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# INTEGRATING SNS LOGS IN IBM QRADAR

Product concerned: SNS 3.7.x and higher, SNS 4.x

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## Getting started

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Of all the cybersecurity components that can be deployed to secure a network, Stormshield's SNS firewalls and IBM's Security QRadar come together to ensure that security operations center (SOC) analysts and administrators can fully trust the defenses that are implemented and obtain relevant information about events occurring on their networks.

As a cybersecurity vendor, Stormshield has protected organizations that host critical and highly sensitive infrastructures for the past 20 years with its firewall range. Thanks to Stormshield firewalls, administrators are able to secure their networks, monitor the nature of data that their users share, and encrypt data through IPsec VPN tunnels. As for all the routine events that take place every day, Stormshield firewalls generate logs that keep administrators informed as soon as events occur on the network. Stormshield SNS firewalls' ability to organize and categorize logs gives administrators a deeper understanding of what their firewalls process.

IBM's Security QRadar Device Support Module (DSM) offers administrators and SOCs the possibility of integrating SNS firewall logs into IBM Security QRadar so that they can obtain relevant information in their security information and event management (SIEM) solution. With this combination, security teams can analyze network behavior in real time and detect threats that target their organization.

The IBM Security QRadar DSM for Stormshield firewalls makes it possible to analyze the following log categories:

- Authentication,
- Firewall,
- Intrusion prevention (IPS),
- Threat management (UTM),
- Sandboxing,
- System events,
- Alarms.

### About this document

IBM QRadar is a security information and event management (SIEM) solution that enables the real-time analysis of security alerts generated by network-based applications and solutions.

This document explains how to integrate the Stormshield Network Security DSM into IBM QRadar.

### Requirements and compatibility

- SNS DSM version: 1.0.0 (published: October 2020),
- IBM QRadar 7.3.2 and higher,
- SNS 3.7 and higher.



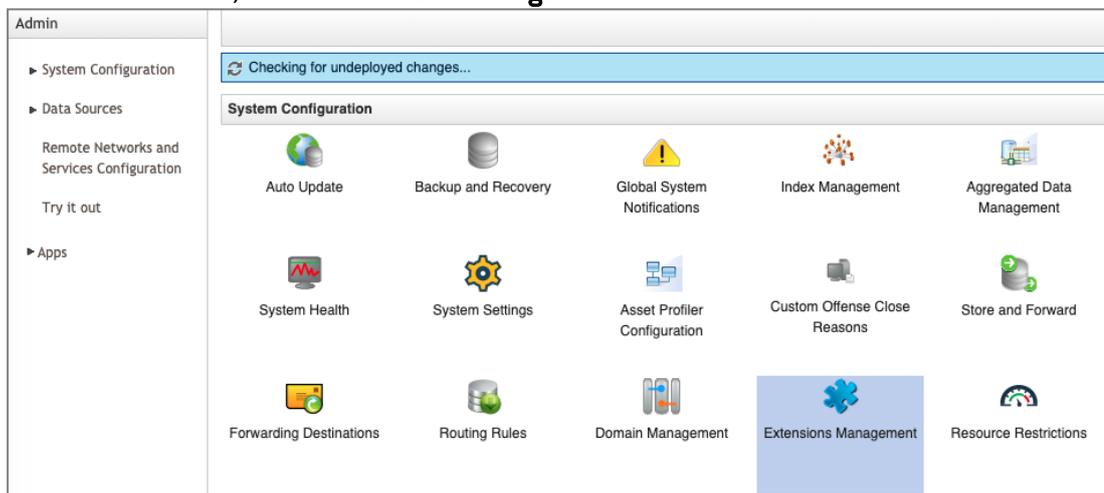
# Installing the SNS extension in IBM QRadar

To install the extension:

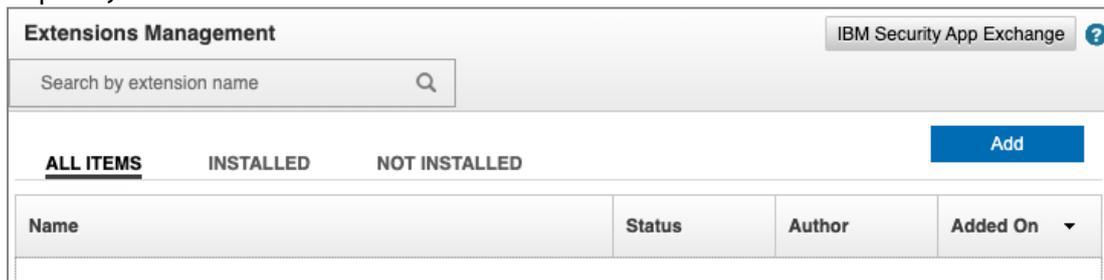
- Download the Stormshield Network Security DSM from the [IBM application store](#),
- Import the DSM into QRadar,
- Configure a log source that accepts and maps syslog messages from the SNS firewall to the DSM.

## Downloading the DSM

1. Log in to your IBM QRadar console.
2. In the **Admin** menu, select **Extensions Management**:



3. Click on **IBM Security App Exchange**.  
Your browser will open the page <https://exchange.xforce.ibmcloud.com/hub/> (IBM ID required).



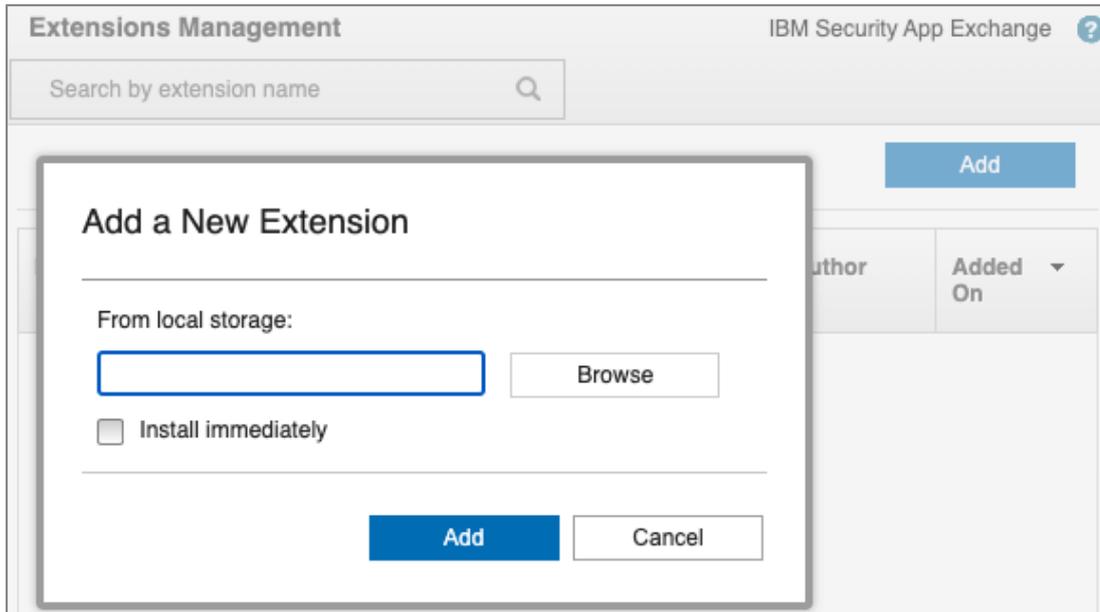
4. Download the "Stormshield Network Security" DSM.

## Importing the DSM into QRadar

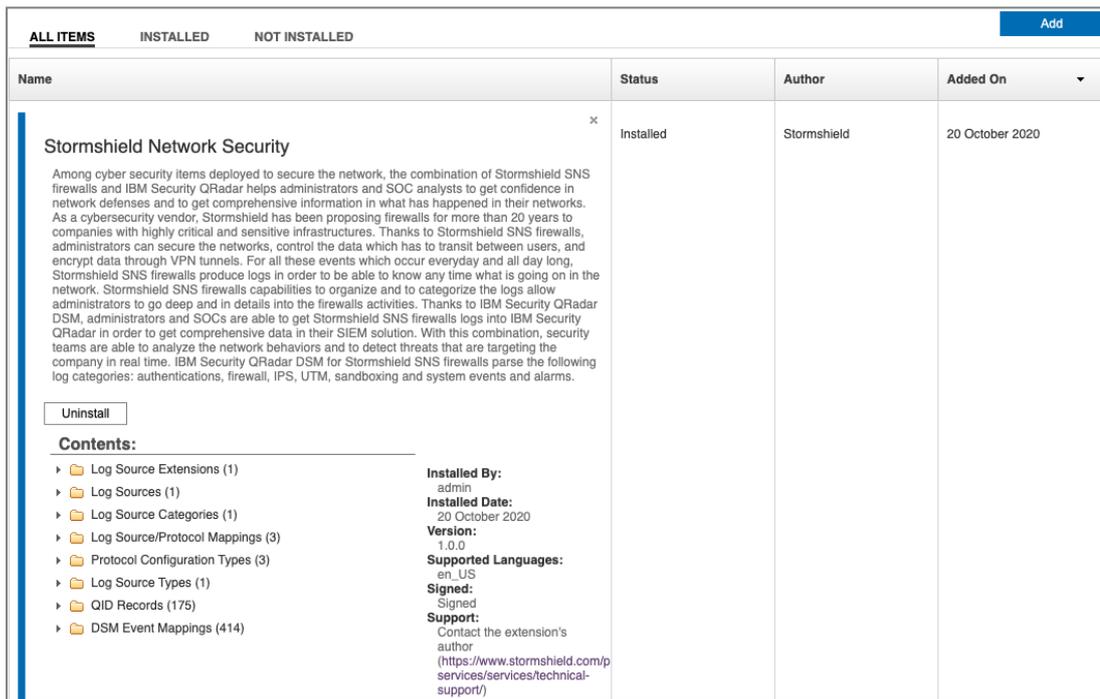
In your IBM QRadar console:



1. Go to **Admin > Extensions Management**.
2. Click on **Add a New Extension**:



3. Select the zip archive downloaded earlier (Stormshield\_Network\_Security\_DSM\_v1.0.0.zip).
4. Click on **Add** to install the extension:



### Configuring the log source

SNS firewalls send their logs to IBM QRadar over the syslog protocol.

1. Log in to your IBM QRadar console.
2. In the **Admin** menu, select **Log Source**.
3. Click on **Add**.
4. Fill in the form to create the Log Source:



- **Log Source Name** field: enter a name for your new log source (e.g.: *Stormshield SNS device*).
  - **Log Source description** field: enter a description of your new log source.
  - **Protocol Configuration** field: select **Syslog**.
  - **Log Source Identifier** field: enter the host name of your SNS firewall.  
If no host name has been defined on your firewall, enter its serial number (e.g.: *VMSNSX0000000A1*).
  - **Log Source Extension** field: select **StormshieldNetworkSecurityCustom\_ext**.
5. Click on **Save**.

### Edit a log source ?

*i* Note that the connection information for this log source is shared amongst one or more other log sources. This log source is a component of a Bulk Log Source, so some of its configuration parameters are not modifiable.

<b>Log Source Name</b>	<input type="text" value="Stormshield SNS devi"/>
<b>Log Source Description</b>	<input type="text" value="StormshieldNetworkSe"/>
<b>Log Source Type</b>	Stormshield Network Security
<b>Protocol Configuration</b>	<input style="border: 1px solid #ccc;" type="text" value="Syslog"/>
<b>Log Source Identifier</b>	<input type="text" value="SNShostname"/>
<b>Enabled</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Credibility</b>	<input style="border: 1px solid #ccc;" type="text" value="5"/>
<b>Target Event Collector</b>	<input style="border: 1px solid #ccc;" type="text" value="eventcollector0 :: ip-10-0-1-25"/>
<b>Coalescing Events</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Incoming Payload Encoding</b>	<input style="border: 1px solid #ccc;" type="text" value="UTF-8"/>
<b>Store Event Payload</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Log Source Extension</b>	<input style="border: 1px solid #ccc;" type="text" value="StormshieldNetworkSecurityCustom_ext"/>

Please select any groups you would like this log source to be a member of:

### Adapting the size of *syslog* UDP messages in QRadar

QRadar uses a default payload size of 1024 bytes for *syslog* UDP messages. When a message exceeds this size, it will be automatically truncated.

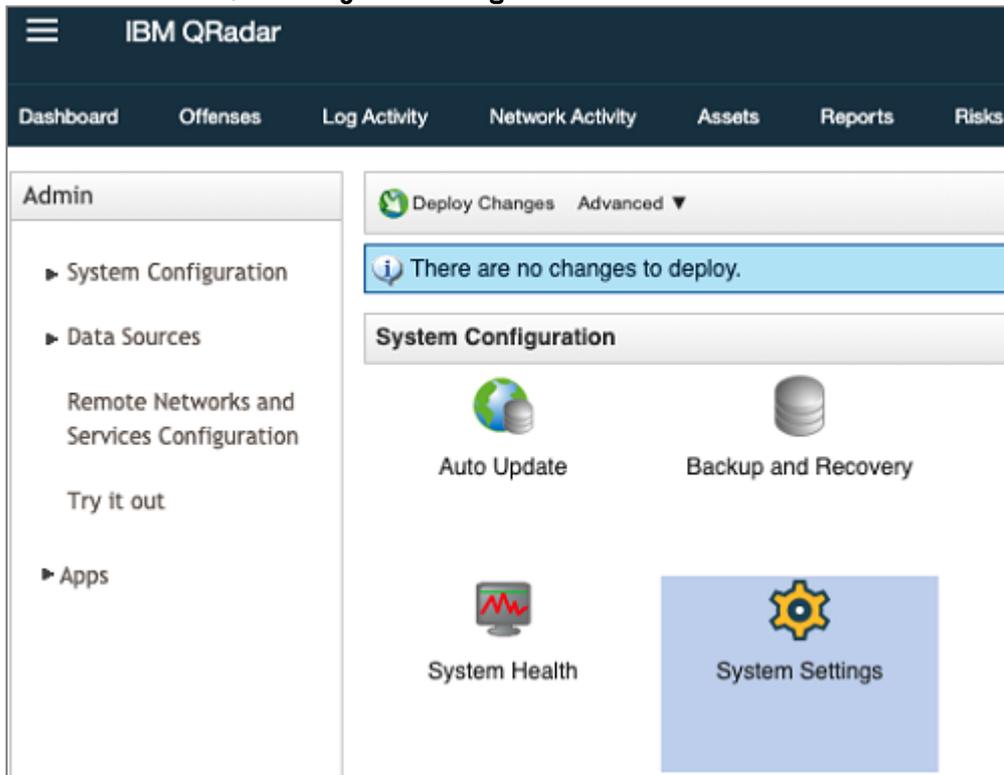


Incidentally, some of the events that SNS firewalls send exceed this size. Since the log type is placed at the end of the line, QRadar will not be able to extract the corresponding event category, and treat these messages as unknown.

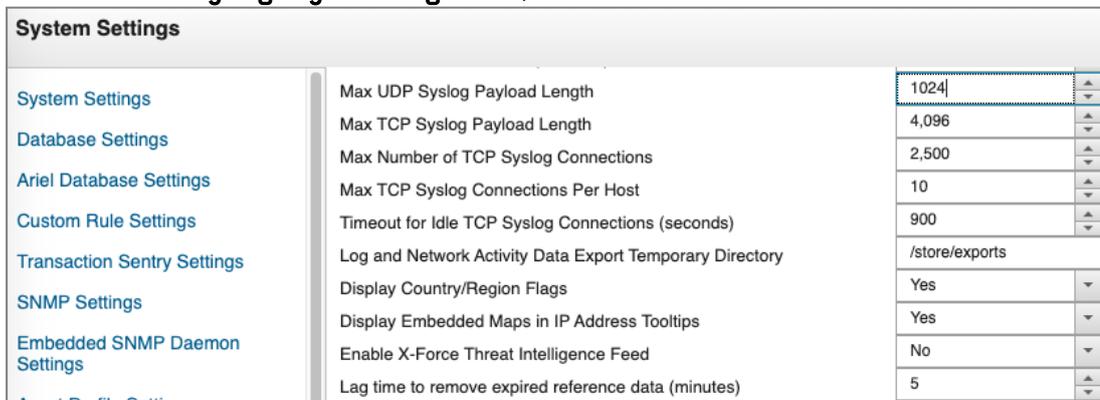
The size of syslog UDP messages that IBM QRadar accepts must therefore be changed. Increasing the limit to 2048 bytes will sufficiently cover all types of messages that the firewall may send.

### Changing the payload size of syslog messages in QRadar

1. Log in to your IBM QRadar console.
2. In the **Admin** menu, select **System settings**:



3. Switch the system settings panel from **Basic** to **Advanced** mode.
4. In the **Max UDP Syslog Payload Length** field, enter **2048**:



5. Click on **Save** to save your changes.



# Configuring the SNS firewall to send logs to IBM QRadar

1. Log in to the web administration interface of your SNS firewall.
2. Go to **Configuration > Notifications > Logs - Syslog - IPFIX > SYSLOG** tab.
3. Edit one of the four available SYSLOG profiles.
4. **Name** field: enter a custom name for this profile.
5. **Syslog server** field: select or create a network object representing the IBM QRadar machine.
6. **Protocol** field: select **UDP**.
7. **Port** field: select **syslog**.
8. **Format** field: select **RFC5424**.
9. In **Advanced properties > Logs enabled**, select the log categories to be sent to IBM QRadar.
10. Click on **Apply**.
11. Double-click in a profile's **Status** cell to enable it.

The screenshot shows the Stormshield web administration interface. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with categories like SYSTEM, NETWORK, OBJECTS, USERS, SECURITY POLICY, APPLICATION PROTECTION, VPN, and NOTIFICATIONS. The 'NOTIFICATIONS' section is expanded to show 'Logs - Syslog - IPFIX'. The main content area is titled 'NOTIFICATIONS / LOGS - SYSLOG - IPFIX' and has three tabs: 'LOCAL STORAGE', 'SYSLOG' (which is selected), and 'IPFIX'. Under the 'SYSLOG' tab, there is a 'SYSLOG PROFILES' table with columns for 'Status' and 'Name'. The first row is 'QRADAR 732' with a status of 'Enabled'. To the right of this table is a 'Details' panel for the selected profile. It contains several fields: 'Name' (QRADAR 732), 'Comments' (empty), 'Syslog server' (ip-10-0-1-25), 'Protocol' (UDP), 'Port' (syslog), 'Certification authority' (syslog-ca), 'Server certificate' (syslog.qradar), 'Client certificate' (empty), and 'Format' (RFC5424). Below these fields is an 'Advanced properties' section with 'Backup server' (empty), 'Backup port' (syslog), and 'Category (facility)' (none). At the bottom of the details panel is a 'LOGS ENABLED' section with 'Enable all' and 'Disable all' buttons. Below these buttons is a table with columns for 'Status' and 'Name'. The table lists five categories, all with 'Enabled' status: 'Alarms', 'Network connections', 'Filter policy', 'HTTP proxy', and 'SMTP proxy'.

The installation is complete – the SNS firewall’s logs will be redirected to the IBM QRadar platform.



# Using QRadar with the SNS DSM

1. Log in to your IBM QRadar console.
2. In the **Log Activity** menu, click on **New Search**.
3. Fill in the various fields of the search form:
  - **Parameter** field: select **Log Source Type**,
  - **Operator** field: select **Equals**,
  - **Value** field: select **Stormshield Network Security**.
4. Confirm by clicking on **Add Filter**.
5. Click on **Search**.  
Stormshield logs will appear in the grid.

Event Name	Log Source	Event Count	Time	Low Level Category	Source IP	Source Port	Destination IP	Destination Port	Username	Magnitude
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:33	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.2	37031	10.0.0.9	636	Jack	1
System Informational	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:32	System Informational	10.0.100.1	0	10.0.1.110	0	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:30	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.14	36364		443	Jessica	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:19	Firewall Permit		59124	10.0.1.25	443	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:28	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.9	23871	10.0.0.8	443	James	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:27	Firewall Permit		37503	10.0.0.1	25		1
Firewall Deny	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:26	Firewall Deny	10.0.1.9	58506		443	N/A	1
Firewall Deny	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:23	Firewall Deny	10.0.100.16	32815		80	Isa	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:21	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.5	36429		443	Charlie	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:20	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.1	36689	10.0.0.7	443	Oliver	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:07	Firewall Permit		59126	10.0.0.37	22	N/A	1
Virus Detected And Blocked	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:18	Virus Detected	10.0.100.16	21343	192.168.100.1	80	Isa	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	2	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:05	Firewall Permit		58893	10.0.1.25	443	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:10	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.12	38897	192.168.13.4	102	Olivia	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:07	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.18	28512	10.0.0.9	636	Isabella	1
Authentication success on the firewall via SSH	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:06	SSH Login Succeeded		0	0.0.0.0	0	N/A	1
IPS Deny	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:06	IPS Deny	192.168.11.1	37887	192.168.13.1	502	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:03	Firewall Permit		58949	10.0.1.9	443	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:04	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.11	24302		80	Amelia	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:54	Firewall Permit	10.0.1.9	43148		443	N/A	1
Sandboxing malicious	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:02	Malicious Software	10.0.100.5	26663		80	Charlie	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:52	Firewall Permit	10.0.1.9	59182		443	N/A	1
System Informational	Stormshield SNS device	3	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:51	System Informational		0	10.0.1.110	0	admin	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:53:01	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.5	38558		80	Charlie	1
Sandboxing malicious	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:59	Malicious Software	10.0.100.1	27372		80	Oliver	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:57	Firewall Permit	10.0.100.15	35660	10.0.0.11	445	Ava	1
Sandboxing malicious	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:55	Malicious Software	10.0.100.18	21853		80	Isabella	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:44	Firewall Permit		59052	10.0.0.37	22	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:54	Firewall Permit	10.0.1.9	41994		443	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	2	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:33	Firewall Permit		59123	10.0.1.25	443	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	2	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:26	Firewall Permit		59107	10.0.1.9	443	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	5	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:22	Firewall Permit		59103	10.0.1.25	443	N/A	1
Firewall Permit	Stormshield SNS device	2	20 Oct 2020, 14:52:20	Firewall Permit	10.0.1.9	63567		53	N/A	1
Authentication failure on the firewall via SSH	Stormshield SNS device	1	20 Oct 2020, 14:49:29	SSH Login Failed		0	0.0.0.0	0	N/A	1

**NOTE:**  
There are two limitations in version 1.0.0 of the SNS DSM:

- IPv6 values are not taken into account.
- Only standard QRadar fields are used; custom properties to filter by vendor-specific values are not available.

The Stormshield DSM provides the values of the following QRadar standard properties:

- DestinationIp,
- DestinationMAC,
- DestinationPort,
- DestinationIpPreNAT,
- DestinationPortPreNAT,
- DeviceTime,
- EventCategory,
- Protocol,



- SourceIp,
- SourceMAC,
- SourcePort,
- SourceIpPostNAT,
- SourcePortPostNAT,
- UserName.

Following events are categorised by QRadar:

- Connections Pass or Block,
  - Firewall and proxies,
  - Filter policy,
  - Alarms (IPS Permit or Deny),
- Proxies,
  - Virus detection,
  - Sandboxing detection,
- Authentication errors,
- System events.

## Support

If you encounter issues while installing or using the Stormshield Network Security DSM on the IBM QRadar platform, feel free to get in touch with [Stormshield technical support](#).



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Additional information and responses to questions you may have are available in the [Stormshield knowledge base](#) (authentication required).



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