



# Basic guidelines on RouterOS configuration and debugging

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# What is the main idea of this?

“Little things matter and are very important”

# RouterOS is the same everywhere



# RouterOS management tools

# RouterOS management

- CLI (Command Line Interface)

<https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Console>

- Webfig

<https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Webfig>

- TikApp

<https://forum.mikrotik.com/viewtopic.php?t=98407>

- Winbox

<https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Winbox>

**The fastest way how to configure device**

# QuickSet

admin@192.168.88.1 (MikroTik) - WinBox v6.38.5 on hAP ac (mipsbe)

Session Settings Dashboard

Safe Mode Session: [ ]

RouterOS WinBox

Quick Set

- CAPsMAN
- Interfaces
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- Partition
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- Manual
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Home AP Dual Quick Set

CAP  
CPE  
Home AP Dual  
PTP Bridge  
WISP AP

2GHz 5GHz

Network Name: MikroTik-279BE1 MikroTik-279BE0

Frequency: auto auto MHz

Band: 2GHz-B/G/N 5GHz-A/N/AC

Country: no\_country\_set

Use Access List (ACL)

WiFi Password: [ ] WPS Accept

- Guest Wireless Network

Guest Network: [ ]

- Wireless Clients

MAC Address	In ACL	Last IP	Uptime	Signal Strength

Signal Strength: [ ]

Copy To ACL Remove From ACL

- Internet

Port: Eth1

Address Acquisition:  Static  Automatic  PPPoE

IP Address: 172.16.1.243 Renew Release

Netmask: 255.255.255.0 (/24)

Gateway: 172.16.1.1

MAC Address: 6C:3B:6B:27:9B:DA

Firewall Router

- Local Network

IP Address: 192.168.88.1

Netmask: 255.255.255.0 (/24)

DHCP Server

DHCP Server Range: 192.168.88.10-192.168.88.254

NAT

UPnP

- VPN

VPN Access

VPN Address: 6f120665c726.sn.mynetname.net

- System

Check For Updates Reset Configuration

Password: [ ]

Confirm Password: [ ]

OK Cancel Apply

# QuickSet

- Easy to use
- Contains the most commonly used features and should be enough for basic usage

Golden rule about QuickSet:

**“If you use QuickSet, then use QuickSet, if you leave it, then forget about it...”**



**Simple security**

# Simple security

- Specify user password

```
/user set admin password=***
```

- Use different username

```
/user set admin name=martins
```

The screenshot shows the Mikrotik WinBox v6.38.5 interface. The top bar indicates the user is 'admin@192.168.88.1 (MikroTik)'. The main menu includes 'Session', 'Settings', and 'Dashboard'. The left sidebar contains various configuration options like 'Quick Set', 'CAPsMAN', 'Interfaces', 'Wireless', 'Bridge', 'PPP', 'Switch', 'Mesh', 'IP', 'MPLS', 'Routing', 'System', 'Queues', 'Files', 'Log', 'Radius', 'Tools', 'New Terminal', 'MetaROUTER', 'Partition', 'Make Supout.rif', 'Manual', 'New WinBox', and 'Exit'. The main window displays the 'User List' table with columns for Name, Group, Allowed Address, and Last Logged In. The 'martins' user is selected, and a 'User <martins>' dialog box is open, showing fields for Name (martins), Group (full), Allowed Address, and Last Logged In. Below the dialog, the status 'enabled' is visible. A 'Change Password' dialog box is also open, showing fields for New Password and Confirm Password.

Name	Group	Allowed Address	Last Logged In
system default user			
martins	full		

User <martins>

Name: martins  
Group: full  
Allowed Address:  
Last Logged In:

enabled

Change Password

New Password:  
Confirm Password:

# Simple security

- Specify password for wireless access

```
/interface wireless security-profiles set default authentication-types=wpa2-psk  
mode=dynamic-keys wpa2-pre-shared-key=*****
```

The screenshot shows the Mikrotik WinBox interface. The top bar indicates the user is 'admin@192.168.88.1 (MikroTik) - WinBox v6.38.5 on hAP ac (mipsbe)'. The main window is titled 'Wireless Tables' and has several tabs: 'Interfaces', 'Nstreme Dual', 'Access List', 'Registration', 'Connect List', 'Security Profiles', and 'Channels'. The 'Security Profiles' tab is active, showing a table with one entry: 'default' with mode 'dynamic keys', authentication type 'WPA2 PSK', and cipher 'aes ccm'. A dialog box titled 'Security Profile <default>' is open, showing the configuration for the 'default' profile. The 'General' tab is selected, and the 'WPA2 Pre-Shared Key' field is filled with '\*\*\*\*\*'. Other fields include 'Name: default', 'Mode: dynamic keys', 'Authentication Types: WPA2 PSK (checked)', 'Unicast Ciphers: aes ccm (checked)', 'Group Ciphers: aes ccm (checked)', 'WPA Pre-Shared Key: (empty)', 'Supplicant Identity: MikroTik', 'Group Key Update: 00:05:00', and 'Management Protection: disabled'. The 'OK' button is highlighted.

Name	Mode	Authenticatio...	Unicast Ciphers	Group Ciphers	WPA Pre-Shared ...	WPA2 Pre-Shared...
* default	dynamic keys	WPA2 PSK	aes ccm	aes ccm	****	****

Security Profile <default>

General RADIUS EAP Static Keys

Name: default

Mode: dynamic keys

Authentication Types:  WPA PSK  WPA2 PSK  
 WPA EAP  WPA2 EAP

Unicast Ciphers:  aes ccm  tkip

Group Ciphers:  aes ccm  tkip

WPA Pre-Shared Key:

WPA2 Pre-Shared Key: \*\*\*\*\*

Supplicant Identity: MikroTik

Group Key Update: 00:05:00

Management Protection: disabled

Management Protection Key:

OK Cancel Apply Comment Copy Remove

default

1 item (1 selected)

# Simple security

- Disable unused interfaces

```
/interface ethernet disable ether3,ether5,sfp1
```

Name	Type	Actual MTU	L2 M
bridge	Bridge	1500	159
ether1	Ethernet	1500	159
ether2-master	Ethernet	1500	159
ether3	Ethernet	1500	159
ether4	Ethernet	1500	159
ether5	Ethernet	1500	159
sfp1	Ethernet	1500	160
wlan1	Wireless (Atheros AR9...	1500	160
wlan2	Wireless (Atheros AR9...	1500	160

- Disable unused packages (mainly IPv6)

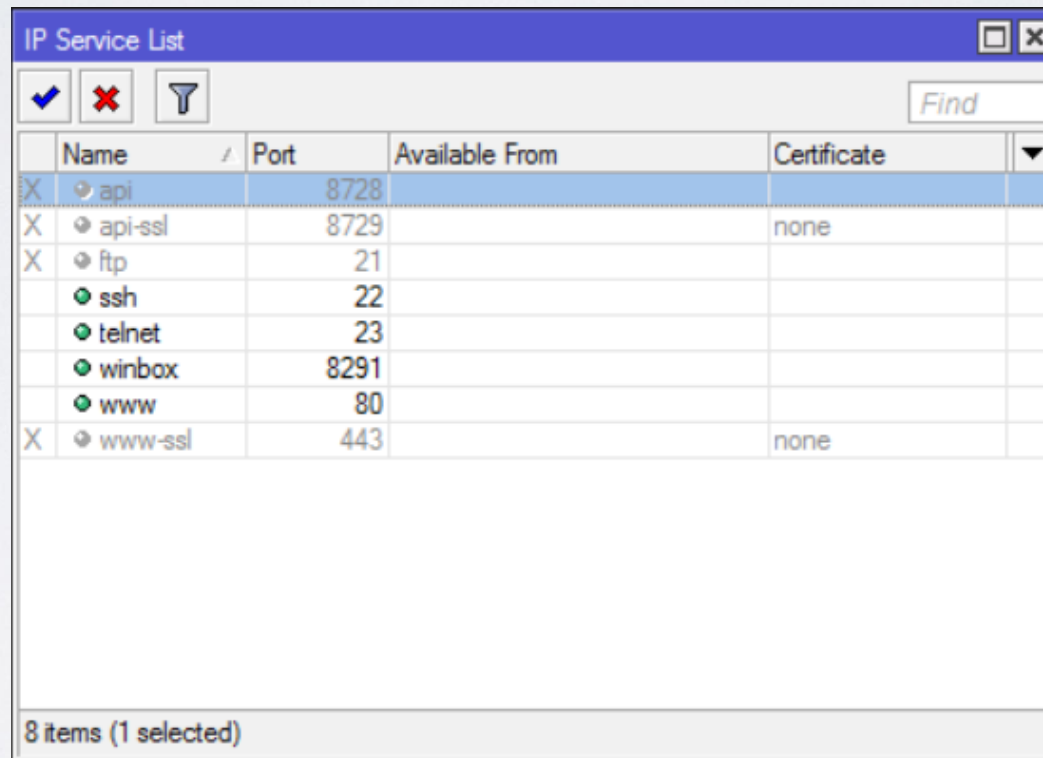
```
/system package disable hotspot,ipv6,mpls,ppp,routing
```

Name	Version	Build Time	Scheduled
routeros-mipsbe	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	
advancedt...	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	
dhcp	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	
hotspot	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	scheduled for disable
ipv6	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	
mpls	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	scheduled for disable
ppp	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	scheduled for disable
routing	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	scheduled for disable
security	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	
system	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	
wireless	6.38.5	Mar/09/2017 11:32:49	

# Simple security

- Disable IP/Services

/ip service disable api,api-ssl,ftp,www-ssl



The screenshot shows a window titled "IP Service List" with a table of services. The table has columns for Name, Port, Available From, and Certificate. The "api" service is selected, and its checkbox is checked with an 'X'. Other services like "api-ssl", "ftp", "ssh", "telnet", "winbox", "www", and "www-ssl" are also listed with their respective ports and certificates.

	Name	Port	Available From	Certificate
X	api	8728		
X	api-ssl	8729		none
X	ftp	21		
	ssh	22		
	telnet	23		
	winbox	8291		
	www	80		
X	www-ssl	443		none

8 items (1 selected)

# Simple security

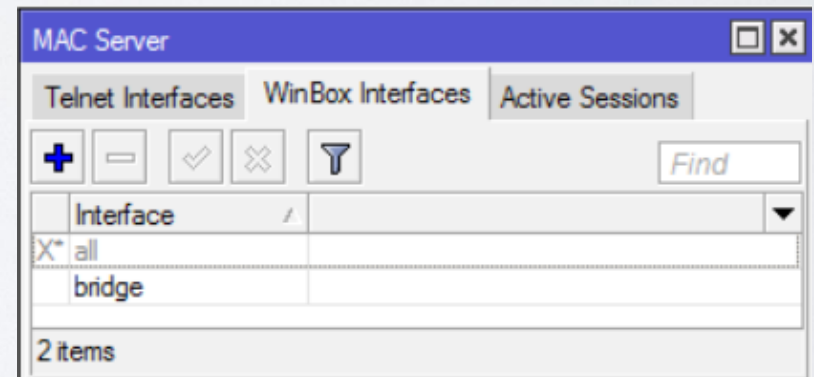
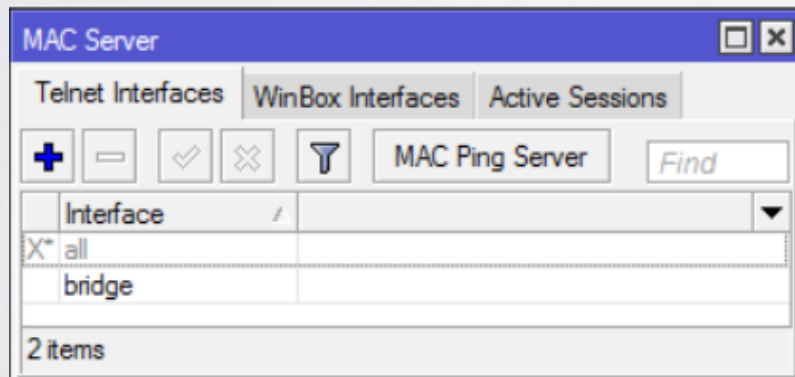
- Adjust MAC access

```
/tool mac-server set [ find default=yes ] disabled=yes
```

```
/tool mac-server add interface=bridge
```

```
/tool mac-server mac-winbox set [ find default=yes ] disabled=yes
```

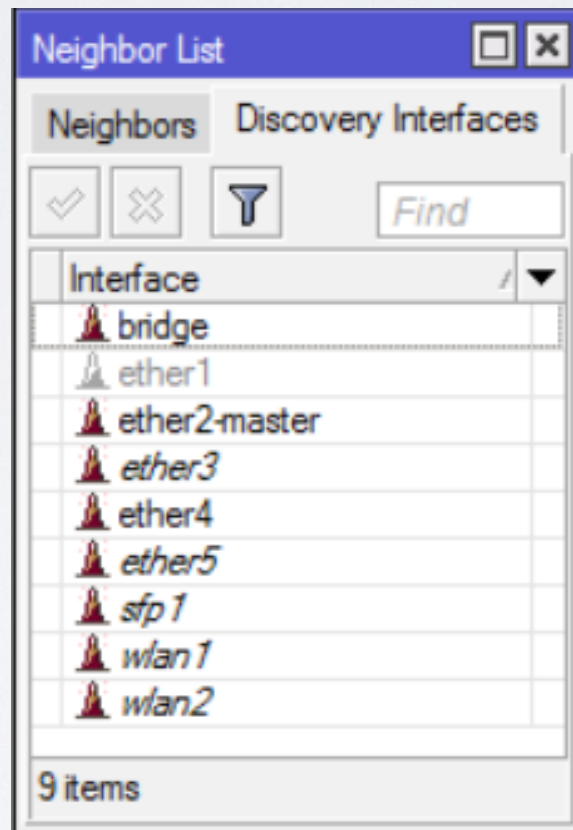
```
/tool mac-server mac-winbox add interface=bridge
```



# Simple security

- Hide device in Neighbor Discovery

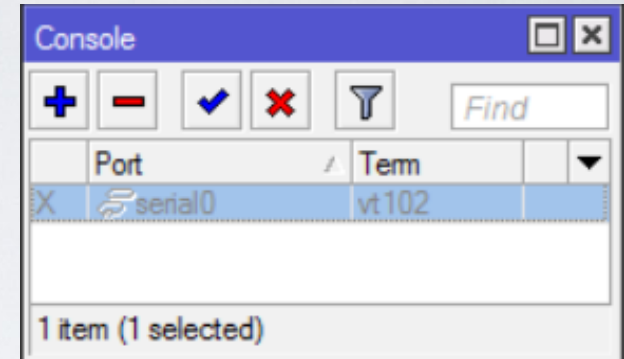
```
/ip neighbor discovery set ether1 discover=no
```



# Simple security

- Disable serial port if not used (and if included)

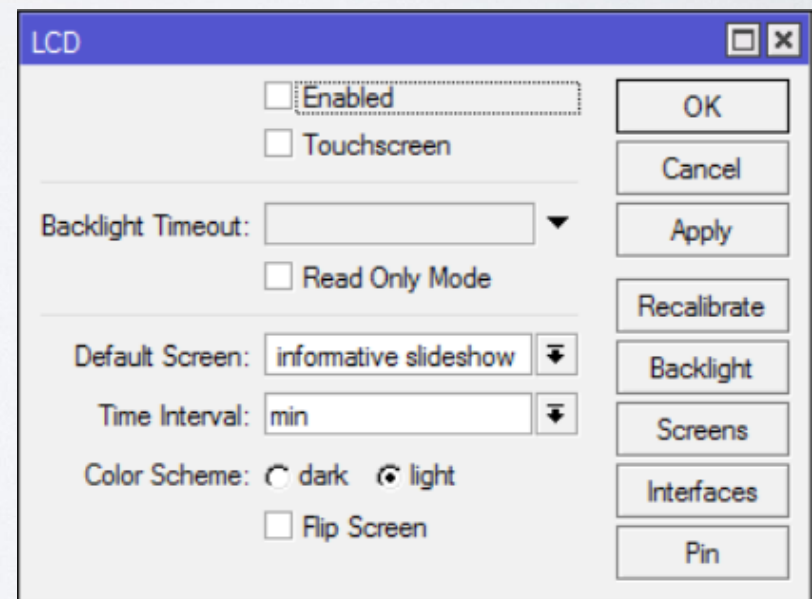
```
/system console disable [find where port=serial0]
```



- Disable LCD

```
/lcd set enabled=no
```

```
/lcd set touch-screen=disabled
```





# Simple security

- Protect reset button

```
/system routerboard settings set protected-routerboot=enabled reformat-hold-button=30s
```

[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:RouterBOARD\\_settings#Protected\\_bootloader](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:RouterBOARD_settings#Protected_bootloader)

Firewall

# Firewall

## Two approaches

- Drop not trusted and allow trusted
- Allow trusted and drop untrusted

```
/ip firewall filter add chain=forward action=accept src-address=192.168.88.2 out-  
interface=ether1
```

```
/ip firewall filter add chain=forward action=drop src-address=192.168.88.0/24 out-  
interface=ether1
```

# Firewall

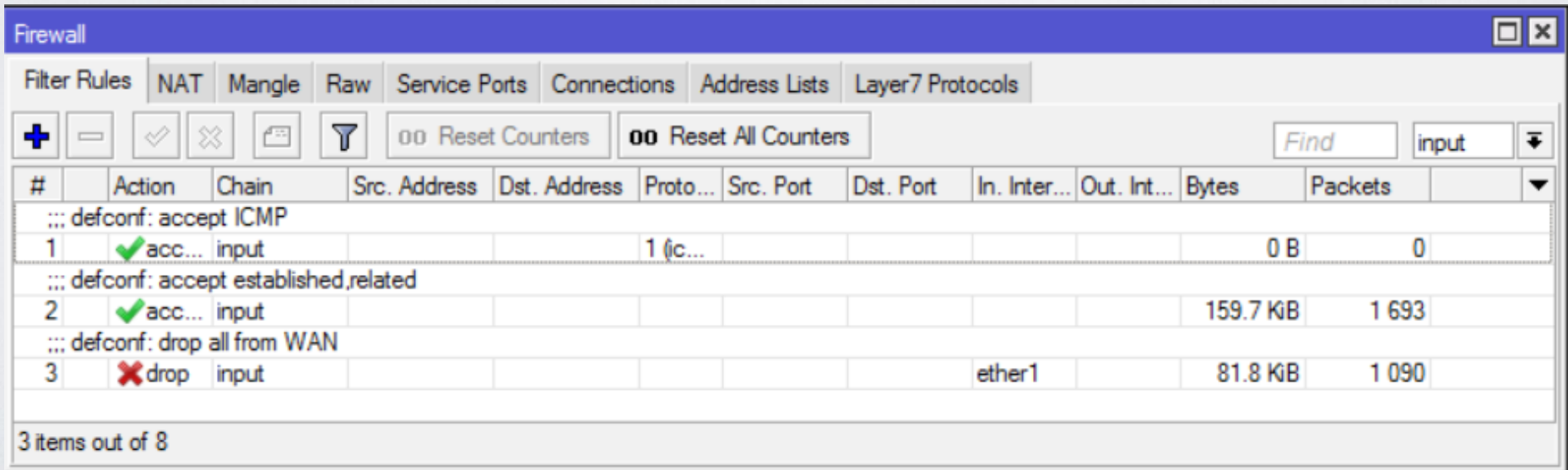
- Secure input

/ip firewall filter

add chain=input action=accept protocol=icmp

add chain=input action=accept connection-state=established,related

add chain=input action=drop in-interface=ether1



The screenshot shows the Mikrotik WinBox Firewall Filter Rules configuration window. The window title is "Firewall". The "Filter Rules" tab is selected, with other tabs including NAT, Mangle, Raw, Service Ports, Connections, Address Lists, and Layer7 Protocols. The interface includes a toolbar with icons for adding, deleting, enabling, disabling, and refreshing rules, along with buttons for "Reset Counters" and "Reset All Counters". A search bar contains the text "Find" and a dropdown menu is set to "input". The main area displays a table of filter rules with the following data:

#	Action	Chain	Src. Address	Dst. Address	Proto...	Src. Port	Dst. Port	In. Inter...	Out. Int...	Bytes	Packets
::: defconf: accept ICMP											
1	✓ acc...	input			1 (ic...					0 B	0
::: defconf: accept established,related											
2	✓ acc...	input								159.7 KB	1 693
::: defconf: drop all from WAN											
3	✗ drop	input						ether1		81.8 KB	1 090

At the bottom of the window, it indicates "3 items out of 8".

# Firewall

- Secure forward

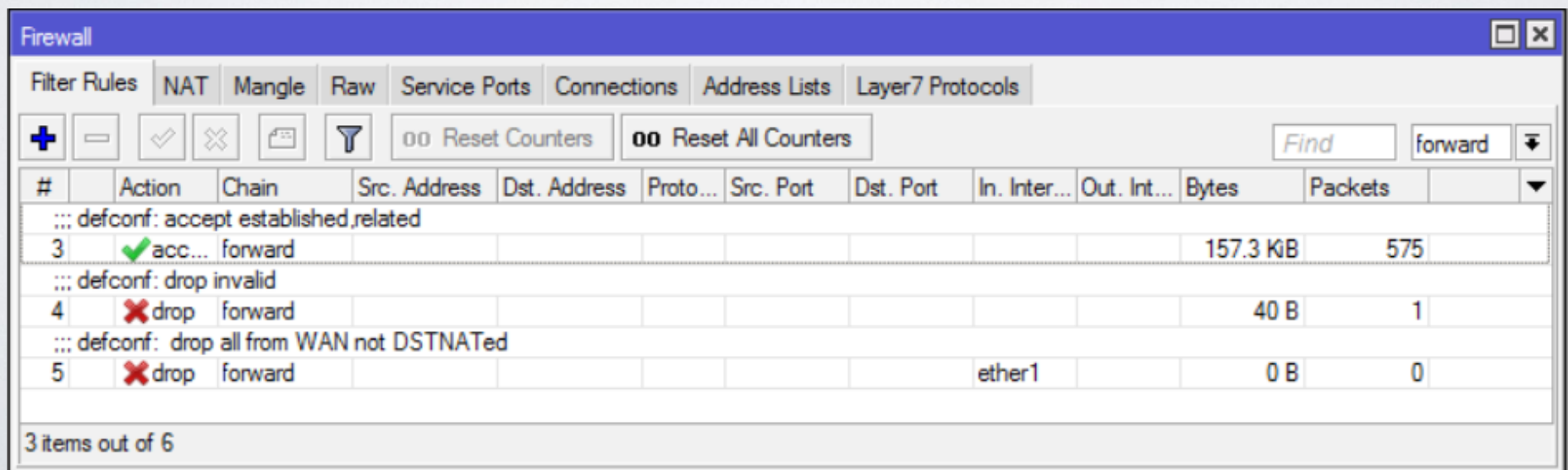
/ip firewall filter

add chain=forward action=accept connection-state=established,related

add chain=forward action=drop connection-state=invalid

add chain=forward action=drop connection-state=new connection-nat-state=!

dstnat in-interface=ether1



The screenshot shows the Mikrotik WinBox Firewall Filter Rules configuration window. The window title is "Firewall". The "Filter Rules" tab is selected, and the "forward" chain is chosen. The table below shows the configuration of three filter rules.

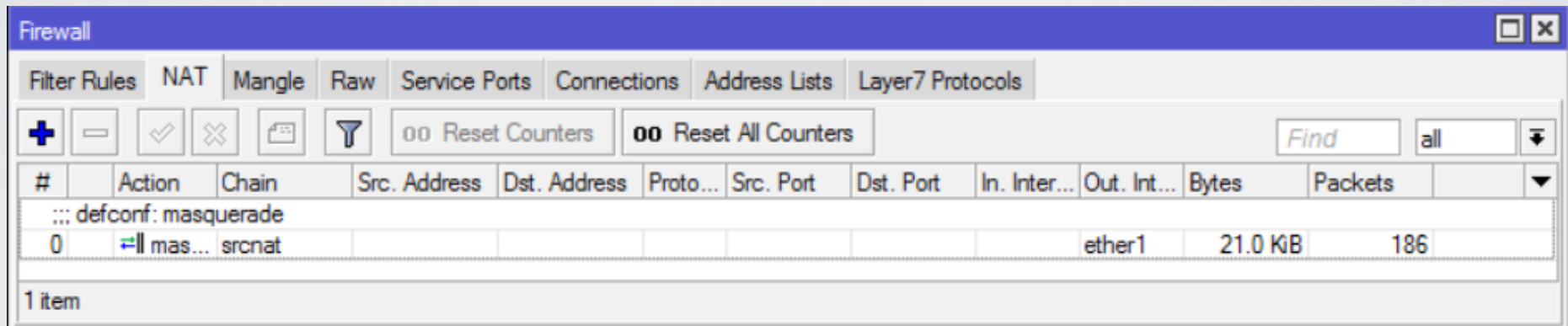
#	Action	Chain	Src. Address	Dst. Address	Proto...	Src. Port	Dst. Port	In. Inter...	Out. Int...	Bytes	Packets
3	✓ acc...	forward								157.3 KiB	575
4	✗ drop	forward								40 B	1
5	✗ drop	forward						ether1		0 B	0

3 items out of 6

# Firewall

- NAT to outside (if you can, use src-nat instead of masquerade)

```
/ip firewall nat add chain=srcnat out-interface=ether1 action=masquerade
```

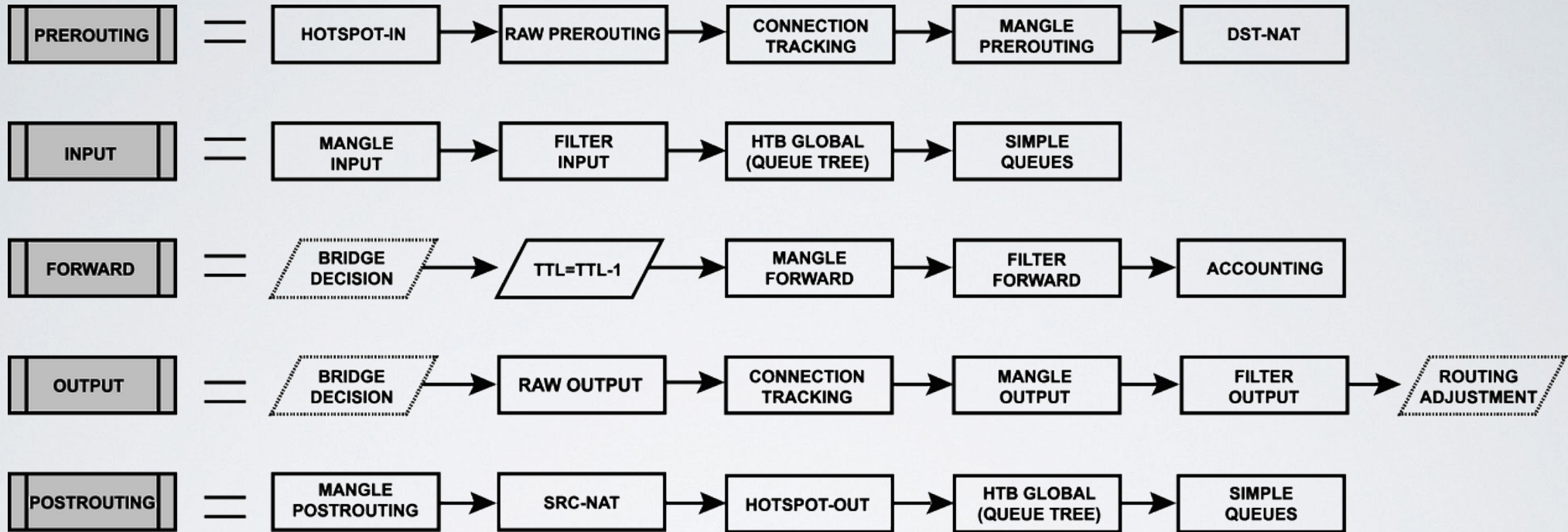


The screenshot shows the Mikrotik WinBox Firewall configuration window, specifically the NAT tab. The window title is "Firewall". The tabs include "Filter Rules", "NAT", "Mangle", "Raw", "Service Ports", "Connections", "Address Lists", and "Layer7 Protocols". The "NAT" tab is active. Below the tabs are several icons and buttons: a plus sign, a minus sign, a checkmark, a cross, a folder, a funnel, "00 Reset Counters", "00 Reset All Counters", a "Find" search box, and a dropdown menu set to "all". Below these are two buttons: "00 Reset Counters" and "00 Reset All Counters". The main area displays a table with columns: #, Action, Chain, Src. Address, Dst. Address, Proto..., Src. Port, Dst. Port, In. Inter..., Out. Int..., Bytes, and Packets. The table contains one row: "0", "mas...", "srcnat", "", "", "", "", "", "ether1", "21.0 KB", "186". Below the table, it says "1 item".

#	Action	Chain	Src. Address	Dst. Address	Proto...	Src. Port	Dst. Port	In. Inter...	Out. Int...	Bytes	Packets
0	mas...	srcnat							ether1	21.0 KB	186

<https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:IP/Firewall/NAT#Masquerade>

# Firewall



[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Packet\\_Flow\\_v6](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Packet_Flow_v6)

# Firewall

- NAT to LAN

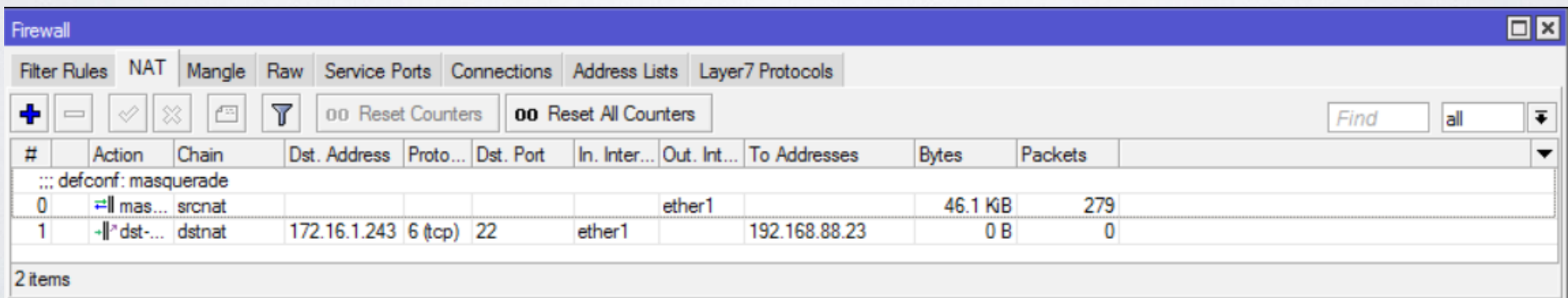
```
/ip firewall nat add chain=dstnat in-interface=ether1 protocol=tcp dst-port=22  
action=dst-nat dst-address=172.16.1.243 to-address=192.168.88.23
```

**Note:** In order to make port forwarding work you have to:

Have dst-nat

Have src-nat

Accept traffic in forward chain (example in previous slides)



The screenshot shows the Mikrotik WinBox Firewall configuration window. The 'NAT' tab is selected. The configuration table shows two rules:

#	Action	Chain	Dst. Address	Proto...	Dst. Port	In. Inter...	Out. Int...	To Addresses	Bytes	Packets
0	masquerade	srcnat					ether1		46.1 kB	279
1	dst-nat	dstnat	172.16.1.243	6 (tcp)	22	ether1		192.168.88.23	0 B	0

2 items



# Firewall

- Hairpin NAT (access local resource through public IP)

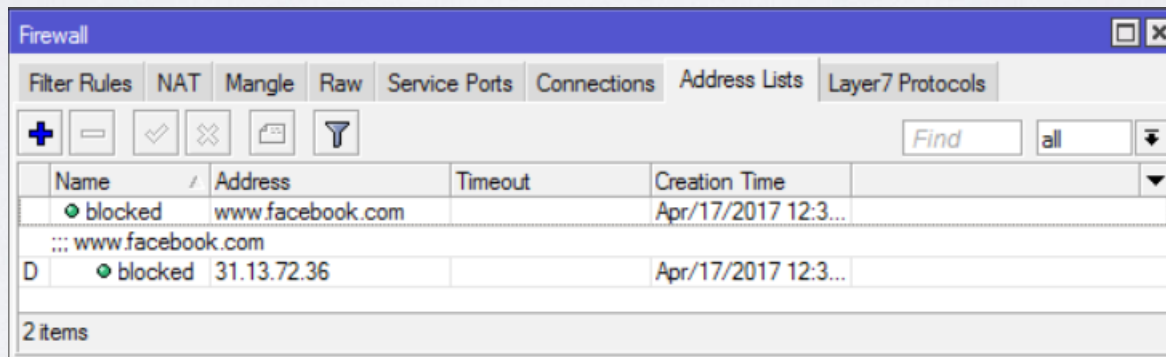
[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Hairpin\\_NAT](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Hairpin_NAT)

# Firewall

- Block specific traffic

```
/ip firewall address-list add list=blocked address=www.facebook.com
```

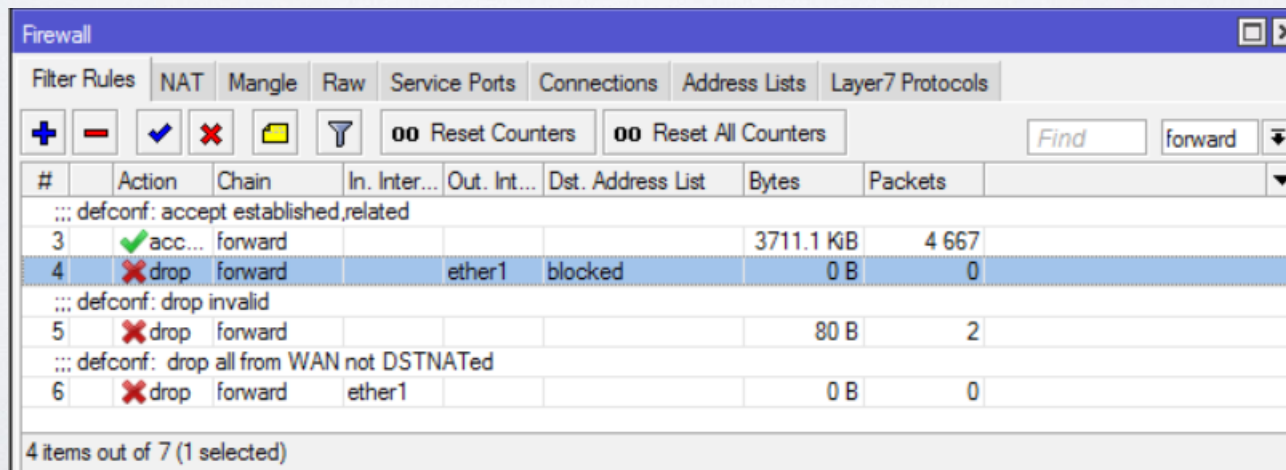
```
/ip firewall filter add chain=forward action=drop dst-address-list=blocked out-interface=ether1
```



The screenshot shows the Mikrotik WinBox Firewall configuration window, specifically the Address Lists tab. It displays a table with two entries:

Name	Address	Timeout	Creation Time
blocked	www.facebook.com		Apr/17/2017 12:3...
::: www.facebook.com			
D blocked	31.13.72.36		Apr/17/2017 12:3...

At the bottom, it indicates "2 items".



The screenshot shows the Mikrotik WinBox Firewall configuration window, specifically the Filter Rules tab. It displays a table with several entries, including a rule that is selected:

#	Action	Chain	In. Inter...	Out. Int...	Dst. Address List	Bytes	Packets
::: defconf: accept established,related							
3	acc...	forward				3711.1 KB	4 667
4	drop	forward		ether1	blocked	0 B	0
::: defconf: drop invalid							
5	drop	forward				80 B	2
::: defconf: drop all from WAN not DSTNATed							
6	drop	forward	ether1			0 B	0

At the bottom, it indicates "4 items out of 7 (1 selected)".

# Firewall

- Protect device against attacks, if you allow particular access

```
/ip firewall filter
```

```
add chain=input protocol=tcp dst-port=23 src-address-list=ssh_blacklist  
action=drop
```

```
add chain=input protocol=tcp dst-port=23 connection-state=new src-address-  
list=ssh_stage2 action=add-src-to-address-list address-list=ssh_blacklist address-  
list-timeout=10d
```

```
add chain=input protocol=tcp dst-port=23 connection-state=new src-address-  
list=ssh_stage1 action=add-src-to-address-list address-list=ssh_stage2 address-list-  
timeout=1m
```

```
add chain=input protocol=tcp dst-port=23 connection-state=new action=add-src-  
to-address-list address-list=ssh_stage1 address-list-timeout=1m
```

# Firewall

The screenshot shows the Mikrotik WinBox Firewall Filter Rules configuration window. The window title is "Firewall". The "Filter Rules" tab is selected, with other tabs including NAT, Mangle, Raw, Service Ports, Connections, Address Lists, and Layer7 Protocols. Below the tabs are several icons for adding, deleting, and filtering rules, along with buttons for "Reset Counters" and "Reset All Counters". A search bar contains the text "input".

#	Action	Chain	Proto...	Dst. Port	In. Inter...	Connection State	Src. Address List	Address List	Timeout	Bytes	Packets
::: defconf: accept ICMP											
0	✓ acc...	input	1 (ic...							616 B	11 0
::: defconf: accept established,related											
1	✓ acc...	input				established related				573.1 KB	6 724 2
6	✗ drop	input	6 (tcp)	23			ssh_blacklist			180 B	3 0
7	✉ add...	input	6 (tcp)	23		new	ssh_stage2	ssh_blacklist	10d 00:00:00	60 B	1 0
8	✉ add...	input	6 (tcp)	23		new	ssh_stage1	ssh_stage2	00:01:00	120 B	2 0
9	✉ add...	input	6 (tcp)	23		new		ssh_stage1	00:01:00	180 B	3 0
::: defconf: drop all from WAN											
10	✗ drop	input			ether1					68.7 KB	867 2

7 items out of 11

[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Bruteforce\\_login\\_prevention](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Bruteforce_login_prevention)

Handle bandwidth

# FastTrack

- Remember this rule?

```
/ip firewall filter
```

```
add chain=forward action=accept connection-state=established,related
```

- Add FastTrack rule before previous one

```
/ip firewall filter
```

- add chain=forward action=fasttrack-connection connection-state=established,related

# FastTrack

#	Action	Chain	Proto...	Dst. Port	In. Inter...	Connection State	Src. Address List	Address List	Timeout	Bytes	Packets
::: special dummy rule to show fasttrack counters											
0	D pas...	forward								1570 B	3
::: defconf: accept established,related											
3	fastt...	forward				established related				675 B	6
::: defconf: accept established,related											
4	acc...	forward				established related				675 B	6
::: defconf: drop invalid											
5	drop	forward				invalid				0 B	0
::: defconf: drop all from WAN not DSTNATed											
6	drop	forward			ether1	new				0 B	0

5 items out of 8 (1 selected)

<https://wiki.mikrotik.com/index.php?title=Manual:IP/Fasttrack&redirect=no>

# Queues

- Add queues to limit traffic for specific resources

```
/queue simple add name=private target=192.168.88.243 max-limit=5M/5M
```

#	Name	Target	Upload Max Limit	Download Max Limit
0	queue1	192.168.88.243	5M	5M

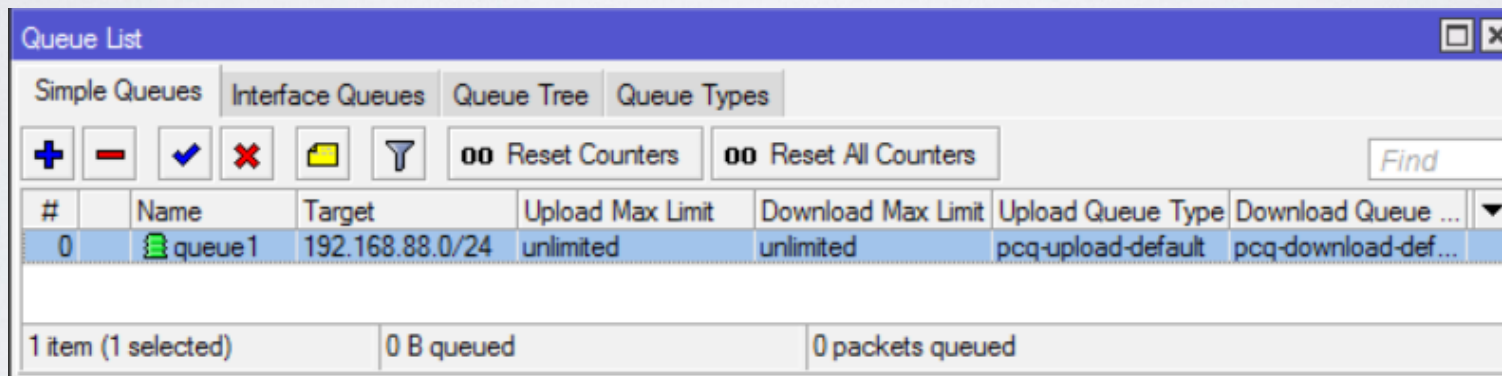
1 item      0 B queued      0 packets queued



# Queues

- Add queues to limit traffic equally (PCQ)

/queue simple add target-addresses=192.168.88.0/24 queue=pcq-upload-default/pcq-download-default



The screenshot shows the 'Queue List' window in Mikrotik WinBox. It has tabs for 'Simple Queues', 'Interface Queues', 'Queue Tree', and 'Queue Types'. Below the tabs are several action buttons: a plus sign, a minus sign, a checkmark, an 'X', a folder icon, a funnel icon, 'Reset Counters', and 'Reset All Counters'. There is also a 'Find' search box. The main area contains a table with the following data:

#	Name	Target	Upload Max Limit	Download Max Limit	Upload Queue Type	Download Queue ...
0	queue1	192.168.88.0/24	unlimited	unlimited	pcq-upload-default	pcq-download-def...

At the bottom of the window, it displays '1 item (1 selected)', '0 B queued', and '0 packets queued'.

Few advices about queues

[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Tips\\_and\\_Tricks\\_for\\_Beginners\\_and\\_Experienced\\_Users\\_of\\_RouterOS#Queues](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Tips_and_Tricks_for_Beginners_and_Experienced_Users_of_RouterOS#Queues)

**What to do when problem appears?**

# Logging

- Use logging for firewall

```
/ip firewall filter set [find where src-address-list=ssh_blacklist] log=yes log-prefix=BLACKLISTED:
```

- Use logging for debug topics

```
/system logging add topics=l2pt,debug action=memory
```

- Logging to disk or remote server

```
/system logging action set disk disk-file-name=l2tp_logs disk-file-count=5 disk-lines-per-file=1000
```

```
/system logging action set remote remote=192.168.88.3
```



# Debugging tools

- Torch

Analyse processed traffic

[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Troubleshooting\\_tools#Torch\\_.28.2Ftool\\_to\\_rch.29](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Troubleshooting_tools#Torch_.28.2Ftool_to_rch.29)

The screenshot shows the Torch application window with the following configuration and data:

**Basic:** Interface: bridge-local, Entry Timeout: 00:00:03 s

**Collect:**  Src. Address,  Dst. Address,  MAC Protocol,  Protocol,  DSCP,  Src. Address6,  Dst. Address6,  Port,  VLAN Id

**Filters:** Src. Address: 0.0.0.0/0, Dst. Address: 0.0.0.0/0, Src. Address6: ::/0, Dst. Address6: ::/0, MAC Protocol: all, Protocol: any, Port: any, VLAN Id: any, DSCP: any

**Buttons:** Start, Stop, Close, New Window

Et...	Prot...	Src.	Dst.	VLAN Id	DSCP	Tx Rate	Rx Rate	Tx Pack...	Rx Pack...	
800 (ip)	6 (tcp)	172.16.1.243:55392	172.16.1.1:8291 (winbox)			156.3 k...	4.9 kbps	14	7	
800 (ip)	17 (...)	172.16.1.251:20148	85.234.190.33:17943			34.3 kbps	2.0 Mbps	68	178	
800 (ip)	17 (...)	172.16.1.251:137 (netbios...)	172.16.1.255:137 (netbios...)			0 bps	0 bps	0	0	
800 (ip)	17 (...)	172.16.1.251:20148	78.84.230.93:59480			0 bps	11.8 kbps	0	1	
800 (ip)	17 (...)	255.255.255.255:5246	172.16.1.1:57768			0 bps	0 bps	0	0	
800 (ip)	17 (...)	255.255.255.255:5678 (di...)	172.16.1.1:55572			0 bps	0 bps	0	0	
800 (ip)	17 (...)	172.16.1.251:49541	239.255.255.250:1900			0 bps	0 bps	0	0	
800 (ip)	17 (...)	172.16.1.251:49541	172.16.1.1:1900			0 bps	0 bps	0	0	

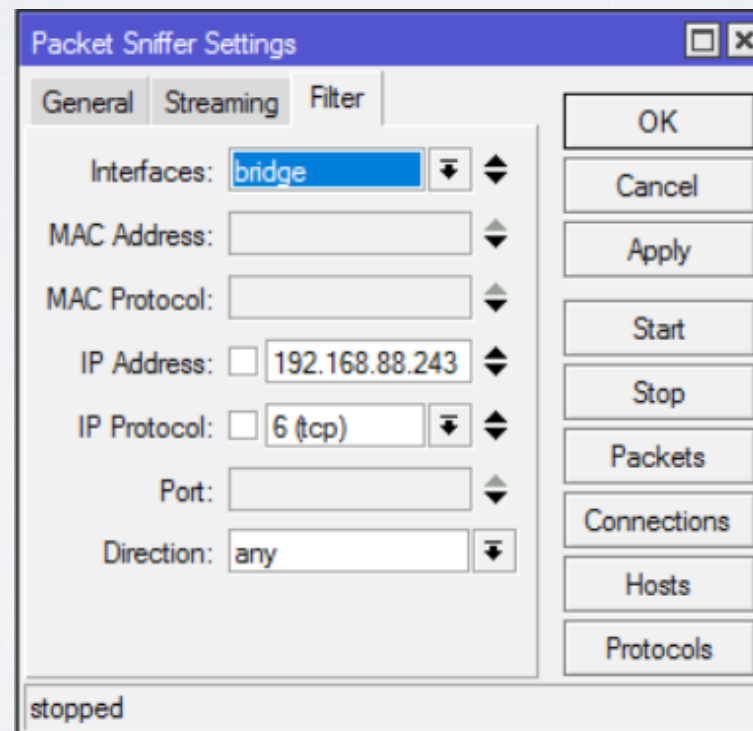
**Summary:** 8 items, Total Tx: 190.6 kbps, Total Rx: 2.1 Mbps, Total Tx Packet: 82, Total Rx Packet: 186

# Debugging tools

- Sniffer

Analyse processed packets

[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Troubleshooting\\_tools#Packet\\_Sniffer\\_.28.2Ftool\\_sniffer.29](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Troubleshooting_tools#Packet_Sniffer_.28.2Ftool_sniffer.29)

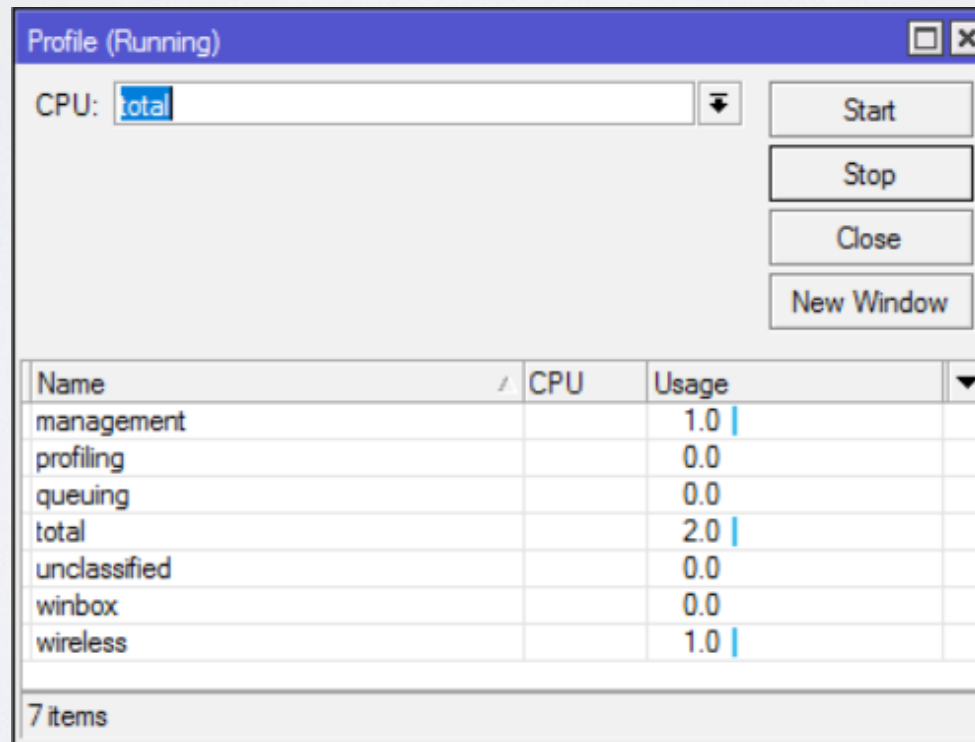


# Debugging tools

- Profiler

Find out current CPU usage

<https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Tools/Profiler>



The screenshot shows the 'Profile (Running)' window of the Mikrotik Profiler tool. At the top, there is a dropdown menu for 'CPU:' set to 'total'. To the right of this menu are four buttons: 'Start', 'Stop', 'Close', and 'New Window'. Below these controls is a table with the following data:

Name	CPU	Usage
management		1.0
profiling		0.0
queuing		0.0
total		2.0
unclassified		0.0
winbox		0.0
wireless		1.0

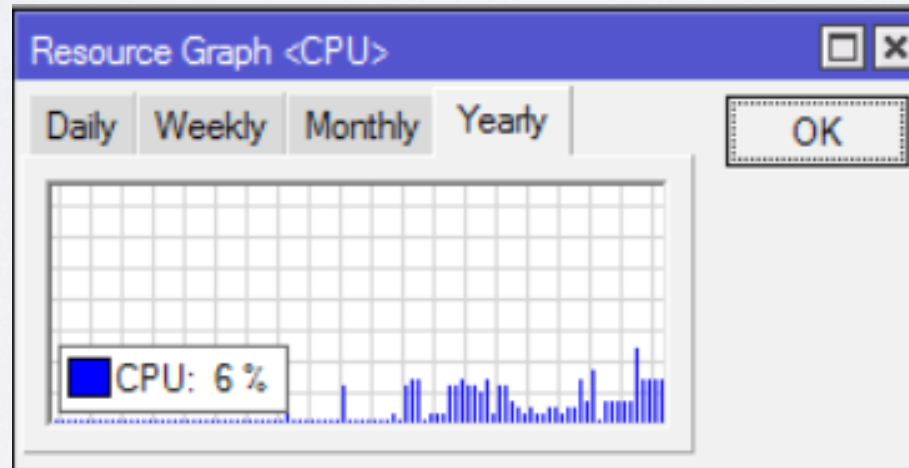
At the bottom of the window, it indicates '7 items'.

# Debugging tools

- Graphing

Find out information about Interfaces/Queues/Resources per interval:

<https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Tools/Graphing>





# Debugging tools

- The Dude

Powerful network monitoring tool:

[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:The\\_Dude](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:The_Dude)

**Keep features and fixes up-to-date**

# Upgrade device

- Release candidate

The most up-to-date version (hardly tested) with all possible features (also half-implemented) and fixes

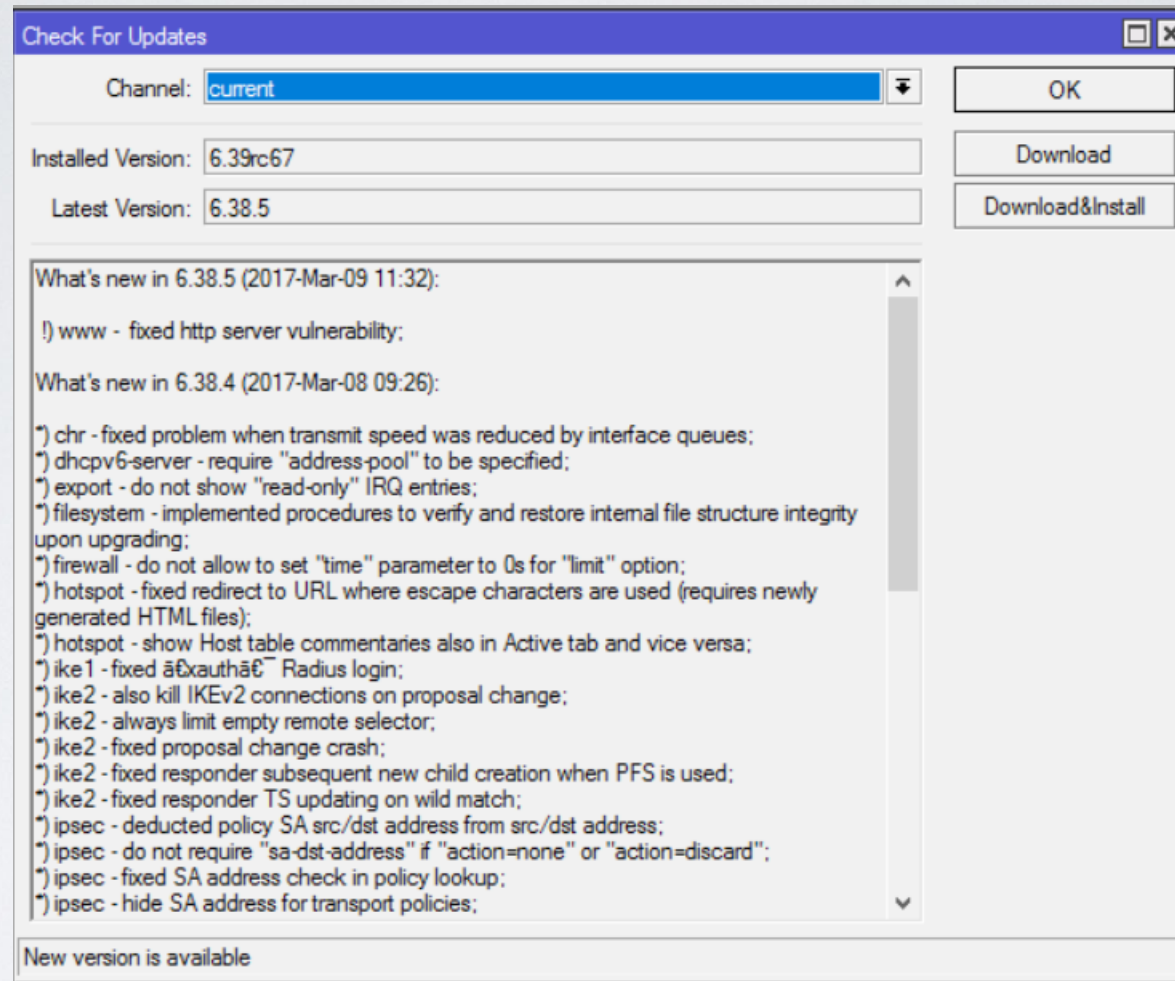
- Current

Latest full release (tested on many different scenarios for long time) with all fully implemented features

- Bugfix

Latest full release (tested on many different scenarios for long time and admitted as trustworthy) with all safe fixes

# Upgrade device



[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Upgrading\\_RouterOS](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Upgrading_RouterOS)

What to do when software stops working?

# Resolve problems

- Backup RouterBOOT

- 1) Power device off, press and hold the reset button

- 2) Power device on and after 1-2 seconds release the button

- Netinstall

- 1) Test Netinstall

<https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Netinstall>

- 2) Try to re-install any other router

- Reset device

<https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Reset>

# Resolve problems

- Serial port
  - 1) Shows all available information (also booting)
  - 2) Will work if problem is related to Layer2/Layer3 connectivity and/or interfaces themselves
- Exchange device
- Choose more powerful device (or multiple devices)

I can not figure it out by myself



# Configuration issues

- Consultants/Distributors:
  - <https://mikrotik.com/consultants>
  - <https://mikrotik.com/buy>
- Ask for help in forum:
  - <https://forum.mikrotik.com/>
- Look for an answer in manual
  - [https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Main\\_Page](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Main_Page)

What to do when hardware stops working?

# Hardware issues

- Replace involved accessories
  - Power adapter
  - PoE
  - Cables
  - Interfaces (SFP modules, wireless cards, etc.)
  - Power source

Support

# Software issues

- Configuration is not working properly

Logs and supout file

[https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Support\\_Output\\_File](https://wiki.mikrotik.com/wiki/Manual:Support_Output_File)

- Out of memory

- 1) Upgrade device (mandatory)

- 2) Reboot device and generate supout file (normal situation)

- 3) When RAM is almost full generate another supout file  
(problematic situation)

# Software issues

- Device freeze
  - 1) Upgrade device (mandatory)
  - 2) Connect serial console and monitor device
  - 3) Generate supout file (problematic situation)
  - 4) Copy serial output to text file
- Any other kind of issue (for example reboot)
  - 1) Upgrade device (mandatory)
  - 2) Reproduce problem or wait for it to appear
  - 3) Generate supout file (problematic situation)

# Support

- Briefly explain what has happened
- When it happens
- What did you do to make it happen
- Send all files (mentioned in previous slides depending on problem)
- Do everything what is asked, if it is possible
- Make notes and document results (even if problem persists)
- Make new files after configuration changes
- Reply within same ticket and provide new information

Enjoy the MUM!