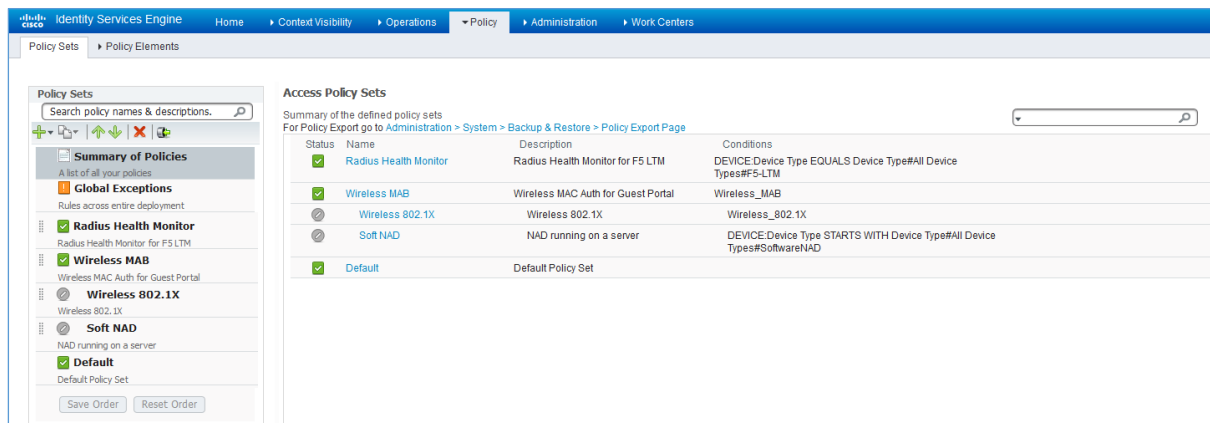


Policy Set changes after upgrade to ISE 2.3

It's documented in the ISE 2.3 Release Notes, as well as in the ISE 2.3 Upgrade Guide. However those documents are difficult to understand, let alone, to get used to the new look and feel of the ISE 2.3 Policy Sets. Here are some examples of the pre- and post-upgrade

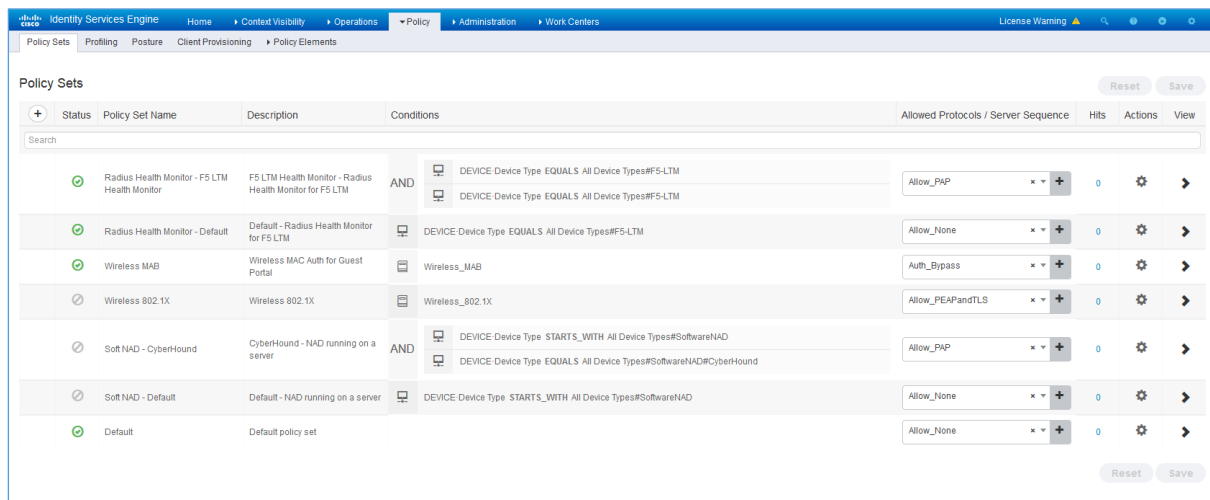
Radius Policy Sets

Before



The screenshot shows the ISE 2.2 Policy Sets interface. On the left, there is a 'Policy Sets' sidebar with a search bar and a list of policy sets: Global Exceptions, Radius Health Monitor, Wireless MAB, Wireless 802.1X, Soft NAD, and Default. The main area, titled 'Access Policy Sets', shows a summary of defined policy sets with a table of columns: Status, Name, Description, and Conditions. The table lists: Radius Health Monitor (F5 LTM Health Monitor for F5 LTM), Wireless MAB (Wireless MAC Auth for Guest Portal), Wireless 802.1X, Soft NAD (NAD running on a server), and Default (Default Policy Set).

After



The screenshot shows the ISE 2.3 Policy Sets interface. The main area displays a table with columns: Status, Policy Set Name, Description, Conditions, Allowed Protocols / Server Sequence, Hits, and Actions. The table lists: Radius Health Monitor - F5 LTM Health Monitor (AND condition), Radius Health Monitor - Default (Default - Radius Health Monitor for F5 LTM), Wireless MAB (Wireless MAC Auth for Guest Portal), Wireless 802.1X (Wireless 802.1X), Soft NAD - CyberHound (CyberHound - NAD running on a server), Soft NAD - Default (Default - NAD running on a server), and Default (Default policy set).

The first thing that strikes me as odd, is the F5 LTM Health Monitor and its AND condition – seems superfluous. And also the “Radius Health Monitor – Default” – looks like I need to delete that line, since it makes no sense here.

The same goes for any other Default Conditions that have been migrated.

Let's Look at he F5 Health Monitor in more detail

Before

The screenshot shows the Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) interface. The breadcrumb navigation is: Home > Context Visibility > Operations > Policy > Administration > Work Centers. The main page is titled "Policy Sets" and "Policy Elements".

On the left, there is a "Policy Sets" sidebar with a search bar and a list of policy sets:

- Summary of Policies
- Global Exceptions
- Radius Health Monitor (checked)
- Wireless MAB (checked)
- Wireless 802.1X
- Soft NAD
- Default (checked)

The main content area shows the configuration for the "Radius Health Monitor" policy set. It includes a table of conditions and a list of rules.

Status	Name	Description	Conditions
✓	Radius Health Monitor	Radius Health Monitor for F5 LTM	DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS Device Type#All Device Types#F5-LTM

Below this, there are two sections for "Authentication Policy" and "Authorization Policy".

Authentication Policy

Status	Rule Name	Conditions	Permissions
✓	F5 LTM Health Monitor	If DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS Device Type#All Device Types#F5-LTM	Allow Protocols : Allow_PAP
✓	Default	use Internal Users	
✓	Default Rule (if no match)	All Protocols : Allow_None	and use : Internal Users

Authorization Policy

Exceptions (0)

Status	Rule Name	Conditions (identity groups and other conditions)	Permissions
✓	F5 LTM Probe Success	if ServiceAccounts AND Network Access:AuthenticationStatus EQUALS AuthenticationPassed	then PermitAccess
✓	Default	If no matches, then	DenyAccess

After

The screenshot shows the Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) interface after configuration changes. The breadcrumb navigation is: Home > Context Visibility > Operations > Policy > Administration > Work Centers. The main page is titled "Policy Sets" and "Policy Elements".

The breadcrumb navigation is: Policy Sets > Profiling > Posture > Client Provisioning > Policy Elements. The main page is titled "Policy Sets" and "Radius Health Monitor - F5 LTM Health Monitor".

The main content area shows the configuration for the "Radius Health Monitor - F5 LTM Health Monitor" policy set. It includes a table of conditions and a list of rules.

Status	Policy Set Name	Description	Conditions	Allowed Protocols / Server Sequence	Hits
✓	Radius Health Monitor - F5 LTM Health Monitor	F5 LTM Health Monitor - Radius Health Monitor for F5 LTM	AND DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#F5-LTM DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#F5-LTM	Allow_PAP	0

Below this, there are sections for "Authentication Policy (1)", "Authorization Policy - Local Exceptions", "Authorization Policy - Global Exceptions", and "Authorization Policy (2)".

Authentication Policy (1)

Status	Rule Name	Conditions	Use	Hits	Actions
✓	Default		Internal Users	0	

Authorization Policy (2)

Status	Rule Name	Conditions	Results	Profiles	Security Groups	Hits	Actions
✓	F5 LTM Probe Success	AND Network Access:AuthenticationStatus EQUALS AuthenticationPassed IdentityGroup Name STARTS_WITH User Identity Groups:ServiceAccounts	PermitAccess			0	
✓	Default		DenyAccess			0	

Before

The screenshot shows the Cisco ISE Policy Sets configuration page. On the left, a sidebar lists various policy sets, with 'Wireless MAB' selected. The main area displays the configuration for the 'Wireless MAB' policy set. It includes an 'Authentication Policy' section with a 'Default Rule (if no match)' that allows protocols and uses internal endpoints. Below this is an 'Authorization Policy' section with a table of rules. The table has columns for Status, Rule Name, Conditions, and Permissions. The rules are as follows:

Status	Rule Name	Conditions (identity groups and other conditions)	Permissions
✓	Cisco WLC Standard Guest	if (Guest30 OR Guest365) AND (Wireless_MAB AND DEVICE.Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Wireless#WirelessCisco)	then Cisco_PermitGuestRestricted
✓	Cisco WLC VIP Guest	if GuestEndpointsVIP AND (Wireless_MAB AND DEVICE.Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Wireless#WirelessCisco)	then Cisco_PermitGuestVIP
✓	Cisco WLC DET Guest	if GuestADUser AND (Wireless_MAB AND DEVICE.Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Wireless#WirelessCisco)	then Cisco_PermitADUser
✓	GuestPortal_RunawayBay	if Wireless_MAB AND DEVICE.Location EQUALS All Locations#RunawayBay	then Cisco_WebAuth_RunawayBay
✓	GuestPortal_MOESHS	if (Wireless_MAB AND DEVICE.Location EQUALS All Locations#MOE-SHS)	then Cisco_WebAuth_MOESHS
✓	Default	if no matches, then	DenyAccess

After

The screenshot shows the Cisco ISE Policy Sets configuration page after changes. The 'Wireless MAB' policy set is selected, and the configuration is displayed in a more detailed view. The 'Authentication Policy' section shows a 'Default' rule with 'Internal Endpoints' selected. The 'Authorization Policy' section is expanded to show 6 rules. The rules are as follows:

Status	Rule Name	Conditions	Results	Profiles	Security Groups	Hits	Actions
✓	Cisco WLC Standard Guest	AND Wireless_MAB DEVICE.Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Wireless#WirelessCisco OR IdentityGroup-Name STARTS_WITH Endpoint.Identity Groups.Guest30 IdentityGroup-Name STARTS_WITH Endpoint.Identity Groups.Guest365	Cisco_PermitGuestRestricted	Select from list		0	⚙️
✓	Cisco WLC VIP Guest	AND Wireless_MAB DEVICE.Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Wireless#WirelessCisco IdentityGroup-Name STARTS_WITH Endpoint.Identity Groups.GuestEndpointsVIP	Cisco_PermitGuestVIP	Select from list		0	⚙️
✓	Cisco WLC DET Guest	AND Wireless_MAB DEVICE.Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Wireless#WirelessCisco IdentityGroup-Name STARTS_WITH Endpoint.Identity Groups.GuestADUser	Cisco_PermitADUser	Select from list		0	⚙️
✓	GuestPortal_RunawayBay	AND Wireless_MAB DEVICE.Location EQUALS All Locations#RunawayBay	Cisco_WebAuth_RunawayBay	Select from list		0	⚙️
✓	GuestPortal_MOESHS	AND Wireless_MAB DEVICE.Location EQUALS All Locations#MOE-SHS	Cisco_WebAuth_MOESHS	Select from list		0	⚙️
✓	Default		DenyAccess	Select from list		0	⚙️

TACACS Policy Sets

Before – simplicity ...

The screenshot shows the Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) 2.2 interface for configuring Device Admin Policy Sets. The left sidebar contains a 'Policy Sets' summary with a search bar and a list of policy sets: TACACS Health Monitor, Wireless LAN, Juniper, Routers, Nexus, Switches, WAAS, and Prime Infrastructure. The main area displays a table of defined policy sets.

Status	Name	Description	Conditions
✓	TACACS Health Monitor	F5 Health monitor	DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS Device Type#All Device Types#F5-LTM
✓	Wireless LAN	Wireless LAN Controllers	DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH Device Type#All Device Types#Wireless
✓	Juniper	Juniper	DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH Device Type#All Device Types#Juniper
✓	Routers	Routers	DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH Device Type#All Device Types#Router
✓	Nexus	Cisco Nexus switches	DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS Device Type#All Device Types#Nexus
✓	Switches	LAN Switches	DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH Device Type#All Device Types#Switches
✓	WAAS	Cisco WAAS	DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS Device Type#All Device Types#WAAS
✓	Prime Infrastructure	Prime Infrastructure	DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS Device Type#All Device Types#Prime Infrastructure
✓	Default	Tacacs_Default	

After – a complete shambles (I think it's due to my "Allow_None" allowed protocols that causes all these new Policy Sets to be created – what a pity – I liked the old ISE 2.2 :-<)

The screenshot shows the Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) 2.2 interface for configuring Device Admin Policy Sets, but it is significantly more cluttered than the previous version. The table lists a large number of policy sets, many of which are variations of the original ones, often with 'Default' or 'DET' in the name. The 'Allowed Protocols / Server Sequence' column shows many instances of 'Allow_None'.

Status	Policy Set Name	Description	Conditions	Allowed Protocols / Server Sequence	Hits	Actions	View
✓	TACACS Health Monitor - F5 LTM Health Monitor - F5 LTM Health monitor	F5 LTM Health Monitor - F5 Health monitor	AND DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#F5-LTM DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#F5-LTM	Default Network Access	0	⚙️	➔
✓	TACACS Health Monitor - Default	Default - F5 Health monitor	DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#F5-LTM	Allow_None	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Wireless LAN - DET accounts	DET accounts - Wireless LAN Controllers	AND DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Wireless TACACS User MATCHES (idto){a-a-Z0-9}(3,15)\$	Default Device Admin	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Wireless LAN - Default	Default - Wireless LAN Controllers	DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Wireless	Allow_None	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Juniper - DET accounts	DET accounts - Juniper	AND DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Juniper TACACS User MATCHES (idto){a-a-Z0-9}(3,15)\$	Default Device Admin	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Juniper - CITEC accounts	CITEC accounts - Juniper	AND DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Juniper TACACS User MATCHES {a-a-Z0-9}+	Default Device Admin	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Juniper - Default	Default - Juniper	DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Juniper	Allow_None	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Routers - DET accounts	DET accounts - Routers	AND DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Router TACACS User MATCHES (idto){a-a-Z0-9}(3,15)\$	Default Device Admin	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Routers - CITEC accounts	CITEC accounts - Routers	AND DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Router TACACS User MATCHES {a-a-Z0-9}+	Default Device Admin	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Routers - Default	Default - Routers	DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Router	Allow_None	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Nexus - DET accounts	DET accounts - Cisco Nexus switches	AND DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Nexus TACACS User MATCHES (idto){a-a-Z0-9}(3,15)\$	Default Device Admin	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Nexus - CITEC accounts	CITEC accounts - Cisco Nexus switches	AND DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Nexus TACACS User MATCHES {a-a-Z0-9}+	Default Network Access	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Nexus - Default	Default - Cisco Nexus switches	DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Nexus	Allow_None	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Switches - DET accounts	DET accounts - LAN Switches	AND DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Switches TACACS User MATCHES (idto){a-a-Z0-9}(3,15)\$	Default Device Admin	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Switches - CITEC accounts	CITEC accounts - LAN Switches	AND DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Switches TACACS User MATCHES {a-a-Z0-9}+	Default Network Access	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Switches - Default	Default - LAN Switches	DEVICE:Device Type STARTS WITH All Device Types#Switches	Allow_None	0	⚙️	➔
✓	WAAS - DET accounts	DET accounts - Cisco WAAS	AND DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#WAAS TACACS User MATCHES (idto){a-a-Z0-9}(3,15)\$	Default Device Admin	0	⚙️	➔
✓	WAAS - Default	Default - Cisco WAAS	DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#WAAS	Allow_None	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Prime Infrastructure	Prime Infrastructure	DEVICE:Device Type EQUALS All Device Types#Prime Infrastructure	Default Device Admin	0	⚙️	➔
✓	Default	Tacacs Default policy set		Allow_None	0	⚙️	➔