

Qualys Cloud Platform v2.x

Release Notes

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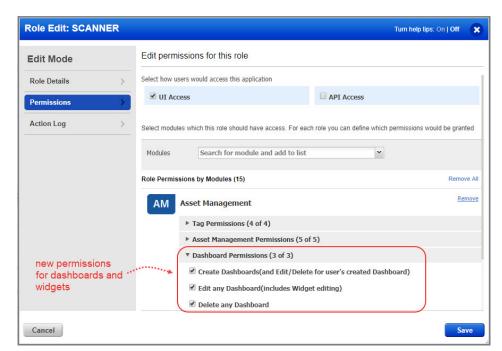
We have now added three new permissions to allow a user to add, edit and delete dashboards. You can now configure these permissions for a user role on need basis.

Following are the default permission settings:

- For the existing subscriptions, all the roles have these permissions enabled.
- New Managers and Unit Managers have all the permissions enabled for new subscriptions.
- New Scanner role only has the create permission enabled for new subscriptions.

Where do I configure the permissions?

Choose the Administration utility on the module picker. Then Go to Role Management.



Edit the role for which you want to configure permissions. Search for the Asset Management module and click Dashboard Permissions.

To enable or disable a permission, select or clear a checkbox.

The Edit and Delete Dashboards permissions allow you to take these actions on dashboards created by other users as long as those dashboards are visible to you.

View Cloud Provider metadata collected by Cloud Agents

Your cloud agents will now collect virtual machine instance information for Amazon AWS, Azure and Google Cloud Platform. This information will appear in Asset Details in Cloud Agent (CA) and AssetView (AV). Based on the cloud provider, the instance information includes details like the instance ID and name, machine type, location, operating system, IP address and more.

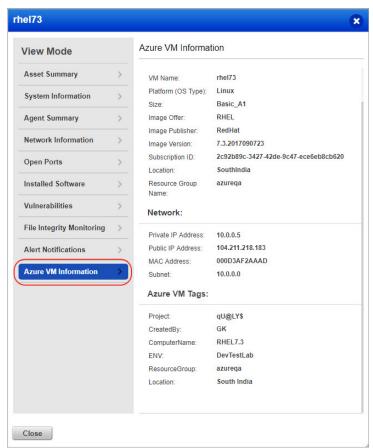
How to view instance information

In Cloud Agent, go to Agent Management > Agent and choose View Asset Details for the agent host that you are interested in. In AssetView, go to Assets > Assets and choose View Asset Details for the asset you are interested in. Then locate the tab of your cloud provider to view instance information collected by cloud agents.

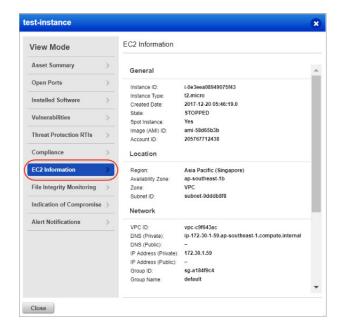
Sample GCP instance information



Sample Azure VM information



Sample EC2 information





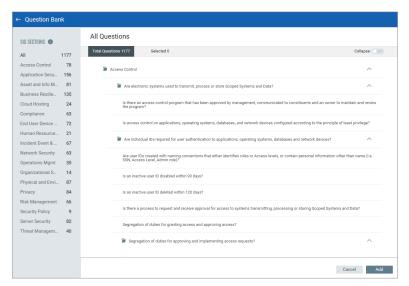
Security Assessment Questionnaire

Import questions from Question Bank or Library

We now provide a ready list of questions and answers based on sections from Shared Assessments Standardized Information Gathering (SIG) Question Bank and from out of box templates in our Library.

While adding questions to your template just select Question Bank or Library from the Import Questions drop down.

Question Bank

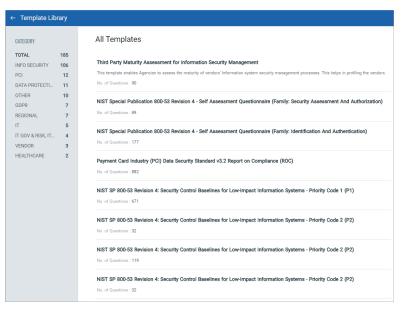


The Question Bank consist of ready to use questions and answers based on Shared Assessments
Program for SIG questionnaire, used to perform an initial assessment of your vendors.

Question Bank

Simply pick the ones applicable to you and add them to your questionnaire template.

Library



Library lists all the questions available in our library of out of box templates that cover common compliance standards such as ISO, PCI-DSS, HIPAA, NIST, GDPR, and vendor risk guidelines.

Pick the relevant sections or questions to create your own questionnaire



Enhancements to Scan View and Scan Phases

We now display more information in the scan view to give you a better picture about the scan progress by displaying the scan phases along with the status. We now also display additional scan statistics during the scan.

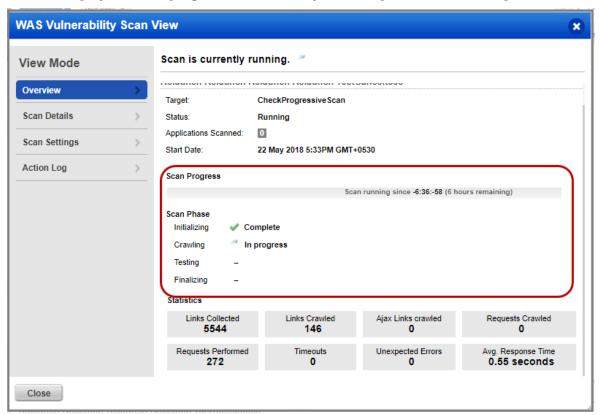
Scan Phases

Let us launch a scan and view the scan progress. Go to Scans > Scan List > New Scan. Define the scan details, settings and then launch the scan. Once the scan is launched, go to the quick actions menu and select View. You can view the scan progress and the various phases it undergoes before the scan is completed.

We now display the progress of each phase for you to know the scan status.

- Initializing
- Crawling
- Testing
- Finalizing

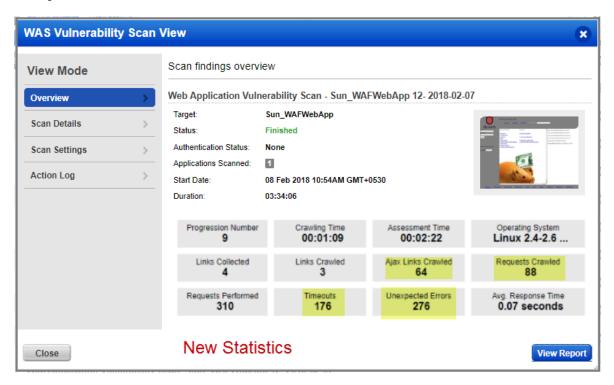
We also display the scan progress bar that tells you the expected time to complete the scan.



Additional Scan Statistics

We now display few more scan statistics to help you analyze your scan in a better manner.

Once the scan achieves Finished status, you can select View from quick actions menu and view the scan statistics. We now also display: Ajax Links Crawled, Request Crawled, Timeout Errors, Unexpected Errors for the scan.

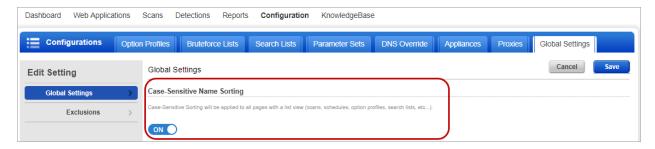


Case-Sensitive Name Sorting

We have now introduced configurable case-sensitive name sorting of your data list. Enable case-sensitive name sorting from Global Settings and then you can sort names of scans, schedules, option profiles, search lists, and such other data lists.

How do I configure the setting?

Go to Configuration > Global Settings. By default, the Case-Sensitive Name Sorting is enabled. To change the setting, click Edit. You can then toggle and configure the sorting to enable or disable as per your need. Click Save to save your changes.

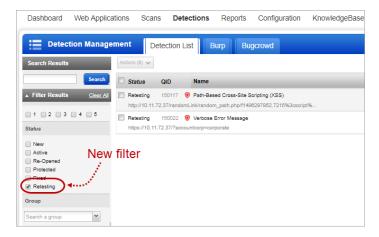


The case-sensitive name sorting setting is visible to you only if "Edit Global Settings" permission is enabled for you.

New Filter for Retesting Detections

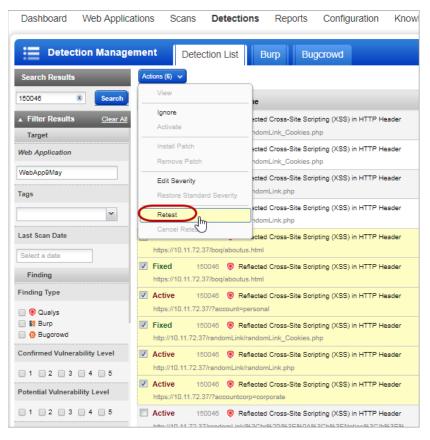
We have now added a new filter to easily filter detections that are being retested.

Go to Detections > Detection List and select Retesting status in the filter. All the detections with status as Retesting will be listed instantly.



Retest Multiple Findings with same QID

You can now club the multiple findings that belong to the same QID and web application and launch a retest in a single batch. The retest scan is launched with settings used in the latest scan on the web-application.



How do I retest multiple findings?

Go to Detections > Detections List. You can use filters in the left-pane to view all findings of same QID and web application. Select the findings to be retested.

From the Actions menu, select Retest. Once you confirm, the retest scan would be launched on all the selected findings at one go.

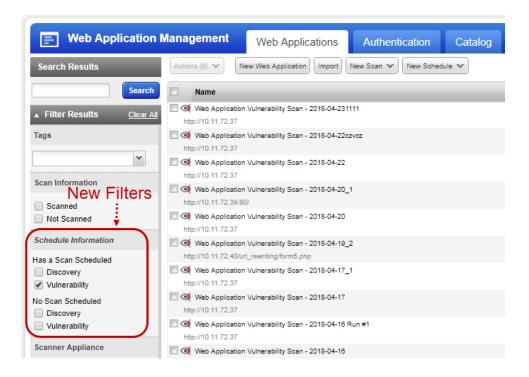
If the retest scan is launched for multiple findings, and if you cancel the retest for any of the findings, the retest scan is cancelled for the entire batch of findings.

Granular Filters for Scheduled Web Applications

New granular filters are now added for quick filtering of Web application schedules. The new filters: Has a Scan Scheduled and No Scan Scheduled are available for discovery as well as vulnerability scan schedules.

Go to Web Applications > Web Applications and you can see four new filters in Schedule Information section.

- Has a Scan Scheduled: Choose this filter to view web applications with active scheduled scans. You could further filter web applications depending on the type of scan: discovery or vulnerability.
- No Scan Scheduled: Choose to filter to view all the web applications except the one for which the scan schedules exist. You could further filter web applications depending on the type of scan: discovery or vulnerability.

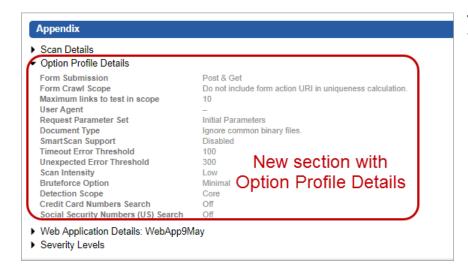


Enhancements to Scan Report

The Scan Report now gives you more information as we have now added a new section titled "Option Profile Details". The information is available all report formats.

Let us generate the scan report and view the details.

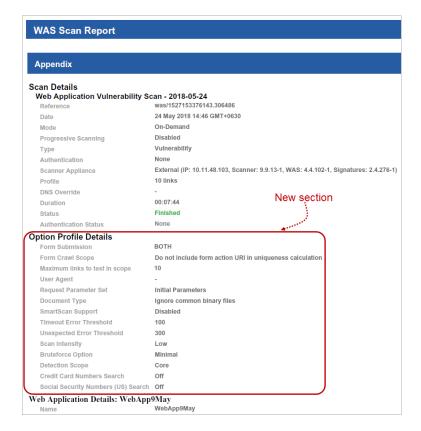
Go to Reports > New Report > Scan Report. Choose a report template and the scan for which you would want to view the report. Click Finish.



The Appendix section lists the new section.

The new section is displayed in all report formats.

For example, let us see PDF report format.

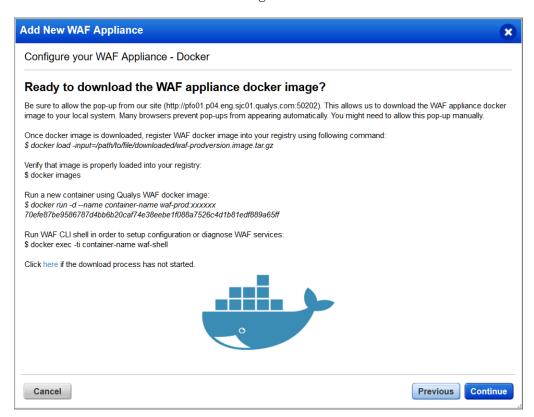




Install WAF appliance on Docker

You can now install the WAF appliance on a Docker container.

Go to WAF Appliances > WAF Appliances, and click New WAF Appliance. Select an existing WAF cluster or create a new one. In the Add New WAF Appliance wizard, select Docker and click Continue to download the Docker image file.



Refer to the onscreen instructions to create a container from the Docker image. Click Continue to get the registration code of the cluster to register the WAF appliance to. See the WAF Getting Started Guide for information on using the WAF CLI for registering the WAF appliance.

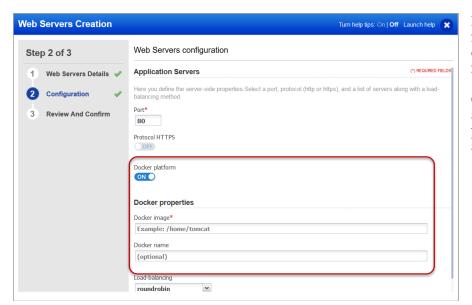
Ensure that the Docker container has proper network connectivity for WAF appliance to communicate and register with the Qualys Cloud Platform (WAF_SERVICE_URL) in order to start sending WAF events.

Web Server profile for containers

Now that WAF provides support for Docker (container), you can create a web server profile to load balance traffic between web applications installed on containers.

To create a web server profile for containers, go to Web Applications > Web Servers. Create a new Web Server profile or edit an existing one to provide the Docker image id and name.

The web server profile will create a pool of all containers spawned from the Docker image.



Docker image ID is required. Optionally, you can provide the Docker name.

Once created, you can associate this Web Server profile to a Web application.

Note that a single Web Server profile can be used to create a container pool or a server pool, but not a combination of both.

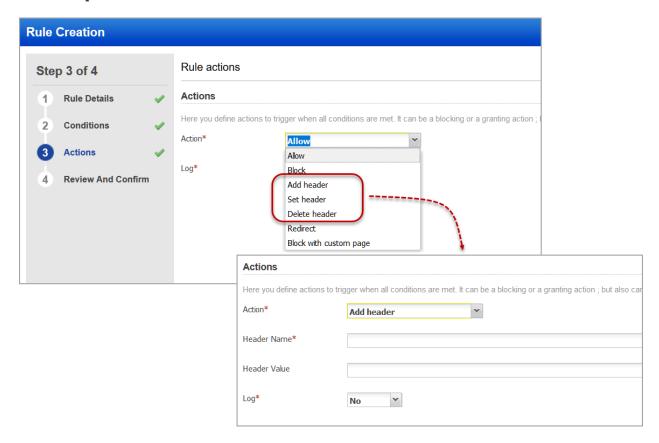
Securing your web applications with http headers

You can now secure your web application through HTTP headers. Security headers instructs the browser exactly how to behave when it handles your website's content and data. You can add appropriate HTTP headers to a response from your server, based on conditions met in a custom rule.

The Actions panel of the Rule Creation wizard allows you to specify HTTP headers you want to add, set (modify), or delete when events match conditions in a custom rule.

An example of a security header could be an XFO header to mitigate clickjacking attacks:

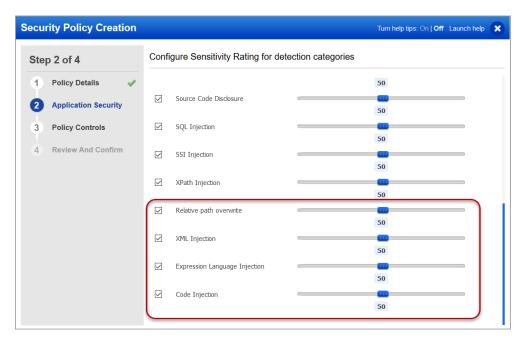
x-frame-options: SAMEORIGIN



New detection categories in security policy

Four new sliders for detection categories are introduced in the security policy. You can set the minimum confidence rating for each of these categories.

This allows you to filter out events. Events that are filtered out will not be considered during correlation and a final decision. Clear (un-check) a category if you do not want to apply any minimum confidence rating to a category.

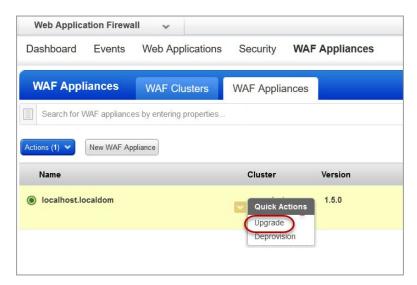


Upgrade specific WAF appliances

You can now upgrade specific WAF appliances manually. This is in addition to the existing functionality of updating all appliances associated with a cluster through auto-update.

It is recommended not to upgrade a WAF appliance if the associated cluster is in freeze period.

To upgrade a specific appliance, go to WAF Appliances > WAF Appliances, and then select **Upgrade** from the Quick Actions menu of the appliance.



The following confirmation message appears when upgrade is in progress.

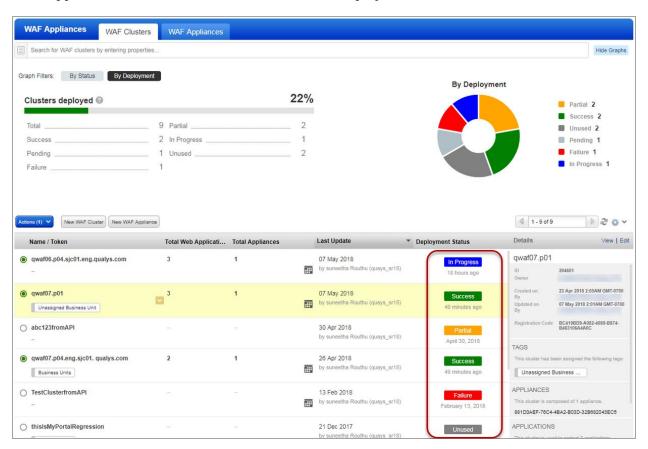


UI improvements

This release of WAF contains several improvements to the UI.

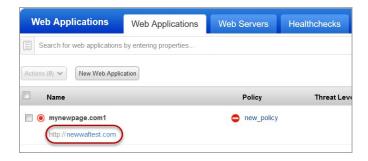
New column for deployment status

A new column called "Deployment Status" is added to Web Applications, WAF Clusters, and WAF Appliances tabs. This column now shows the deployment status in the form of text labels.



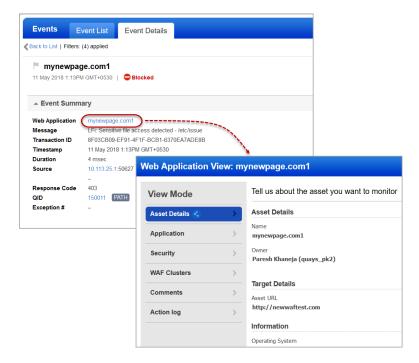
Clickable web application URL

The URL displayed under a Web application on the Web Applications tab is now clickable.



Clickable web application in Event Details

The Web application URL under Event Summary is now clickable. Clicking the web application URL launches the web application wizard where you can view/edit the web application details.



Issues addressed in this release

Qualys Cloud Platform 2.33 brings you many more improvements and updates.



AssetView



ThreatPROTECT

- Now users can search for Docker attributes when Container Security (CS) in enabled in the user's subscription. We've added these new search tokens:
 - isDockerHost, docker.dockerVersion, docker.noOfContainers, docker.noOfImages
- We've made updates to using commas in widgets. Users can no longer create or edit a widget with commas in the widget title (an error message appears on save). When exporting an existing a widget with commas in the title, all the commas are deleted.
- Fixed an issue with widget configuration when sort by set to activatedForModules
- We have removed connectedFrom and errorStatus as group by tokens, and these tokens are no longer an option in widgets (i.e. for Categories, Group by, Sort by). Now these tokens are used only for search.
- Now users can search by assetId using various methods such as exact match, range query, matching multiple values.
- "Groovy Scriptlet" will not show in drop down list (in AssetView tag creation workflow) if the groovy script option is disabled for the user's subscription.
- Now the queries activatedForModules:* and pendingActivationForModules:* will give correct results
- We've expanded and improved user documentation on prefix and suffix matching in How to Search help file located at <platform>/portalhelp/en/assetview/assets/asset_search_samples.htm
- Fixed an issue with Threat Protection (TP) activation once TP is expired in the user's account.
- Updated the help for interfaces.hostname to include suffix and prefix matching and better syntax examples.

CERT

Certificate View

• Accurate validations are now added for adding new certificate authority file that has multiple dot operators.

SAQ

Security Assessment Questionnaire

- The User quota in Account Information summary now accurately displays the number of users provided at the time of licensing.
- The Rejected filter is now displayed even if the filter count is 0.

- Updated help with accurate information about adding company logo to email.
- The Load More button is now removed and an infinite scroll is added to the Rules tab.
- Online help is updated to with information that questions and sections can be delegated to users within the same company.
- All special characters will now be accepted by the Question and Answer fields.

WAS

Web Application Scanning

- The detection list now gets correctly sorted when sorted by last detected date.
- The detection list when downloaded in CSV format displays correct time zone and data without any error.
- Usage of multiple filters now functions correctly (as expected) when applied to web application list or scan list.
- We have now fixed the issue so that the ScanTrust option is not displayed in authentication scan when WAF enabled asset is created under WAS.
- Depending on the permissions assigned to you, the "Ignore" option is now enabled/disabled in the Quick Actions menu of the Detections tabs.
- The default system-defined authentication test option profile is now displayed only if authentication scan option is enabled for your subscription.
- We have now fixed the issue to prevent the cross-site scripting from being executed when a user opens HTML report format.

WAF

Web Application Firewall

- Fixed an issue where there was a mismatch between the color of appliance status icons and the color of "By Status" pie chart. Now the colors are consistent.
- Fixed an issue where in case of large number of clusters, the list of clusters in the set cluster window used to spill over outside the window frame.
- Fixed an issue where incomplete error message was displayed while adding web servers in the web server creation wizard.
- Fixed an issue where partial deployment status was displayed under Appliances tab. Partial deployment status is not applicable for appliances, hence it is now removed.

Qualys Cloud Platform

• Now the user can set a dashboard as the default using the Container Security app.