

ExtremeControl with ExtremeWireless WiNG

Abstract: This document covers implementation of ExtremeWireless WiNG in ExtremeControl. The enforcement to the wireless controller is done via Wireless Client Roles that are dynamically applied on the wireless controller after a Filter-ID is returned from Access Control. The Wireless Client Role can enforce Application Rules, IPv6 Rules, IPv4 Rules, and MAC Rules. Web redirection is done via a custom RADIUS attribute that sends the redirection URL. Note that this guide only provides guidance on the configuration of the wireless controller to integrate with Access Control and does not cover implementation of Access Control functionalities.

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Pre-Requisites and Limitations

- Extreme ExtremeManagement 8.0.4.54 or later.
- Extreme Access Control 8.0.4.54 or later.
- WiNG Firmware version 5.9.1 or later. A controller with an Advanced Security license should be used.
- There is currently no common wired and wireless policy management with ExtremeWireless WiNG. User access is manually created on the wireless controller.
- ExtremeAnalytics can be configured in an Overlay mode on a network that runs ExtremeWireless WiNG. There is currently no integrated mode available on WiNG.
- ExtremeManagement does not currently provide heat maps, location, or area based access control when using ExtremeWireless WiNG.
- ExtremeManagement does not currently report wireless RF stats, or MU History reporting when using ExtremeWireless WiNG

Overview

This section provides a brief overview of the traffic flow and RADIUS authentication. The figure below shows the components in use and how authentication flows through the solution.

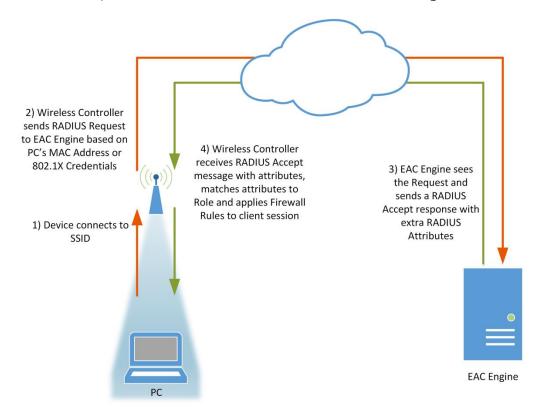


Figure 1. Authentication Packet Flow

- 1. As the device connects to the wireless SSID, either MAC-based authentication or 802.1X authentication will occur.
- 2. The wireless controller will send a RADIUS request destined to the Access Control Engine for authentication.
- 3. The Access Control Engine will authenticate the RADIUS request per its configuration. It will pass back RADIUS attributes that the wireless controller can interpret.
- 4. The wireless controller will match the attributes to a Wireless Client Role and enforce the corresponding Firewall rules or application policies.

Note

In addition to the steps created in this guide, it is also recommended to have IP helper addresses pointed to the Access Control Engine and SNMP Read-Only credentials configured on the router which Access Control can query to assist with IP resolution.

Part 1 - Configuring the Wireless Controller to Authenticate to Access Control

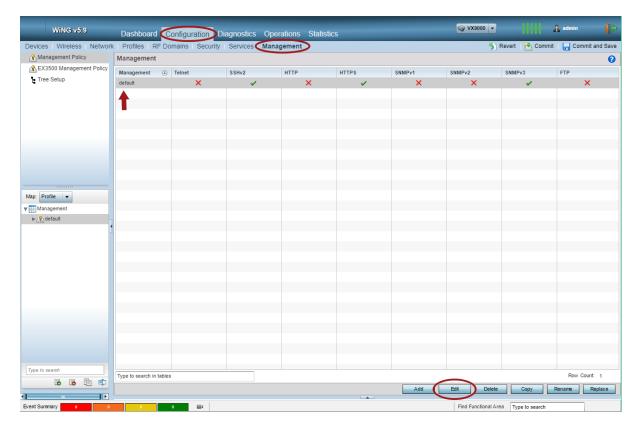
The configuration of the ExtremeWireless WiNG controller to authenticate to Access Control consists of five parts.

- 1. Configure SNMP to manage the wireless controller.
- 2. Configure the RADIUS settings to authenticate against the Access Control Engine.
- 3. Configure the Wireless Client Roles that will be assigned from Access Control.
- 4. Configure the Captive Portal on the wireless controller.
- 5. Configure the SSID for authentication against Access Control.

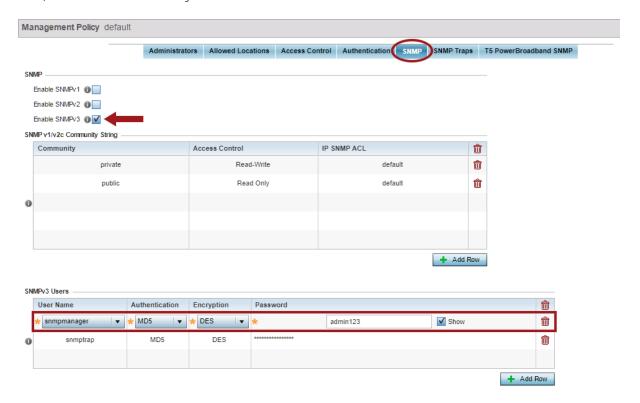
Step 1 - Configure SNMP

In order for ExtremeManagement to manage a wireless controller, SNMP needs to be configured. Ideally SNMPv3 is used due to its security and efficiency compared to SNMPv1 or SNMPv2.

SNMP configuration is accomplished by logging into the wireless controller and navigating to **Management** tab under **Configuration**. In the **Management Policy** section select the the management policy in use and select **Edit**:

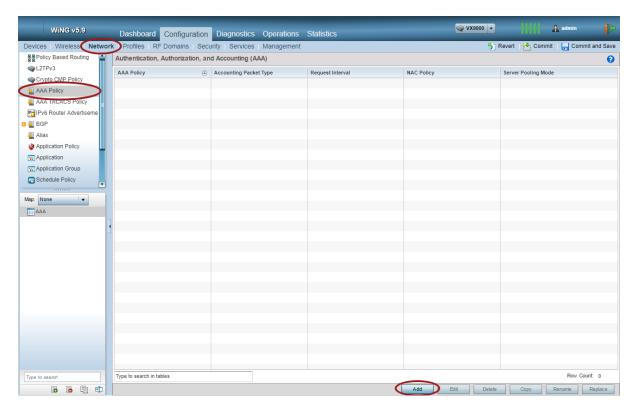


In the management policy, select the SNMP tab. Ensure that SNMPv3 is enabled. Then select the SNMPv3 Users and verify the settings so that they can be used when configuring Access Control. If desired, change the password from the default, Once complete, if any changes were made, select OK followed by a Commit.



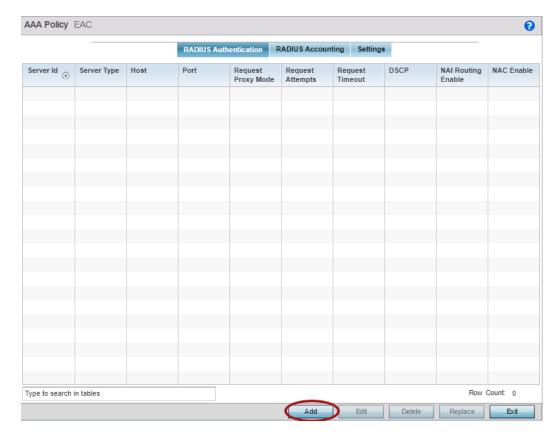
Step 2 - Configure RADIUS

In order for the wireless controller to authenticate against Access Control, the Access Control Engine needs to be configured as a RADIUS server in the wireless controller with some specific settings enabled. To accomplish this, navigate to the **Network** tab under **Configuration**. Then select the **AAA Policy** section. Select the **Add** button to create a new AAA policy. Name the new policy and select **Continue**.



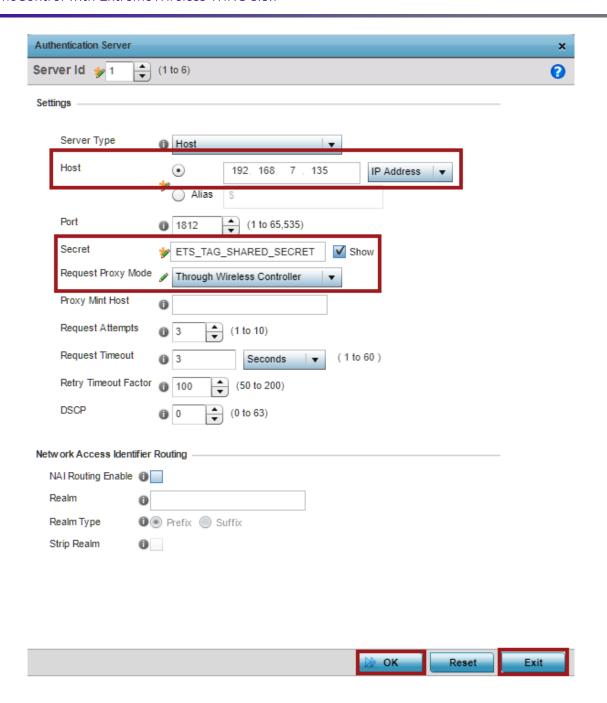
In the RADIUS Authentication tab, select the Add button to create a new RADIUS Server.



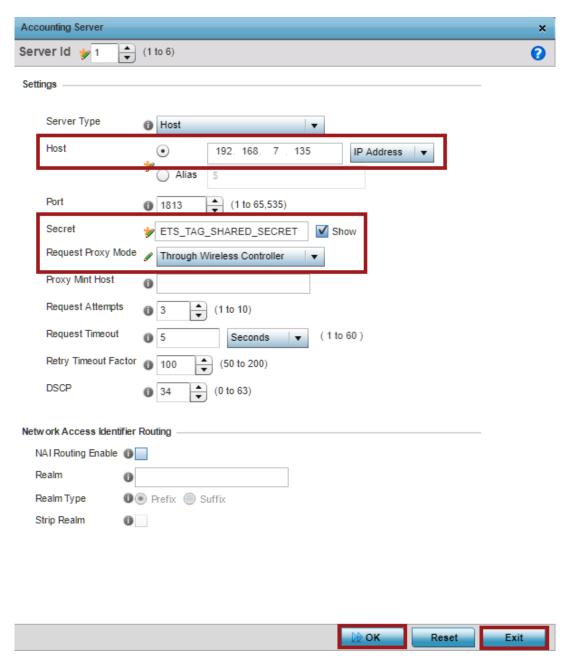


In the Authentication Server window, use the following settings in addition to the defaults that are populated. Select **OK** and then **Exit** when the settings are complete.

- Host: <Access Control Engine IP Address>
- Secret: ETS_TAG_SHARED_SECRET
- Request Proxy Mode: Through Wireless Controller



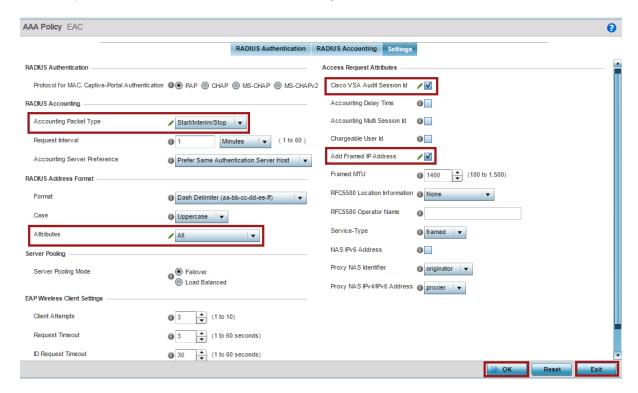
Select the **RADIUS** Accounting tab and add a RADIUS Accounting Server. Use the default settings with the exception for the Host IP, Secret, and Request Proxy Mode as with the Authentication Server. Select **OK** and **Exit** when the settings are complete.



Finally, select the **Settings** tab of the AAA policy. In this screen, a few items need to be adjusted. Once completed, select the **OK** button followed by **Exit** and then **Commit**.

- In the RADIUS Accounting section, change the **Accounting Packet Type** to Start/Interim/Stop.
- In the RADIUS Address Format section, change Attributes to All.
- In the Access Request Attributes section, enable the Cisco VSA Audit Session Id option and the Add Framed IP Address option.

Once completed, select the OK button followed by Exit and then Commit and Save.

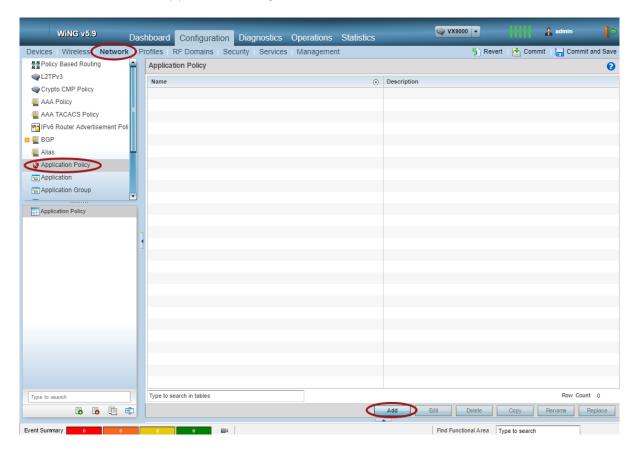


Step 3 - Configure Roles and Firewall Rules

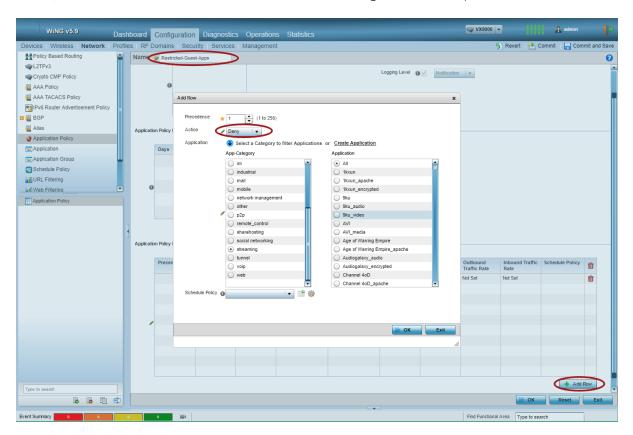
Differing levels of access to users and devices can be assigned based on a rules engine running on Access Control. These levels of access are defined by Wireless Client Roles in the wireless controller. The Roles allow for a mapping of a VLAN ID, Application Policies, IPv6 Firewall Rules, IPv4 Firewall Rules, and MAC-Based Firewall Rules. For the purposes of this document, Application Policies and IPv4 Firewall rules will be shown.

Application Policies

An application policy can be created to control layer 7 applications such as streaming video applications, social media, and peer to peer applications. To create such policies, navigate to the **Network** tab under Configuration. Then select the **Application Policy** section. Select the **Add** button to create a new Application Policy.

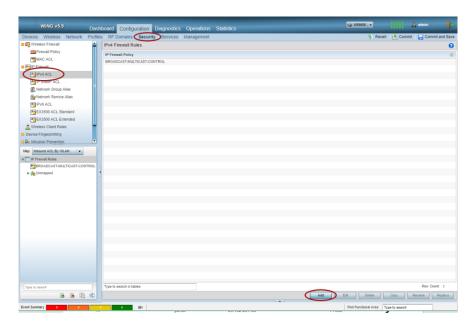


Name the new application policy and create the types of Application Policy Rules that are desired. Each Application Policy Rule can be added by creating new rows. Once the rules are created, select **OK** and **Exit**. **Commit and Save** the changes when complete.

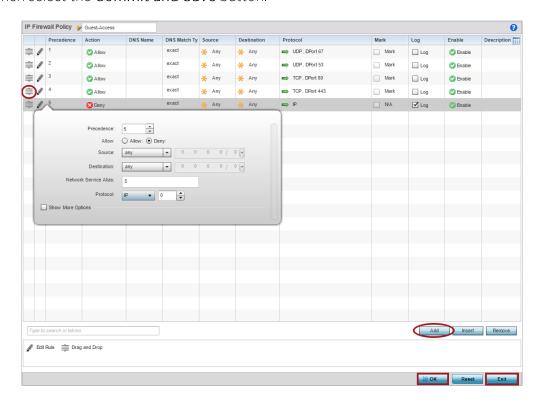


IPv4 Firewall Policies

To create the desired IPv4 Firewall rules, navigate to the **Security** tab under **Configuration**. Then select expand the IP Firewall tree and select the **IPv4** ACL section. In this section, IP Firewall Policies can be created for use in the Wireless Client Roles. To create a new policy, select the **Add** button.

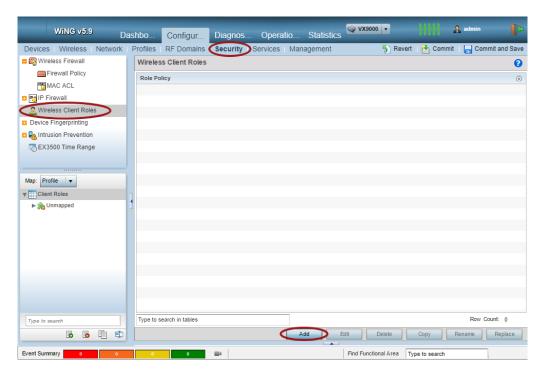


In the new IP Firewall Policy, assign a name that can be used for the Wireless Client Role. Create individual ACL rules that will be assigned to match the desired level of access. The rules can be re-ordered with drag-and-drop if desired. Once complete, select the **OK** button followed by **Exit**. Then select the **Commit and Save** button.

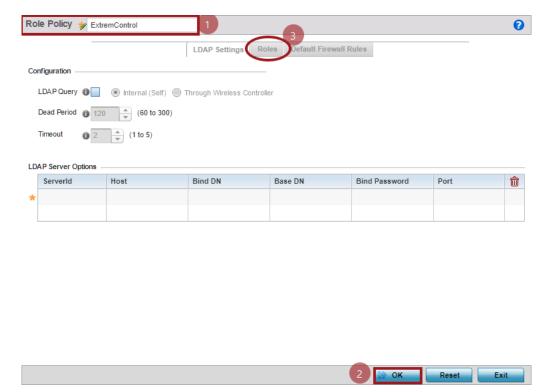


Wireless Client Role

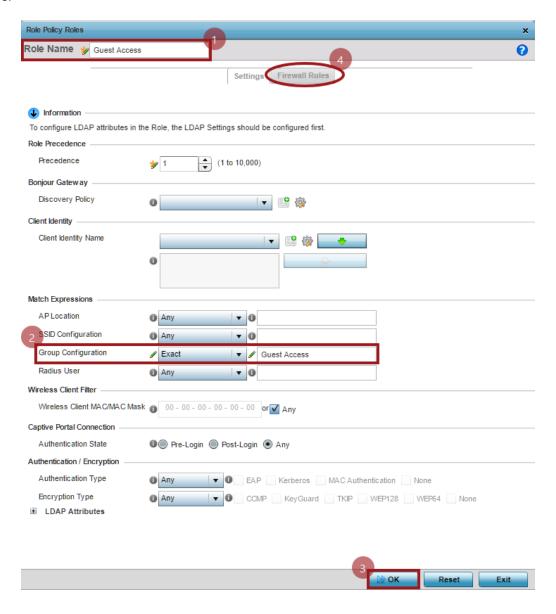
To create the role that will be assigned by Access Control, navigate to the **Security** tab under Configuration. Then select the **Wireless Client Roles** section. In this section, role policies can be created. In most networks, only one policy will be created with multiple roles within the policy. To create a new policy, select the **Add** button.



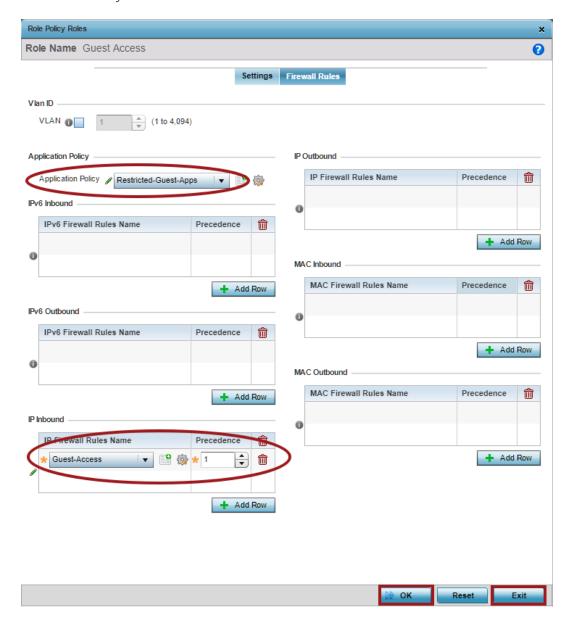
Name the role policy, then press OK. Next, select the Roles tab to start creating the roles.



In the new Role, enter a name and select **OK**. In the Match Expressions field, change the **Group Configuration** to create an Exact match of the name of the Filter-Id that will be received from Access Control. For instance, if the Guest Access role is being sent back, the matching configuration should match the screenshot below. Also note that for different roles, the Role Precedence needs to be different. Once that is set, select the **Firewall Rules** tab to assign the access.



In the Firewall Rules tab, the previously created Application Policy and IP ACL rules can be be assigned as well as a VLAN override if desired. Once the firewall rules are complete, select the OK button followed by Exit.

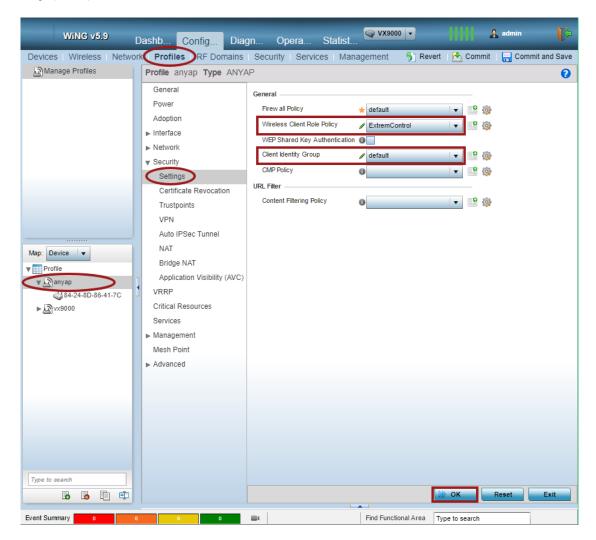


Repeat this process for any additional roles that need to be created. **Commit and Save** the changes once complete.

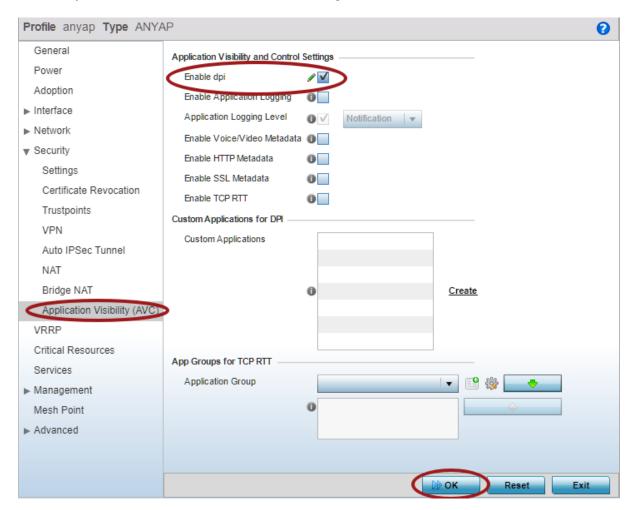


Assign the Roles Profiles

The last step to enable the Roles is to assign it to a Device or Profile. If Application Policies are also being used the DPI engine needs to be enabled. Accomplish this by navigating to the **Profiles** tab under Configuration. Select the Profile that needs to be modified and expand the **Security** section of the profile. In the **Settings** section, select the **Wireless Client Role** that was created from the dropdown list. Select **OK** to save the setting then select the **Application Visibility (AVC)** section.



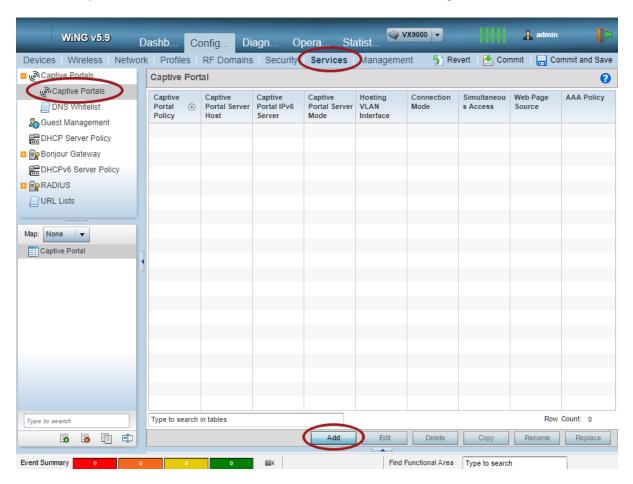
In the Application Visibilty (AVC) section, enable the checkbox for Enable dpi and select OK followed by Exit and then Commit and Save changes.



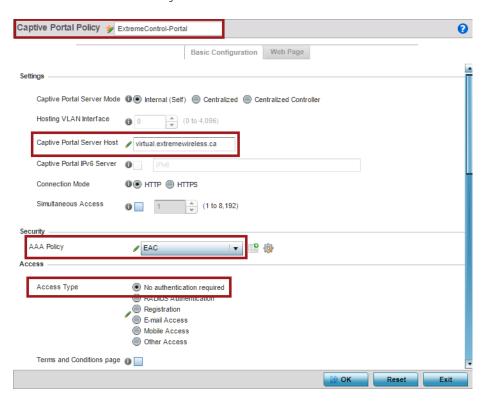
Step 4 - Captive Portal Configuration

ExtremeWireless WiNG can use a centralized external captive portal for authentication and registration. The captive portal configuration also needs to include a DNS whitelist of websites that a client is allowed to go to while still in the captive state. The captive portal URL is dynamically assigned from Access Control via a RADIUS attribute when a client needs to be redirected.

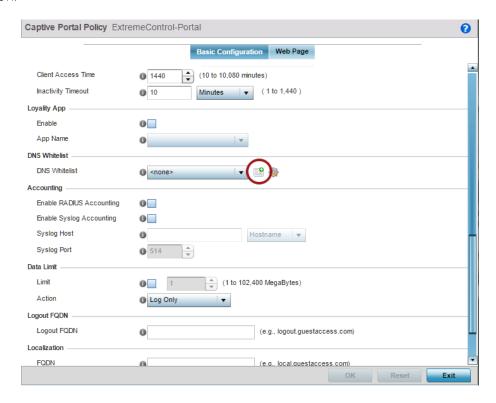
To create the captive portal configuration, select the **Services** section of **Configuration**. Then select the **Captive Portals** section. Select **Add** to create a new configuration.



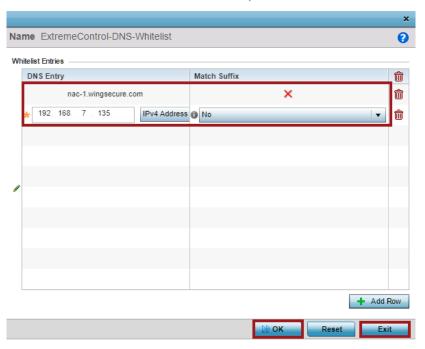
In the new Captive Portal policy, select Internal(Self) for the Captive Portal Server Mode. In the Captive Portal Server Host field, specify a <u>non-existant</u> server host where the web request would typically be sent. In the Access field, select No authentication required for the Access Type. Press OK to save the new Policy.



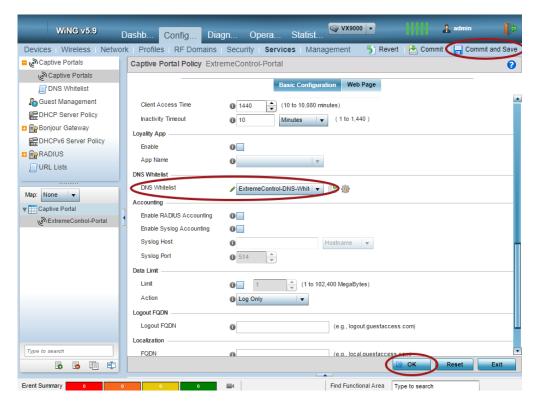
While still in the newly created Captive Portal Policy, scroll down to DNS Whitelist and select the Add button.



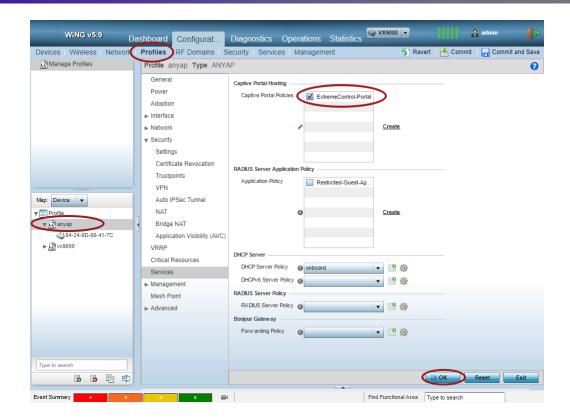
Create entries in the DNS whitelist for both the IP address and hostname of the Access Control Engines used on the network. Once added, select the **OK** and **Exit** buttons.



In the Captive Portal Policy, select the newly created **DNS Whitelist** from the dropdown menu and then select **OK** followed by **Commit and Save**.

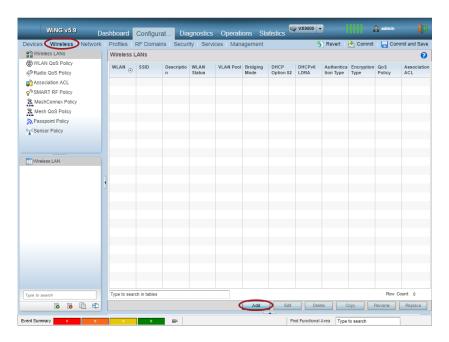


The final step is to assign the new Captive Portal policy to the Device Profiles in use. To do this, select the **Profiles** tab under **Configuration** and then navigate to the profile to be modified. Select the Services tab of the profile and then select the checkbox next to the new Captive Portal Policy. Once complete, select the **OK** button followed by Commit.

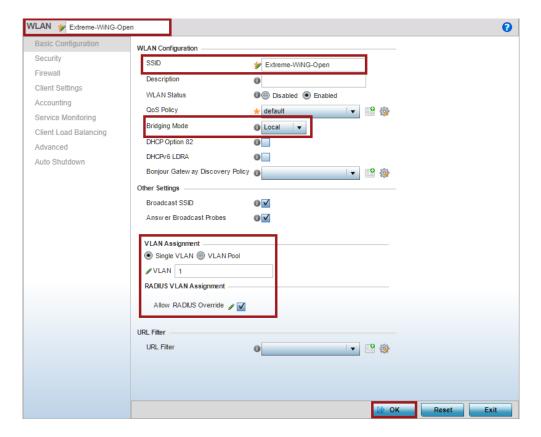


Step 5 - Create the Wireless Networks

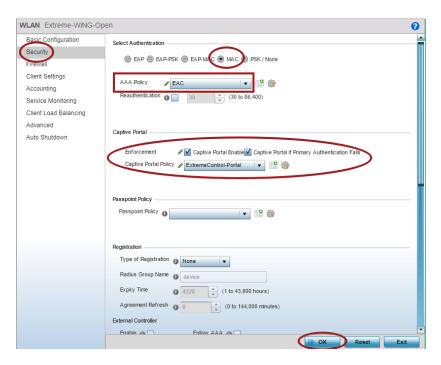
The last part of the configuration of the wireless controller is the mapping of all of the settings to a wireless network. Navigate to the **Wireless** tab of **Configuration** and select the **Wireless** LANs section. Select the Add button to create a new wireless network.



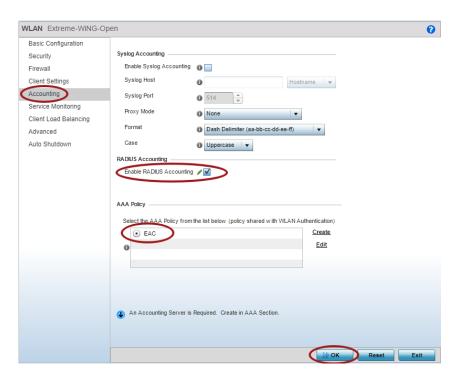
In the new WLAN screen, create the basic configurations required such as the SSID name, Bridging Mode and VLAN Assignment. Then enable the Allow RADIUS Override checkbox and select the OK button.



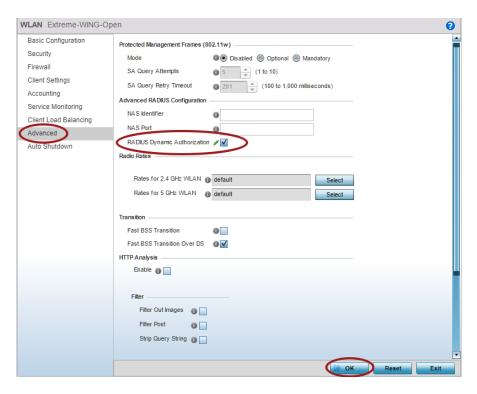
Next, navigate to the Security section of the WLAN. Select MAC for the authentication type. Once the authentication type is set, select the AAA Policy that was created from the drop down list. Next, select the checkboxes next to Captive Portal Enable and Captive Portal if Primary Authentication Fails. From the Captive Portal Policy drop down list select the previously created Captive Portal Policy. If the encryption methods need to be set for the SSID type, scroll further down the page and select the appropriate settings for the type of SSID. Select the OK button to continue.



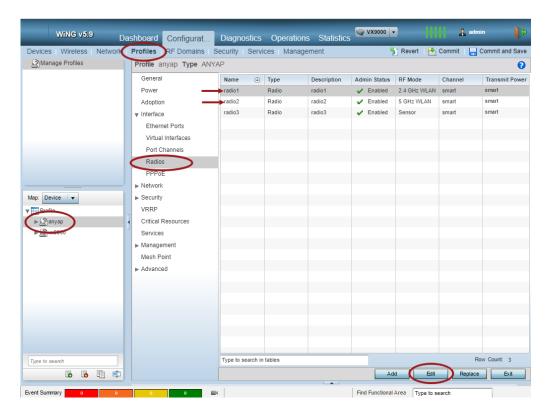
Next, select the **Accounting** section of the WLAN. Select the checkbox for **Enable RADIUS Accounting** and ensure that the AAA Policy previously created is selected. Select the **OK** button to continue.



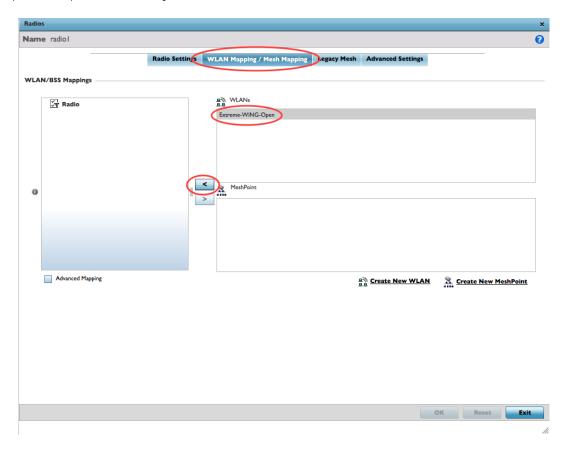
The last configuration step for the WLAN is in the **Advanced** section. Select the checkbox next to **RADIUS Dynamic Authorization** and then select **OK** followed by Exit. Then Commit the configuration.



The last configuration step for the Wireless Network is to assign it to the AP Radios. Navigate to the appropriate **Profile** and expand the **Interface** section to select the **Radio**. Select a radio and then the **Edit** button.



In the Radios window, select the WLAN Mapping / Mesh Mapping tab. Select the newly created WLAN and then the arrow to map it to the radio. Select the OK button followed by Exit and repeat the process for any additional radios.



Part 2 - Configuring ExtremeControl

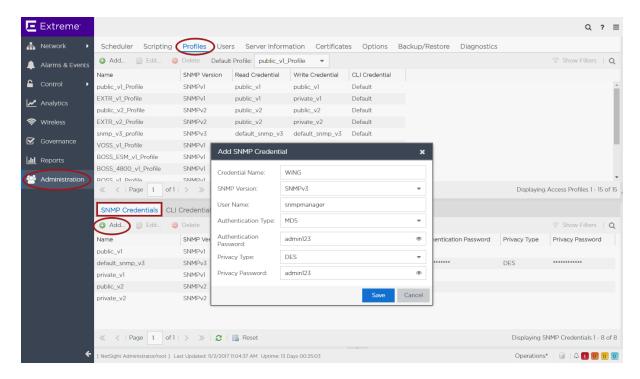
In this section, the WiNG wireless controller will be added to Extreme Access Control as a switch so that clients can be authenticated and controlled.

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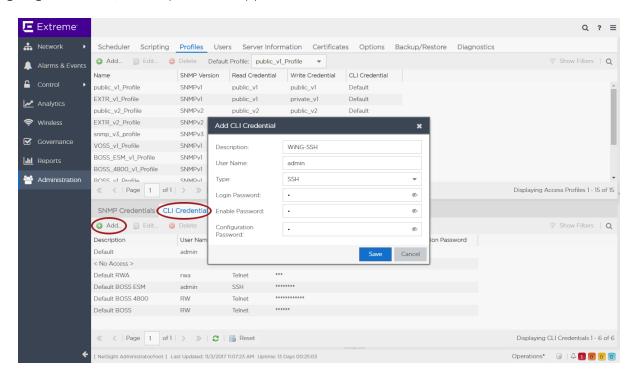
This section assumes that the Access Control Engine is already configured and added to Access Control. It also assumes that Guest Registration is already enabled.

Step 1 - Create an SNMP Profile for WiNG

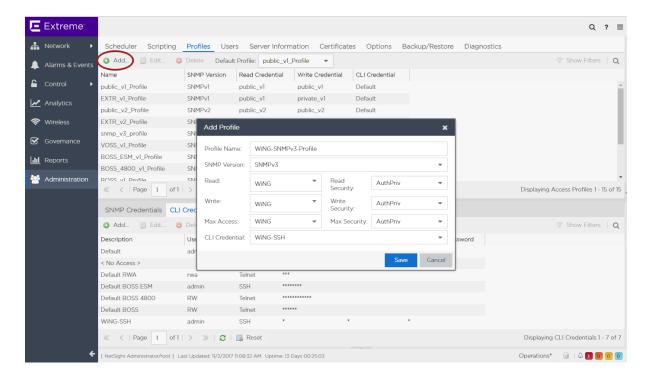
In ExtremeManagement, select the **Profiles** tab under **Administration**. Select the **Add** button for **SNMP Credentials**. Create new SNMP credentials that correlate with the credentials configured in the wireless controller.



Next, select CLI Credentials in the Profiles tab and create a new CLI configuration to access the WiNG Controller in the event that scripts are used in ExtremeManagement. If no scripts are going to be used, this step can be skipped.

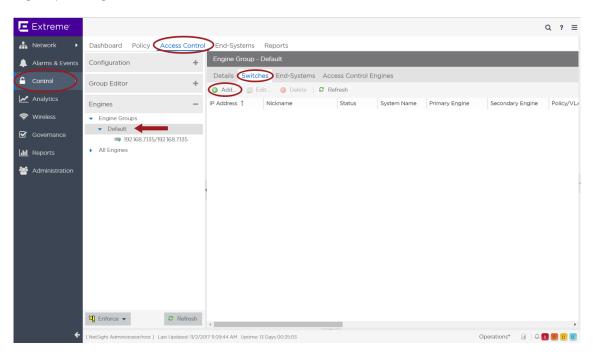


With the SNMP Credentials and CLI Credentials configured, create a **Profile** to map them together. Ensure that the SNMP settings are configured for **AuthPriv** for the SNMP Read, Write, and Max Access.

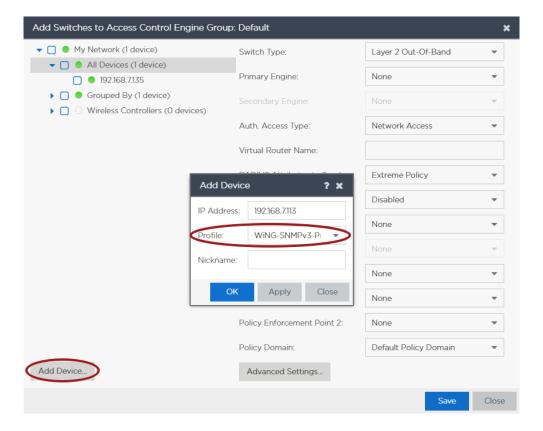


Step 2 - Add the Wireless Controller to ExtremeControl

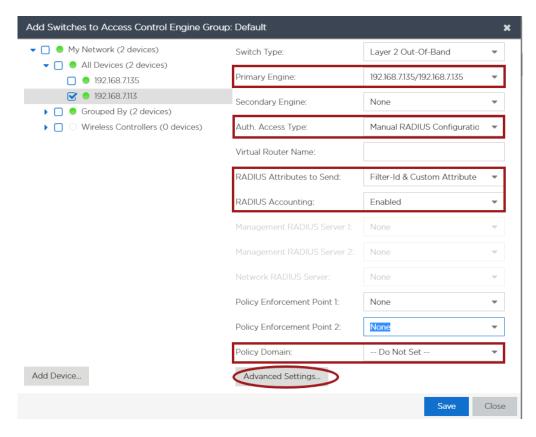
Select the **Access Control** tab of **Control** followed by the **Default** Access Control Engine Group. In the group configuration, select the **Switches** tab and then select the **Add Switches** button.



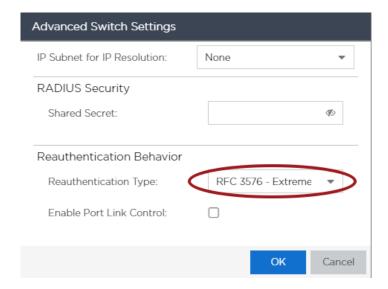
In the Add Switches dialog, if the wireless controller hasn't been added to ExtremeManagement yet, select the **Add Device** button to add the IP address of the wireless controller and the SNMP Profile to use for communication.



Once the wireless controller is added to ExtremeManagement, select the wireless controller from the device list. Some configurations of the dialog are automatically populated. Select the Access Control Engine from the Primary Engine drop down list. If there is more than one Access Control Engine, do the same for the Secondary Engine. Set the RADIUS Attributes to Send to Filter-Id & Custom Attribute and then set the Policy Domain to Do Not Set.



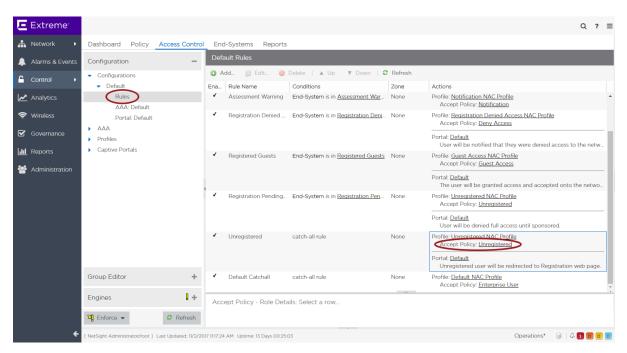
In the Advanced Switch Settings dialog, the Reauthentication Type must be modified. From the drop down list select RFC3576 - ExtremeWireless WiNG. If the setting is not currently available, see Appendix A to create the Reauthentication Configuration.



Step 3 - Configure Rules, Roles and Policy Mappings

The last step to configuring ExtremeControl is to create and modify the Accept Policies for various Rules. Since ExtemeWireless WiNG controllers use a Filter-ID to pass back Wireless Client roles, most of the configuration is already done. However, for roles that require redirection to the captive portal, an additional VSA must be added. This will typically be used in the Unregistered Role, Quarantine Role and Assessing Role. This example shown will be for the Unregistered Role, however it can be re-used for any role that needs redirection.

Select the **Rules** section in the Access Control Configuration. Find the Unregistered rule and then select the **Unregistered** Accept policy.



In the Edit Policy Mapping dialog, there is a field available for Custom 1. The following attribute format should be used to instruct the controller to redirect to the Access Control Engine:

```
Custom 1: cisco-avpair=url-redirect=http://<AccessControlEngineIP>/?client_ip=WING_TAG_CLIENT_IP&client_mac=WING_TAG_CLIENT_MAC
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For example, if the Access Control Engine IP address is 10.120.85.81, the attribute is:

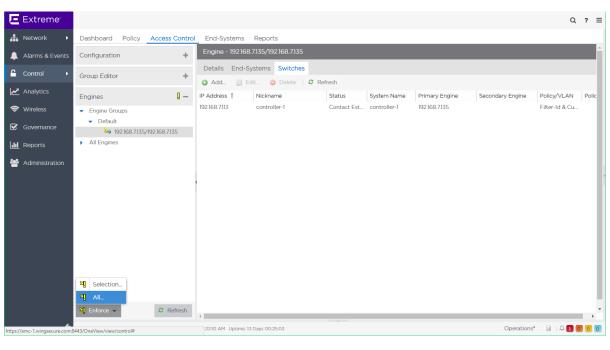
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Custom 1: cisco-avpair=url-redirect=http://10.120.85.81/?client_ip=WING_TAG_CLIENT_IP&client_mac=WING_TAG_C LIENT_MAC
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If HTTPS and a fully qualified domain name are used on the Access Control Engine, the attribute is:

Custom 1: cisco-avpair=url-redirect=https://eac-engine-poc.cse.ets.com/?client_ip=WING_TAG_CLIENT_IP&client_mac=WING_TAG_CLIENT_MACC



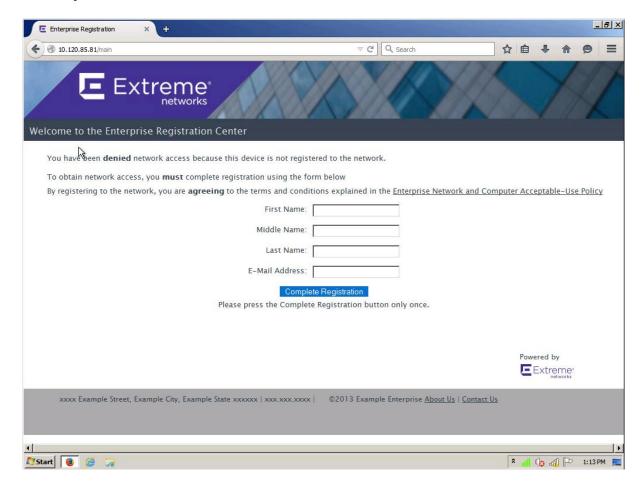
Once the configuration for each Accept Policy is complete, Enforce to the Access Control Engines.



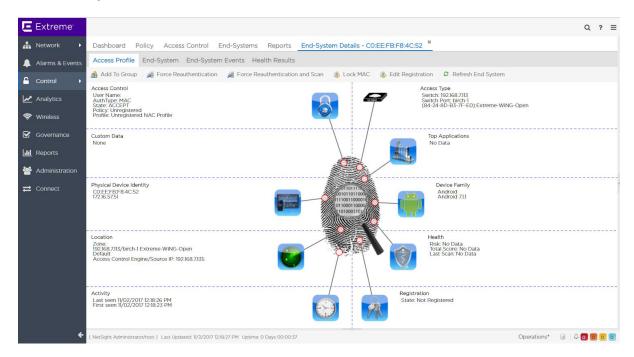


Part 3 - Validation

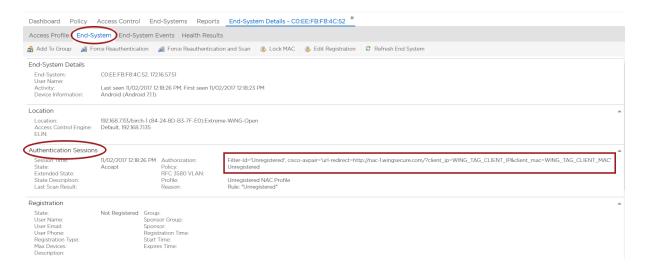
Validation of the configuration is completed by connecting a device to the SSID that was created and verifying that network connectivity is established. Opening a web page on the client should redirect to the captive portal provided by the Access Control Engine. Once the registration is complete and the user selects the **Complete Registration** button, the user will be seamlessly moved to a new role.



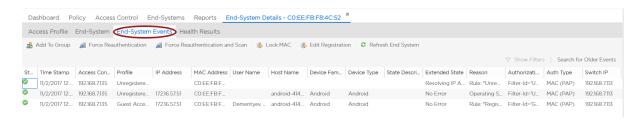
When looking at ExtremeControl, the end system information should also be populated with detailed end system information.



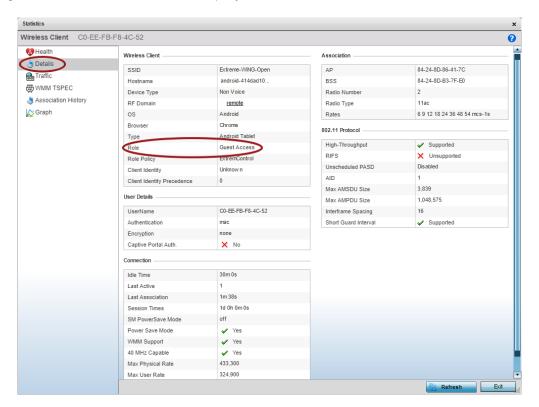
When looking at the End-System Details for a device that has not yet gone through registration, the RADIUS attributes that were configured should be shown.



In the End System Events for the device, the audit trail of the states and access assigned will be shown.



In the wireless controller, the role application can be verified by locating the wireless client and selecting the Details. The role will be displayed in the window.

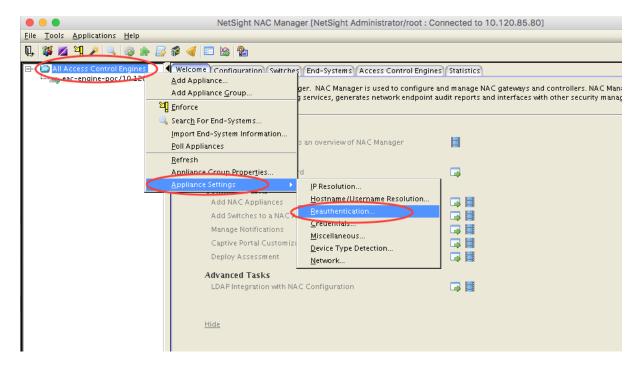


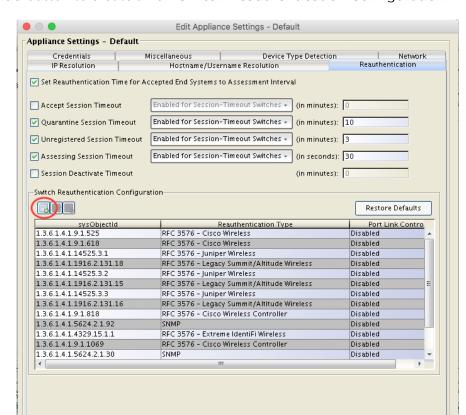
Appendix A: Creating RFC 3576 Configurations

In the case where the RFC 3576 reauthentication configuration is not available, it will need to be manually created via the NAC Manager java client. To open the client, navigate to the **Legacy** section of the **Control** tab and select **NAC Manager**.



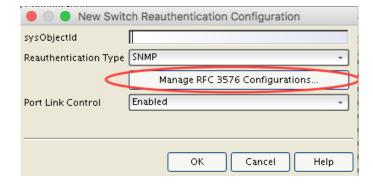
Once in NAC Manager, right-click on the All Access Control Engines group and select Appliance Settings → Reauthentication.



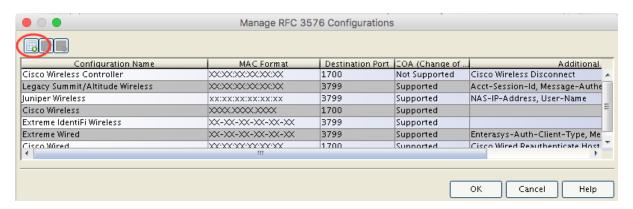


Select the Add button to create a new Switch Reauthentication Configuration.

In the new Switch Reauthentication Configuration window, select Manage RFC 3576 Configurations.



Select the Add button to create a new RFC 3576 Configuration.



Use the following settings in the new RFC 3576 Configuration and then press **OK** to save the configuration.

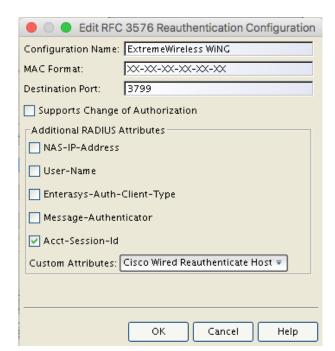
Configuration Name: ExtremeWireless WiNG MAC Format: XX-XX-XX-XX-XX

Destination Port: 3799 Supports CoA: Enabled

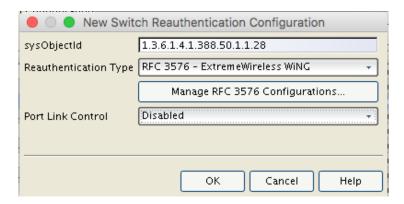
Additional Attributes

Acct-Session-Id: Enabled

Custom Attributes: Cisco Wired Reauthenticate Host



Press **OK** to save the RFC 3576 Configurations. If the sysObjectId of the wireless controller is known, it can be mapped to the reauthentication configuration in the window below. Otherwise select Cancel and the configuration can be statically mapped in the Advanced Settings of the Add Switch dialog when adding the wireless controller to Access Control. Enforce the configuration once complete.



Revision History

Date	Revision	Changes Made	Author
11/1/16	1.0	Initial Release	T. Marcotte
11/18/16	1.1	Minor edit regarding CoA.	T. Marcotte
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