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Oracle Fabric Manager Security

This document provides general security guidelines for Oracle Fabric Manager 4.2.0. This guide is intended to help you ensure security when using this software.

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Oracle Fabric Manager Overview

Oracle Fabric Manager is a multidevice management system created by Oracle to inventory and manage Oracle Fabric Devices (one or more Oracle Fabric Interconnects and/or Oracle SDN Controllers) and Oracle virtual I/O

Oracle Fabric Manager product is a browser-based web application that supports configuring and managing virtual resources at Fabric Device, module, and server or virtual machine level. The Oracle Fabric Manager server accepts user configuration and management tasks from its interface, and relays that information to the underlying Fabric Devices.

General Security Principles

These topics describe the fundamental principles that are required to use any application securely.

Keep Software Up To Date

Stay current with the version of Oracle Fabric Manager that you run. You can find current versions of the software for download at <http://support.oracle.com>.

Restrict Network Access to Critical Services

Oracle Fabric Manager uses the following ports:

- Ports 8880 and 8443 must be open for incoming traffic. If not, remote access to Oracle Fabric Manager will not be permitted.
- Ports 22, 80, 443, and 6522 must be open for outgoing traffic to support communication with other Oracle Fabric Devices.

Keep Oracle Fabric Manager and the devices it controls on a secure management network. They should not be internet facing.

Follow the Principle of Least Privilege

Grant the user or administrator the least privilege that is required to accomplish the task to be performed. Oracle Fabric Manager has various roles that can be granted to users. These roles grant varying types and amounts of privilege.

Use the Security Manager functions, which are available in the navigation panel of the interface, to configure user roles for Oracle Fabric Manager. The Security Manager functions also allow you to configure Fabric Devices in specific network domains. For details on using Security Manager, refer to the *Oracle Fabric Manager User Guide*.

Monitor System Activity

Monitor system activity to determine how well Oracle Fabric Manager is operating and whether it is logging any unusual activity. Check the following log files that contain information about Oracle Fabric Manager:

- For a Microsoft Windows server:

- `director-name.log`
- `commons-daemon.log`
- `xmscli`
- `xmx-stderr.log`
- `xms-stdout.log`
- `xms-ha.log.1`
- `xmsjobs.log.1`
- `xms.log.1`
- `xms-schedule.log.1`
- `xmsaudit.log.1`

- For a Linux server:

- `director-name.log`
- `catalina.out`
- `catalina.pid`
- `tomcat.log`
- `xmsaudit.log.1`
- `xms-ha.log.1`
- `xmsjobs.log.1`
- `xms.log.1`
- `xms-schedule.log.1`

- For an Oracle Solaris server:

- `director-name.log`
- `catalina.out`
- `tomcat.log`
- `xmsaudit.log.1`
- `xms-ha.log.1`
- `xmsjobs.log.1`
- `xms.log.1`
- `xms-schedule.log.1`

Keep Up To Date on Latest Security Information

You can access several sources of security information.

- For security information and alerts for a large variety of software products see <http://www.us-cert.gov>.
- Run the most current version of Oracle Virtual Networking software and refer to its documentation.

Access

Only allow access to Oracle Fabric Manager from a private network, behind the DMZ.

Consider going further by preventing local access. One method is to use a firewall to block the Oracle Fabric Manager ports. Then, to connect to Oracle Fabric Manager, first do RDP (Remote Desktop Protocol) onto the host and then use “localhost” to connect to Oracle Fabric Manager.

Make sure that Oracle Fabric Manager only uses a private secure network to communicate with Fabric Devices, such as a Fabric Interconnect or an Oracle SDN Controller.

▼ Review File Permissions

Check the file permissions after you install Oracle Fabric Manager software. In Linux or Oracle Solaris you can do so with the following steps.

1. **Before you install Oracle Fabric Manager, create a user named `xsigo`.**

Create a `~xsigo/.profile` file that includes this line:

```
umask 077
```

Verify that this profile has taken effect by entering these commands and seeing if the output is `077`.

```
# su xsigo
# umask
0077
```


2. Install Oracle Fabric Manager.

Refer to the *Oracle Fabric Manager User Guide*.

3. After installation, review the permission level of the product's files to find if any are world readable or world writable.

No files should be found by these Linux commands:

```
find /opt/xsigo/xms/ -perm -o=r  
find /opt/xsigo/xms/ -perm -o=w
```

Fix the permissions of any files that are identified.

▼ Control Access to Default Accounts

Oracle Fabric Manager comes with two users automatically authorized:

- root (or administrator in Windows)
- ofmadmin (xsigoadmin in earlier releases)

Prevent an attacker from creating users on the system in a way that exploits these accounts.

1. **Establish secure centralized authentication for the system.**
2. **Immediately after installing Oracle Fabric Manager, make a user named ofmadmin and give that account a random password.**

Refer to “Working With User Roles” in the *Oracle Fabric Manager User Guide*.

SSL Certificate

Install a properly signed SSL Certificate for Oracle Fabric Manager. For further details, refer to “Configuring a Certificate for Fabric Manager” in the *Oracle Fabric Manager User Guide*.

▼ Block Access by Unlisted Users

By default, no unlisted users are allowed to access Oracle Fabric Manager. A listed user has a user role defined in Oracle Fabric Manager in addition to the underlying user account in the host OS. If a setting is changed to allow unlisted users, then a user with an account that can authenticate to the host will be able to log in to Oracle Fabric Manager and be given the operator role (effectively read only access). When unlisted users are blocked, then an unlisted user's host authentication can succeed, but Oracle Fabric Manager will deny that user access, causing it to look like authentication failed.

You can check that access by unlisted users is disabled to verify this level of security

- 1. Select the Fabric Manager Maintenance icon, which resembles a screwdriver.**

A menu of options drops down.

- 2. Find the Allow Unlisted Users option.**

If a check mark appears next to that option, remove the check mark to disable access.

Security for Oracle Fabric Manager Plug-Ins

A variety of plug-in modules can be added to Oracle Fabric Manager. Take the same general security considerations into account when you decide to install and use any plug-in module.

In addition, follow the security guidelines specific to each plug in. Security information for some of the plug-in modules is included in these topics:

- [“Security for Oracle Fabric Performance Monitoring” on page 7](#)
- [“Security for Oracle Fabric Manager VMware Integrator” on page 8](#)

Security for Oracle Fabric Performance Monitoring

If you use the Oracle Fabric Performance Monitoring plug-in module with Oracle Fabric Manager, follow these guidelines, in addition to the general security practices for Oracle Fabric Manager.

- Secure the `postgres` functions included in this plug-in module. Refer to security guidelines for the included version of `postgres` at:
<http://www.postgresql.org>
- The database should not be open to the internet, and should be behind the DMZ.
- Treat the `postgres` user carefully. Keep the user password secret or have only the superuser be the `postgres` user.
- Configure the `pg_hba.conf` file to open traffic only to limited sources. For both Oracle Fabric Manager boxes, provide open access to the outside world only to the `xmspm` database by the `xsigo` user.

Note – The database name (`xmspm`), user name (`xsigo`), and the IP addresses are specified during setup of Oracle Performance Monitoring. The IP addresses represent two Oracle Fabric Manager instances for a high availability configuration.

#	TYPE	DATABASE	USER	ADDRESS	METHOD
...					
	<code>host</code>	<code>xmspm</code>	<code>xsigo</code>	<code>192.168.0.3/1</code>	<code>md5</code>
	<code>host</code>	<code>xmspm</code>	<code>xsigo</code>	<code>192.168.0.4/1</code>	<code>md5</code>

Note – You must restart `postgres` for the `pg_hba.conf` changes to take affect.

- Keep backups of the `postgres` database.

Security for Oracle Fabric Manager VMware Integrator

If you use the Oracle Fabric Manager VMware Integrator plug-in module with Oracle Fabric Manager, follow these guidelines, in addition to the general security practices for Oracle Fabric Manager.

- Install VMware vCenter Server in a secure way. Refer to the *VMware vSphere 4.1 Security Hardening Guide* at: <http://www.vmware.com>
- Set parameters required for basic Microsoft Windows hardening.
- Create a separate vCenter user (for example, ofm) and use this user only for the Oracle Fabric Manager plug-in connection. Doing so makes it clear who is making changes in vCenter.