SAP IQ Authentication

Thank you for your interest in authenticated scanning! When you configure and use authentication, you get a more in-depth assessment of your hosts, the most accurate results and fewer false positives. This document provides tips and best practices for setting up SAP IQ authentication for compliance scans.

A few things to consider

Why should I use authentication?
With authentication, we can remotely log in to each target system with credentials that you provide, and because we’re logged in we can do more thorough testing. This will give you better visibility into each system’s security posture. Is it required? Yes, it’s required for compliance scans.

Are my credentials safe?
Yes, credentials are exclusively used for READ access to your system. The service does not modify or write anything on the device in any way. Credentials are securely handled by the service and are only used for the duration of the scan.

Which technologies are supported?
For the most current list of supported authentication technologies and the versions that have been certified for VM and PC by record type, please refer to the following article:

Authentication Technologies Matrix

What are the steps?
First, set up a SAP IQ user account and privileges (on target hosts) for authenticated scanning. Then, using Qualys Policy Compliance, complete these steps: 1) Add a SAP IQ authentication record. 2) Launch a compliance scan. 3) Run the Authentication Report to find out if authentication passed or failed for each scanned host.

SAP IQ Credentials
We’ve provided a set of scripts below to help you set up an account and privileges which must exist prior to running scans. These scripts require an Admin account. Please run the scripts provided, in the order shown. The role and scan account need to be created in the database you want to scan.

1) Create a Role for the Scan Account
This script creates a role for the user account to be used for scanning. It also grants privileges to the role needed for successful authentication and compliance scanning. We recommend creating a role called QUALYS_ROLE.

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CREATE ROLE QUALYS_ROLE;
GRANT MONITOR to QUALYS_ROLE;
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2) Create a User Account
This script creates a scan user account. Please provide a password before running the script. The script also grants the role created in Step 1 to the account. Tip – We recommend creating an account called QUALYS_SCAN.

CREATE USER QUALYS_SCAN IDENTIFIED BY <password>;
GRANT ROLE QUALYS_ROLE to QUALYS_SCAN;

3) Verify Privileges on the Scan Account
3a) Verify that you login to SAP IQ Database as QUALYS_SCAN and can run below query successfully.

select count(1) from sysusers;

3b) Verify that the QUALYS_SCAN account has all the privileges listed in the below table in order to run a successful compliance scan for the database you want to scan. Log into the instance using the Admin account, then run the following query to verify the privilege assigned to the 'QUALYS_SCAN' account.

CALL sp_displayroles( 'QUALYS_SCAN', 'expand_down', 'ALL' ) ;

Expected output:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>role_name</th>
<th>parent_role_name</th>
<th>grant_type</th>
<th>role_level</th>
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<td>NO ADMIN</td>
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Did you get different results? Contact your SAP IQ DBA to ensure that privileges are set up correctly.
SAP IQ Authentication Records

You’ll create SAP IQ authentication records in Qualys to associate credentials to hosts (IPs). You’ll need to supply a user name and password (or use password vault), the database you want to authenticate to and the port the database is on. This record type is only available in accounts with PC or SCA, and is only supported for compliance scans.

How do I get started?

Go to Scans > Authentication, and then go to New > Databases > SAP IQ.

In the SAP IQ record, you’ll see Authentication Type: Basic selected by default on the Login Credentials tab. Enter the user name and password to use for authentication.

Can I access a password in a vault?

Yes. We support integration with multiple third party password vaults. To use vaults, first go to Scans > Authentication > New > Authentication Vaults and tell us about your vault system.

In the SAP IQ record, choose Authentication Type: Vault based on the Login Credentials tab and select your vault type and vault record. At scan time, we’ll authenticate to hosts using the account name in your record and the password we find in your vault.
What database information is required?
On the Login Credentials tab, tell us the database name to authenticate to and the port the database is running on. The installation directory name is required only for Unix based hosts.

Which IPs should I add to my record?
Select the IP addresses for the SAP IQ databases that the scanning engine should log into using the specified credentials.

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