

St. Bernard is pleased to announce the release of version 5.1 for the ePrism M500 Email Filtering Appliance. This version contains new features, user interface improvements, reporting tool improvements, and bug fixes.

New Features

Global Whitelist and Blacklist

The Administrator can edit a Global Whitelist of sender email addresses and domains that are opted out of spam checking, as well as a Global Blacklist of sender email addresses and domains that will always be rejected.

Whitelisting of Internal Addresses

The Administrator chooses internal addresses that do not need to be checked for spam.

Quarantine Notification

An optional feature (default on) to send a nightly email to the Administrator regarding any quarantined messages. This is the only area the Administrator needed to check on a regular basis. By using this feature, the administrator only needs to access the unit when alerted.

Updated Heuristics Engine

After the mail is sent through our primary eGuard engine, it is then evaluated by our heuristics engine. The ePrism M500 is now up-to-date with the latest rules for the Heuristics engine.

Flexible Spam-Filtering policies

During the Wizard setup, the Administrator now has the option to choose one of three settings for handling the messages that are "possible spam". These three settings only affect the Heuristics engine. The primary eGuard engine will continue to catch and reject over 95% of all spam without risking false positives.

User Interface Improvements

Improved User Account Maintenance

The administration of user account settings is now united into a single web page. Version 5.1 will allow the administrator to add explicit address/account mappings, as well as display all per-user settings for the selected user account. This will simplify the addition of new account-related features.

Reporting Tool Improvements

Extended time period of message tracking

Message logs used in the message tracking display will now be retained for 30 days to further facilitate message analysis.

Extended search parameters within message tracking

The Message Tracking display will now provide the ability to filter by message status. Message Tracking will also identify the source of all blacklisted/whitelisted actions, including global or user level.

Cross-linking of Utilization reports with Message Tracking

The Utilization report will now provide links from each unique message status to the Message Tracking display. Following this link displays Message Tracking filtered to view the individual message status selected. This feature provides the administrator with the ability to zoom into problem areas quickly. For example, should a quick review of the Utilization report show unusual virus activity; the administrator simply clicks on the Virus message status and immediately is sent to the Message Tracking display for messages rejected due to viral content.

Export reports via email

The ePrism M500 will now provide an easy way to email the full (HTML) contents of the Utilization Report or the Message Tracking display for reporting purposes.

Hot Fixes

Hotfixes 3-206 and 3-207, as well as Update 5.002 have been included within the version 5.1 release. Some minor fixes have been included as well. More detail can be found within the St. Bernard Knowledgebase on the website.

Documentation

All the changes mentioned above are explained in the Appliance Manager's online help files. These explanations can also be found in the latest Administration Guide, which can be found under the support section of www.stbernard.com

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