

Cisco Secure Cloud Analytics

Query Syntax Reference



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Event Viewer Query Syntax

See the Lucene Query Syntax documentation for more information.

Query Syntax Options

You can use the following query syntax options:

Syntax Option	Syntax	Description	
basic field/value evaluation	field1: "value1"	return results where field1 equals value1	
single		any character matches this ?	
character wildcard	?	Wildcard searches are only supported if the inline filter for a column accepts any alphanumeric string value.	
		any number of any characters match this *	
multiple character wildcard	*	Wildcard searches are only supported if the inline filter for a column accepts any alphanumeric string value.	
inclusive range search	["value1" TO "value2"]	return value1, value2, or any values in between	
exclusive range search	{"value1" TO "value2"}	return any values between value1 and value2, but not value1 or value2	
		return results where both the evaluation before and after AND are true	
Boolean AND operator	AND	If there is no syntax between two search parameters, the query will automatically interpret them as an AND.	
Boolean	OR	return results where either the evaluation before or	

Syntax Option	Syntax Description	
OR operator		after OR is true
Boolean NOT operator	NOT	return results where the evaluation before ${\tt NOT}\;$ is true, and after ${\tt NOT}\;$ is false
grouping	()	evaluate within the parentheses on their own
field grouping	field1: ()	evaluate multiple values and operators within the parentheses for a single field

Order of Evaluation

The system evaluates queries in the following order of precedence:

- 1. grouping, including () (parentheses), [] (inclusive range searches), and {} (exclusive range searches)
- 2. : (equals)
- 3. NOT Boolean operator
- 4. AND Boolean operator
- 5. OR Boolean operator

Query Syntax Examples

The following table provides generic query syntax examples.

Description	Example Syntax	Results Returned
one field, one value	field1: "value1"	all events where field1 equals value1
one field, one value, single character wildcard	field1: "value?"	all events where field1 equals "value?", where ? is any character
one field, one value, multiple character wildcard	field1: "value*"	all events where field1 equals "value*", where * is any number of any characters

Description	Example Syntax	Results Returned	
		all events where field1 contains value*1 and value*2	
one field, multiple values (field grouping)	field1:("value*1" AND "value*2")	When searching for multiple values in one field, we recommend that you use wildcards in each value to increase the likelihood of getting a matching result.	
one field, either value	field1:("value1" OR "value2")	all events where field1 equals value1 or value2	
		all events where field1 equals value1 and field2 equals value2	
two fields, AND operator	field1: "value1" AND field2: "value2"	If you do not explicitly define an operator between multiple field value i evaluations, the system implicitly interprets the AND operator between the evaluations.	
two fields, OR operator	field1: "value1" OR field2: "value2"	all events where field1 equals value1 or field2 equals value2	
two fields, NOT operator	field1: "value1" AND NOT field2: "value2"	all events where field1 equals value1 and field2 does not equal value2	
two fields, OR NOT operator	field1: "value1" OR NOT field2: "value2"	all events where field1 equals value1 or field2 does not equal value2	
one field, inclusive range search	field1:["value1" TO "value2"]	all events where field1 equals value1, value2, or any value between	

Description	Example Syntax	Results Returned
one field, exclusive range search	<pre>field1:{"value1" TO "value2"}</pre>	all events where field1 equals any value between value1 and value2, but not value1 or value2
one field, mixed inclusive and exclusive range search	<pre>field1:["value1" TO "value2"}</pre>	all events where field1 equals value1, or any value between value1 and value2, but not value2
multiple fields, mixed operators	field1: "value1" OR field2: "value2" AND field: "value3"	because the AND Boolean operator has greater precedence than the OR Boolean operator, all events where: • field2 equals value2 and field 3 equals value 3, or • field1 equals value1
multiple fields, mixed operators and parentheses	(field1: "value1" OR field2: "value2") AND field3: "value3"	because grouping has greater precedence than other operations and is evaluated first, all events where: • field1 equals value1 or field 2 equals value2, and • field3 equals value3

The following table lists query examples that a user may run for their deployment:

Description	Example Syntax	Results Returned
internal devices that established successful non-HTTPS connections with an internal	Connected_ip: "192.168.105.28" AND IP: "192.168.0.0/16" AND NOT Port: "443" AND NOT Connected_ port: "443" AND Packets_from: { "10" TO * } AND Packets_to: { "10" TO * }	all events with the following: • IP equal to the internal CIDR range of 192.168.0.0/16

Description	Example Syntax	Results Returned
web server		(internal entities), • Connected_ip equal to 192.168.105.28 (the internal web server) • Port not equal to 443 (non-HTTPS traffic), • Connected_port not equal to 443 (non-HTTPS traffic), • Packets_from equal to 11 or more (successful connection, traffic
		passed), and • Packets_to equal to 11 or more (successful connection, traffic passed)
		all events with the following:
connections related to remote desktop applications	Port: ("23" OR "3389" OR ["5800" TO "5803"] OR ["5900" TO "5903"] OR ["6000" TO "6063"]) AND NOT Connected_port: ["0" TO "1023"] AND Packets_from: ["10" TO *] AND Packets_to: ["10" TO *]	 Port equal to 23, 3389, 5800-5803, 5900-5903, or 6000-6063 (common remote desktop application ports), Connected_port not equal to 0-1023

Description	Example Syntax	Results Returned
		(connections using ephemeral ports),
		 Packets_from equal to 10 or more (successful connection, traffic passed), and
		 Packets_to equal to 10 or more (successful connection, traffic passed)

Event Viewer Nested Field Searches

If an event contains fields with sub-fields, you can search for these field values in the query filter by using dot notation to specify a sub-field.

For example a line-item entry may contain a **Details** field with two sub-fields: **credentials** and **issues**. If you want to search for username1 in the **credentials** field, use the following dot notation syntax:

Details.credentials: "username1"

Note that certain fields in different recommendations may contain different sub-fields for each recommendation type.

Additional Resources

For more information about Secure Cloud Analytics, refer to the following:

- https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/security/stealthwatch-cloud/index.html
 for a general overview
- https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/security/stealthwatch/stealthwatch-cloud-free-offer.html to sign up for a 60-day Free Trial
- https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/stealthwatch-cloud/tsdproducts-support-series-home.html for documentation resources
- https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/stealthwatch-cloud/productsinstallation-guides-list.html for installation and configuration guides, including the Secure Cloud Analytics Initial Deployment Guide

Contacting Support

If you need technical support, please do one of the following:

- Contact your local Cisco Partner
- Contact Cisco Support
- To open a case by web: http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/index.html
- To open a case by email: tac@cisco.com
- For phone support: 1-800-553-2447 (U.S.)
- For worldwide support numbers: https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/web/tsd-cisco-worldwide-contacts.html
- For Secure Cloud Analytics Free Trial customers, open a case by email: swatchc-support@cisco.com

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