

APPLICATION NOTE: AN-005-WUK

Firewall

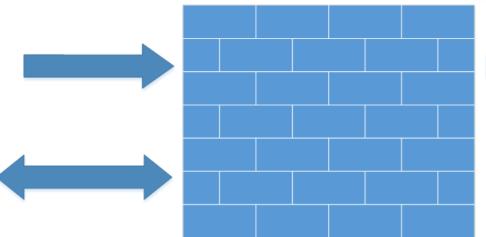
Access Control, Port Forwarding, Custom NAT and

Packet Filtering.

Applies to the xRD and ADSL Range.









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Access Control

The Access Control page allows configuration of the firewall to allow or deny access to internal services of the router. The Access Control element applies to incoming interfaces.

- 1. WLS: The Wireless 2G / 3G / 4G Interface.
- 2. VPN: Applies to all supported VPN types. IPSec, SSL, WeConnect, PPTP and L2TP.
- 3. GRE: The GRE tunnel interface.

By default, the firewall will block all access to all internal services, (e.g. the router's web configuration pages), through the wireless interface. The exception is if access is via a VPN tunnel, which allows full access to all internal services, because this is deemed as trusted traffic.

The settings can be changed either by allowing or blocking access to all services on each interface, or by using the tick boxes to allow or block access to specific services.

For example, of the SIM card has a fixed public IP address, you might want to allow access to the router's web server on the Wireless Interface.



Access Control

External Access Control	Incoming Interface							
External Access Control	WLS		VPN		GRE			
Default policy	Deny ▼		Allow ▼		Deny ▼			
Services	Allow		Allow		Allow	Port		
Web Server		0	•	80		80		
Secure Web Server		0	✓	443		443		
Telnet Server		0	•	23		23		
SSH		0	₹	22		22		
SNMP		0	✓	161		161		
GRE			✓					
Dynamic routing			<					
DNP3			✓					
IPsec VPN			✓					
Serial Server			✓					
Respond to ICMP (Ping)			✓					
Reset Update								

Internal services use the standard port numbers for the service type. For example, port 80 is used for the web server. It is possible to change the port number for a particular service but take care not to create a conflict with the other services.

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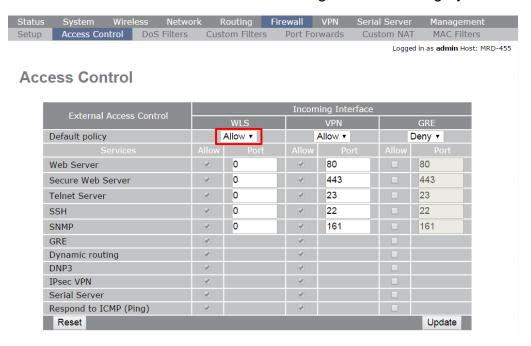
Access Control Examples

Firewall > Access Control

Example 1 – Allow access to all internal services on the wireless interface.

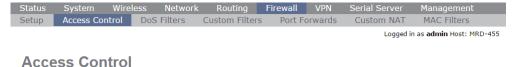
At the top of the WLS column, set the Default Policy to Allow.

NB: Note that each service in the WLS column will be given a tick and greyed out.



Example 2 – Allow only web access to all internal services on the wireless interface.

At the top of the **WLS** column, set the **Default Policy** to **Block**. In the **Allow** column, tick the Web Server option and enter port 80.



Default policy Deny ▼ Allow ▼ Deny ▼ 80 80 Web Server 443 Secure Web Server 443 23 23 0 Telnet Server 0 22 22 SSH SNMP ₫. 161 161 ₹ Dynamic routing 4 DNP3 4 IPsec VPN 4 Serial Server 4 Respond to ICMP (Ping) 8 Update Reset



1-to-1 NAT

1-TO-1 NAT enables you to forward all IP traffic destined for one IP addresses and translate it to another IP address on the private network behind a router.

For example, if a network has an internal devices on the LAN, 1-to-1 NAT can map your outside IP addresses to provided by your ISP to the IP addresses of the servers.

When you enable 1-to-1 NAT on an interface, the router routes all incoming packets to a specified IP addresses and forwards it to another IP address specified in the NAT rule.

When you select NAT type 1:1 the following options will be available.

Incoming interface

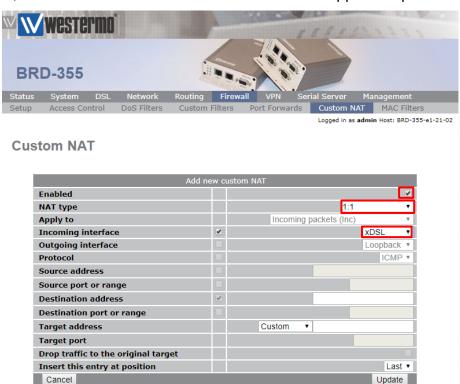
If selected, packets will be matched based on the network interface they have been received on. Note that this can only be applied to a Destination NAT on Incoming packets.

Destination address

Enter a single IP address. Only packets matching this destination address will have the filter applied to them.

Target address

This is the IP address that the NAT rule will apply and forward packets to. When set to Custom, any IP address can be entered in the text box. If an interface is selected from the dropdown box, the current address of that interface will be applied to packets.

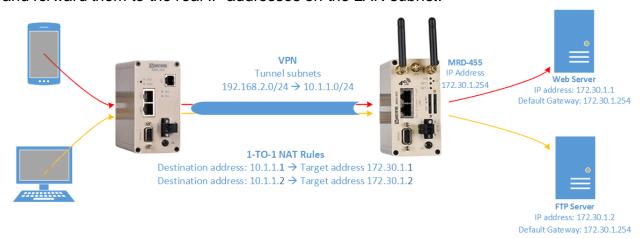




Custom NAT Example 1

1-to-1 NAT and IPSec VPN

1-to-1 NAT is useful if you have several remote outstations connected by VPN's, where devices at each outstation have been pre-programmed with the same IP addresses on each site. 1-to-1 NAT enables you receive packets for IP addresses on the VPN subnet and forward them to the real IP addresses on the LAN subnet.



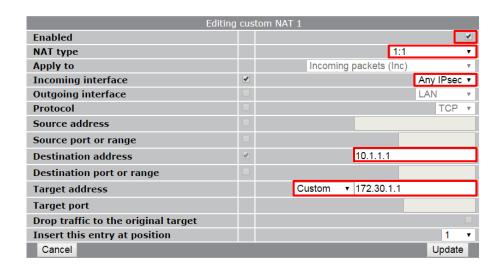
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NAT type: 1:1



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Custom NAT



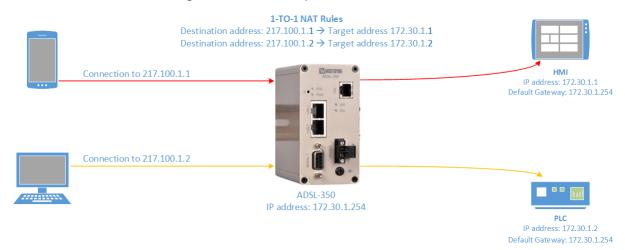


Custom NAT Example 2

1-to-1 NAT

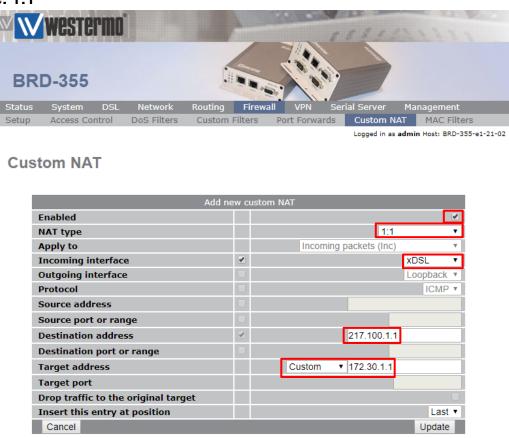
Access to Private Devices from the Internet.

If your broadband link has a static public IP address, or a range of static public IP addresses, you can use your router to terminate the DSL line but use 1-to-1 NAT to forward traffic for each of the public IP addresses to a device, (such as a PLC), on the private LAN subnet. I.e. to give access to a private web server.



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NAT type: 1:1





Destination NAT

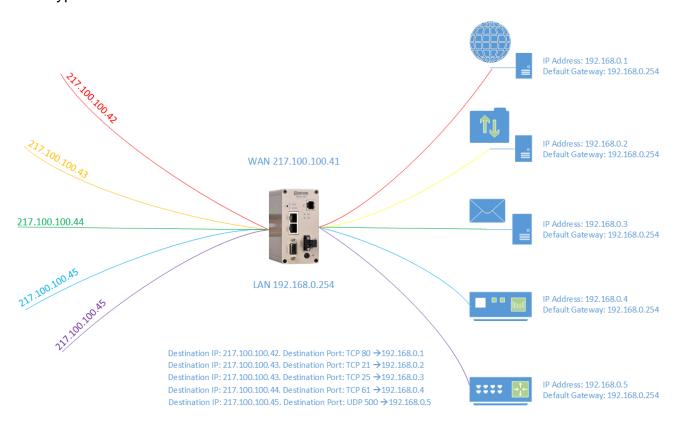
Destination NAT translates traffic to 1 IP address and changes the destination IP address so that the traffic is routed to another device.

Destination NAT is similar to the 1-to-1 NAT except it gives more options when filtering traffic. For instance you can specify that the NAT rule only applies to a certain protocol or traffic to a certain TCP/UDP port.

Example - NAT Public Addresses to Private Addresses.

In this example, the Westermo BRD-355 router holds 6 static BT broadband IP addresses. Using **Destination NAT** rules, traffic will be routed to various devices on the private LAN depending on which broadband IP address (and in some cases which TCP/UDP port), is connected to.

Browse to **Firewall** → **Custom NAT**. NAT type: **Destination NAT**.





Destination NAT

The following settings apply to incoming traffic on the DSL link (xDSL).

The destination NAT rule will translate IKE Packets, (UDP port 500), with an original destination IP address of 217.100.100.45, change the destination IP address and forward the packets to the VPN Concentrater with IP address 192.168.0.5.

NB: See the last link example from the drawing on the previous page.



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Custom NAT

n bbA	new c	ustom NAT
Enabled		✓
NAT type		Destination NAT ▼
Apply to		Incoming packets (Inc) ▼
Incoming interface	*	xDSL ▼
Outgoing interface		Loopback ▼
Protocol	*	UDP ▼
Source address		
Source port or range		
Destination address	•	217.100.100.45
Destination port or range	•	500
Target address		Custom ▼ 192.168.0.5
Target port		
Drop traffic to the original target		
Insert this entry at position		Last ▼
Cancel		Update



Source NAT

Source NAT is useful where it is not possible to set a Default Gateway in devices connected to the router's LAN, but you need to have remote access to them.

In this situation we are able to use Source NAT function where the source IP address of incoming packets is changed so that the packets appear as if they are coming from the router's local LAN interface.

NB: Source NAT only helps with inbound remote access connections to devices on the LAN that don't have a Default Gateway set. It does not allow these devices to connect in an outbound direction to the internet.

Example 1 - Catch ALL Source NAT

NB: If you are using a **Destination NAT** rule to gain remote access, make sure the **Source NAT** rule comes after the destination NAT rule.

This example changes the source IP address to the router's LAN address for all traffic leaving the LAN interface.

NB: Use this 'catch all' rule carefully. If there are any devices on the LAN that are using the router as it's Default Gateway, it will stop their outbound connections to the internet from working because the reply packets will have their source address changed. If you have a mixture of devices on the LAN with and without Default Gateways set, it is better to use a more selective rule as shown on page 9.

Browse to Firewall → Custom NAT.

NAT type: **Source NAT**.



Custom NAT

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Source NAT

Example 2 – Apply Source NAT to Connections to a Specific Device IP Address.

NB: If you are using a **Destination NAT** rule to gain remote access, make sure the **Source NAT** rule comes *after* the destination NAT rule.

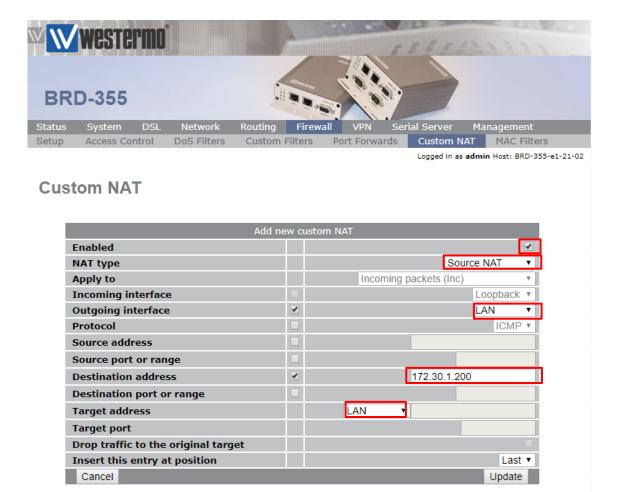
This Source NAT example targets traffic to a specific IP address. This is useful when a only a specific device does not have a default Gateway set, or if it uses another Default Gateway for most of it's external traffic.

This rule changes the source IP address of any traffic leaving the LAN port to whichever is the LAN IP address of the router, but only where the destination IP address is 172.30.1.200. Any external traffic to this IP address will appear to originate form the router.

NB: Instead of specifying a destination IP address, you can specify traffic to a specified subnet (e.g. 172.30.1.0/24).

Browse to Firewall -> Custom NAT.

NAT type: Source NAT.





Port Forwards

Same Port End to End

A port forward is a way of making a device on a private LAN network accessible from the internet, even though they are behind a router or firewall.

It specifically applies to devices running a particular service. For example port forwarding is commonly used for accessing a web server, or for security camera's and for file sharing. Port forwarding is a more secure way of giving limited access to a device or server, as it only allows connections to specified services listening on certain ports.

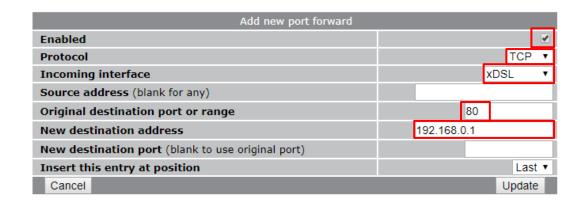
After you have forwarded a port it is said to have an open port.

Example 1 - The following rule applies to incoming traffic in the DSL interface. It forwards all incoming TCP port 80 traffic to a Web server on the private network.





Port Forwards





Port Forwards

Changing the Destination Port.

The port forwarding function allows traffic to be filtered on a certain destination port number as shown in the previous example. But it's also possible to then change the destination port number when forwarding the traffic to an IP address on the private network.

For instance, web servers generally use TCP port 80 for their web service. It's possible to confuse port scanners on the internet searching for a hidden web server by setting the port forwarding rule to listen on an unrelated port number (e.g. 5555). That traffic could then be forwarded using the standard TCP port 80 and sent to the web server on the private LAN.

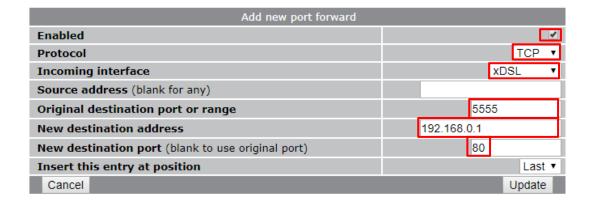
Example 2 - The following rule applies to incoming traffic in the DSL interface. It forwards all incoming TCP port 5555 traffic to a Web server on the private network but changes the destination port to TCP port 80.





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Port Forwards



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Custom Filters

The Custom Filter area is where the firewall's packet filter is configured to either allow or deny IP packets based on certain criteria. Packets can be matched based on the router's inbound or outbound network interface, the protocol, the source or destination addresses and ports.

The following options are available for each custom filter.

Enabled: Set the enabled check box to have the rule installed in the firewall. A rule can be temporarily disabled by unchecking this box.

Apply to Custom filters can be applied at three separate points in the router:

- **Forwarded packets:** This filter applies to packets that are received from one network interface and then routed out another network interface.
- Locally destined packets: This filter applies to packets destined for the router's internal services.
- Locally generated packets: This filter applies to packets generated by one of the router's internal services.

Incoming interface: If selected, packets will be matched based on the network interface they have been received on.

Outgoing interface: If selected, packets will be matched based on the network interface they will be transmitted from.

Protocol: If selected, packets will be matched based on their protocol type. To filter on a specific source or destination ports, the protocol must be set to TCP or UDP.

Source address: If selected, enter either a single address (e.g. 192.168.0.1) or a subnet range (e.g. 192.168.0.0/24). Only packets matching this source address/subnet will have the filter applied to them.

Source port or range: If selected, packets will be matched based on their TCP or UDP source port. Specify either an individual port (e.g. 443) or a port range (e.g. 80-143).

Destination address: Similar to the Source address, but instead matching on the destination address.

Destination port or range: Similar to the Source port or range, but instead matching on the destination port.

Action: Determines what action on packets who meet all of the matching criteria for the filter. If set to Deny, the packet will be dropped. If set to allow, the packet will be passed.

Insert this entry at position: Determines where this entry will be inserted in the list of custom filters. Rules are applied in order from top to bottom.

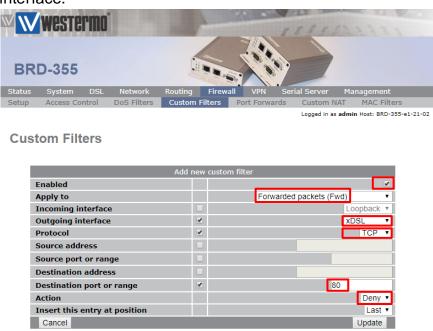
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Custom Filters – Block Outbound Traffic

Example 1.

The following packet filter blocks all outbound http traffic by denying port 80 traffic on the outgoing DSL interface.

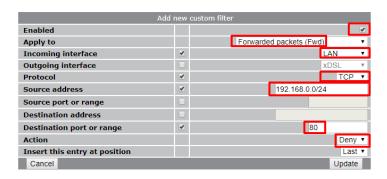


Example 2.

The following packet blocks all http traffic for any device specifically on the 192.168.0.0/24 network.



Custom Filters



NB: Notice that unlike example 1, the packet filter is this time applied to the incoming LAN interface and not the outbound DSL interface. This is because the rule is designed to block web access **from** PC's on the LAN subnet. The rule can not be applied to the outside interface, because traffic leaving the DSL port will have NAT applied to it which changes the source address to that of the broadband IP address. Therefore tothe packets would not match the firewall rule.

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MAC Address Filtering

All IP (Internet Protocol) enabled devices have a network interface with a unique Media Access Control (MAC) address is assigned to it. It is sometimes known as the hardware or physical address.

Using MAC address filtering, the MAC address can be filtered to either allow or deny a device access either to the router itself or access to another network.

Communications between IP devices on a LAN (Local Area Network), are actually sent between MAC addresses. The IP address on a local network is only used to establish which device's MAC address owns the IP address. Therefore unlike the previous sections, this type of communication is at the Ethernet / Data link level (Layer 2 of the OSI Model) rather than at Network Level (Layer 3).

NB: While providing a certain level of protection, MAC Filtering can be circumvented by an attacker scanning the network for a valid MAC. Someone with sufficient knowledge can then change the MAC address of their device and gain access to the network. Therefore if access to the LAN interface of an ADSL-350 or MRD router is to be restricted, MAC address filtering should not be used as the only form of security.

Locating the MAC address.

On a Windows PC open the Command Line Interface and run the command ipconfig /all.

The MAC address (Physical address) will be listed for each of the network interfaces.

```
Windows Command Processor
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation.  All rights reserved.
C:\Windows\System32>ipconfig /all
Windows IP Configuration
Ethernet adapter Local Area Connection:
   Connection-specific DNS Suffix .
                                     : Intel(R) Ethernet Connection I218-LM
   Description . . . . . . . . . . . . .
                                     : 34-E6-D7-12-9A-19
   Physical Address. . . . . . . . . .
   Autoconfiguration Enabled . . . . : Yes
   IPv4 Address. . . . . . . . . : 172.30.1.55(Preferred)
   Subnet Mask . . . . .
                                 . . : 255.255.255.0
   Default Gateway . . . . . . . . :
                                       172.30.1.254
   DNS Servers . .
                                     : 172.30.1.254
   NetBIOS over Tcpip. . . . . . . : Enabled
Tunnel adapter isatap.{B1481FAB-42E6-46CF-AC52-A227EE8ECDD9}:
                                 . . : Media disconnected
   Media State . .
   Connection-specific DNS Suffix .
   Description . . . .
                                    : Microsoft ISATAP Adapter
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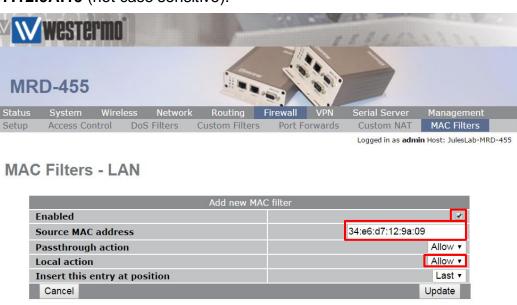


MAC Address Filtering – Example

The following example by default allows all passthrough traffic but denies all access to the router interface from the LAN.

The MAC filter however allows local access to the router web interface from a laptop with MAC address **34-E6-D7-12-9A-19**. This is useful if administration of the router should only be possible from certain PC's or Laptops etc.

NB: The MAC address format uses a : (colon) as the delimiter. So if the MAC address is listed as **34-E6-D7-12-9A-19** on your device, the format should be changed to **34:E6:D7:12:9A:19** (not case sensitive).







Revision history for version 1.1

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00			
01	JM	Changed ADSL-350 to BRD-355. Also changed incorrect 'allow' rule on the in customer filters section, example 2. Should have read 'Deny'	29/11/18
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