

# Configure FTD from ASA Configuration File with Firepower Migration Tool

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## Introduction

This document describes an example of Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA) to Firepower Threat Defense (FTD) migration on FPR4145.

## Prerequisites

### Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics:

- Basic knowledge of ASA
- Knowledge of Firepower Management Center (FMC) and FTD

### Components Used

The information in this document is based on these software and hardware versions:

- ASA Version 9.12(2)
- FTD Version 6.7.0
- FMC Version 6.7.0
- Firepower Migration Tool version 2.5.0

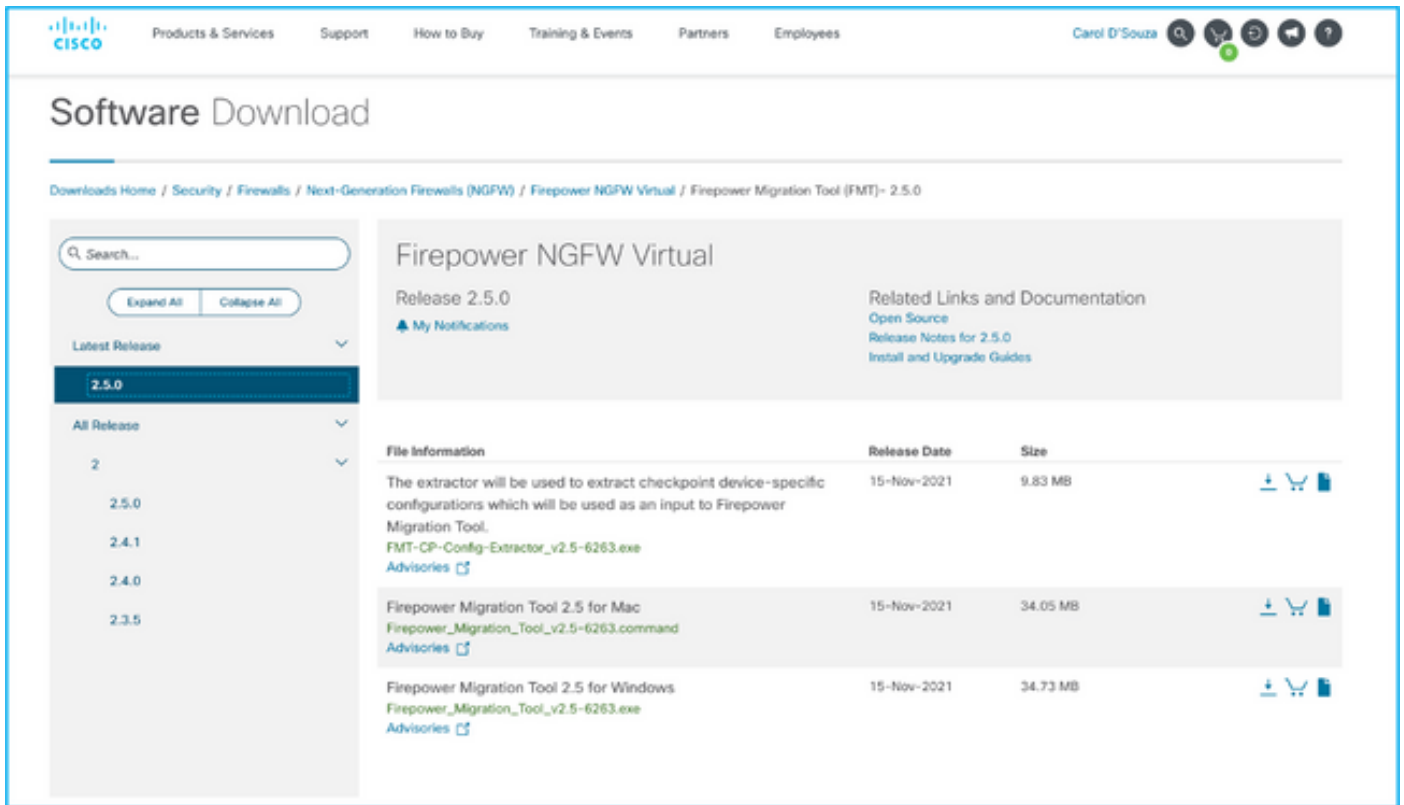
The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If your network is live, ensure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

## Background Information

Export the ASA configuration file in .cfg or .txt format. FMC must be deployed with FTD registered under it.

# Configure

1. Download the Firepower Migration Tool from [software.cisco.com](https://software.cisco.com) as shown in the image.




The screenshot shows the Cisco Software Download page for Firepower NGFW Virtual, Release 2.5.0. The page includes a search bar, a list of releases with 2.5.0 selected, and a table of file information. The table lists three files: 'The extractor will be used to extract checkpoint device-specific configurations which will be used as an input to Firepower Migration Tool. FMT-CP-Config-Extractor\_v2.5-6263.exe', 'Firepower Migration Tool 2.5 for Mac. Firepower\_Migration\_Tool\_v2.5-6263.command', and 'Firepower Migration Tool 2.5 for Windows. Firepower\_Migration\_Tool\_v2.5-6263.exe'. Each file entry includes a release date of 15-Nov-2021 and a size (9.83 MB, 34.05 MB, and 34.73 MB respectively). The page also features a 'Related Links and Documentation' section with links for 'Open Source', 'Release Notes for 2.5.0', and 'Install and Upgrade Guides'.

2. Review and verify the requirements for the Firepower Migration Tool section.

3. If you are planning to migrate a large configuration file, configure sleep settings so the system does not go to sleep during a migration push.

3.1. For Windows, navigate to **Power Options** in the **Control Panel**. Click **Change Plan Settings** next to your current power plan and then toggle **Put the computer to sleep** to **Never**. Click **Save Changes**.

3.2. For MAC, navigate to **System Preferences > Energy Saver**. Tick the box next to Prevent the Computer from Sleeping Automatically when the display is off and drag the **Turn Display Off** after slider to **Never**.

 **Note:** This warning, dialog pops up when MAC users try to open the downloaded file. Ignore this and follow Step 4.1.



**"Firepower\_Migration\_Tool\_v2.5-6263.command" is a script app downloaded from the Internet. Are you sure you want to open it?**

Chrome downloaded this file today at 2:35 PM from **software.cisco.com**.

Open

Show Web Page

Cancel

4.1. For MAC - Use the terminal and run these commands:

```
CAROLDSO-M-WGYT:~ caroldso$ cd Downloads/
CAROLDSO-M-WGYT:Downloads caroldso$ chmod 750 Firepower_Migration_Tool_v2.5-6263
.command
CAROLDSO-M-WGYT:Downloads caroldso$ ./Firepower_Migration_Tool_v2.5-6263.command


[75653] PyInstaller Bootloader 3.x
[75653] LOADER: executable is /Users/caroldso/Downloads/Firepower_Migration_Tool
_v2.5-6263.command
[75653] LOADER: hompath is /Users/caroldso/Downloads
[75653] LOADER: _MEIPASS2 is NULL
[75653] LOADER: archivename is /Users/caroldso/Downloads/Firepower_Migration_Too
l_v2.5-6263.command
[75653] LOADER: Cookie found at offset 0x219AE08
[75653] LOADER: Extracting binaries
[75653] LOADER: Executing self as child
```

```
127.0.0.1 - - [23/Nov/2021 14:49:47] "GET /inline.318b50c57b4eba3d437b.bundle.js
HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [23/Nov/2021 14:49:47] "GET /cui-font.880241c0aa87aa899c6a.woff2 H
TTP/1.1" 200 -
2021-11-23 14:49:47,999 [INFO | cco_login] > "EULA check for an user"
127.0.0.1 - - [23/Nov/2021 14:49:48] "GET /assets/cisco.svg HTTP/1.1" 200 -
2021-11-23 14:49:48,013 [DEBUG | common] > "session table records count:1"
127.0.0.1 - - [23/Nov/2021 14:49:48] "GET /api/eula_check HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [23/Nov/2021 14:49:48] "GET /assets/icons/login.png HTTP/1.1" 200
-
127.0.0.1 - - [23/Nov/2021 14:49:48] "GET /assets/images/1.png HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [23/Nov/2021 14:49:48] "GET /assets/images/3.png HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [23/Nov/2021 14:49:48] "GET /assets/images/2.png HTTP/1.1" 200 -
127.0.0.1 - - [23/Nov/2021 14:49:48] "GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1" 200 -
```

4.2. For Windows - double-click the Firepower Migration Tool in order to launch it in a Google Chrome browser.

5. Accept the license as shown in the image:

← → ↻ 🏠 ⓘ localhost:8888/#/eula

 Firepower Migration Tool

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Proceed

6. On the login page of the Firepower Migration Tool, click the login with Cisco Connection Online (CCO) link in order to log in to your **Cisco.com** account with your single-sign-on credentials.

 **Note:** If you do not have a **Cisco.com** account, create it on the **Cisco.com** login page. Log in with these default credentials: Username—admin and Password—Admin123.

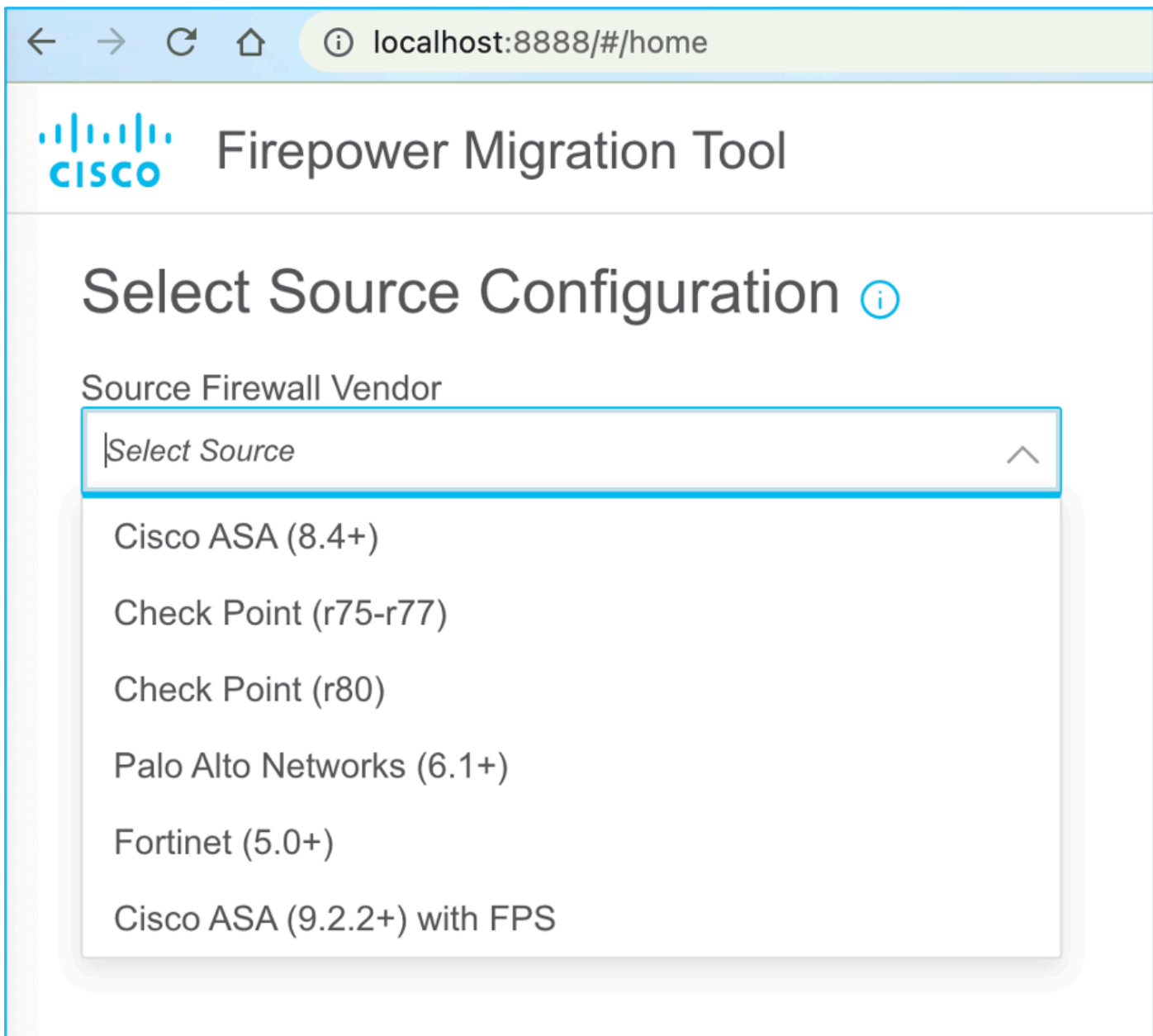
# Redirecting

You will be redirected to the Cisco login. Please login with your CCO credentials.

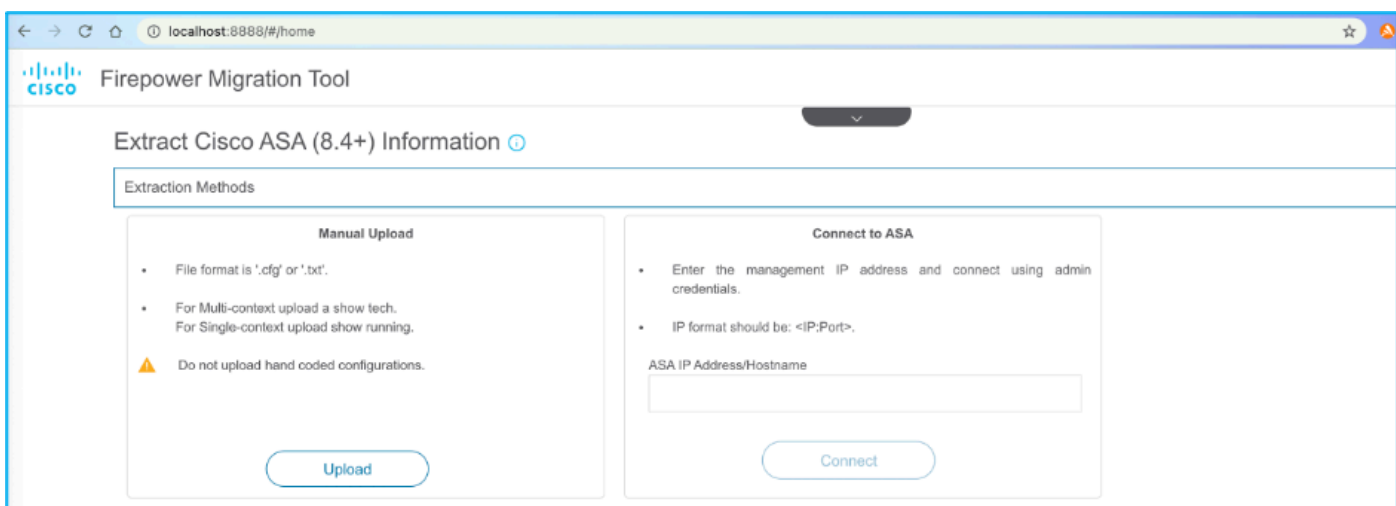
Do it later

Continue

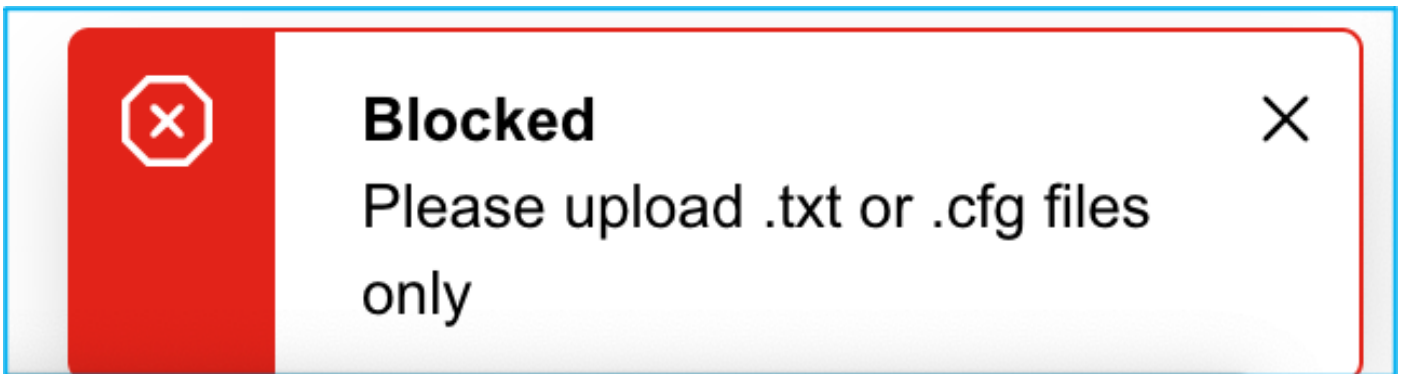
7. Choose the source configuration. In this scenario, it is Cisco ASA (8.4+).



8. Choose **Manual Upload** if you do not have connectivity to the ASA. Otherwise, you can retrieve the running configuration from the ASA and enter the management IP and login details. In this scenario, a manual upload was performed.



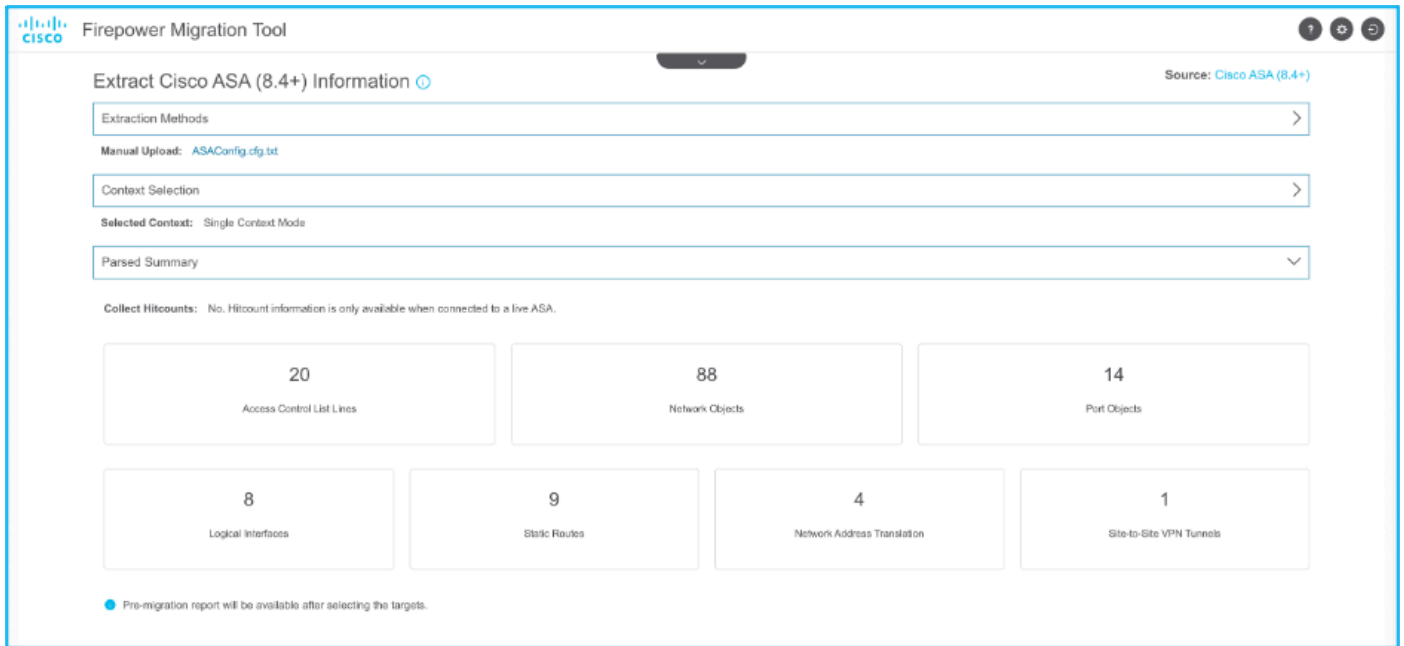
 **Note:** This error is seen if the file is not supported. Ensure to change the format to plain text. (Error is seen despite having extension .cfg.)



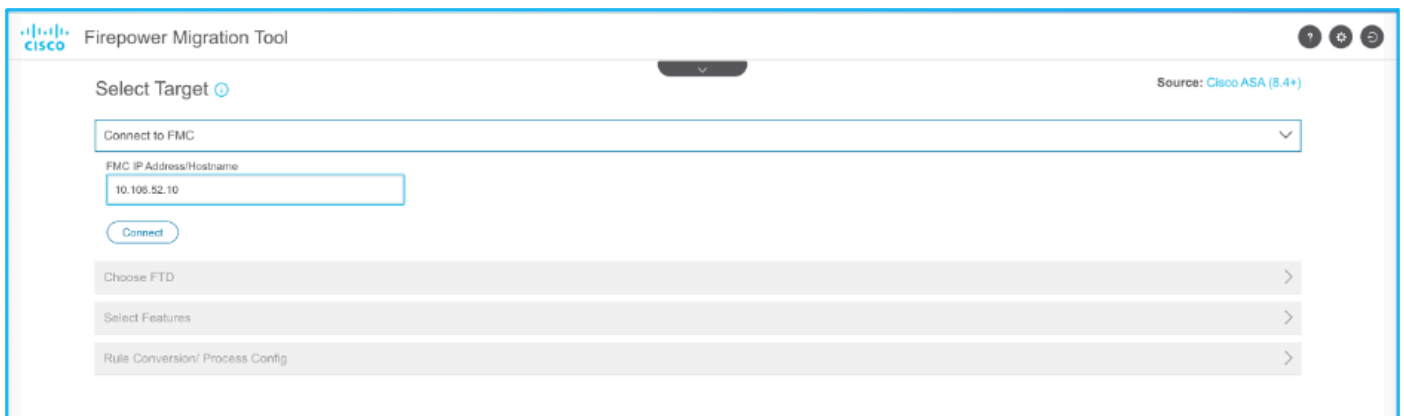
```
ASAConfig.cfg — Edited
asa# show running-config
: Saved
:
: Serial Number: FLM22160652
: Hardware: FPR4K-SM-12, 56533 MB RAM, CPU Xeon E5 series 2200 MHz, 1 CPU (24 cores)
:
ASA Version 9.12(2)
!
hostname asa
enable password ***** pbkdf2
!
license smart
  feature tier standard
names
no mac-address auto
!
interface Ethernet1/1
  no nameif
  no security-level
  no ip address
!
interface Ethernet1/2
  nameif Inside
  cts manual
  security-level 0
  no ip address
!
interface Ethernet1/3
  nameif Outside
  cts manual
  security-level 0
  no ip address
```

9. After the file is uploaded, the elements are parsed providing a summary as shown in the image:





10. Enter the FMC IP and login credentials to which the ASA configuration is to be migrated. Ensure that the FMC IP is reachable from your workstation.





# FMC LOGIN

IP Address/Hostname

Username

Password

Login

11. Once the FMC is connected, the managed FTDs under it are displayed.

Firepower Migration Tool

Select Target ⓘ Gathering details Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)

Connect to FMC

FMC IP Address/Hostname: 10.106.52.10

Connect

Successfully connected to FMC

Choose FTD

Select Features

Rule Conversion/ Process Config

12. Choose the FTD to which you want to perform the migration of the ASA configuration.

Select FTD Device ⓘ Proceed without FTD

FTD (10.106.52.20) - VMWare (Native)

Please ensure that the firewall mode configured on the target FTD device is the same as in the uploaded ASA configuration file. The existing configuration of the FTD device on the FMC is erased when you push the migrated configuration to the FMC.

Proceed

**Note:** It is recommended to choose the FTD device, else interfaces, routes, and site-to-site VPN configuration must be done manually.

Firepower Migration Tool

Select Target ⓘ Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)

Connect to FMC

FMC IP Address/Hostname: 10.106.52.10

Choose FTD

Select FTD Device ⓘ Proceed without FTD

Select FTD Device

Interface, Routes and Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels won't be migrated

Proceed

Select Features

Rule Conversion/ Process Config

13. Choose the features required to be migrated as shown in the image:

Select Features

**Device Configuration**

- Interfaces
- Routes
- Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels
  - Policy Based (Crypto Map)
  - Route Based (VTI)

**Shared Configuration**

- Access Control
  - Populate destination security zones
  - Migrate tunnelled rules as Prefilter
- NAT
  - Network Objects
  - Port Objects
  - Time based Objects

**Optimization**

- Migrate Only Referenced Objects
- Object Group Search ⓘ

**Inline Grouping**

- CSMASDM

Proceed

14. Choose **Start Conversion** in order to initiate the pre-migration which populates the elements pertaining to FTD configuration.

The screenshot shows a web interface for 'Rule Conversion/ Process Config'. At the top, there is a dropdown menu with the text 'Rule Conversion/ Process Config' and a downward arrow. Below the dropdown is a blue button labeled 'Start Conversion'. Underneath the button, a green status message reads '0 parsing errors found. Refer to the pre-migration report for more details.' Below this message is a text prompt: 'Please download the Pre-Migration report for a detailed summary of the parsed configuration.' followed by a blue button labeled 'Download Report'. The main content area consists of seven white rectangular boxes arranged in two rows. Each box contains a large number and a label below it. The first row contains three boxes: '13 Access Control List Lines', '98 Network Objects', and '30 Port Objects'. The second row contains four boxes: '2 Logical Interfaces', '9 Static Routes', '4 Network Address Translation', and '1 Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels'.

Element	Count
Access Control List Lines	13
Network Objects	98
Port Objects	30
Logical Interfaces	2
Static Routes	9
Network Address Translation	4
Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels	1

15. Click **Download Report** seen previously in order to view the Pre-Migration Report which is as shown in the image:

File | /Users/caroldso/Downloads/pre\_migration\_report\_asa\_2021-11-23\_09-41-15.html

**CISCO** Pre-Migration Report

**Note:** Review all contents of this pre-migration report carefully. Unsupported rules will not be migrated completely, which can potentially alter your original configuration, restrict some traffic, or permit unwanted traffic. We recommend reviewing the configuration by Firepower Threat Defense after the configuration is successfully migrated.

### 1. Overall Summary:

A summary of the supported ASA configuration elements that can be successfully migrated to Firepower Threat Defense.

Collection Method	Manual
ASA Configuration Name	ASAConfig.cfg.txt
ASA Version	9.12(2)
ASA Hostname	asa
ASA Device Model	FPR4K-SM-12, 56533 MB RAM, CPU Xeon E5 series 2200 MHz, 1 CPU (24 cores)
Hit Count Feature	No
IP SLA Monitor	0
Total Extended ACEs	13
ACEs Migratable	13
Site to Site VPN Tunnels	1
Logical Interfaces	2
Network Objects and Groups	98
Service Objects and Groups	30
Static Routes	9
NAT Rules	4

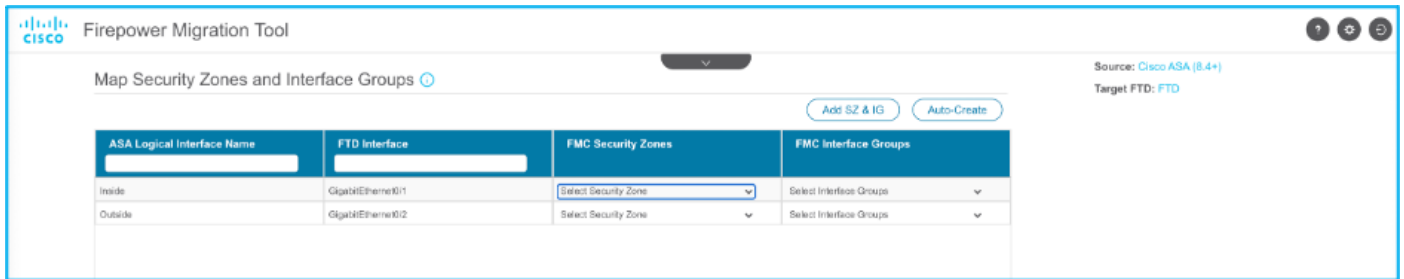
**Note:** ACEs that are applied outbound or not attached to interfaces using the access-group command are ignored.

16. Map ASA interfaces to FTD interfaces as required as shown in the image:

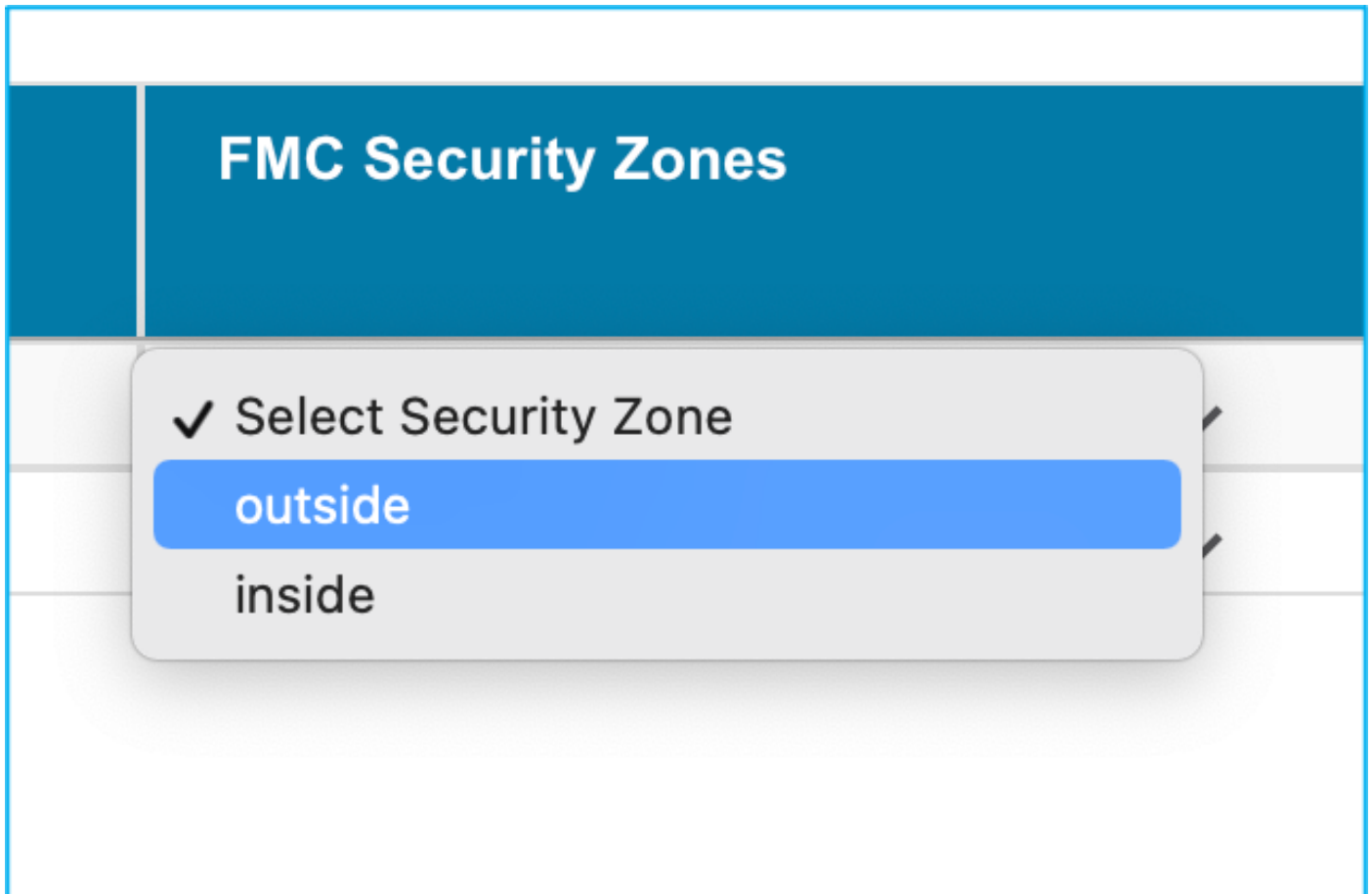
Refresh

ASA Interface Name	FTD Interface Name
Ethernet1/2	Select Interface
Ethernet1/3	GigabitEthernet0/0
	GigabitEthernet0/1
	✓ GigabitEthernet0/2

17. Assign security zones and interface groups to the FTD interfaces.



17.1. If the FMC has security zones and interface groups already created, you can choose them as needed:



17.2. If there is a need to create security zones and an Interface group, click **Add SZ & IG** as shown in the image:

✕

## Add SZ & IG

Security Zones (SZ)    Interface Groups (IG)

Add i Max 48 characters for Interface Group name. Allowed special characters are \_.-+

Interface Groups	Type	Actions
<input style="width: 100%; border: 1px solid #ccc;" type="text" value="Inside"/>	ROUTED	<span style="background-color: black; color: white; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px 10px; display: inline-block;">✕</span> <span style="background-color: green; color: white; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px 10px; display: inline-block; margin-left: 10px;">✓</span>

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Close

17.3. Otherwise, you can proceed with the option **Auto-Create** which creates security zones and interface groups with the name **ASA logical interface\_sz** and **ASA logical interface\_ig** respectively.

# Auto-Create


Auto-create maps ASA interfaces to existing FTD security zones and interface groups in FMC that have the same name. If no match is found, the Migration Tool creates a new FTD security zone and interface group with the same name in FMC.

Select the objects that you want to map to ASA interfaces

Security Zones  Interface Groups

Cancel

Auto-Create

 Firepower Migration Tool

Map Security Zones and Interface Groups ⓘ

[Add SZ & IG](#) [Auto-Create](#)

ASA Logical Interface Name	FTD Interface	FMC Security Zones	FMC Interface Groups
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Inside	GigabitEthernet0/1	inside ▼	Inside_jg (A) ▼
Outside	GigabitEthernet0/2	outside ▼	Outside_jg (A) ▼

18. Review and validate each of the FTD elements created. Alerts are seen in red as shown in the image:



Firepower Migration Tool

Optimize, Review and Validate Configuration

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+) Target FTD: FTD

Access Control NAT Network Objects Port Objects Interfaces Routes VPN Objects Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels

ACP Pre-filter

Select all 13 entries Selected: 0 / 13 Actions Save

Search

#	Name	SOURCE			DESTINATION			State	Action	ACE Count
		Zone	Network	Port	Zone	Network	Port			
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Outside_access_in_#1	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Outside_access_in_#2	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Outside_access_in_#3	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	2
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	Outside_access_in_#4	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Outside_access_in_#5	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	Outside_access_in_#6	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	2
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	Outside_access_in_#7	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	Outside_access_in_#8	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	9	Outside_access_in_#9	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	8
<input type="checkbox"/>	10	Outside_access_in_#10	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	7
<input type="checkbox"/>	11	Outside_access_in_#11	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	2
<input type="checkbox"/>	12	Outside_access_in_#12	outside	any	ANY	ANY			Allow	1

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Update the Pre-Shared-Key/PG Certificate column highlighted in Yellow for each VPN-tunnel rows under Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels tab to validate and proceed with migration. For additional help, click here.

Optimize ACL (Beta) Validate

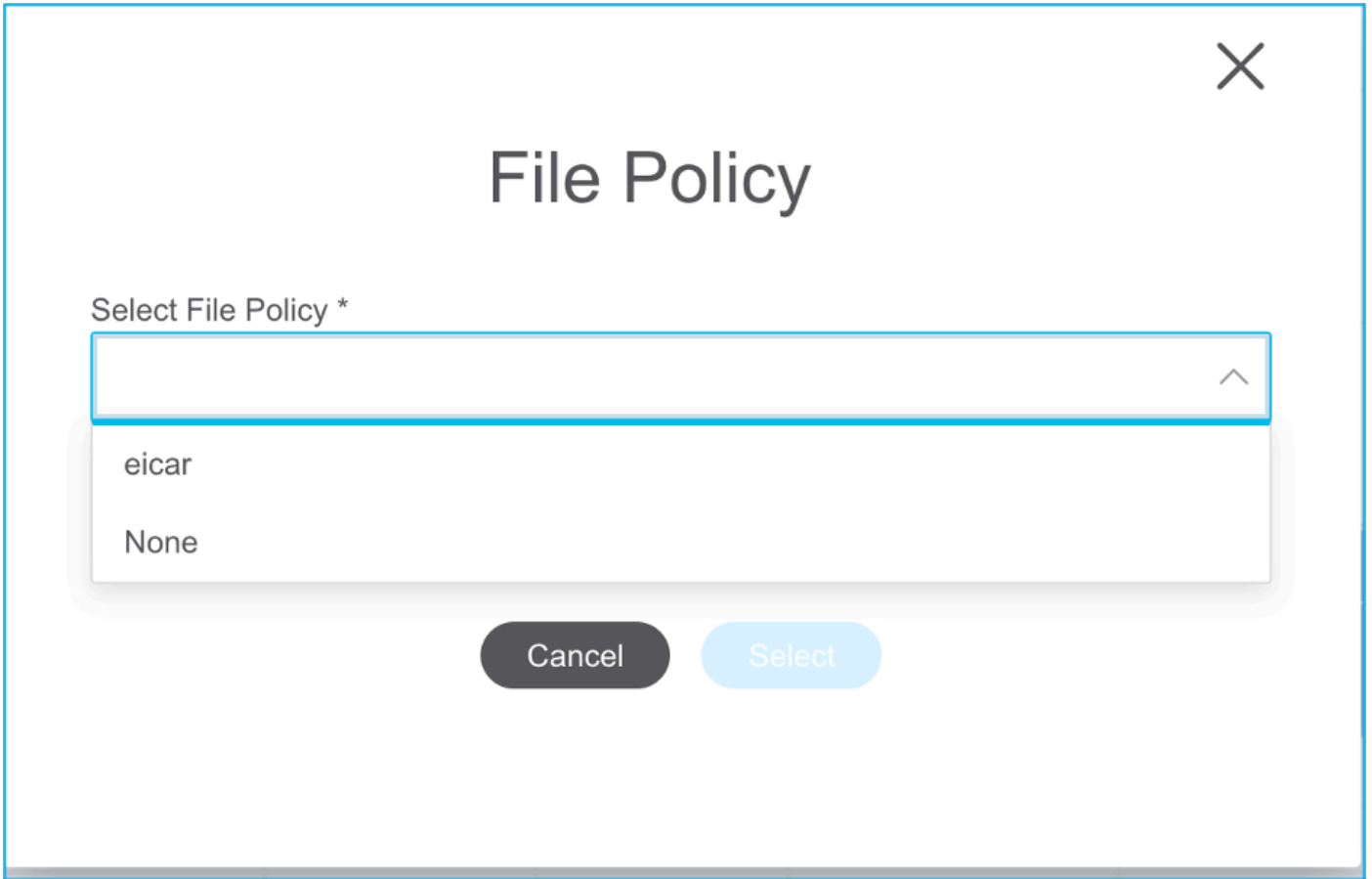
19. The migration actions can be chosen as shown in the image if you want to edit any rule. FTD features of adding files and IPS policy can be done at this step.

ACP Pre-filter

Select all 13 entries Selected: 13 / 13 Actions Save

#	Name	MIGRATION ACTIONS	SOURCE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1	Do not migrate	network
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2	File Policy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	IPS Policy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4	Log	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5	Rule Action	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6		outside any

**Note:** If File Policies already exist in the FMC, they are populated as shown in the image. The same holds true for IPS policies along with the default policies.



The image shows a dialog box titled "File Policy" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. Below the title is a label "Select File Policy \*". A dropdown menu is open, showing two options: "eicar" and "None". At the bottom of the dialog are two buttons: "Cancel" (dark grey) and "Select" (light blue).

Log configuration can be done for the required rules. Syslog server configuration existing on the FMC can be chosen at this stage.



# Log

- Log at the beginning of connection
- Log at the end of connection

## Send connection events to:

Event Viewer

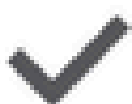
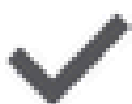
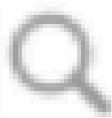
Syslog


Cancel Save

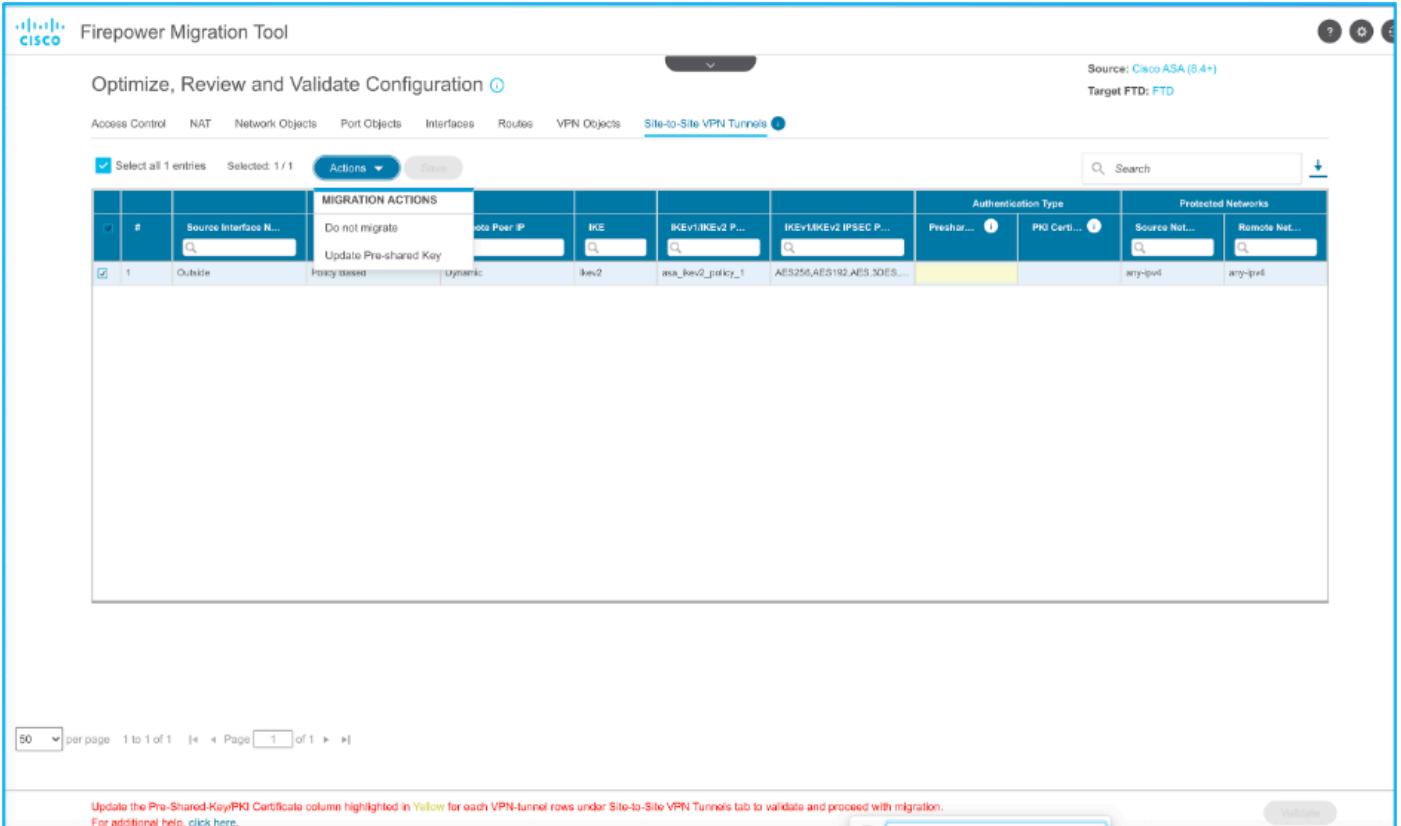
The rule actions chosen are highlighted accordingly for each rule.



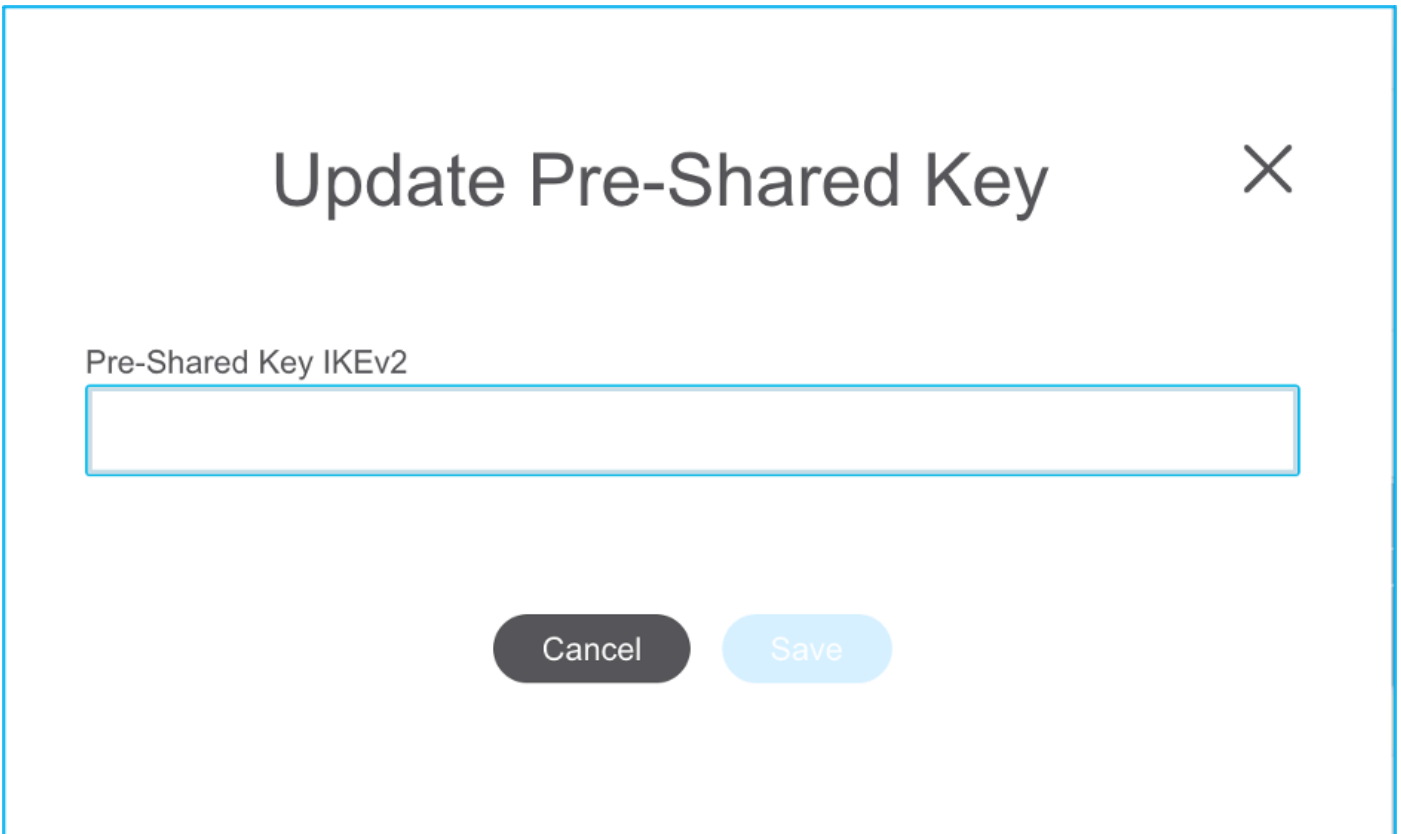
## State



 : Alert is notified as shown in the image in order to update the pre-shared key since it does not get copied in the ASA configuration file. Navigate to **Actions > Update Pre-Shared Key** in order to enter the value.



The screenshot shows the Firepower Migration Tool interface. The main heading is "Optimize, Review and Validate Configuration". The source is "Cisco ASA (8.4+)" and the target is "FTD". The "Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels" tab is active. A table lists VPN tunnels with columns for Source Interface, Migration Actions, Peer IP, IKE, IKEv1/IKEv2 P..., IKEv1/IKEv2 IPSEC P..., Authentication Type (Pre-shared Key, PKI Certificate), and Protected Networks. The "Update Pre-shared Key" action is highlighted in yellow for the first row. A red alert message at the bottom states: "Update the Pre-Shared Key/PKI Certificate column highlighted in Yellow for each VPN-tunnel rows under Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels tab to validate and proceed with migration. For additional help, click here."



The modal dialog is titled "Update Pre-Shared Key" and has a close button (X) in the top right corner. It contains a text input field labeled "Pre-Shared Key IKEv2". At the bottom, there are two buttons: "Cancel" and "Save".

21. Finally, click the **Validate** icon at the bottom right of the screen as shown in the image:

Validate

22. Once the validation is successful, click **Push Configuration** as shown in the image:

### Validation Status

Successfully Validated

Validation Summary (Pre-push)

13 Access Control List Lines	37 Network Objects	14 Port Objects	
2 Logical Interfaces	9 Static Routes	4 Network Address Translation	1 Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels

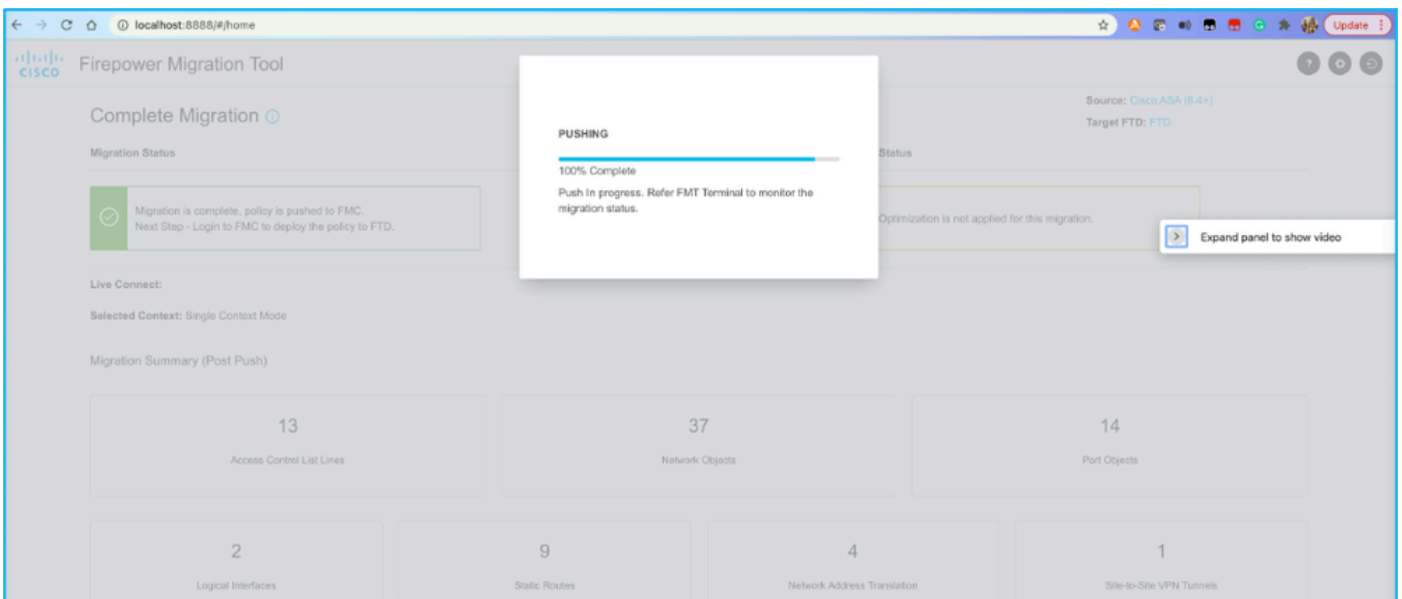
Note: The configuration on the target FTD device FTD (10.106.52.20) will be overwritten as part of this migration.

Push Configuration

# PUSHING

0% Complete

Push In progress. Refer FMT Terminal to monitor the migration status.



23. Once the migration is successful, the message that is displayed is shown in the image.

Firepower Migration Tool

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)  
Target FTD: FTD

### Complete Migration

**Migration Status**

Migration is complete, policy is pushed to FMC.  
Next Step - Login to FMC to deploy the policy to FTD.

**Optimization Status**

ACL Optimization is not applied for this migration.

**Live Connect:**  
Selected Context: Single Context Mode

**Migration Summary (Post Push)**

13 Access Control List Lines	37 Network Objects	14 Port Objects
2 Logical Interfaces	9 Static Routes	4 Network Address Translation
		1 Site-to-Site VPN Tunnels

Please download the Post-Push migration report for a detailed summary. [Download Report](#)

**Note:** If the migration is unsuccessful, click **Download Report** in order to view the Post-migration report.

Source: Cisco ASA (8.4+)  
Target FTD: FTD

### Complete Migration

**Migration Status**

Migration Unsuccessful!  
Internal Server Error.

**Optimization Status**

ACL Optimization is successful but due to migration failure the refined optimized policy cannot be deployed to FMC.

Please refer logs for more details. [Download Report](#)

[Contact Support](#)

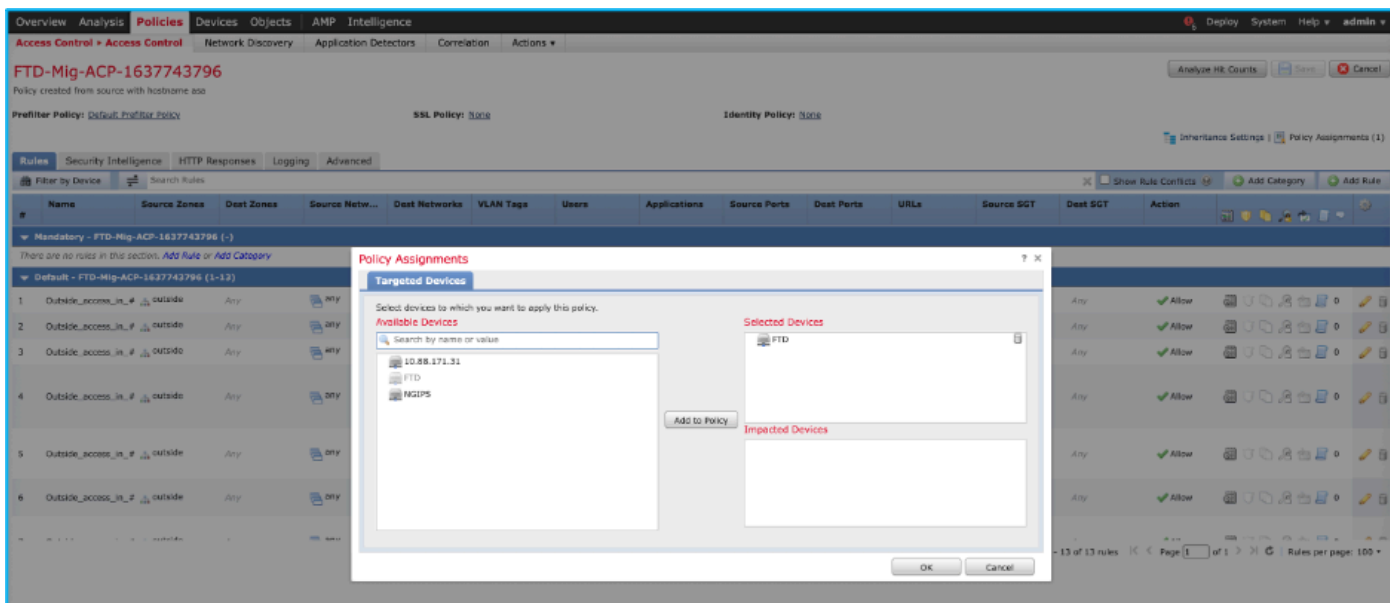
## Verify

Use this section in order to confirm that your configuration works properly.

Validation on the FMC:

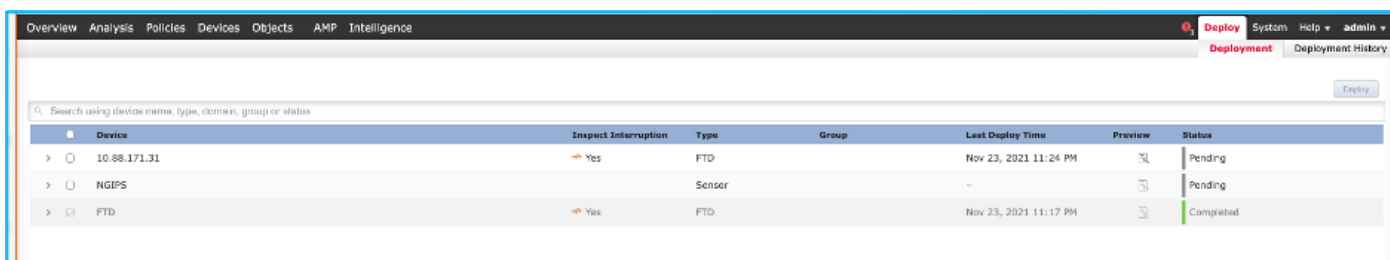
1. Navigate to Policies > Access Control > Access Control Policy > Policy Assignment in order to confirm that the selected FTD is populated.





**Note:** The migration access control policy has a name with the prefix FTD-Mig-ACP. If no FTD was selected earlier, the FTD must be selected on the FMC.

2. Push the policy to the FTD. Navigate to Deploy > Deployment > FTD Name > Deploy as shown in the image:



## Known Bugs Related to the Firepower Migration Tool

- Cisco bug ID [CSCwa56374](#) - FMT tool hangs on zone mapping page with error with high memory utilization
- Cisco bug ID [CSCvz88730](#) - Interface push failure for FTD Port-channel Management interface type
- Cisco bug ID [CSCvx21986](#) - Port-Channel migration to Target Platform - Virtual FTD is not supported
- Cisco bug ID [CSCvy63003](#) - Migration Tool must disable the interface feature if FTD is already part of the Cluster
- Cisco bug ID [CSCvx08199](#) - ACL needs to split when the application reference is more than 50

## Related Information

- [Migrating ASA Firewall to Threat Defense with the Firewall Migration Tool](#)
- [Technical Support & Documentation - Cisco Systems](#)