



FlexEdge Secure SD- WAN Engine

7.2.1

Release Notes

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About this release

This document contains important information about this release of Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Engine. We strongly recommend that you read the entire document.

Product name change

Starting from Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN version 7.1 release the product name has changed from Forcepoint NGFW to Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN. The primary changes are listed below:

Component	Old name	New name
Solution	Forcepoint NGFW	Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN
Management	Security Management Center (SMC)	FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Manager / SD-WAN Manager Console (SMC)
Engine	NGFW Engine	FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Engine

Currently, product name change is visible in SMC and in the following documentations:

- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Manager API User Guide*
- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Installation Guide*
- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Product Guide*
- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN online help*
- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Quick Start Guide*

For more information on SMC UI terminology change, refer to the **About this Help** section in the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Product Guide*.



Note

- 1) Some documentations, knowledge base articles, and other support information are still using the old product name.
- 2) There is no change in the Engine local user interface.
- 3) The IPS role has transitioned now from L2FW mode to L3FW mode.

Deprecated Features

Web Portal User Interface

Web Portal User Interface is deprecated and is not available by default. Web Portal Server is still available to host Web Access.

Monitoring third-party devices

Support for monitoring third-party devices in SMC is now discontinued.

Working with diagram elements

The diagram feature for generating a model of a network diagram in SMC UI is now discontinued.

VMware NSX Integration

Support for VMware NSX Integration in SMC is now discontinued.

Lifecycle model

This release of Secure SD-WAN Engine is a Feature Stream (FS) version.

Support for Feature Stream versions is discontinued when a new major version of Forcepoint NGFW is available.

We recommend using the most recent Long-Term Support (LTS) version if you do not need any features from a Feature Stream version.

For more information about the Secure SD-WAN Engine lifecycle policy, see <https://support.forcepoint.com/ProductSupportLifeCycle>.

System requirements

To use this product, your system must meet these basic hardware and software requirements.

Secure SD-WAN Engine appliances

We strongly recommend using a pre-installed Secure SD-WAN Engine appliance for Secure SD-WAN installations.



Note

Some features are not available for all appliance models. See Knowledge Base article [9743](#) for appliance-specific software compatibility information.

The majority of the following supported appliances can be used in the Engine/VPN, or Engine with Layer 2 Interfaces.

- 60 Series (60 and 60L)
- 120 Series (120, 120L, 120W, and 120WL)
- 330 Series (330, 331, and 335)
- 350 Series (352 and 355)
- 1100 Series (1101 and 1105)
- 1202
- 2100 Series (2101 and 2105)
- 2200 Series (2201, 2205, and 2210)
- 3300 Series (3301 and 3305)
- 3400 Series (3401, 3405, and 3410)
- 3500 Series (3510)
- 6205




Note

To use the appliance as VPN Broker or with Forcepoint NGFW Manager, we recommend that you use a Secure SD-WAN Engine appliance that has at least 4GB of memory.

Basic hardware requirements

You can install Secure SD-WAN Engine on standard hardware with these basic requirements.

Component	Requirement
CPU	Intel® processors based on Westmere microarchitecture or newer.
Memory	Minimum 4 GB of RAM

Component	Requirement
Hard disk	Minimum 8 GB <div>  Note RAID controllers are not supported. </div>
Peripherals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ DVD drive ■ VGA-compatible display ■ Keyboard
Interfaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ One or more network interfaces for the Engine/VPN role ■ Two or more network interfaces for the IPS in IDS configuration ■ Three or more network interfaces for inline Engines with Layer 2 Interfaces For information about supported Ethernet interface types and adapters, see Knowledge Base article 9721 .

Master Secure SD-WAN Engine requirements

Master Secure SD-WAN Engines have specific hardware requirements.

- Each Master Secure SD-WAN Engine must run on a separate physical device. For more details, see the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Installation Guide*.
- All Virtual Secure SD-WAN Engines hosted by a Master Secure SD-WAN Engine or Master Secure SD-WAN Engine cluster must have the same role and the same Failure Mode (*fail-open* or *fail-close*).
- Master Secure SD-WAN Engines can allocate VLANs or interfaces to Virtual Secure SD-WAN Engines. If the Failure Mode of the Virtual IPS engines or Virtual Layer 2 Engines is *Normal* (fail-close) and you want to allocate VLANs to several Secure SD-WAN Engines, you must use the Master Secure SD-WAN Engine cluster in standby mode.
- Cabling requirements for Master Secure SD-WAN Engine clusters that host Virtual IPS engines or Layer 2 Engines:
 - Failure Mode *Bypass* (fail-open) requires IPS serial cluster cabling.
 - Failure Mode *Normal* (fail-close) requires Layer 2 Engine cluster cabling.

For more information about cabling, see the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Installation Guide*.

Virtual appliance node requirements

You can install Secure SD-WAN Engine on virtual appliances with these hardware requirements. Also be aware of some limitations.

Component	Requirement
CPU	Intel® processors based on Westmere microarchitecture or newer.
Memory	Minimum 4 GB of RAM
Virtual disk space	Minimum 8 GB

Component	Requirement
Hypervisor	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ VMware ESXi 6.5 or 7.0 ■ KVM with Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.9 or 8.5 ■ (Engine/VPN role only) Microsoft Hyper-V on Windows Server 2016 with an Intel 64-bit processor
Interfaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ At least one virtual network interface for the Engine/VPN role ■ Three virtual network interfaces for Engines with Layer 2 Interfaces <p>The following network interface card drivers are recommended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ VMware ESXi platform — <code>vmxnet3</code>. ■ KVM platform — <code>virtio_net</code>.

When Secure SD-WAN Engine is run as a virtual appliance node in the Engine/VPN role, these limitations apply:

- Only Packet Dispatching CVI mode is supported.
- Only standby clustering mode is supported.
- Heartbeat requires a dedicated non-VLAN-tagged interface.

When Secure SD-WAN Engine is run as a virtual appliance node in the Engines with Layer 2 Interfaces, clustering is not supported.

Supported cloud environments

You can deploy Secure SD-WAN Engine in the Amazon Web Services (AWS) and Microsoft Azure cloud environments.

Google Cloud, IBM Cloud, and Oracle Cloud

Starting from Secure SD-WAN Engine version 6.11 public cloud platforms from Google, IBM, and Oracle are supported. For more details, see the Knowledge Base article [39116](#).

Amazon Web Services

Secure SD-WAN Engine instances can be launched from AWS using 1-Click Launch, and existing instances can be remotely upgraded to the latest Secure SD-WAN Engine version.

To see the currently available instance types, search for *Forcepoint Secure SD-WAN Engine* in the AWS Marketplace.

For more information about deploying in AWS, see the document *How to deploy FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN in the Amazon Web Services cloud* and Knowledge Base article [10156](#).

Microsoft Azure

Secure SD-WAN Engine instances can be launched from Azure using custom solution templates, and existing instances can be remotely upgraded to the latest Secure SD-WAN Engine version.

To see the currently available custom solution templates, search for *Forcepoint Secure SD-WAN Engine* in the Azure Marketplace.

For more information about deploying in Azure, see the document *How to deploy FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN in the Azure cloud* and Knowledge Base article [14485](#).

Build number and checksums

The build number for Secure SD-WAN Engine 7.2.1 is 30074.

Use the checksums to make sure that the installation files downloaded correctly.

- `sg_engine_7.2.1.30074_x86-64-small.iso`

```
SHA256SUM:
570709638f356c098367f59b2b2fc6414f2fbc47e5bc07a62b24ffb4af7a5a77

SHA512SUM:
4b8aadea9532beec7d5c73b62f9ccaca
5b711ec4647edfc94ea236727acfb65d
43b68fd109f038ff3ed35634ee1ab9a9
cc439f777f5a3861f0e758cdd2fc1a88
```

- `sg_engine_7.2.1.30074_x86-64-small.zip`

```
SHA256SUM:
bcafa9cb2ce30219db684981ade91751f9957f6c23701e6873c754f12a451594

SHA512SUM:
2ff7afd1bcd2510ccff88dab9636c92b
0030c12996d84abe65a46f43b0dce801
b65f0aae5467b060e779cab60f0a2330
b18148e791e26505b95906b9f4b39646
```

- `Forcepoint-NGFW-gencloud-7.2.1.30074.qcow2`

```
SHA256SUM
be9d9d12c68d656877f2efc0276afcba440ddcae1aaa4684656a07949a7ce733

SHA512SUM:
aa51fc91d63dc2bb578406f79a6c02fe
7cd77b9b932475b52cb3afb4328c46db
577b8aa047cd437e3bf1405dae91083c
1092f54b765fe2cf5cc76ff695042517
```

Compatibility

Secure SD-WAN Engine 7.2.1 is compatible with the following component versions.

- Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Manager 7.2.1 or higher
- Dynamic Update 1688 or higher
- Forcepoint VPN Client 6.6.0 or higher for Windows

- Forcepoint VPN Client 2.0.0 or higher for Mac OS X
- Forcepoint VPN Client 2.0.0 or higher for Android
- Forcepoint VPN Client 2.5.0 or higher for Linux
- Server Pool Monitoring Agent 4.0.0 or higher
- Forcepoint Endpoint Context Agent (ECA) included in Forcepoint One Endpoint 19.05 or higher
- Forcepoint User ID Service 2.0.0 or higher

New features

This release of the product includes these new features. For more information and configuration instructions, see the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Product Guide*, the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Installation Guide*, and the *Forcepoint NGFW Manager and VPN Broker Product Guide*.

Starting from version 7.2.0, the following feature is supported:

- **Multi-Link packet duplication**

By configuring the Multi-Link packet duplication feature you can enable duplication of traffic packets over multiple links that are sent to the same destination. This eliminates all packet loss due to link failure or delay in packet loss detection.

For more information, see the *Multi-Link packet duplication* topic in the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Product Guide*.

Starting from version 7.2.1, the following features are supported:

- **Adaptive Forward Erasure Correction (FEC) for SD-WAN tunnels**

The FEC feature helps to control errors in data transmission over an unreliable or noisy communication channel.

When FEC is enabled, the engine sends a combination of M data packets, N correction packets, and metadata information in a data set through a link to the destination. This allows recovering up to N missing data packets within one set of data and correction packets.

For more information, see the *Adaptive Forward Erasure Correction (FEC) for SD-WAN tunnels* topic in the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Product Guide*.

- **Backup unit support for single node engines**

You can now configure hot standby backup unit for single node engines. This enables high availability configurations for scenarios that are only supported in single node engine, such as dynamic interfaces.

For more information, see the *Configure a backup unit or a connection synchronization for external high availability* topic in the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Product Guide*.

- **Connection Synchronization for External High Availability**

You can now configure two separate single node engines to synchronize their connection tables. This enables building high availability (HA) setups where HA is controlled by an external entity, such as 3rd party load balancer.

For more information, see the *Configure a backup unit or a connection synchronization for external high availability* topic in the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Product Guide*.

Enhancements

This release of the product includes these enhancements.

Enhancements in Secure SD-WAN version 7.2

Enhancement	Description
Legacy SNMP agent implementation removed	The legacy SNMP agent implementation has been removed on engine version 7.2 and later. Only the new enhanced version described in the Enhanced SNMP Agent default in NGFW Engine version 7.0 Knowledge Base Article is available.

Enhancements in Secure SD-WAN version 7.2.1

Enhancement	Description
Support for IPv6 address in the PPPoE interface is added	<p>SMC managed single engine can now have both dynamic IPv4 and IPv6 addresses in its PPPoE interface.</p> <p>For more information, see the <i>Add point-to-point protocol clients to Single Engine interfaces</i> topic in the <i>Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Product Guide</i>.</p>

Resolved and known issues

For a list of resolved and known issues in this product release, see Knowledge Base article [42349](#) .

Security updates

For information about third-party packages and associated vulnerabilities included with the Engine in this product release, see Knowledge Base article [42351](#) .

Installation instructions

Use these high-level steps to install the SMC and the Secure SD-WAN Engines.

For detailed information, see the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Installation Guide*. All guides are available for download at <https://support.forcepoint.com/s/article/Documentation-Featured-Article>.

Steps

- 1) Install the Management Server, the Log Servers, and optionally the Web Portal Servers.
- 2) Import the licenses for all components.
You can generate licenses at <https://stonesoftlicenses.forcepoint.com>.
- 3) Configure the Engine elements in the Management Client from the **Configuration** view.
- 4) To generate initial configurations, right-click each Secure SD-WAN Engine, then select **Configuration > Save Initial Configuration**.
Make a note of the one-time password.
- 5) Make the initial connection from the Secure SD-WAN Engines to the Management Server, then enter the one-time password.
- 6) Create and upload a policy on the Secure SD-WAN Engines in the Management Client.

Upgrade instructions

Take the following into consideration before upgrading licenses, Secure SD-WAN Engines, and clusters.



Note

Upgrading to version 7.2.1 is only supported from version 6.10 or higher. If you have a lower version, first upgrade to version 6.10.

- Secure SD-WAN version 7.2 requires an updated license. The license upgrade can be requested at <https://stonesoftlicenses.forcepoint.com>. Install the new license using the Management Client before upgrading the software. If communication between the SMC and the license server is enabled and the maintenance contract is valid, the license is updated automatically.
- To upgrade the Secure SD-WAN Engine, use the remote upgrade feature or reboot from the installation DVD and follow the instructions. For detailed instructions, see the *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Installation Guide*.

Find product documentation

In the Forcepoint Customer Hub, you can find information about a released product, including product documentation, technical articles, and more.

You can get additional information and support for your product in the Forcepoint Customer Hub at <https://support.forcepoint.com>. There, you can access product documentation, release notes, Knowledge Base articles, downloads, cases, and contact information.

You might need to log on to access the Forcepoint Customer Hub. If you do not yet have credentials, create a customer account. <https://support.forcepoint.com/s/CreateAccount>

Product documentation

Every Forcepoint product has a comprehensive set of documentation.

- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Product Guide*
- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN online Help*



Note

By default, the online Help is used from the Forcepoint help server. If you want to use the online Help from a local machine (for example, an intranet server or your own computer), see Knowledge Base article [10097](#).

- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Installation Guide*

Other available documents include:

- *Forcepoint Hardware Guide* for your model
- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Quick Start Guide*
- *Forcepoint FlexEdge Secure SD-WAN Manager API User Guide*
- *Forcepoint VPN Client User Guide* for Windows or Mac
- *Forcepoint VPN Client Product Guide*
- *Forcepoint NGFW Manager and VPN Broker Product Guide*

