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TMOS Version**

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EMAIL ALERTING – HOW DO YOU GET THAT WORKING?

We have been asked by numerous customers on how to get email alerts working for scenarios like virtual server up/down or pool up/down or pool member up/down. While many rely on syslogging architectures and their accompanying tools to do this, it can also be done directly on the BIG-IP.

The key configuration element that is often missed is the configuration of the “mailhub” and the proper configuration of the “/config/user_alert.conf” file. The suggested formats and configurations are detailed in the links provided.

“Mailhub” is a specific configuration and does not use the default SMTP many have configured within their systems. It also must be configured on each HA cluster member independently.

The “/config/user_alert.conf” also you to key off standard BIG-IP alerts like
BIGIP_TMM_TMMERR_LAST_PMBR_DOWN to trigger email alerts to your desired recipients. Give the configuration a try and happy alerting!



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VS/Pools
Up|Down

- [Configuring the SMTP mailhub and DNS name server](#)
- [Configuring email alerts for pool and virtual server status changes](#)
- [Configuring email alerts for pool member status changes](#)
- [Testing email delivery](#)
- [Resolving syntax errors \(alertd restarts\)](#)

```
[root@acme01:Active:Standalone] config #
tmsh list sys outbound-smtp mailhub
sys outbound-smtp {
    mailhub smtp.acme.com:587
}
```



Details Alerting on
[K30371285](#) configuration changes

SECURITY ADVISORY: TMUI RCE VULNERABILITY CVE-2020-5902

By now, most are aware of the critical CVE announced earlier this quarter.

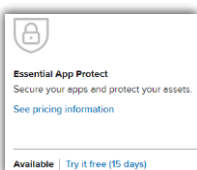
Primary recommendation is to upgrade TMOS, however, mitigations are also available. Please refer to the knowledge article for the latest information.



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ESSENTIAL APP PROTECTION

Essential App Protect provides instant, out-of-the-gate protection from common web exploits, malicious IPs and coordinated attack types. The solution takes the complexity out of securing your applications with a simple, cloud-native SaaS solution.



[Overview](#)

[DevOps API](#)

DON'T GET AN “F”!

Keep that “A/A+” rating at SSL Labs! Check out the SSL/TLS best practices guide!

[SSL Everywhere Best Practices Guide](#)

[\(SSL Labs Server Test\)](#)



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CLOUD SERVICES SIMULATOR

Many of F5's new cloud-based services can be reviewed.(DNS, WAF). Check out the new simulator to review different solution options!



CHECK FOR COMPROMISED CREDENTIALS

Using Shape's Blackfish Service, check to see if credentials are comprised and take proactive action! Integrates with F5 APM [Zoom Demo](#)



2020 F5 USERGROUPS!

Thank you! To all those able to make it out to our F5 User groups. Thanks to each of you for taking the time to join us and participate!

Next Virtual User Group: Oct 10th

LIGHTBOARD LESSONS

This is a great DevCentral series that covers a variety of topics in 10 min videos. Well worth the watch [YouTube Channel](#) (subscribe)

[DevCentral Link](#)



CURRENT RELEASES & POINT RELEASES

For more information on F5's software release schedule and naming standard, please refer to [SOL8986](#)

[14.1.2.6](#)

[13.1.3.4](#)

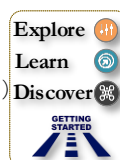
All current releases
[K2200](#)

BIG-IP 12.1.1.1



FREE ONLINE TRAINING

Introductory free F5 training modules are available online (requires free account) We suggest beginning with the “Getting Started Series”.



CVE LISTING

Some recent have released. Make sure you are reviewing CVE an updating to newer versions of code to mitigate/correct issues!

[Ask F5 about CVE's](#)



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