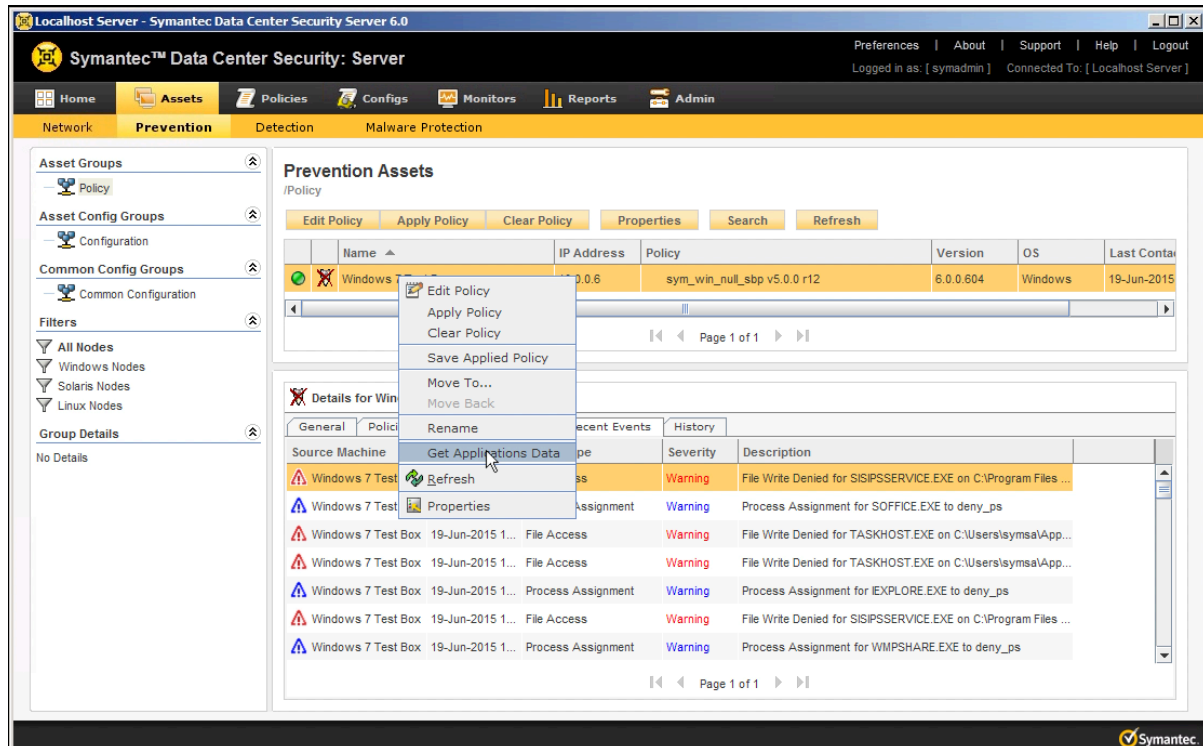




DCS Application Whitelisting Guide

June 18, 2015

1. Select the asset that you wish to begin application whitelisting and begin an inventory of software by right clicking and selecting Get applications data.



2. Navigate to the policies tab and locate the sym_win_whitelisting policy. Copy it to the local workspace folder and rename it to your desired policy name. After complete, drag the policy to the required Workspace folder.

sym_win_targeted_prevention_sbp	24	6.0.0	Windows	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:44:03 EDT
sym_win_whitelisting_sbp	87	6.0.0	Windows	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:43:53 EDT

3. Navigate to the required Workspace folder and open the new policy and immediately disable prevention for this policy.



4. Select Application Rules.

 Prevention Disabled

[Adjust your policy settings](#)



[Policy Settings](#)

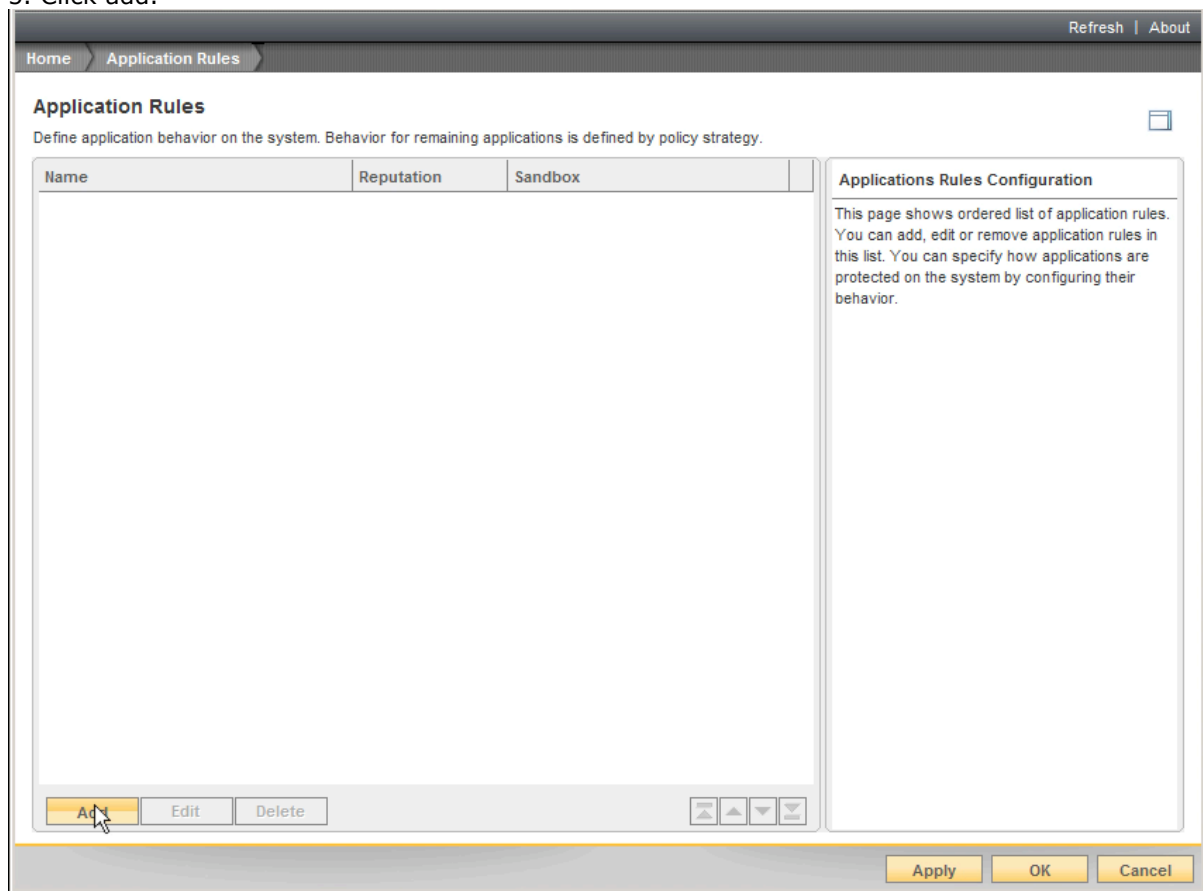
[Protection Strategy](#)

[Trusted Updaters](#)

[Application Rules](#)

[Policy Quick Links](#)

5. Click add.



The screenshot shows the 'Application Rules' configuration window. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Home' and 'Application Rules' tabs, and 'Refresh' and 'About' links. Below the navigation bar, the title 'Application Rules' is displayed, followed by a description: 'Define application behavior on the system. Behavior for remaining applications is defined by policy strategy.' A table with columns 'Name', 'Reputation', and 'Sandbox' is shown, but it is currently empty. To the right of the table is a sidebar titled 'Applications Rules Configuration' with a text box explaining that the page shows an ordered list of application rules and that users can add, edit, or remove rules. At the bottom of the table, there are buttons for 'Add', 'Edit', and 'Delete'. The 'Add' button is highlighted with a mouse cursor. At the bottom of the window, there are 'Apply', 'OK', and 'Cancel' buttons.

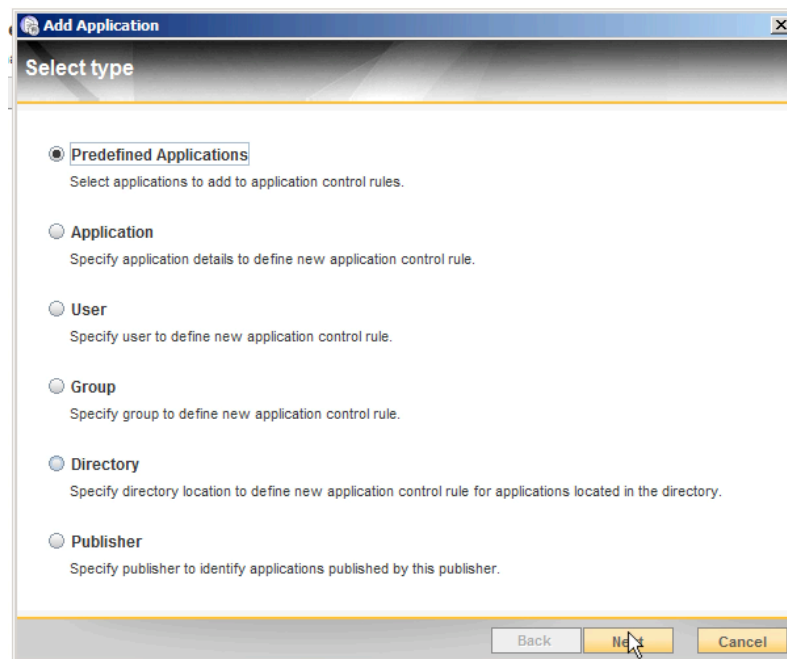
Name	Reputation	Sandbox
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Applications Rules Configuration

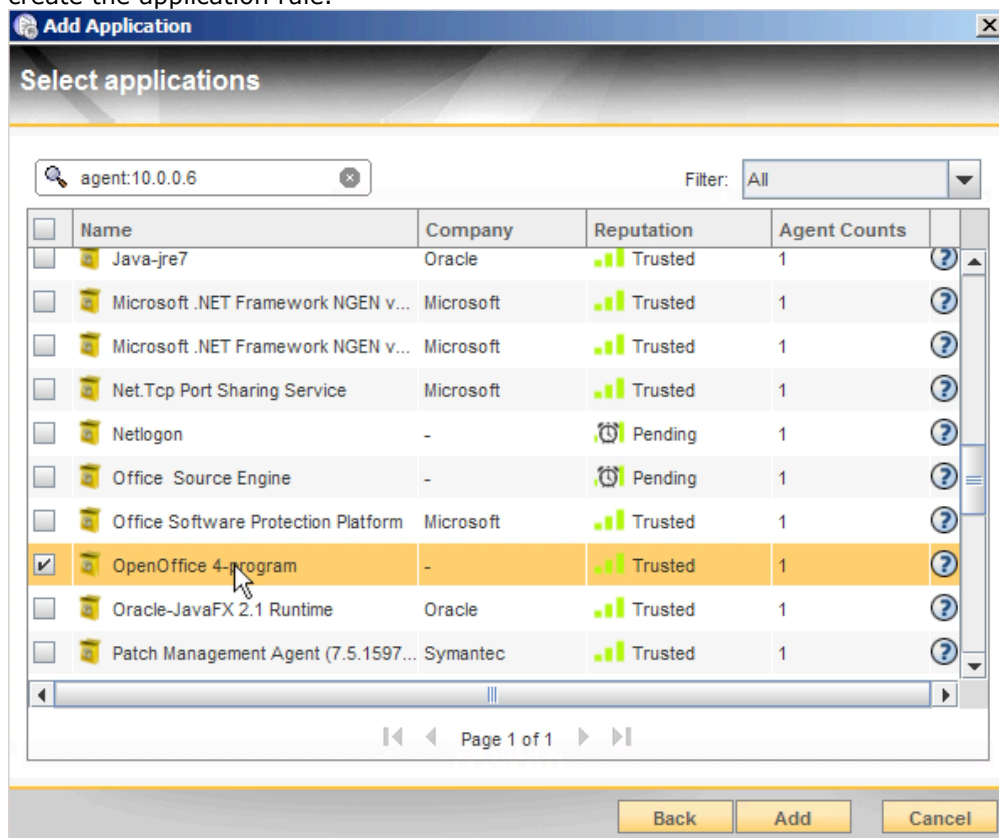
This page shows ordered list of application rules. You can add, edit or remove application rules in this list. You can specify how applications are protected on the system by configuring their behavior.

Buttons: Add, Edit, Delete, Apply, OK, Cancel

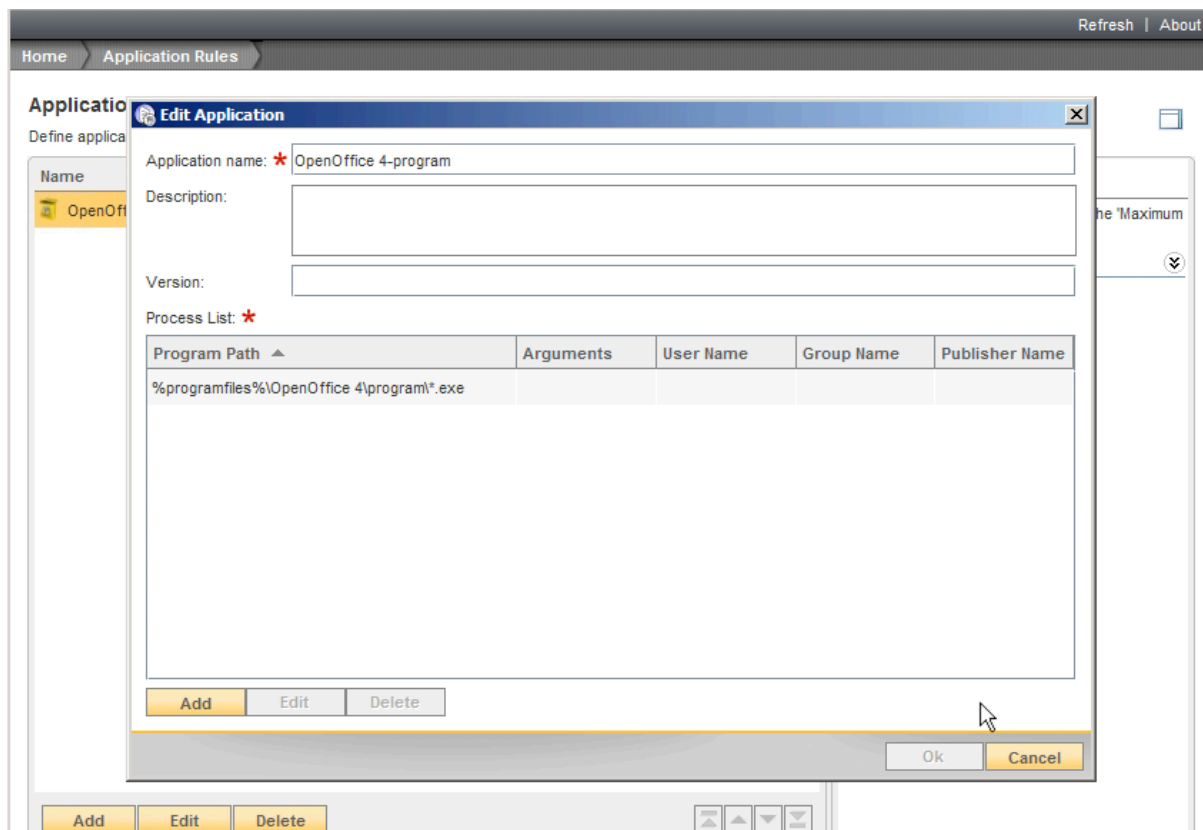
6. Select predefined applications and click next.



7. Type agent:%IP_ADDRESS% in the search bar to filter the list of applications to only those installed on the client you are whitelisting. In this example, OpenOffice is selected. Click Add to create the application rule.



8. Double click the new application rule to review the contents.



Home Application Rules Refresh About

Application Define applica

Edit Application

Application name: * OpenOffice 4-program

Description:

Version:

Process List: *

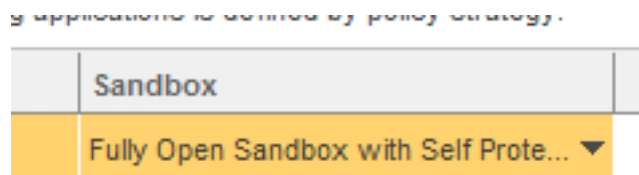
Program Path ▲	Arguments	User Name	Group Name	Publisher Name
%programfiles%\OpenOffice 4\program*.exe				

Add Edit Delete

Ok Cancel

Add Edit Delete

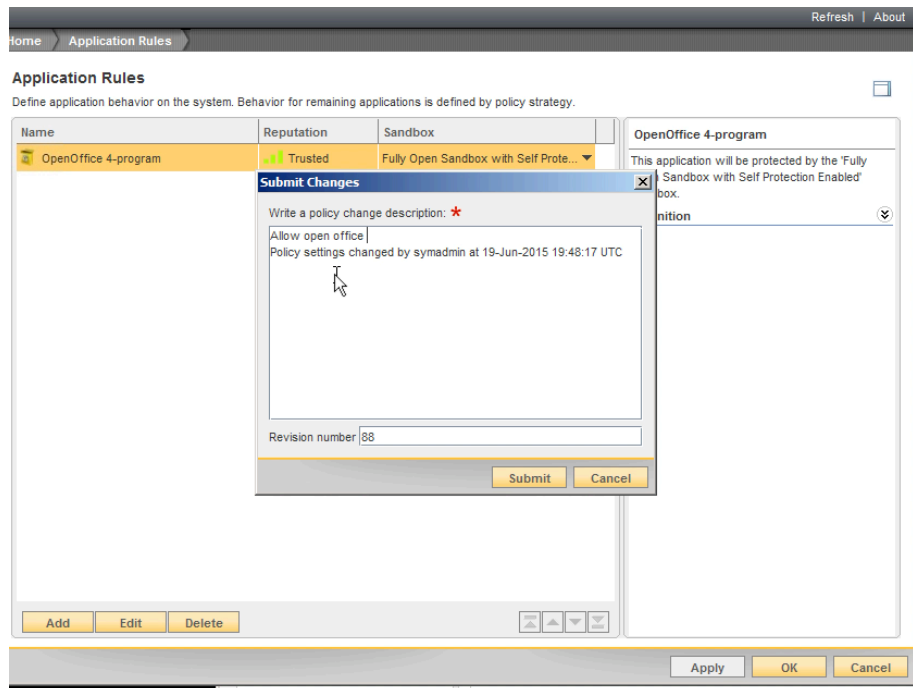
9. Change the sandbox type to "Fully open sandbox with self protection enabled".



Sandbox

Fully Open Sandbox with Self Prote... ▼



10. Commit change by selecting Apply and type the relevant notes. Click Submit and then click OK to exit the policy editing window.



11. Apply newly modified policy to required assets and ensure the policy is applied.



Prevention Assets

/Policy

Edit Policy Apply Policy Clear Policy Properties Search Refresh							
	Name ▲	IP Address	Policy	Version	OS	Last Contacted	
	 Windows 7 Test Box	10.0.0.6	Test Application Whitelisting v6.0.0 r88	6.0.0.604	Windows	19-Jun-2015	

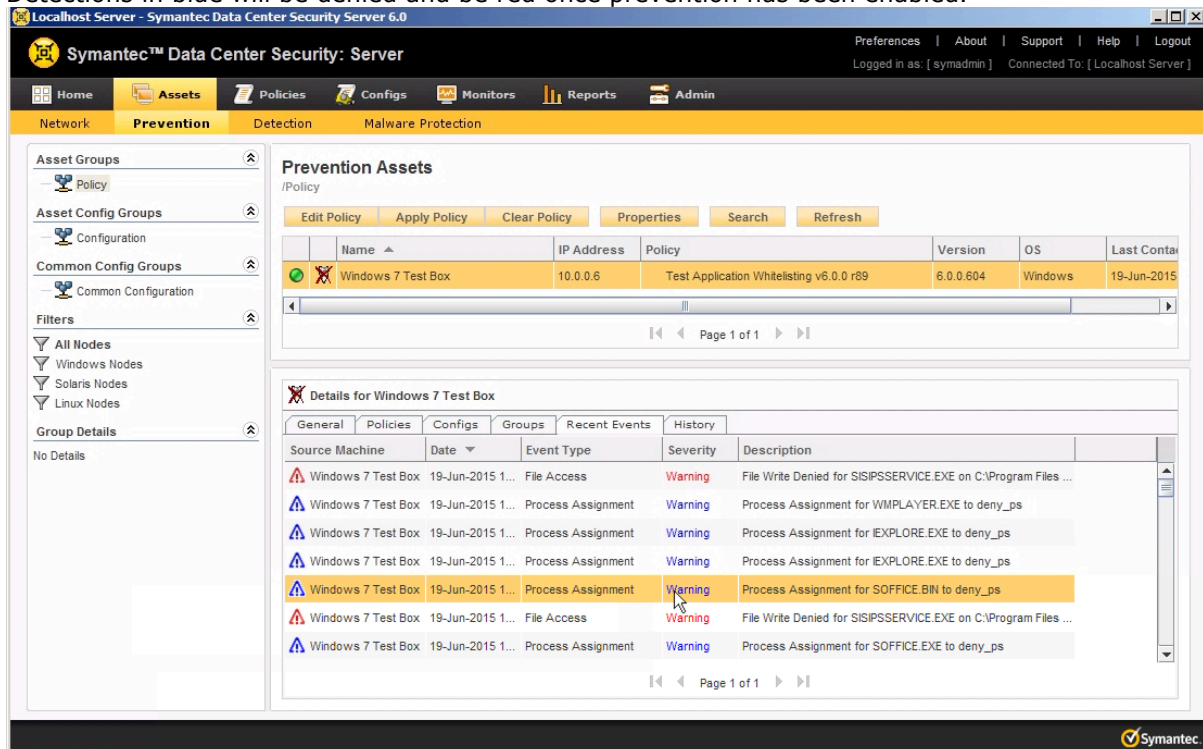
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Absence of red flag indicates policy has been applied successfully.

Edit Policy Apply Policy Clear Policy Properties Search Refresh							
	Name ▲	IP Address	Policy	Version	OS	Last Contacted	
	 Windows 7 Test Box	10.0.0.6	Test Application Whitelisting v6.0.0 r88	6.0.0.604	Windows	19-Jun-2015	

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12. Test the new whitelisting policy for a period of time before enabling prevention by logging in to the required asset and working normally for a while. This will generate events in the management console. After some time, log in to the management server and select the assets tab. In the lower right section of the interface, select the recent events tab. This will display the detections. Detections in blue will be denied and be red once prevention has been enabled.



The screenshot displays the Symantec Data Center Security Server 6.0 management console. The interface includes a top navigation bar with tabs for Home, Assets, Policies, Configs, Monitors, Reports, and Admin. The left sidebar shows a tree view for Asset Groups, Asset Config Groups, Common Config Groups, and Filters. The main content area is titled "Prevention Assets" and shows a table of assets. Below this, the "Details for Windows 7 Test Box" are displayed, showing a list of events with columns for Source Machine, Date, Event Type, Severity, and Description.

Prevention Assets Table:

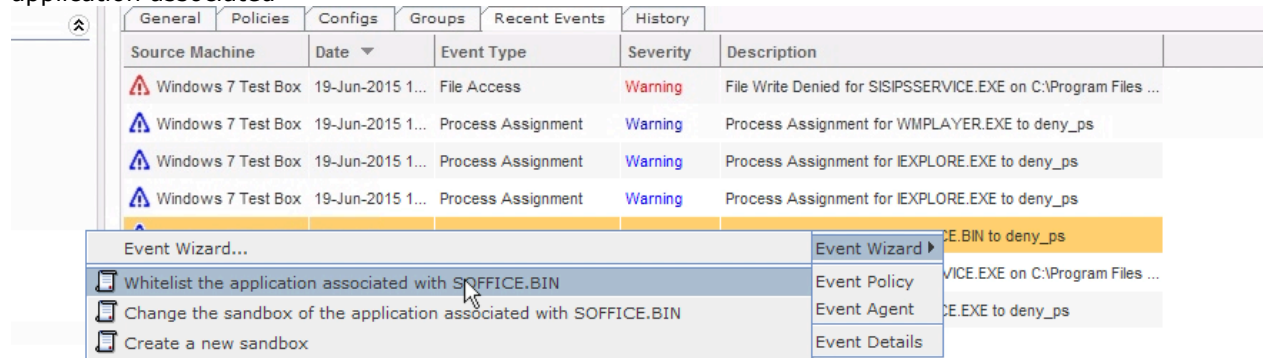
Name	IP Address	Policy	Version	OS	Last Contact
Windows 7 Test Box	10.0.0.6	Test Application Whitelisting v6.0.0 r89	6.0.0.604	Windows	19-Jun-2015

Details for Windows 7 Test Box Table:

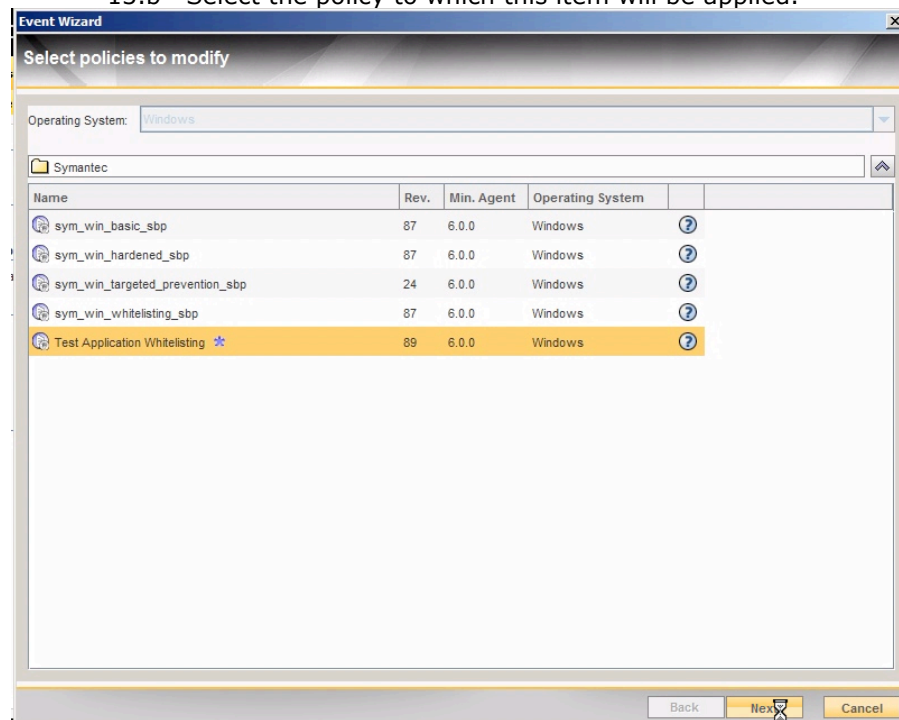
Source Machine	Date	Event Type	Severity	Description
Windows 7 Test Box	19-Jun-2015 1...	File Access	Warning	File Write Denied for SISIPSSERVICE.EXE on C:\Program Files ...
Windows 7 Test Box	19-Jun-2015 1...	Process Assignment	Warning	Process Assignment for WMPLAYER.EXE to deny_ps
Windows 7 Test Box	19-Jun-2015 1...	Process Assignment	Warning	Process Assignment for EXPLORE.EXE to deny_ps
Windows 7 Test Box	19-Jun-2015 1...	Process Assignment	Warning	Process Assignment for EXPLORE.EXE to deny_ps
Windows 7 Test Box	19-Jun-2015 1...	Process Assignment	Warning	Process Assignment for SOFFICE.BIN to deny_ps
Windows 7 Test Box	19-Jun-2015 1...	File Access	Warning	File Write Denied for SISIPSSERVICE.EXE on C:\Program Files ...
Windows 7 Test Box	19-Jun-2015 1...	Process Assignment	Warning	Process Assignment for SOFFICE.EXE to deny_ps

13. Sometimes, gathering application data is not sufficient for an effective whitelisting policy, and you may review the processes that will be blocked/fine tune application rules before enabling prevent to ensure that allowed processes are not blocked. For example, although the get application data option was able to detect the executable data for Open Office (*.exe), it was unable to detect SOFFICE.BIN, a required binary file for the application to run. To effectively allow the application to be whitelisted, simply add another entry to the application rules in the whitelisting policy. To whitelist an application, simply right click and select "Event Wizard" and then "Whitelist the application associated with %FILENAME%".

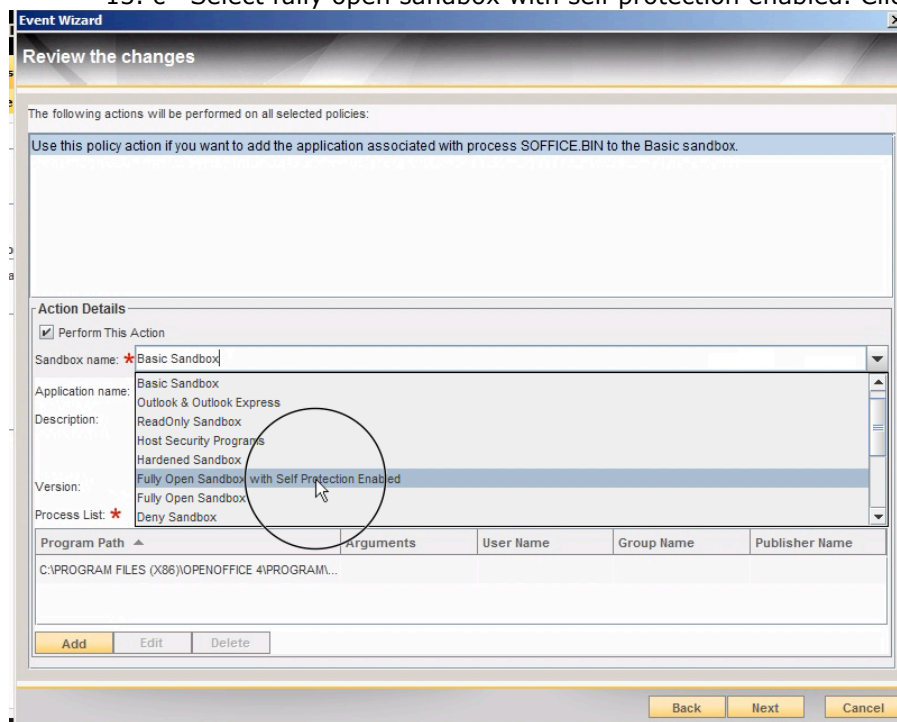
13.a Right click application detected for deny and click event wizard->whitelist the application associated



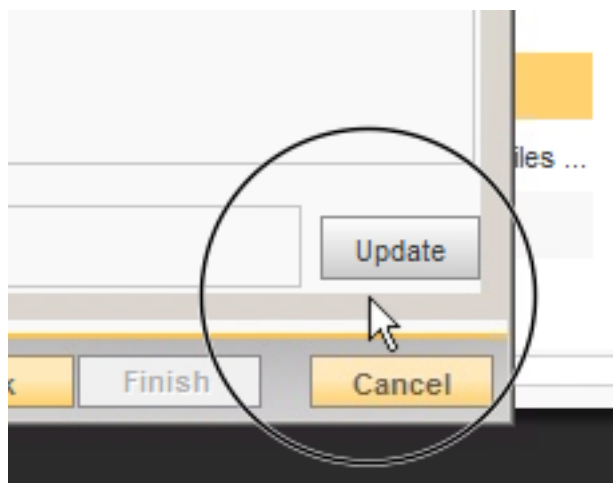
13.b Select the policy to which this item will be applied.



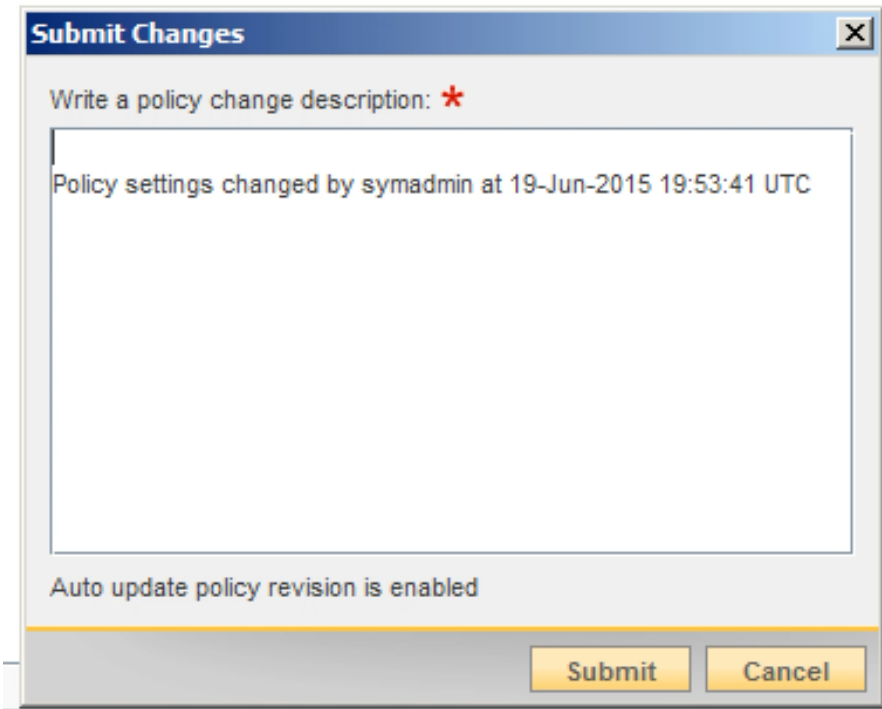
13. c Select fully open sandbox with self protection enabled. Click next.



13. d Click update.



13. e Commit change by clicking submit.



Submit Changes

Write a policy change description: *

Policy settings changed by symadmin at 19-Jun-2015 19:53:41 UTC














Auto update policy revision is enabled

Submit **Cancel**

13. f In the policies window, select newly modified policy and click reapply to launch the Reapply Policy Wizard.

Prevention Policies

/Workspace/Symantec

<div> Add Edit Copy Delete Apply Reapply Import Export Refresh </div>						
Name ▲	Rev.	Min. Agent	Operating System	Type	Date Modified	
 sym_unix_null_sbp	12	5.0.0	Unix	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:43:48 EDT	
 sym_unix_protection_sbp	247	5.2.9	Unix	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:43:48 EDT	
 sym_unix_targeted_prevention_sbp	25	5.2.9	Unix	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:43:49 EDT	
 sym_win_basic_sbp	87	6.0.0	Windows	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:44:02 EDT	
 sym_win_hardened_sbp	87	6.0.0	Windows	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:43:59 EDT	
 sym_win_null_sbp	12	5.0.0	Windows	Prevention Policy	19-Jun-2015 15:39:38 EDT	
 sym_win_protection_core_sbp	559	5.2.9	Windows	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:43:50 EDT	
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 sym_win_protection_strict_sbp	538	5.2.9	Windows	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:43:52 EDT	
 sym_win_targeted_prevention_sbp	53	5.2.9	Windows	Prevention Policy	18-Jun-2015 19:00:49 EDT	
 sym_win_targeted_prevention_sbp	24	6.0.0	Windows	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:44:03 EDT	
 sym_win_whitelisting_sbp	87	6.0.0	Windows	Prevention Policy	09-Sep-2014 14:43:53 EDT	
 Test Application Whitelisting *	89	6.0.0	Windows	Prevention Policy	19-Jun-2015 15:50:38 EDT	

13. g Open office launches successfully without generation warnings in the management console after new whitelist items have been applied.



13. h After enabling prevention for the policy, only the whitelisted items will run. Non-permitted applications will fail to execute (e.g. Windows Media Player)

