TheGreenBow IPsec VPN Client

Configuration Guide

Cisco RV220W

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1 Introduction

1.1 Goal of this document

This configuration guide describes how to configure TheGreenBow IPsec VPN Client software with a Cisco RV220W VPN router to establish VPN connections for remote access to corporate network.

1.2 VPN Network topology

In our VPN network example (diagram hereafter), we will connect TheGreenBow IPsec VPN Client software to the LAN behind the Cisco RV220W router. The VPN client is connected to the Internet with a DSL connection or through a LAN. All the addresses in this document are given for example purpose.

1.3 Cisco RV220W Restrictions

No known restrictions.

1.4 Cisco RV220W VPN Gateway

Our tests and VPN configuration have been conducted with Cisco RV220W firmware releases 1.0.2.4 & 1.0.4.17.

1.5 Cisco RV220W VPN Gateway product info

It is critical that users find all necessary information about Cisco RV220W VPN Gateway. All product info, User Guide and knowledge base for the Cisco RV220W VPN Gateway can be found on the Cisco website:

2 Cisco RV220W VPN configuration

This section describes how to build an IPsec VPN configuration with your Cisco RV220W VPN router. Once connected to your Cisco RV220W VPN gateway,

2.1 Configure VPN using Wizard

Navigate to the menu > VPN > Advanced VPN Setup > IKE Policy Table > Add

2.2 Add IKE Policy

Below screenshot shows the typical settings to be used for IPSec VPN

Take note of the values set here as they would be required when configuring the TheGreenBow VPN Client. The important values include:

Pre-Shared Key: This can be any text string, preferably complex for security

Remote WAN IP address/FQDN: This can be remote.com or any other arbitrary value e.g. tywoddse1.com but the corresponding value used in TheGreenBow VPN Client must be the same. It does not have to be a real address i.e. resolve to a real IP address.

Local WAN IP address/FQDN: This can be local.com or any arbitrary value e.g. yywox99.com. The value does not matter, but the same value must be entered in the corresponding field in the TheGreenBow VPN Client. It does not have to be a real address i.e. resolve to a real IP address.

Local LAN IP address and subnet: This must match the LAN subnet of the Cisco RV220W router.

Click the "Save" button after entering the required information
2.3 Extended Authentication / X-Auth

Note the last set of fields in this policy:

Extended Authentication:
To use the internal user database of the Cisco Rv220w firewall set
XAUTH Type to "Edge device" and Authentication type to "User Database".
2.4 Add VPN Policy

Navigate to the menu > VPN > Advanced VPN Setup > VPN Policy Table > Add "Select IKE Policy" links this policy to the "TGB" IKE policy.
You will need to create VPN users.
To create users, navigate go to: VPN > VPN Users

Click on Add, and then enter the username and password, and select the XAUTH protocol (for IPSec).
Take note of the username and password. This will be required when using TGB to connect.
3 TheGreenBow IPsec VPN Client configuration

This section describes the required configuration to connect to a Cisco RV220W VPN router via VPN connections. To download the latest release of TheGreenBow IPsec VPN Client software, please go to www.thegreenbow.com/vpn_down.html.

3.1 VPN Client Phase 1 (IKE) Configuration

![Phase 1 configuration]

The remote VPN Gateway IP address is either an explicit IP address or a DNS Name.

This configuration is one example of what can be accomplished in term of User Authentication. You may want to refer to either the Cisco RV220W router user guide or TheGreenBow IPsec VPN Client software User Guide for more details on User Authentication options.
Phase 1 advanced configuration

Enable X-Auth Popup or enter X-Auth Login and Password.

Note: If X-Auth Popup is enabled, user will be requested to enter Login and Password every time the tunnel opens.
3.2 VPN Client Phase 2 (IPsec) Configuration

3.3 Open IPsec VPN tunnels

Once both Cisco RV220W router and TheGreenBow IPsec VPN Client software have been configured accordingly, you are ready to open VPN tunnels. First make sure you enable your firewall with IPsec traffic.

1/ Click on "Save & Apply" to take into account all modifications we've made on your VPN Client configuration.

2/ Click on "Open Tunnel", or generate traffic that will automatically open a secure IPsec VPN Tunnel (e.g. ping, IE browser).

3/ Select "Connections" to see opened VPN Tunnels.

4/ Select "Console" if you want to access to the IPsec VPN logs and adjust filters to display less IPsec messaging. The following example shows a successful connection between TheGreenBow IPsec VPN Client and a Cisco RV220W VPN router.
4 Tools in case of trouble

Configuring an IPsec VPN tunnel can be a hard task. One missing parameter can prevent a VPN connection from being established. Some tools are available to find source of troubles during a VPN establishment.

4.1 A good network analyser: Wireshark

Wireshark is a free software that can be used for packet and traffic analysis. It shows IP or TCP packets received on a network card. This tool is available on website [www.wireshark.org](http://www.wireshark.org). It can be used to follow protocol exchange between two devices. For installation and use details, read its specific documentation ([www.wireshark.org/docs/](http://www.wireshark.org/docs/)).
5 VPN IPsec Troubleshooting

5.1 “PAYLOAD MALFORMED” error (wrong Phase 1 [SA])

If you have an “PAYLOAD MALFORMED” error you might have a wrong Phase 1 [SA], check if the encryption algorithms are the same on each side of the VPN tunnel.

5.2 “INVALID COOKIE” error

If you have an “INVALID COOKIE” error, it means that one of the endpoint is using a SA that is no more in use. Reset the VPN connection on each side.

5.3 “no keystate” error

Check if the preshared key is correct or if the local ID is correct (see “Advanced” button). You should have more information in the remote endpoint logs.

5.4 “received remote ID other than expected” error

The “Remote ID” value (see “Advanced” Button) does not match what the remote endpoint is expected.
5.5 “NO PROPOSAL CHOSEN” error

If you have an “NO PROPOSAL CHOSEN” error, check that the “Phase 2” encryption algorithms are the same on each side of the VPN Tunnel.

Check “Phase 1” algorithms if you have this:

5.6 “INVALID ID INFORMATION” error

If you have an “INVALID ID INFORMATION” error, check if “Phase 2” ID (local address and network address) is correct and match what is expected by the remote endpoint.

Check also ID type (“Subnet address” and “Single address”). If network mask is not check, you are using a IPV4_ADDR type (and not a IPV4_SUBNET type).

5.7 I clicked on “Open tunnel”, but nothing happens.

Read logs of each VPN tunnel endpoint. IKE requests can be dropped by firewalls. An IPsec Client uses UDP port 500 and protocol ESP (protocol 50).
5.8 The VPN tunnel is up but I can’t ping!

If the VPN tunnel is up, but you still cannot ping the remote LAN, here are a few guidelines:

- Check Phase 2 settings: VPN Client address and Remote LAN address. Usually, VPN Client IP address should not belong to the remote LAN subnet.
- Once VPN tunnel is up, packets are sent with ESP protocol. This protocol can be blocked by firewall. Check that every device between the client and the VPN server does accept ESP.
- Check your VPN server logs. Packets can be dropped by one of its firewall rules.
- Check your ISP support ESP.
- If you still cannot ping, follow ICMP traffic on VPN server LAN interface and on LAN computer interface (with Wireshark for example). You will have an indication that encryption works.
- Check the “default gateway” value in VPN Server LAN. A target on your remote LAN can receive pings but does not answer because there is a no “Default gateway” setting.
- You cannot access to the computers in the LAN by their name. You must specify their IP address inside the LAN.
- We recommend you to install Wireshark (www.wireshark.org) on one of your target computer. You can check that your pings arrive inside the LAN.
6 Contacts

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