network Discovery Works”](#) (p. 39).

For remote installation to work:

- Each target computer must have the admin\$ administrative share enabled. Configure each target workstation to use advanced file sharing.
- Temporarily turn off User Account Control on all computers running Windows operating systems that include this security feature (Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows Server 2008 etc.). If the computers are in a domain, you can use a group policy to turn off User Account Control remotely.

- Disable or shutdown firewall protection on computers. If the computers are in a domain, you can use a group policy to turn off Windows Firewall remotely.

Running Remote Endpoint Security Installation Tasks


To run a remote installation task:

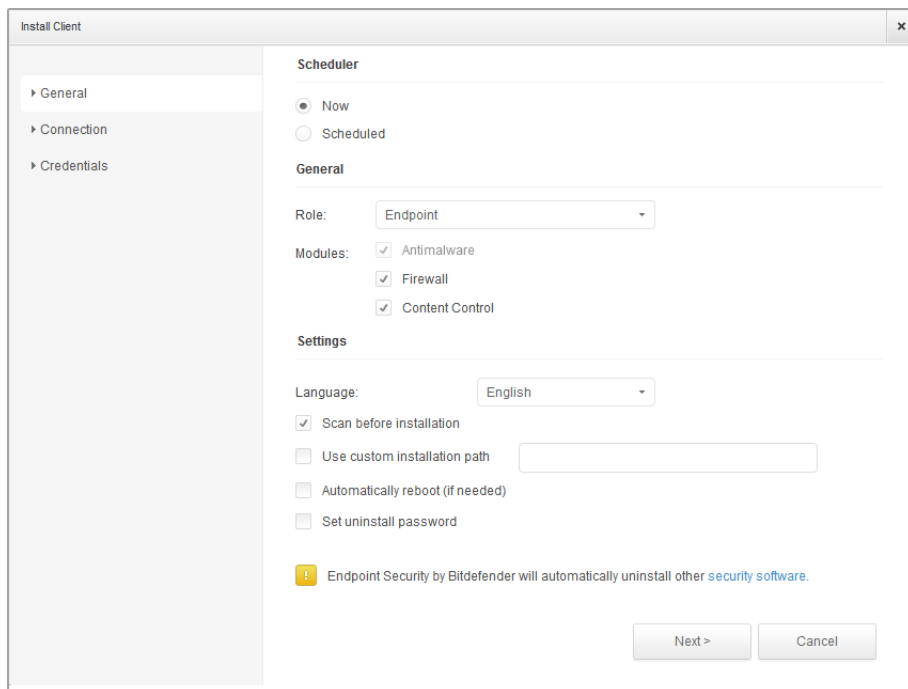
1. Connect and log in to Control Center.
2. Go to the **Network** page.
3. Select the desired network group from the left-side pane. The entities contained in the selected group are displayed in the right-side pane table.



Note

Optionally, you can apply filters to display unmanaged computers only. Click the **Filters** button and select the following options: **Unmanaged** from the **Security** category and **All items recursively** from the **Depth** category.

4. Select the entities (computers or groups of computers) on which you want to install protection.
5. Click the  **Tasks** button at the right-side of the table and choose **Install client**. The **Install Client** wizard is displayed.



Installing Endpoint Security from the Tasks menu

6. Configure the installation options:

- Schedule the installation time:
 - **Now**, to launch the deployment immediately.
 - **Scheduled**, to set up the deployment recurrence interval. In this case, select the time interval that you want (hourly, daily or weekly) and configure it according to your needs.

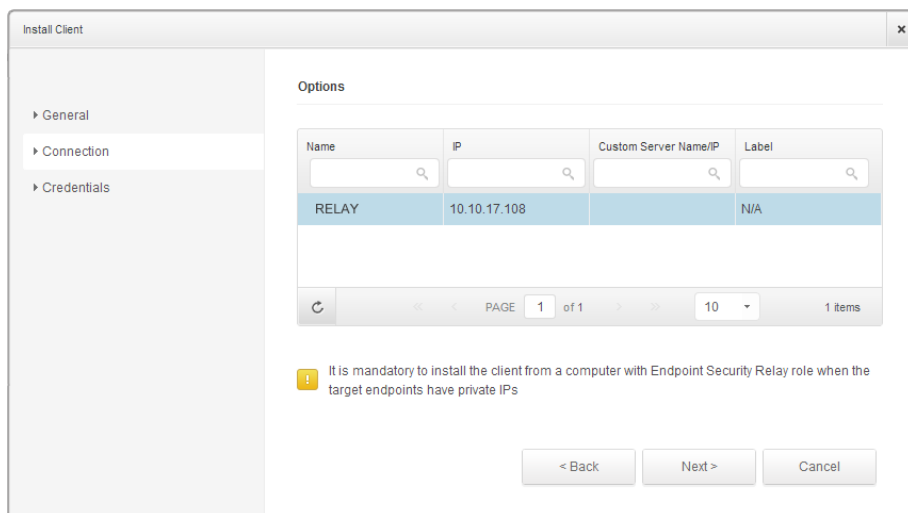


Note

For example, when certain operations are required on the target machine before installing the client (such as uninstalling other software and restarting the OS), you can schedule the deployment task to run every 2 hours. The task will start on each target machine every 2 hours until the deployment is successful.

- Select the protection modules you want to install. Please note that only antimalware protection is available for server operating systems.
- From the **Language** field, select the desired language for the client's interface.

- Select **Scan before installation** if you want to make sure the computers are clean before installing the Endpoint Security on them. An on-the cloud quick scan will be performed on the corresponding computers before starting the installation.
- Endpoint Security is installed in the default installation directory on the selected computers. Select **Use custom installation path** if you want to install the Endpoint Security in a different location. In this case, enter the desired path in the corresponding field. Use Windows conventions when entering the path (for example, D:\folder). If the specified folder does not exist, it will be created during the installation.
- During the silent installation, the computer is scanned for malware. Sometimes, a system restart may be needed to complete malware removal.
Select **Automatically reboot (if needed)** to make sure detected malware is completely removed before installation. Otherwise, installation may fail.
- If you want to, you can set a password to prevent users from removing protection. Select **Set uninstall password** and enter the desired password in the corresponding fields.
- Click **Next**.
- The **Connection** tab contains the list of endpoints with Endpoint Security Relay role installed in the network. Each new client must be connected to at least one Endpoint Security Relay from the same network, that will serve as communication and update server. Select the Endpoint Security Relay that you want to link with the new clients.



7. Click **Next**.

8. Under the **Credentials Manager** section, specify the administrative credentials required for remote authentication on selected endpoints. You can add the required credentials by entering the user and password of each target operating system.



Important

For Windows 8.1 stations, you need to provide the credentials of the built-in administrator account or a domain administrator account. To learn more, refer to [this KB article](#).



Note

A warning message is displayed as long as you have not selected any credentials. This step is mandatory to remotely install the Endpoint Security on computers.

<input type="checkbox"/>	User	Password	Description	Action
<input type="checkbox"/>				+
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	user@domain.com	*****		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	domain\user	*****		

User should be in DOMAIN\USERNAME form, where DOMAIN is the NetBios name of the domain.

< Back Save Cancel

To add the required OS credentials:

- a. Enter the user name and password of an administrator account for each target operating system in the corresponding fields. Optionally, you can add a description that will help you identify each account more easily. If computers are in a domain, it suffices to enter the credentials of the domain administrator.

Use Windows conventions when entering the name of a domain user account, for example, `user@domain.com` or `domain\user`. To make sure that entered credentials will work, add them in both forms (`user@domain.com` and `domain\user`).



Note

Specified credentials are automatically saved to your Credentials Manager so that you do not have to enter them the next time.

- b. Click the **+ Add** button. The account is added to the list of credentials.

- c. Select the check box corresponding to the account you want to use.
9. Click **Save**. A confirmation message will appear.

You can view and manage the task in the **Network > Tasks** page.

4.1.3. Organizing Computers (Optional)

Company networks are displayed in the left-side pane of the **Network** page. There is a default root group for each of your companies. All of its protected or detected computers are automatically placed in this group.

If you manage a larger number of computers (tens or more), you will probably need to organize them into groups. Organizing computers into groups helps you manage them more efficiently. A major benefit is that you can use group policies to meet different security requirements.

You can organize computers by creating groups under the default company group and moving computers to the appropriate group.

Before you start creating groups, think of the reasons why you need them and come up with a grouping scheme. For example, you can group computers based on one or a mix of the following criteria:

- Organization structure (Sales, Marketing, Quality Assurance, Management etc.).
- Security needs (Desktops, Laptops, Servers, etc.).
- Location (Headquarter, Local Offices, Remote Workers, Home Offices etc.).



Note

- Created groups can contain both computers and other groups.
- When selecting a group in the left-side pane, you can view all computers except those placed in sub-groups. To view all computers included in a group and all of its sub-groups, click the filters menu located above the table and select **Type > Computers** and **Depth > All items recursively**.

To organize a customer's network into groups:

1. Go to the **Network** page.
2. In the left-side pane, under **Companies**, select the customer company you want to manage.



Note

For partner companies under your account having the right to manage networks, select the **Networks** group.

3. Click the **+ Add group** button at the top of the left-side pane.

4. Enter a suggestive name for the group and click **OK**. The new group is displayed under the corresponding company.
5. Follow the previous steps to create additional groups.
6. Move computers from the root group to the appropriate group:
 - a. Select the check boxes corresponding to the computers you want to move.
 - b. Drag and drop your selection to the desired group in the left-side pane.

4.1.4. Creating and Assigning a Security Policy

4.1.4. Creating and Assigning a Security Policy

Once installed, the Security for Endpoints protection can be configured and managed from Control Center using security policies. A policy specifies the security settings to be applied on target computers.

Immediately after installation, computers are assigned the default policy, which is preconfigured with the recommended protection settings. To check the default protection settings, go to the **Policies** page and click the default policy name. You can change protection settings as needed, and also configure additional protection features, by creating and assigning customized policies.



Note

You cannot modify or delete the default policy. You can only use it as a template for creating new policies.

You can create as many policies as you need based on security requirements. For example, you can configure different policies for office workstations, laptops and servers. A different approach is to create separate policies for each of your customer networks.

This is what you need to know about policies:

- Policies are created in the **Policies** page and assigned to endpoints from the **Network** page.
- Endpoints can have only one active policy at a time.
- Policies are pushed to target computers immediately after creating or modifying them. Settings should be applied on endpoints in less than a minute (provided they are online). If a computer is offline, settings will be applied as soon as it gets back online.
- The policy applies only to the installed protection modules. Please note that only antimalware protection is available for server operating systems.
- You cannot edit policies created by other users (unless the policy owners allow it from the policy settings), but you can override them by assigning the target objects a different policy.

- Computers under a company account can be managed through policies both by the company administrator and by the partner who created the account. Policies created from the partner account cannot be edited from the company account.

To create a new policy:

1. Go to the **Policies** page.
2. Click the **+** **Add** button at the right side of the table. This command creates a new policy starting from the default policy template.
3. Enter a suggestive name for the policy. When choosing a name, consider the purpose and target of the policy.
4. Next, configure the policy settings. Default security settings are recommended for most situations.
5. Click **Save**. The new policy is listed in the **Policies** table.

Once you have defined the necessary policies in the **Policies** section, you can assign them to the network objects in the **Network** section.

All network objects are initially assigned with the default policy.



Note

You can assign only policies created by you. To assign a policy created by another user, you have to clone it first in the **Policies** page.

To assign a policy:

1. Go to the **Network** page.
2. Select the check box of the desired network object. You can select one or several objects only from the same level.
3. Click the **Assign Policy** button at the right side of the table.



Note

You can also right-click on a network tree group and choose **Assign Policy** from the context menu.

The **Policy assignment** window is displayed:

Policy Assignment

Options

Assignment

Assign the following policy template Default policy

Inherit from above

Force policy inheritance for objects

Targets

Entity	Policy	Inherited from
DOC:XP	Default policy	Bitdefender

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Finish Cancel

Policy Assignment Settings

4. Configure the policy assignment settings for the selected objects:

- View the current policy assignments for the selected objects in the table under the **Targets** section.
- **Assign the following policy template.** Select this option to assign the target objects with one policy from the menu displayed at the right. Only the policies created from your user account are available in the menu.
- **Inherit from above.** Select the **Inherit from above** option to assign the selected network objects with the parent group's policy.
- **Force policy inheritance for objects.** By default, each network object inherits the policy of the parent group. If you change the group policy, all the group's children will be affected, excepting the group's members for which you have specifically assigned another policy.

Select **Force policy inheritance for objects** option to apply the chosen policy to a group, including to the group's children assigned with a different policy. In this case, the table placed below will display the selected group's children that do not inherit the group policy.

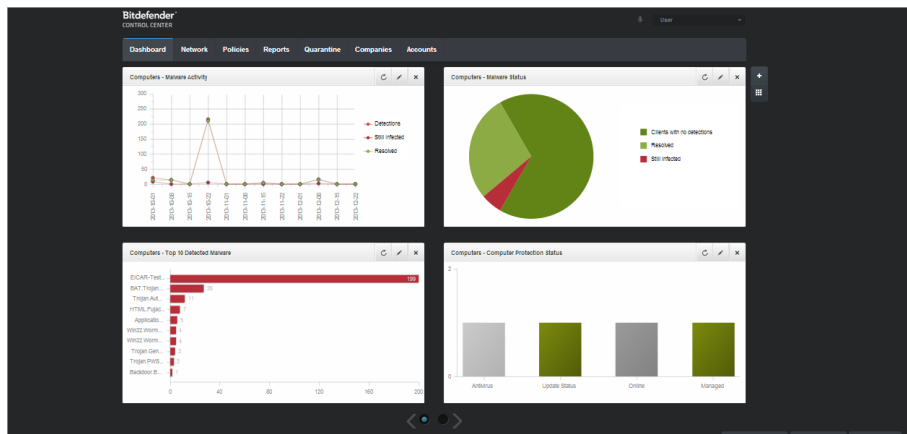
5. Click **Finish** to save and apply changes.

Policies are pushed to target network objects immediately after changing the policy assignments or after modifying the policy settings. Settings should be applied on network objects in less than a minute (provided they are online). If a network objects is not online, settings will be applied as soon as it gets back online.

To check if the policy has been successfully assigned, go to the **Network** page and click the name of the object you are interested in to display the **Details** window. Check the **Policy** section to view the status of the current policy. If in pending state, the policy has not been applied yet to the target object.

4.2. Monitoring Security Status

The main Security for Endpoints monitoring tool is the Control Center dashboard, a customizable visual display providing a quick security overview of your network.



The Dashboard

Check the **Dashboard** page regularly to see real-time information on the network security status.

Dashboard portlets display various security information using easy-to-read charts, thus allowing you to quickly identify any issues that might require your attention.

This is what you need to know about managing your dashboard:

- Control Center comes with several predefined dashboard portlets. You can also add more portlets using the **+ Add Portlet** button at the right side of the dashboard.
- Each dashboard portlet includes a detailed report in the background, accessible with just one click on the chart.
- The information displayed by portlets refers only to the network objects under your account. You can customize the information displayed by a portlet (type, reporting interval, targets) by clicking the **Edit Portlet** icon on its title bar.

For example, you can configure portlets to display information on a certain company of your network.

- You can easily remove any portlet by clicking the **x Remove** icon on its title bar. Once you remove a portlet, you can no longer recover it. However, you can create another portlet with the exact same settings.

- Click the chart legend entries, when available, to hide or display the corresponding variable on the graph.
- You can rearrange dashboard portlets to better suit your needs, by clicking the **Rearrange Portlets** button at the right side of the dashboard. You can then drag and drop portlets to the desired position.
- The portlets are displayed in groups of four. Use the slider at the bottom of the page to navigate between portlet groups.

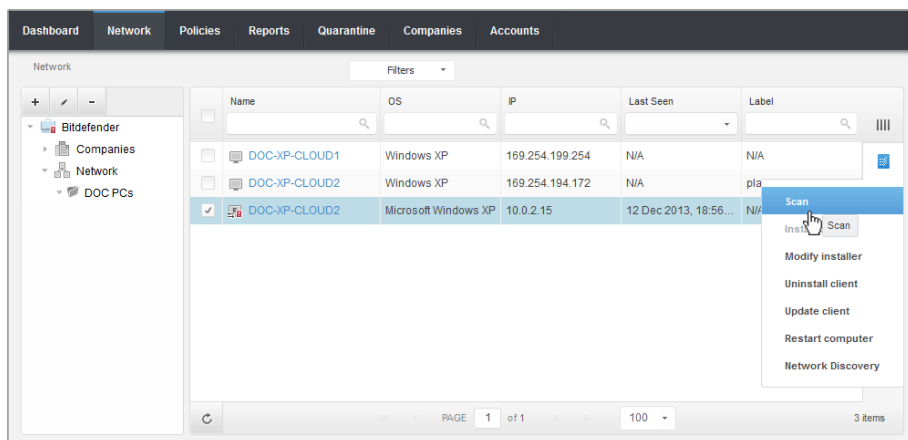
4.3. Scanning Managed Computers

There are three ways to scan computers protected by Endpoint Security:

- The user logged on to the computer can start a scan from the Endpoint Security user interface.
- You can create scheduled scan tasks using the policy.
- Run an immediate scan task from the console.

To remotely run a scan task on one or several computers:

1. Go to the **Network** page.
2. Select the desired network group from the left-side pane. All computers from the selected group are displayed in the right-side pane table.
3. Select the entities you want to be scanned. You can select certain managed computers or an entire group.
4. Click the **Task** button at the right-side of the table and choose **Scan**. A configuration window will appear.



Computers Scan Task

5. In the **General** tab, select the type of scan from the **Type** menu:
 - **Quick Scan** checks for malware running in the system, without taking any action. If malware is found during a Quick Scan, you must run a Full System Scan task to remove detected malware.
 - **Full Scan** checks the entire computer for all types of malware threatening its security, such as viruses, spyware, adware, rootkits and others.
 - **Custom Scan** allows you to choose the locations to be scanned and to configure the scan options.
6. Click **Save** to create the scan task. A confirmation message will appear.

**Note**

Once created, the scan task will start running immediately on online computers. If a computer is offline, it will be scanned as soon as it gets back online.

7. You can view and manage tasks on the **Network > Tasks** page.

5. Getting Help

To find additional help resources or to get help from Bitdefender:

- Click the **Help and Support** link in the lower-right corner of Control Center.
- Go to our [online Support Center](#).

To open an email support ticket, use [this web form](#).

A. Requirements

A.1. Security for Endpoints Requirements

A.1.1. Supported Operating Systems

Security for Endpoints currently protects the following operating systems:

Workstation operating systems:

- Windows 8.1
- Windows 8
- Windows 7
- Windows Vista with Service Pack 1
- Windows XP with Service Pack 2 64 bit
- Windows XP with Service Pack 3
- Mac OS X Lion (10.7.x)
- Mac OS X Mountain Lion (10.8.x)
- Mac OS X Mavericks (10.9.x)

Tablet and embedded operating systems:

- Windows Embedded 8.1 Industry
- Windows Embedded 8 Standard
- Windows Embedded Standard 7
- Windows Embedded Compact 7
- Windows Embedded POSReady 7
- Windows Embedded Enterprise 7
- Windows Embedded POSReady 2009
- Windows Embedded Standard 2009
- Windows XP Embedded with Service Pack 2*
- Windows XP Tablet PC Edition*

*Specific operating system modules must be installed for Security for Endpoints to work.

Server operating systems:

- Windows Server 2012 R2
- Windows Server 2012
- Windows Small Business Server (SBS) 2011
- Windows Small Business Server (SBS) 2008
- Windows Server 2008 R2
- Windows Server 2008
- Windows Small Business Server (SBS) 2003

- Windows Server 2003 R2
- Windows Server 2003 with Service Pack 1
- Windows Home Server

A.1.2. Hardware Requirements

- Intel® Pentium compatible processor:

Workstation Operating Systems

- 1 GHz or faster for Microsoft Windows XP SP3, Windows XP SP2 64 bit and Windows 7 Enterprise (32 and 64 bit)
- 2 GHz or faster for Microsoft Windows Vista SP1 or higher (32 and 64 bit), Microsoft Windows 7 (32 and 64 bit), Microsoft Windows 7 SP1 (32 and 64bit), Windows 8
- 800 MHz or faster for Microsoft Windows Embedded Standard 7 SP1, Microsoft Windows POSReady 7, Microsoft Windows POSReady 2009, Microsoft Windows Embedded Standard 2009, Microsoft Windows XP Embedded with Service Pack 2, Microsoft Windows XP Tablet PC Edition

Server Operating Systems

- Minimum: 2.4 GHz single-core CPU
- Recommended: 1.86 GHz or faster Intel Xeon multi-core CPU

- **Free RAM memory:**

- For Windows: 512 MB minimum, 1 GB recommended
- For Mac: 1 GB minimum

- **HDD space:**

- 1.5 GB of free hard-disk space



Note

At least 6 GB free disk space is required for entities with Endpoint Security Relay role, as they will store all updates and installation packages.

A.1.3. Supported Browsers

Endpoint browser security is verified to be working with the following browsers:

- Internet Explorer 8+
- Mozilla Firefox 8+
- Google Chrome 15+
- Safari 4+

A.1.4. Small Office Security Communication Ports

The following table provides information on the ports used by the Small Office Security components:

Port	Usage
80 (HTTP) / 443 (HTTPS)	Port used to access the Control Center web console.
80	Update Server port.
8443 (HTTPS)	Port used by client/agent software to connect to the Communication Server.
7074 (HTTP)	Communication with Endpoint Security Relay (if available)

For detailed information regarding Small Office Security ports, refer to [this KB article](#).

A.2. How Network Discovery Works

Security for Endpoints includes an automatic network discovery mechanism intended to detect workgroup computers.

Security for Endpoints relies on the **Microsoft Computer Browser service** to perform network discovery. The Computer Browser service is a networking technology used by Windows-based computers to maintain updated lists of domains, workgroups, and the computers within them and to supply these lists to client computers upon request. Computers detected in the network by the Computer Browser service can be viewed by running the **net view** command in a command prompt window.

```
Z:\>net view
Server Name          Remark
-----
\\SCIREFDL
\\SCIREFJM
\\SCIREFLL
\\SCIREFMB
\\SCIREFMN
\\SCIREFMP
\\SCIREFYS
```

The Net view command

To enable network discovery, you must have Endpoint Security already installed on at least one computer in the network. This computer will be used to scan the network.



Important

Control Center does not use network information from Active Directory or from the network map feature available in Windows Vista and later. Network map relies on a different network discovery technology: the Link Layer Topology Discovery (LLTD) protocol.

Control Center is not actively involved in the Computer Browser service operation. Endpoint Security only queries the Computer Browser service for the list of workstations and servers currently visible in the network (known as the browse list) and then sends it to Control Center. Control Center processes the browse list, appending newly detected computers to its

Unmanaged Computers list. Previously detected computers are not deleted after a new network discovery query, so you must manually exclude & delete computers that are no longer on the network.

The initial query for the browse list is carried out by the first Endpoint Security installed in the network.

- If Endpoint Security is installed on a workgroup computer, only computers from that workgroup will be visible in Control Center.
- If Endpoint Security is installed on a domain computer, only computers from that domain will be visible in Control Center. Computers from other domains can be detected if there is a trust relationship with the domain where Endpoint Security is installed.

Subsequent network discovery queries are performed regularly every hour. For each new query, Control Center divides the managed computers space into visibility areas and then designates one Endpoint Security in each area to perform the task. A visibility area is a group of computers that detect each other. Usually, a visibility area is defined by a workgroup or domain, but this depends on the network topology and configuration. In some cases, a visibility area might consist of multiple domains and workgroups.

If a selected Endpoint Security fails to perform the query, Control Center waits for the next scheduled query, without choosing another Endpoint Security to try again.

For full network visibility, Endpoint Security must be installed on at least one computer in each workgroup or domain in your network. Ideally, Endpoint Security should be installed on at least one computer in each subnetwork.

A.2.1. More about the Microsoft Computer Browser Service

Quick facts about the Computer Browser service:

- Works independent of Active Directory.
- Runs exclusively over IPv4 networks and operates independently within the boundaries of a LAN group (workgroup or domain). A browse list is compiled and maintained for each LAN group.
- Typically uses connectionless server broadcasts to communicate between nodes.
- Uses NetBIOS over TCP/IP (NetBT).
- Requires NetBIOS name resolution. It is recommended to have a Windows Internet Name Service (WINS) infrastructure up and running in the network.
- Is not enabled by default in Windows Server 2008 and 2008 R2.

For detailed information on the Computer Browser service, check the [Computer Browser Service Technical Reference](#) on Microsoft Technet.

A.2.2. Network Discovery Requirements

In order to successfully discover all the computers (servers and workstations) that will be managed from Control Center, the following are required:

- Computers must be joined in a workgroup or domain and connected via an IPv4 local network. Computer Browser service does not work over IPv6 networks.
- Several computers in each LAN group (workgroup or domain) must be running the Computer Browser service. Primary Domain Controllers must also run the service.
- NetBIOS over TCP/IP (NetBT) must be enabled on computers. Local firewall must allow NetBT traffic.
- File sharing must be enabled on computers. Local firewall must allow file sharing.
- A Windows Internet Name Service (WINS) infrastructure must be set up and working properly.
- For Windows Vista and later, network discovery must be turned on (**Control Panel > Network and Sharing Center > Change Advanced Sharing Settings**).

To be able to turn on this feature, the following services must first be started:

- DNS Client
 - Function Discovery Resource Publication
 - SSDP Discovery
 - UPnP Device Host
- In environments with multiple domains, it is recommended to set up trust relationships between domains so that computers can access browse lists from other domains.

Computers from which Endpoint Security queries the Computer Browser service must be able to resolve NetBIOS names.



Note

The network discovery mechanism works for all supported operating systems, including Windows Embedded versions, provided the requirements are met.