

Sophos release notes

Product type: Network Security

Product: Sophos Firewall

Version: 21.0

These release notes are for Sophos Firewall (formerly known as Sophos XG Firewall).

- Latest version
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- Resolved issues
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New features

This page describes the new features introduced. For details, see the [Sophos Firewall help](#).

SFOS 21.0 GA and later versions don't support XG and SG Series hardware appliances.

VPN

SSL VPN

- Larger DH key sizes:** SSL VPN now supports the key sizes 3072 and 4096 bits for the Diffie-Hellman key exchange to deliver enhanced communication security and meet compliance requirements.
- Dead peer detection time-out:** Granularity in dead peer detection's time-out setting for UDP-based SSL VPN tunnels offers enhanced resilience.

IPsec VPN

Improved stability in offloaded traffic related to policy-based IPsec VPNs eliminates slow browsing issues.

NAT64

The firewall forwards traffic initiated by IPv6-only clients to IPv4-only destinations in explicit web proxy mode, supporting the NAT64 scenario. In this mode, IPv6-only clients can access IPv4 websites. The firewall also supports IPv4 upstream proxy for IPv6-only clients.

Quality-of-life enhancements

This version offers some enhancements in networking, providing improved performance.

Cellular WAN: The firewall offers enhanced cellular WAN monitoring by automatically setting "8.8.8.8" as the second probe target. This addresses the issue of ISPs blocking gateway pings, reducing the need for manual configuration.

DHCP: DHCP service automatically restores itself from an error status, delivering higher resilience.

SD-RED: SD-RED devices now support remote troubleshooting and diagnostics by Sophos Support.