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Appliance Installation Guide

StoneGate IPS-400

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Introduction

Thank you for choosing Stonesoft's StoneGate appliance. This guide provides instructions for the initial hardware installation and the maintenance of the IPS-400 appliances.

Prerequisites

You must have a working Management Center on a separate server to bring the appliance(s) operational. The system architecture is explained on the next page. See the *IPS Installation Guide* for instructions on how to install the Management Center and configure it for your appliance.

You must prepare the Management Center for this new component. This part of the configuration is covered in the *IPS Installation Guide* (see [Product Documentation](#), on page 5).

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Caution – Never open the covers of the appliance! There are no user serviceable parts inside. Opening the covers may lead to serious injury and will void the warranty. Read the [Safety Precautions](#), on page 6 before you conduct any installation or maintenance operations on the appliance.

Getting Started

StoneGate System Components

Illustration 1 StoneGate Components



The illustration above shows all available StoneGate components. Out of these, you need the following components to have an operational IPS system:

1. A **Management Server**, which stores the configuration of the system. In most environments, it is best to have just one common Management Server for all firewall and IPS engines.
2. At least one **Log Server** to handle and store logs and alerts (can be installed simultaneously on the same machine with the Management Server).
3. At least one **Management Client** that you use to connect to the Management Server to change settings and monitor the system.
4. The **IPS Engines** that handle the actual traffic processing. In this case, the engines are your StoneGate appliance(s).
5. **Licenses** for each component except the Management Client(s). Generate appliance licenses at the Stonesoft website with the POS (proof-of-serial-number) code attached to the appliance.

The **Monitoring Server** and the **Monitoring Client** are optional components that are available on separate order.

StoneGate firewall engines can be added to the same system for unified management and incident handling.

Installation Procedure

The appliance installation involves the following mandatory steps:

1. Configure the IPS elements in the Management Center (see the separate *IPS Installation Guide* or the online help of the Management Client).
2. Save the initial configuration to receive a one-time password for establishing trust between the appliance and the Management Server (see the separate *IPS Installation Guide*).
3. Connect the cables as instructed in this guide.
4. Perform the initial configuration and establish contact between the appliance and the Management Server (see [Initial Configuration](#), on page 10).

Product Documentation

The following documentation covers the StoneGate IPS products:

- The *IPS Installation Guide* explains how to install the Management Center and configure your IPS engines' basic settings.
- The *online help system* of the Management Client contains the step-by-step instructions for the daily configuration and management of your system.
- The *Administrator's Guide* contains the same information as the online help system, but in PDF form.
- The *IPS Reference Guide* contains background and reference information that helps you to plan and understand your system.

Finding the Documentation

Press F1 while in any Management Client window to view the online help.

All PDF guides are available:

- On the Management Center CD-ROM (in the `Documentation` folder)
- At the Stonesoft Website at http://www.stonesoft.com/en/support/technical_support_and_documents/manuals/.

Install the free Adobe Reader program to view the PDF documents (available at www.adobe.com/reader/).

If your order includes the Media Kit, the *IPS Installation Guide* and *IPS Reference Guide* are delivered as printed books.

Safety Precautions

The following safety information and procedures should be followed whenever working with electronic equipment. However, please be advised that StoneGate Appliances are not end-user serviceable, and you should never open the appliance covers for any reason. Doing so will void any hardware warranty that may be associated with your appliance.

Electrical Safety Precautions

Basic electrical safety precautions should be followed to protect yourself from harm and the appliance from damage:

- Be aware of the locations of the power on/off switch as well as the room's emergency power-off switch, disconnection switch, or electrical outlet. If an electrical accident occurs, you can then quickly cut power to the system.
- Do not work alone when working with high voltage components.
- Use only one hand when working with powered-on electrical equipment. This is to avoid making a complete circuit, which will cause electrical shock. Use extreme caution when using metal tools, which can easily damage any electrical components or circuit boards they come into contact with.
- Do not use mats designed to decrease electrostatic discharge as protection from electrical shock. Instead, use rubber mats that have been specifically designed as electrical insulators.
- The power supply cord must include a grounding plug and must be plugged into a grounded electrical outlet.



Caution – Never open the appliance covers! There are no user serviceable parts inside. The covers must be in place to ensure proper cooling. Opening the covers will also void your warranty.

General Safety Precautions

Follow these rules to ensure general safety:

- Keep the area around the appliance clean and free of clutter.
- We recommend using a regulating uninterruptible power supply (UPS) to protect the device from power surges, voltage spikes and to keep your system operating in case of a power failure.

ESD Precautions

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) is generated by two objects with different electrical charges coming into contact with each other. An electrical discharge is created to neutralize this difference, which can damage electronic components and printed circuit boards. Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.

Note – Use a UPS (Uninterruptible Power Supply) in critical environments with your StoneGate appliance. If after a brief power outage your StoneGate appliance only partially starts up (for example, the power light is on, but the NIC LEDs are off and the appliance does not connect) turn the appliance off for five seconds and then back on.

Operating Precautions

Care must be taken to assure that the appliance cover is in place when the appliance is operating to ensure proper cooling. If this rule is not strictly followed, the warranty may become void.

Operating and Storage Temperatures

The allowed operating temperature of the appliance is +10...+35°C. The allowed storage temperature is 0...+70°C. Do not operate or store the appliance in temperatures outside these limits.

Lithium Battery Precautions

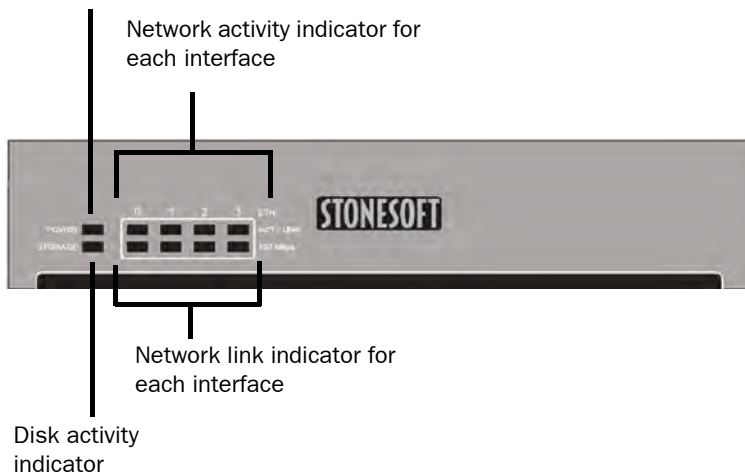


Caution – Do not change the battery; the battery must be replaced by authorized service personnel only. Danger of explosion if battery is incorrectly replaced. Replacement battery must be same or equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer. Used batteries must be discarded according to the manufacturer's instructions. Short-circuiting the battery may heat the battery and cause severe injuries.

Front Panel

Illustration 2 Front Panel

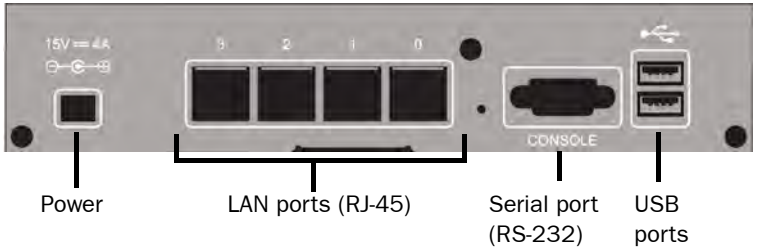
Power indicator



The LEDs in the front panel provide you with critical information related to different parts of the system. See [Appendix: Front Panel LEDs](#), on page 21 for more information.

Connecting the Cables

Illustration 3 Back Panel



▼ To connect the cables

1. Connect the network cables to the LAN ports.
 - Ports 1 and 2 are a bypass pair (fail-open ports). They are used as inline interfaces. If traffic enters through interface 1, it exits through interface 2. Plug in the network cables accordingly.
2. Connect the supplied serial cable to the serial port and to the serial port of a computer that you will use to configure the appliance.
3. Connect the power cable to the appliance, but do not connect the power cable to a power source yet.



Caution – Always use standard cabling methods with inline IPS. Use crossover cables to connect the appliance to hosts and straight cables to connect the appliance to switches/hubs.

Note – When the appliance is powered and you need to unplug it, always wait at least five (5) seconds before plugging in the appliance again. Otherwise, the appliance may not have time to clear properly and fails to start.

Initial Configuration

To start using the appliance, you must activate the network interfaces and establish a secure connection to the Management Server as outlined in the sections below.

To successfully complete this configuration, the following prerequisites must be met:

- The Sensor, Analyzer, or Sensor-Analyzer element must be defined in the Management Center.
- If you use the configuration wizard to configure the engine, you must have created a one-time password for this engine.
- If you want to configure the engine automatically with a USB stick or to import some of the initial configuration information in the configuration wizard, you must have a saved initial configuration on a USB stick.

See the *IPS Installation Guide* for details.

Note – The appliance must contact the Management Server before it can be operational.

Before starting the appliance, make sure you have a physical connection to the appliance using a monitor and keyboard or a serial cable (see [Connecting the Cables](#), on page 9).

- When using a serial line connection, use the terminal settings 9600bps, 8 databits, 1 stopbit, no parity.

There are two ways to configure the engine software.

- You can configure the engine automatically with a USB stick (see [Configuring the Engine Automatically](#) below).
- If the automatic configuration is not possible or desired, you can use the engine configuration wizard (see [Configuring the Engine with the Configuration Wizard](#), on page 12).

Configuring the Engine Automatically

The automatic configuration requires that you have a suitable configuration saved on a USB memory stick. See the *IPS Installation Guide* or the online help system of the Management Client for details.



Caution – Make sure that the speed/duplex settings are the same for both the members of a pair of inline interfaces. If the settings are not the same, you must use the configuration wizard to set the speed/duplex settings of the slower link for both interfaces.

▼ To configure the engine from a USB memory stick

1. Insert the USB stick in one of the USB ports on the appliance.
2. Turn on the appliance using the power on/off button.
 - The appliance automatically imports the configuration from the USB stick and then tries to make the initial contact to the Management Server.
 - If the connection is successful, the appliance automatically reboots itself and the engine configuration is finished.
3. After successful contact, proceed to [After Successful Management Server Contact](#), on page 18.

Note – If you configure the engine automatically with a USB stick, you must set the command line password in the Management Client before you can access the command line on the engine.

If the Automatic Configuration Fails

- If the automatic configuration fails, and you do not have a display connected, you can check for the reason in the log (`sg_autoconfig.log`) written on the USB stick.
- If you see a “connection refused” error message, ensure that the Management Server IP address is reachable from the engine and check the IP addresses you have defined in the Management Client.
- If the configuration with the USB stick still does not succeed, follow the instructions for the manual configuration, see [Configuring the Engine with the Configuration Wizard](#), on page 12.

Configuring the Engine with the Configuration Wizard

You can use the engine configuration wizard with all Management Center and IPS engine versions. If you have saved the initial configuration on a USB stick or a floppy disk, you can import it in the configuration wizard to reduce the need for typing in information.

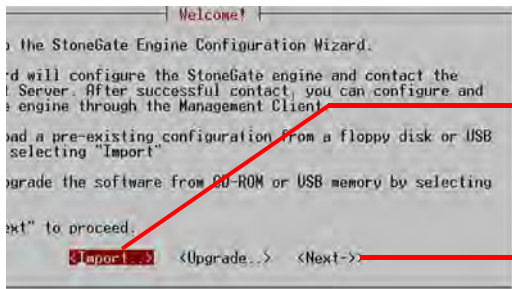
▼ To start the configuration wizard

- ◆ Turn on the appliance using the power on/off button. The engine bootup process is shown in the console and, after some time, the engine configuration wizard starts.

Note – You can (re)start the engine configuration wizard at any time using the `sg-reconfigure` command on the engine command line.

▼ To select the configuration method

Illustration 4 Welcome



To import a saved configuration, highlight **Import** using the arrow keys and press ENTER.

To skip the import, highlight **Next** and press ENTER.

▼ To set the keyboard layout

Illustration 5 Configure OS Settings

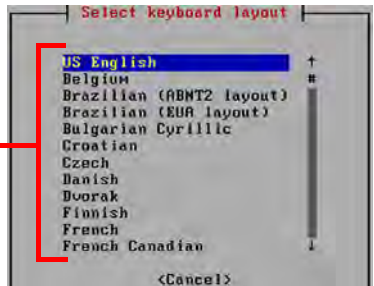
Highlight the entry field for **Keyboard Layout** using the arrow keys and press ENTER. The Select Keyboard Layout dialog opens.



Illustration 6 Select Keyboard Layout

Highlight the correct layout and press ENTER.

Tip: Type in the first letter to move forward more quickly.

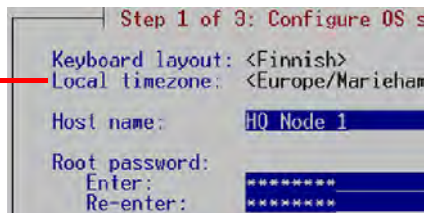


Note – If the desired keyboard layout is not available, use the best-matching available layout, or select US_English.

▼ To set the engine's timezone

Illustration 7 Configure OS Settings

1. Highlight the entry field for **Local Timezone** using the arrow keys and press ENTER.
2. Select the correct timezone in the dialog that opens.



Note – The timezone setting affects only the way the time is displayed on the engine command line. The actual operation always uses UTC time. The appliance’s clock is automatically synchronized with the Management Server’s clock.

▼ To set the rest of the OS settings

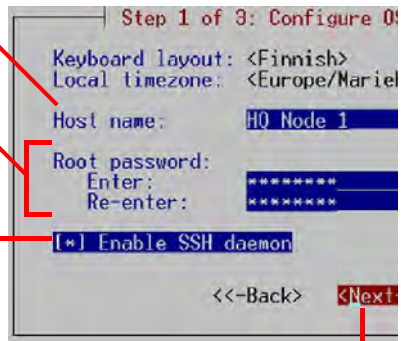
Illustration 8 Configure OS Settings

1. Type in the name of the engine.

2. Type in the password for the user `root`. This is the only account for engine command line access.

3. (Optional) Highlight **Enable SSH Daemon** and press the spacebar on your keyboard to select the option and allow remote access to engine command line using SSH.

4. Highlight **Next** and press Enter. The Configure Network Interfaces window is displayed.



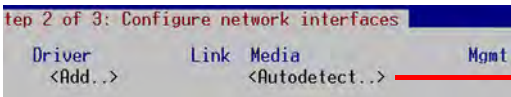
Note – It is not necessary to enable the SSH daemon now for ongoing management, as this option can also be set through the Management Client. We recommend that you enable the SSH access in the Management Client when needed and then disable the access again when you are done.

Configuring the Network Interfaces

The configuration utility can automatically detect which network cards are in use. You can also add interfaces manually, if necessary.

▼ To add the network interfaces

Illustration 9 Configure Network Interfaces



Highlight **Autodetect** and press ENTER.

Check that the autodetected drivers are correct and that all interfaces have been detected. To add interfaces manually, click **Add** and select a device driver.

▼ To map the physical interfaces to Interface IDs

Illustration 10 Assigning Network Interfaces

1. Type in the NIC IDs to define how physical interfaces are mapped to the Interface IDs you defined in the engine element.



2. Highlight the **Media** column and press ENTER to match the speed/duplex settings to those used in each network. For the members of a pair of inline interfaces, use the speed/duplex settings of the slower link.

3. Highlight the **Mgmt** column and press the spacebar on your keyboard to select the correct interface for contact with the Management Server.

Note – The Management interface must be the same that is configured as the Primary Control Interface for the corresponding engine element in the Management Center.

Highlight **Next** and press ENTER to continue.

Contacting the Management Server

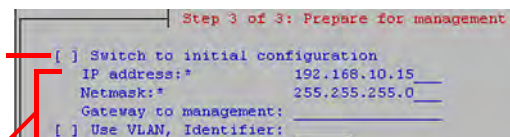
The Prepare for Management Contact window opens. If the initial configuration was imported, most of this information is filled in. This task has three parts.

First, you activate an initial configuration on the engine. The initial configuration contains the information that the engine needs to connect to the Management Server for the first time. The initial configuration is replaced with a working configuration when you install an IPS Policy on this engine using the Management Client.

▼ To activate the Initial Configuration

Illustration 11 Prepare for Management Contact - Upper part

1. Highlight **Switch to Initial Configuration** and press spacebar to activate.



2. Fill in according to your environment. The information must match to what you defined for the engine element (Primary Control IP Address). If the engine and the Management Server are on the same network, you can leave the **Gateway to management** field empty.

Note – The initial configuration does not contain any working IPS policy. You must install an IPS policy on the engine to make it operational.

In the second part of the configuration, you define the information needed for establishing a trust relationship between the engine and the Management Server.

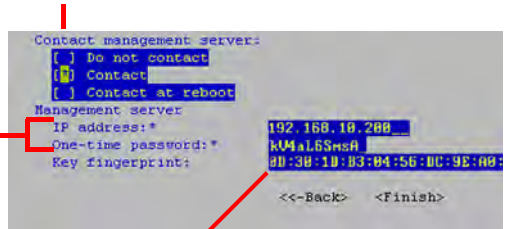
If you do not have a one-time password for this engine, see the *IPS Installation Guide* for instructions on how to save an initial configuration.

▼ To fill in the Management Server information

Illustration 12 Prepare for Management Contact - Middle Part

1. Highlight **Contact** and press spacebar to select.

2. Fill in the Management Server IP address and the one-time password for this engine.

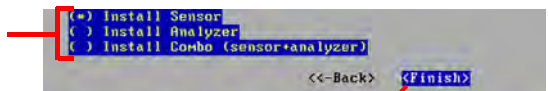


3. (Optional) Fill in the Key fingerprint (also shown when you saved the initial configuration). This increases the security of the communications.

In the third part of the configuration, you select whether you want this engine to work as a Sensor, an Analyzer, or a combined Sensor-Analyzer (depending on the appliance you have purchased). The selection you make must correspond to the element you created for this engine in the Management Client.

Illustration 13 Prepare for Management Contact - Lower Part

Select the type of engine using the arrow keys and the spacebar.



Highlight **Finish** and press ENTER.

The engine now tries to contact the Management Server.

- If you see a “connection refused” error message, ensure that the one-time password is correct and the Management Server IP address is reachable from the node. Save a new initial configuration if unsure about the password.
- If the engine is unable to contact the Management Server, make sure there are no networking problems and that the IP address defined in the IPS element on the Management Server is also correct.

Note – When initial contact succeeds, the engine receives a certificate from the Management Center for identification. The one-time password is not needed anymore and automatically expires.

After Successful Management Server Contact

After you see a notification that Management Server contact has succeeded or the appliance has rebooted itself after automatic configuration with a USB stick, the IPS engine installation is complete and the engine is ready to receive a policy. In a while, the engine element's status changes in the Management Client from **Unknown** to **No Policy Installed**, and the connection state is **Connected** indicating that the Management Server can connect to the node.

The next step is installing a security policy on the engine to replace the initial configuration you just activated with the working configuration you defined for the corresponding element on the Management Server. See the *IPS Installation Guide* for basic instructions or the online help system of the Management Client for detailed instructions.



Caution – When using the command prompt, use the `reboot` command to reboot and `halt` command to shut down the node. Do not use the `init` command. You can also reboot the node using the Management Client.

Maintenance Operations

Reverting to Previously Installed Software Version

This procedure allows you to undo a software upgrade.

The appliance has two working partitions. One is designated as active and the other as inactive. The inactive partition is used for upgrades and the status is switched between the partitions when the upgrade is ready to be activated. If the appliance does not start up with the new version, it automatically switches to the previous configuration at the next reboot. You can also switch back to the previously installed software version manually as instructed here whenever necessary.

▼ To switch back to the previously active version

1. Connect the serial cable supplied with the appliance to the serial port on the appliance and to a computer.
2. On the computer, open a terminal with settings 9600bps, 8 databits, 1 stopbit, no parity.
3. (Re)start the appliance:
 - If the appliance is powered on and accessible, press `Enter`, log in and issue command `reboot`.
 - Otherwise, cycle the power off and on as appropriate.

Note – When the appliance is powered and you need to unplug it, always wait at least five (5) seconds before plugging in the appliance again. Otherwise, the appliance may not have time to clear properly and fails to start.

4. Wait until a boot menu is shown.
5. Select **Switch to previously installed software version**. Note the indicated partition (A or B). The appliance switches partitions and boots up.
6. Refresh the policy on the engine to synchronize the policy and other configuration data between components.

Note – If the certificate for system communications on the previously used partition is not valid anymore, see the *Troubleshooting* section in the Management Client's online help for renewal instructions.

If you want to undo this operation, repeat the steps exactly as above.

Resetting the Appliance to Factory Settings

The primary way to reset the appliance's settings is to run the configuration wizard (**sg-reconfigure** command line tool) and to select the **Switch to Initial Configuration** option.


Note – Perform a factory reset only if you have a specific need to do so. Consult Stonesoft Support before performing this operation if you are unsure of whether this operation is necessary or not.

▼ To reset to factory settings

1. Connect the serial cable supplied with the appliance to the serial port on the appliance and to a computer.
 2. On the computer, open a terminal with settings 9600bps, 8 databits, 1 stopbit, no parity.
 3. (Re)start the appliance:
 - If the appliance is powered on and accessible, press `Enter`, log in and issue command `reboot`.
 - Otherwise, cycle the power off and on as appropriate.
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Note – When the appliance is powered and you need to unplug it, always wait at least five (5) seconds before plugging in the appliance again. Otherwise, the appliance may not have time to clear properly and fails to start.

4. Wait until a boot menu is shown.
 5. Select **System Restore Options** from the boot menu.
 6. Type `1` and press `Enter` to clear the settings. A confirmation prompt is shown.
 7. Type **YES** and press `Enter` to perform the reset. If you decide to cancel the operation, type **NO** and press `Enter`.
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 **Caution** – Do not unplug the power from the appliance or interrupt the reset in any way. If the reset is interrupted, the appliance may become unusable until serviced.

To use the appliance after a factory reset, you must configure it as explained in [Initial Configuration](#), on page 10.

Appendix: Front Panel LEDs

Front panel LEDs provide you with information on the system.

TABLE 14.1 POWER and STORAGE LEDs

| LED | Color | Explanation |
|---------|--------------|---|
| POWER | Green | Indicates power is being supplied to the system's power supply unit. This LED is illuminated when the system is operating normally. |
| STORAGE | Blinking red | Indicates hard drive activity. |

TABLE 14.2 Front Panel LEDs per Bypass Ports

| LED | Color | Explanation |
|-----------------------|-------|---|
| ACT/LINK and 100 Mbps | Unlit | No link or interface is in bypass mode. |

TABLE 14.3 Front Panel LEDs per Other Ports

| LED | Color | Explanation |
|----------|----------------|-------------------------|
| ACT/LINK | Blinking green | Link ok, activity. |
| 100 Mbps | Unlit | Link speed is 10 Mbps. |
| 100 Mbps | Green | Link speed is 100 Mbps. |

StoneGate Appliance Installation Guide

This booklet covers the initial installation and configuration tasks specific to your StoneGate Appliance.

For information on how to prepare the Management Center for a new engine installation, see the other available documentation. See inside for further details.

All documentation and our technical knowledge base is available at www.stonesoft.com/support.

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