

## Snort installation

Snort is used for performing security checks on network boundaries. This can be done on the outside Untrust network but is sometimes more useful to look at what's getting thru your firewall into the web servers.

We will be installing Snort 2.7.0 on a Redhat 6 box. First, you need a compiler.

- yum install gcc

Redhat doesn't have a number of libraries needed by Snort so you need to add these before installing the main snort application.

Install flex – needed by libpcap

- Yum install flex

Install yacc (bison) – needed by libpcap

- Yum install bison

Install libpcap

- wget <http://www.tcpdump.org/release/libpcap-1.3.0.tar.gz>
- tar -xzf libpcap-1.3.0.tar.gz
- cd libpcap
- ./configure
- Make
- Make install

Once there, download yum and do a configuration check:

- cd /tmp/
- tar -xzf snort-2.7.0.1.tar.gz
- cd /tmp/snort-2.7.0.1
- ./configure

You'll need to download rules and setup automatic updates of the rules. They provide a perl script to do this. All that's needed is a login account with snort to complete and pulled pork:

<http://code.google.com/p/pulledpork/>





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Prepping rules from emerging.rules.tar.gz for work....
  Done!
Reading rules...
Reading rules...
Reading rules...
Setting Flowbit State....
  Enabled 262 flowbits
  Enabled 23 flowbits
  Done
Writing /usr/local/etc/snort/rules/snort.rules....
  Done
Writing /usr/local/etc/snort/rules/so_rules.rules....
  Done
Generating sid-msg.map....
  Done
Writing /usr/local/etc/snort/sid-msg.map....
  Done
Writing /var/log/sid_changes.log....
  Done
Rule Stats....
  New:-----11
  Deleted:---0
  Enabled Rules:----18875
  Dropped Rules:----0
  Disabled Rules:---8041
  Total Rules:-----26916
  Done
Please review /var/log/sid_changes.log for additional details  Fly Piggy
Fly!
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