

MikroTik SA



New Features and Updates in RouterOS

About MikroTik SA

- Independent Network Specialist company
- Not owned by / affiliated to MikroTik Latvia
- Official training and support partner for MikroTik
- Specialist in all forms of wireless and wired networking technologies
- Offers high speed PTP links, carrier independent backbone services, high availability SLA's, Network Management and Configuration services

About the Presenter

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- Is a MikroTik Certified Trainer and consultant
- Installs and manages and wireless networks
- Has over 25 years experience in the IT field
- Teaches general networking and MikroTik RouterOS

In this Presentation

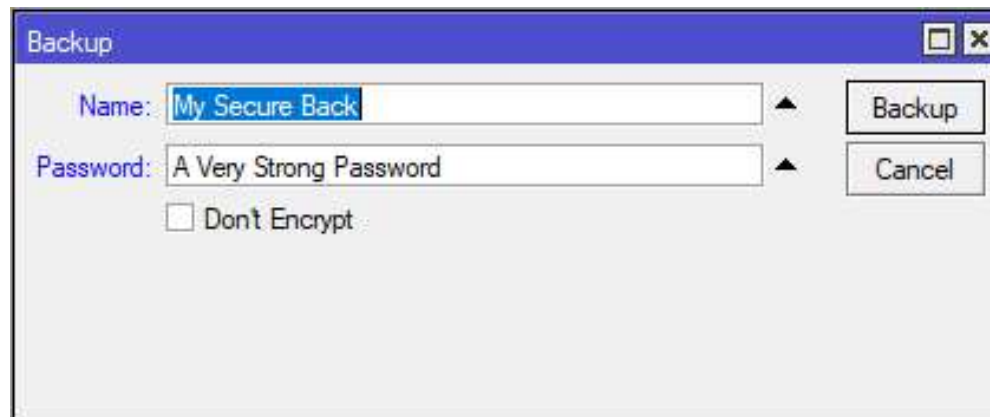
- MikroTik RouterOS is under constant development
- Difficult to keep up to date with new features and improvements to current features
- I hope to change that and bring you up to date with just some of the new features

System Backup and Restore

- **PROBLEM:** RouterOS backup was vulnerable to cracking with a possibility to reveal users and passwords
- **SOLUTION:** Since RouterOS v6.13 it is possible to encrypt the backup files with RC4
- Encryption - the backup file is encrypted by default, if the current RouterOS user has a password configured, or if the "password" parameter is used
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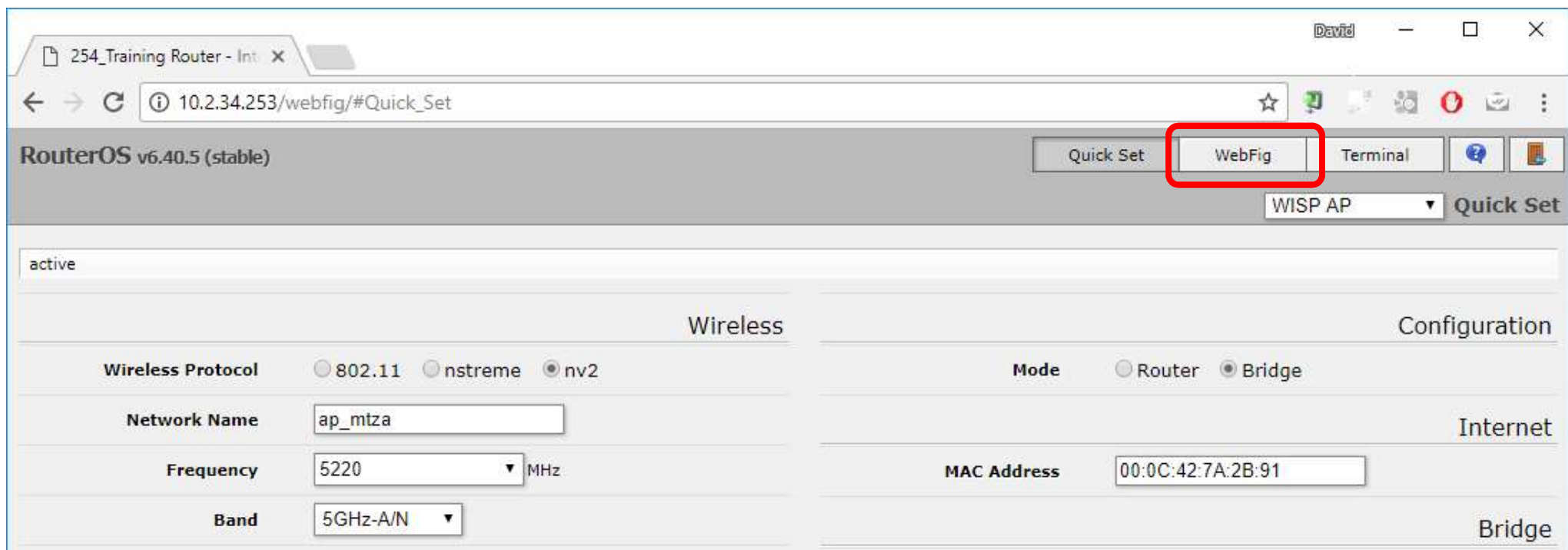


Web Administration

- **PROBLEM:** You want to provide access to the router, but with limited menu options
- **SOLUTION:** Use Webfig with a custom designed skin to limit access to certain menus and options

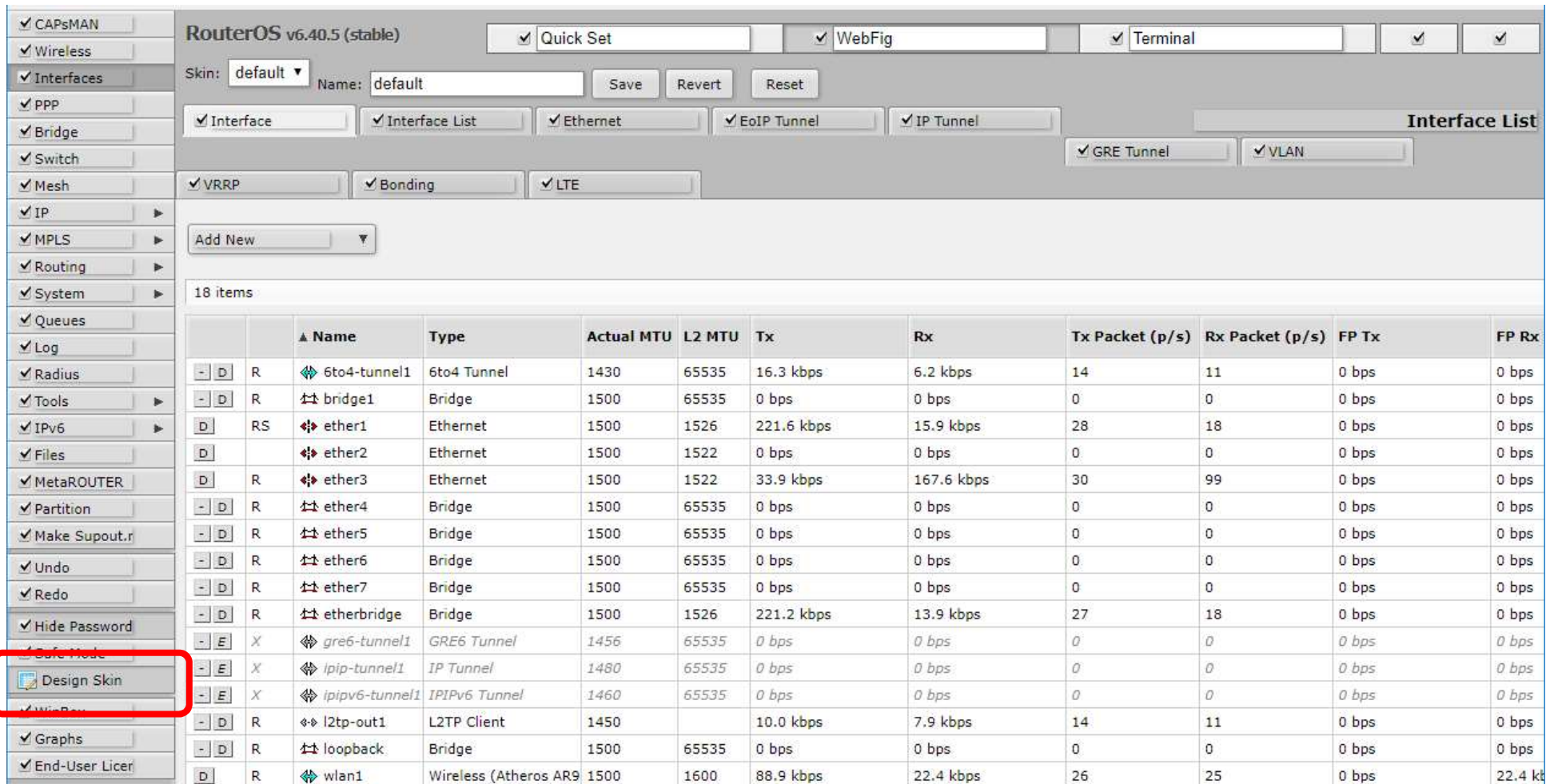
Configuring Skins

1. Login to web interface with admin account
2. Select the Webfig" option (top right)



Configuring Skins

1. Choose “Design Skin” and select / deselect / rename options as required



The screenshot displays the RouterOS v6.40.5 (stable) web interface. The left sidebar contains a list of configuration categories, with 'Design Skin' highlighted by a red rectangle. The main content area shows the 'Interface List' section, which includes a table of 18 network interfaces. The table columns are: Name, Type, Actual MTU, L2 MTU, Tx, Rx, Tx Packet (p/s), Rx Packet (p/s), FP Tx, and FP Rx. The interfaces listed include 6to4-tunnel1, bridge1, ether1 through ether7, etherbridge, gre6-tunnel1, ipip-tunnel1, ipip6-tunnel1, l2tp-out1, loopback, and wlan1.

Name	Type	Actual MTU	L2 MTU	Tx	Rx	Tx Packet (p/s)	Rx Packet (p/s)	FP Tx	FP Rx
6to4-tunnel1	6to4 Tunnel	1430	65535	16.3 kbps	6.2 kbps	14	11	0 bps	0 bps
bridge1	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
ether1	Ethernet	1500	1526	221.6 kbps	15.9 kbps	28	18	0 bps	0 bps
ether2	Ethernet	1500	1522	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
ether3	Ethernet	1500	1522	33.9 kbps	167.6 kbps	30	99	0 bps	0 bps
ether4	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
ether5	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
ether6	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
ether7	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
etherbridge	Bridge	1500	1526	221.2 kbps	13.9 kbps	27	18	0 bps	0 bps
gre6-tunnel1	GRE6 Tunnel	1456	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
ipip-tunnel1	IP Tunnel	1480	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
ipip6-tunnel1	IPIPv6 Tunnel	1460	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
l2tp-out1	L2TP Client	1450		10.0 kbps	7.9 kbps	14	11	0 bps	0 bps
loopback	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
wlan1	Wireless (Atheros AR9)	1500	1600	88.9 kbps	22.4 kbps	26	25	0 bps	22.4 kb

2. Choose “Design Skin” and select / deselect / rename options as required

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Quick Set WebFig Terminal

Skin: default Name: Limited-web Save Revert Reset

☒ Interface ☐ Interface List ☒ Ethernet ☐ EoIP Tunnel ☐ IP Tunnel ☐ GRE Tunnel ☐ VLAN

☐ VRRP ☐ Bonding ☐ LTE

Add New

18 items

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- D	R	6to4-tunnel1	6to4 Tunnel	1430	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
- D	R	bridge1	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
D	RS	ether1	Ethernet	1500	1526	106.5 kbps	7.1 kbps	15	7	0 bps	0 bps	0
D		ether2	Ethernet	1500	1522	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
D	R	ether3	Ethernet	1500	1522	2.8 kbps	89.1 kbps	5	117	0 bps	0 bps	0
- D	R	ether4	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
- D	R	ether5	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
- D	R	ether6	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
- D	R	ether7	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
- D	R	etherbridge	Bridge	1500	1526	106.1 kbps	6.3 kbps	14	7	0 bps	0 bps	0
- E	X	gre6-tunnel1	GRE6 Tunnel	1456	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
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D	R	wlan1	Wireless (Atheros AR9	1500	1600	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
D	R	wlan2	Wireless (Atheros AR9	1500	1600	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
- D	R	wlanbridge	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0

3. Save the modified skin under a new filename

RouterOS v6.40.5 (stable) ☐ Quick Set ☒ WebFig ☐ Terminal ☒ ☒

Skin: default Name: Limited-web

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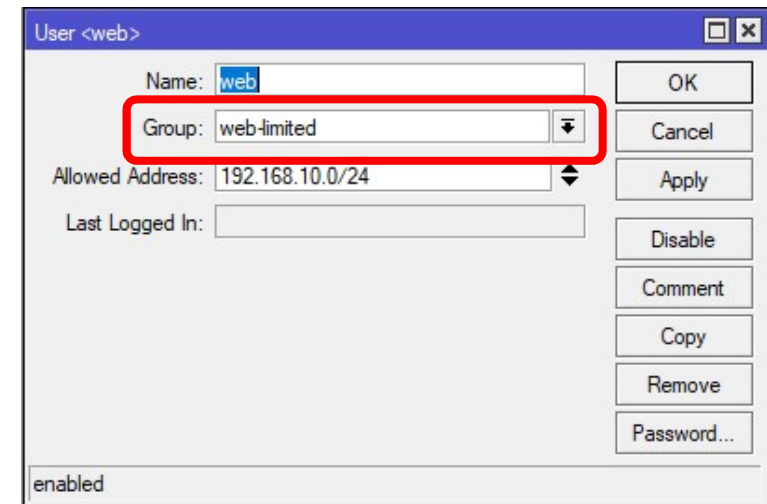
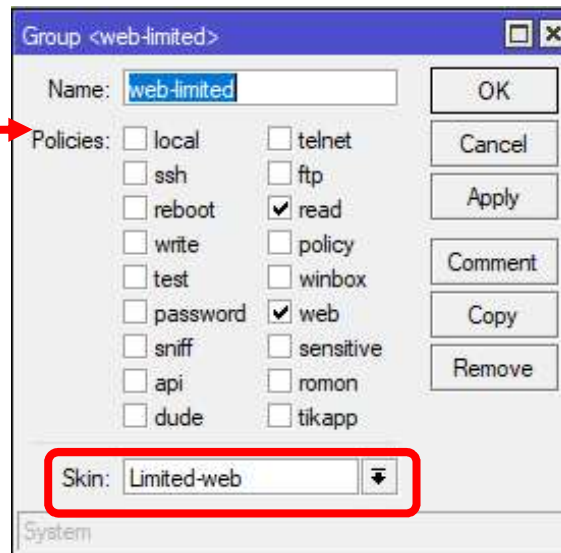
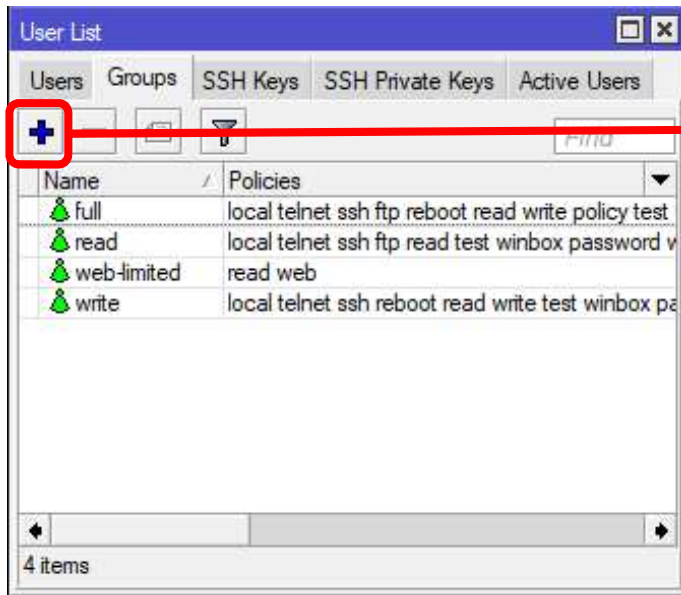
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- D	R	l2tp-out1	L2TP Client	1450		0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
- D	R	loopback	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
D	R	wlan1	Wireless (Atheros AR9	1500	1600	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
D	R	wlan2	Wireless (Atheros AR9	1500	1600	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0
- D	R	wlanbridge	Bridge	1500	65535	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps	0

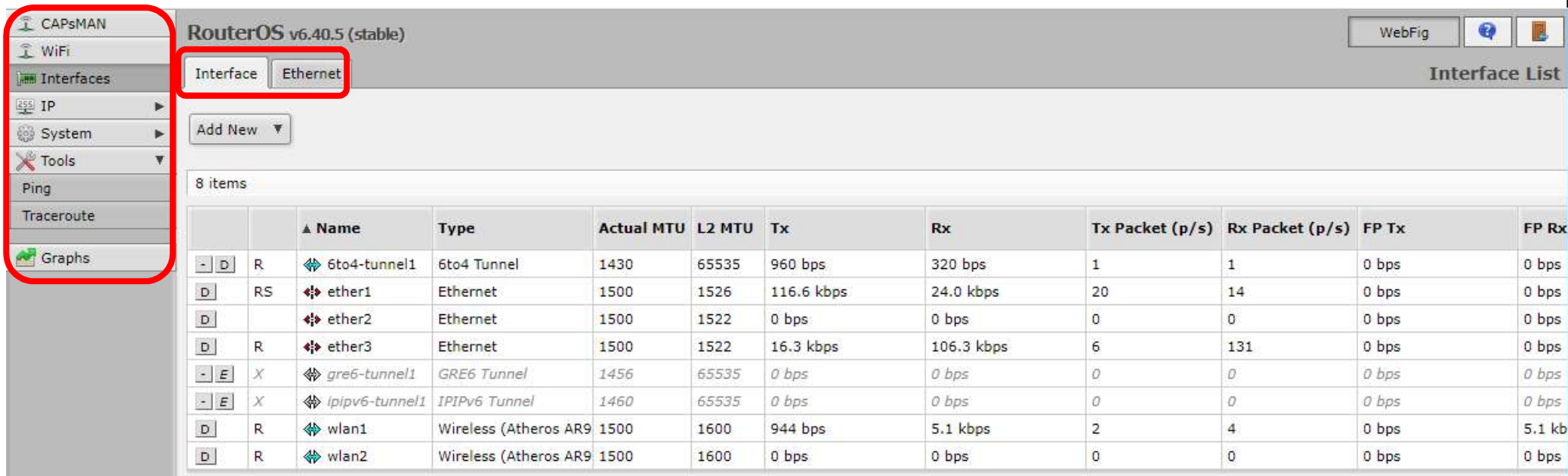
4. Under System → User → Group add a new group with limited web only permissions

5. Add a new user with membership of the limited group



5. Login with the limited user

You now have a strictly limited view as per your defined skin policy



RouterOS v6.40.5 (stable)

WebFig

Interface Ethernet

Interface List

Add New

8 items

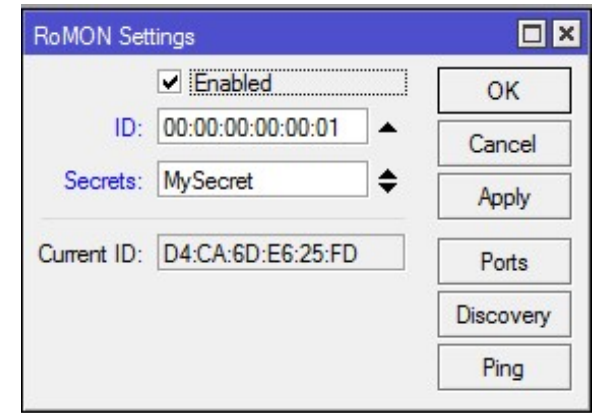
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D	RS	ether1	Ethernet	1500	1526	116.6 kbps	24.0 kbps	20	14	0 bps	0 bps
D		ether2	Ethernet	1500	1522	0 bps	0 bps	0	0	0 bps	0 bps
D	R	ether3	Ethernet	1500	1522	16.3 kbps	106.3 kbps	6	131	0 bps	0 bps
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RoMON

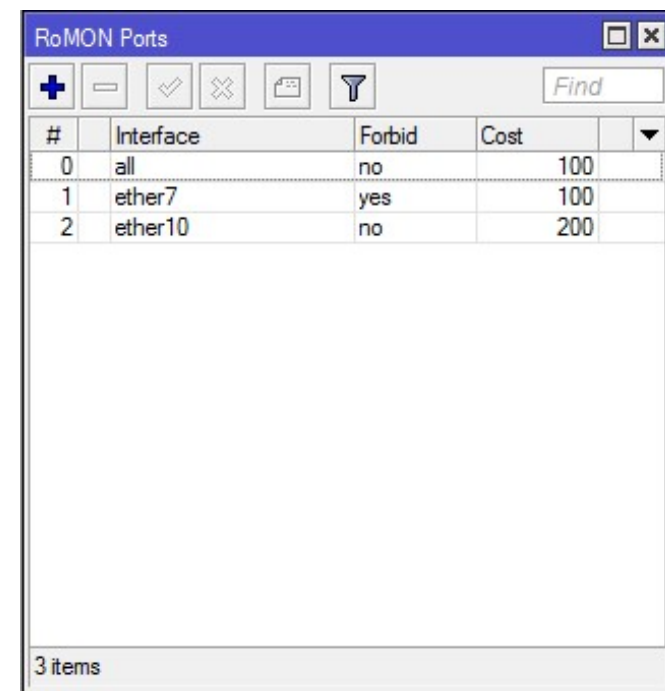
- **PROBLEM:** RouterOS Winbox can only access directly connected routers by MAC address
- **SOLUTION:** RoMON - Router Management Overlay Network
- RoMON works by establishing an independent MAC layer peer discovery and data forwarding network
- RoMON network operates independently from L2 or L3 forwarding configuration

Configure RoMON

- Tool → RoMON allows the service to be enabled/disabled
- ID can optionally be specified otherwise default is ether1 MAC
- Secrets will encrypt RoMON comms with MD5 – secret must be the same for adjacent ports
- RoMON Ports allows setting up ports individually with costs



The RoMON Settings dialog box has a title bar with a close button. It contains a checked checkbox labeled 'Enabled'. Below it, the 'ID' field shows '00:00:00:00:00:01' with up and down arrow buttons. The 'Secrets' field shows 'MySecret' with up and down arrow buttons. At the bottom, the 'Current ID' field shows 'D4:CA:6D:E6:25:FD'. On the right side, there are buttons for 'OK', 'Cancel', 'Apply', 'Ports', 'Discovery', and 'Ping'.

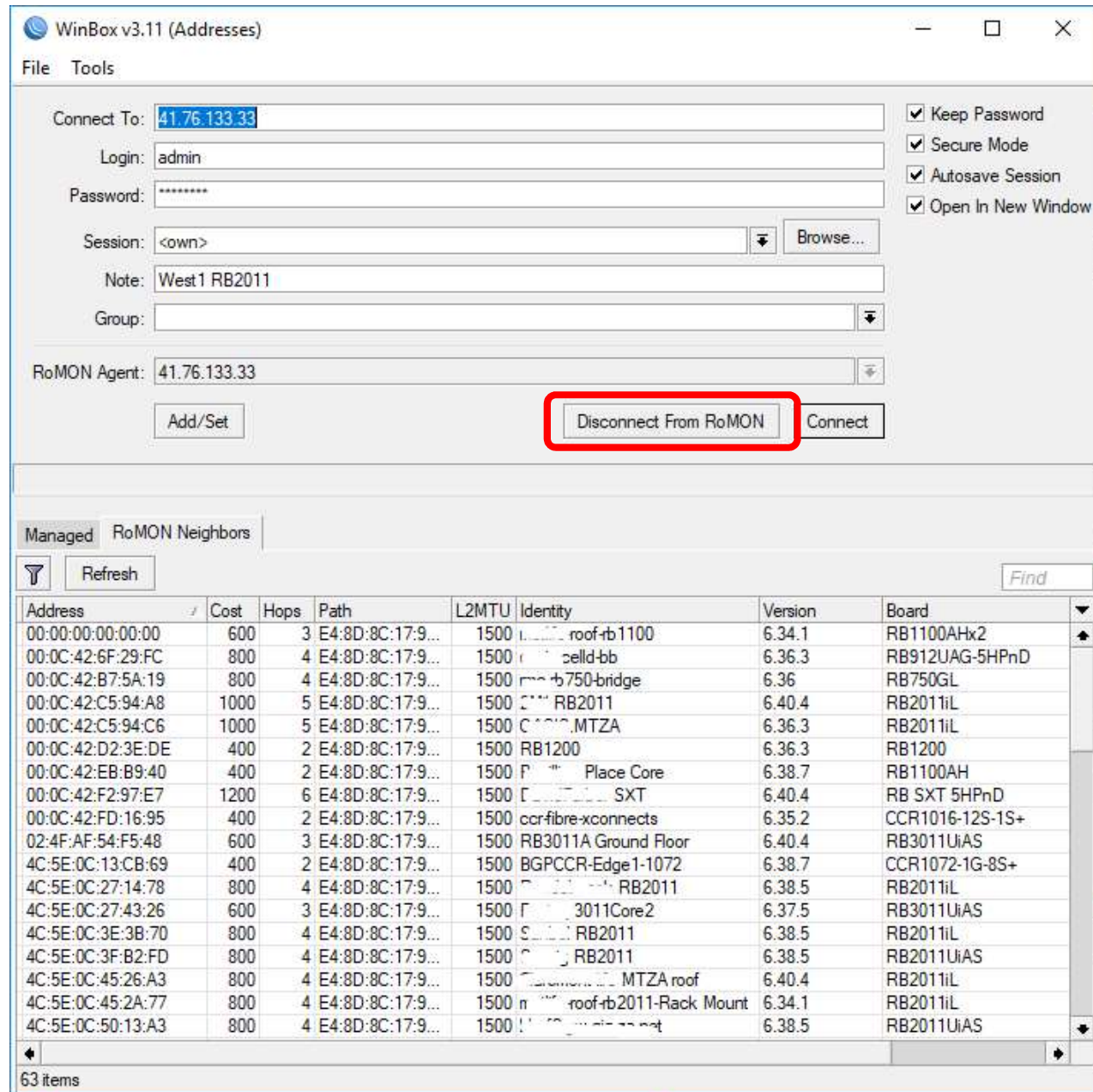


The RoMON Ports dialog box has a title bar with a close button. It features a toolbar with icons for adding, removing, and filtering items, along with a 'Find' search box. Below the toolbar is a table with columns for '#', 'Interface', 'Forbid', and 'Cost'. The table contains three rows of data. At the bottom of the dialog, it says '3 items'.

#	Interface	Forbid	Cost
0	all	no	100
1	ether7	yes	100
2	ether10	no	200

Connecting to RoMON

- Winbox V3 must be used
- Select a RoMON enabled router and choose “Connect to RoMON”
- RoMON enabled routers will now be displayed



Wireless System

Wifi Protected Setup (WPS)

NV2 Sync

WPS

- WiFi Protected Setup (WPS) is a feature for convenient access to the WiFi without entering the passphrase
- RouterOS supports both WPS accept (for AP) and WPS client (for station) modes
- To easily allow guest access to your access point WPS accept button can be used
- When pushed, it will grant an access to connect to the AP for 2min or until a device (station) connects
- The WPS accept button has to be pushed each time a new device needs to connect

Using WPS

- A RouterOS devices with a WiFi interface has a virtual WPS push button
- Certain routers have a front panel button, check for wps button on the router
- Virtual WPS button is available in QuickSet and in wireless interface menu
- It can be disabled if needed
- WPS client is supported by most operating systems



Nstreme Version 2

- Nv2 protocol is a proprietary wireless protocol developed by MikroTik for use with Atheros 802.11 wireless chips
- Nv2 is based on TDMA (Time Division Multiple Access) media access technology instead of CSMA (Carrier Sense Multiple Access) media access technology used in regular 802.11 devices.
- TDMA media access technology solves hidden node problem and improves media usage, thus improving throughput and latency, especially in PtMP networks.

Nv2 AP Synchronization

- This (experimental) feature will let multiple MikroTik Nv2 APs on the same location to coexist in a better fashion by reducing the interference between each other.
- This feature will synchronize the transmit/receive time windows of APs in the same frequency, so that all synced MikroTik Nv2 APs transmits/receives at the same time.
- That allows to reuse the same wireless frequency on the location for multiple APs giving more flexibility in frequency planning.

Nv2 AP Synchronization

- For Nv2 Synchronization a Master Nv2 AP should be chosen and "nv2-mode=sync-master" should be specified together with "nv2-sync-secret".
- For Nv2 Slave APs the same wireless frequency as Master AP should be used and "nv2-mode=sync-slave" should be specified with the same "nv2-sync-secret" as the in Master AP configuration.
- After Master AP is found the Slave AP will start operating as AP and it adapts the period size and downlink ratio from the synced Master AP.

Nv2 AP Synchronization

Interface <wlan1>

Wireless HT HT MCS WDS Nstreme NV2 Status Traffic ...

TDMA Period Size: 2ms

Cell Radius: 30 km

☐ Security

Preshared Key:

Mode: sync master

Downlink Ratio: 50 %

Sync Secret: nv2-syncmeup

Queue Count: 2

QoS: default

OK
Cancel
Apply
Disable
Comment
Advanced Mode
Torch
WPS Accept
WPS Client
Setup Repeater
Scan...
Freq. Usage...
Align...
Sniff...
Snooper...
Reset Configuration

enabled running slave running ap

Bandwidth Test

Test To: 1.255.255.1

Protocol: ☒ udp ☐ tcp

Local UDP Tx Size: 1500

Remote UDP Tx Size: 1500

Direction: both

TCP Connection Count: 20

Local Tx Speed: bps

Remote Tx Speed: bps

☐ Random Data

User:

Password:

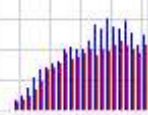
Lost Packets: 1036

Tx/Rx Current: 66.5 Mbps/56.5 Mbps

Tx/Rx 10s Average: 70.2 Mbps/53.9 Mbps

Tx/Rx Total Average: 52.0 Mbps/41.4 Mbps

stopped



Nv2 AP Synchronization

Interface <wlan1>

Wireless HT HT MCS WDS Nstreme NV2 Status Traffic

TDMA Period Size: 2ms

Cell Radius: 30 km

☐ Security

Preshared Key:

Mode: sync master

Downlink Ratio: 80 %

Sync Secret: nv2-syncmeup

Queue Count: 2

QoS: default

OK
Cancel
Apply
Disable
Comment
Advanced Mode
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Direction: both

TCP Connection Count: 20

Local Tx Speed: bps

Remote Tx Speed: bps

☐ Random Data

User:

Password:

Lost Packets: 496

Tx/Rx Current: 128.6 Mbps/13.3 Mbps

Tx/Rx 10s Average: 74.2 Mbps/13.8 Mbps

Tx/Rx Total Average: 68.2 Mbps/13.2 Mbps

stopped

VPN

Virtual Private Networks

EoIP, VLAN

PPTP, L2TP

PPPoE

PPTP and L2TP Tunnels

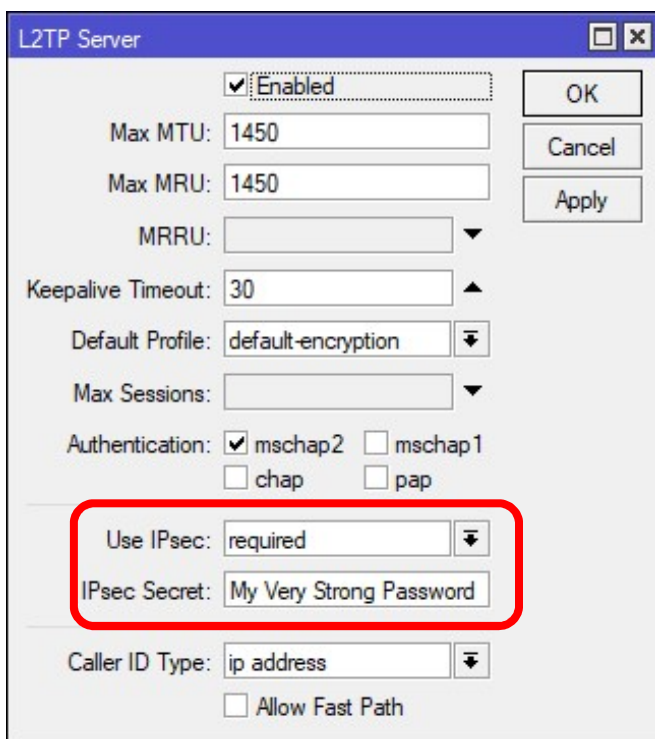
- **PROBLEM:** VPN's build with PPTP/L2TP use legacy encryption methods
 - OpenVPN and SSTP (Secure Socket Tunneling Protocol) are far more secure, however client and server certificates are required
- **SOLUTION:** Use L2TP with easy IPSEC setup to securely establish “road warrior” connections for mobile devices

IPSEC

- Internet Protocol Security (IPsec) - a set of protocols to support secure communication at the IP layer
- Originally developed alongside IPv6, later backported to IPv4
- Provides encryption to the IP protocol for both IPv4 and IPv6
- Is an extensible protocol under constant development, update and improvement

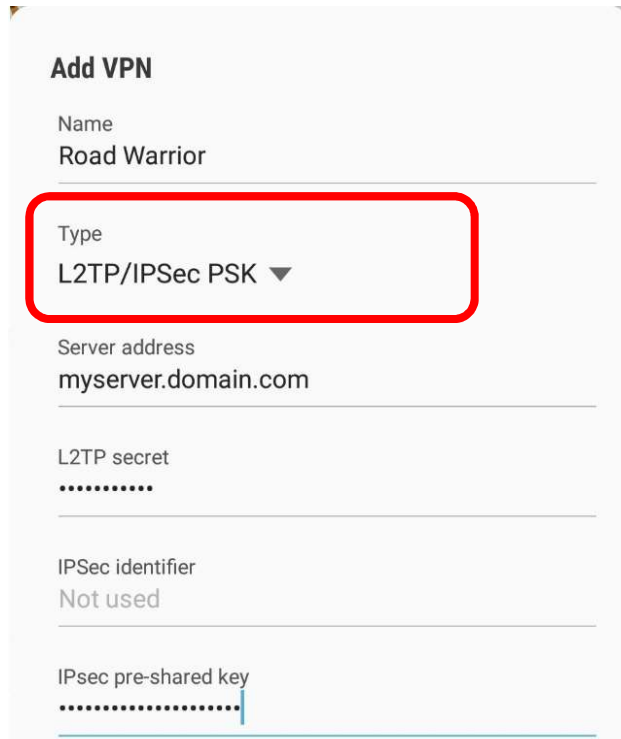
L2TP with IPSEC

- Easy way to provide IPSEC encryption using existing L2TP services
- Set “Use Ipsec” to yes or required as per your policy
- On mobile device choose L2TP/IPsec PSK or similar option



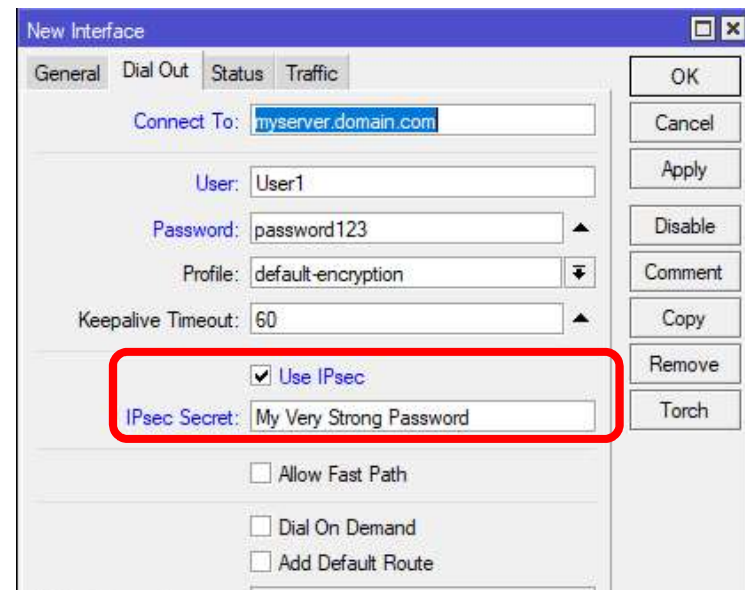
L2TP Server configuration window. The window has a title bar with a close button. It contains several fields and checkboxes. A red box highlights the 'Use IPsec' dropdown menu, which is set to 'required', and the 'IPsec Secret' text field, which contains 'My Very Strong Password'.

Max MTU: 1450
Max MRU: 1450
MRRU: [dropdown]
Keepalive Timeout: 30
Default Profile: default-encryption
Max Sessions: [dropdown]
Authentication: ☒ mschap2 ☐ mschap1
☐ chap ☐ pap
Use IPsec: required
IPsec Secret: My Very Strong Password
Caller ID Type: ip address
☐ Allow Fast Path



Add VPN configuration window. The window has a title bar with a close button. It contains several fields. A red box highlights the 'Type' dropdown menu, which is set to 'L2TP/IPsec PSK'.

Name: Road Warrior
Type: L2TP/IPsec PSK
Server address: myserver.domain.com
L2TP secret:
IPsec identifier: Not used
IPsec pre-shared key:



New Interface configuration window. The window has a title bar with a close button. It contains several tabs and fields. A red box highlights the 'Use IPsec' checkbox, which is checked, and the 'IPsec Secret' text field, which contains 'My Very Strong Password'.

General Dial Out Status Traffic
Connect To: myserver.domain.com
User: User1
Password: password123
Profile: default-encryption
Keepalive Timeout: 60
Use IPsec
IPsec Secret: My Very Strong Password
Allow Fast Path
Dial On Demand
Add Default Route

Simple Tunnel with IPSEC

- IPIP, GRE and EoIP tunnels now also support IPSEC encryption under RouterOS
- Simply specify IPSEC secret when setting up tunnel to enable

The screenshot shows the 'New Interface' configuration window in RouterOS. The 'General' tab is selected, and the interface is configured as an 'EoIP Tunnel' named 'eip-tunnel-with-IPSEC'. The 'IPsec Secret' field is highlighted with a red box, containing the value 'SuperSecretTunnel'. Other fields include 'Local Address' (10.0.0.1), 'Remote Address' (172.16.0.1), 'Tunnel ID' (123), 'Keepalive' (00:00:10), 'DSCP' (inherit), and 'Dont Fragment' (no). The 'Clamp TCP MSS' checkbox is checked, and 'Allow Fast Path' is unchecked. The status bar at the bottom shows 'enabled', 'running', and 'slave'.

Field	Value
Name	eip-tunnel-with-IPSEC
Type	EoIP Tunnel
MTU	
Actual MTU	
L2 MTU	
MAC Address	02:A5:CB:FF:E2:DF
ARP	enabled
ARP Timeout	
Local Address	10.0.0.1
Remote Address	172.16.0.1
Tunnel ID	123
IPsec Secret	SuperSecretTunnel
Keepalive	00:00:10, 5
DSCP	inherit
Dont Fragment	no
Clamp TCP MSS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Allow Fast Path	<input type="checkbox"/>

IP Cloud Service

- If you run a client providing a dynamic IP address you cannot assign a static DNS
- Past solutions include running a DynDNS client or scripting a solution
- IP → Cloud is a free service from MikroTik that will translate your public outgoing IP to a dynamic DNS server hosted on the MikroTik cloud
- Since the name is taken from the routers serial number you can predict what the name will be

```
[admin@Trainer Dave] /ip cloud> print
```

```
ddns-enabled: yes
```

```
update-time: yes
```

```
public-address: 41.21.229.146
```

```
dns-name: 558104cf9d4c.sn.mynetname.net
```

```
status: updated
```

```
warning: DDNS server received request from IP 41.21.229.146 but  
your local IP was 192.168.5.254; DDNS service might not work.
```

Cloud

☒ DDNS Enabled

☒ Update Time

Public Address: 41.21.229.146

DNS Name: 558104cf9d4c.sn.mynetname.net

OK

Cancel

Apply

Force Update

updated

DDNS server received request from IP 4...

Routerboard

☒ Routerboard

Model: 951Ui-2HnD

Serial Number: 558104CF9D4C

Current Firmware: 3.22

Upgrade Firmware: 3.22

OK

Upgrade

Settings

PoE Settings

USB Power Reset

Firewall Improvements

Address list by DNS name

Improved rules for adding addresses

Firewall Address List

- **PROBLEM:** You need to apply firewall rules by DNS name instead of static address
- **SOLUTION:** Firewall address list can now track DNS names for dynamic address generation
- Lists will be refreshed according to upstream TTL record
- Domains with multiple servers will generate multiple records

Firewall Address List <DNS Demo>

Name:

Address:

Timeout:

Creation Time:

enabled

Firewall

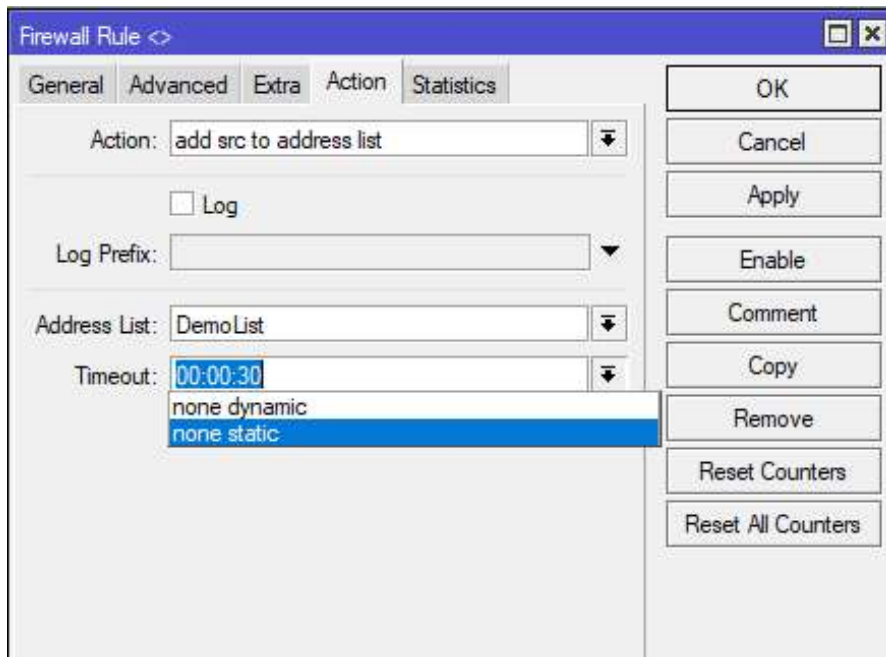
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Find

Name	Address	Timeout	Creation Time
• DNS Demo	www.youtube.com		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: www.youtube.com			
D • DNS D...	216.58.223.14		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: www.youtube.com			
D • DNS D...	216.58.223.46		Nov/23/2017 22:...
• DNS Demo	netflix.com		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: netflix.com			
D • DNS D...	52.211.208.146		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: netflix.com			
D • DNS D...	52.210.7.69		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: netflix.com			
D • DNS D...	52.208.128.101		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: netflix.com			
D • DNS D...	52.209.79.186		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: netflix.com			
D • DNS D...	52.210.66.202		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: netflix.com			
D • DNS D...	52.210.67.117		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: netflix.com			
D • DNS D...	52.19.56.133		Nov/23/2017 22:...
::: netflix.com			
D • DNS D...	52.208.245.169		Nov/23/2017 22:...

Firewall Address List

- Firewall action “Add src/dst to address list” has improved options
- Choose between a set timeout value, none static or none dynamic



Question Time