Sophos Workload Protection Licensing Guide



Intercept X for Server, XDR, Cloud Native Security, and MTR Overview

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Features	Intercept X Essentials for Server	Intercept X Advanced for Server	Intercept X Advanced for Server with XDR	Cloud Native Security	Intercept X Advanced for Server with MTR Standard	Intercept X Advanced for Server with MTR Advanced
Management						
Multiple Policies		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Controlled Updates		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Attack Surface Reduction						
Application Control		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peripheral Control		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Web Control / Category-based URL blocking		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Application Whitelisting (Server Lockdown)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Download Reputation	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Web Security	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Before It Runs On Device						
Deep Learning Malware Detection	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Anti-Malware File Scanning	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Live Protection	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pre-execution Behavior Analysis (HIPS)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Potentially Unwanted Application (PUA) Blocking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Intrusion Prevention System (IPS)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Stop Running Threat						
Data Loss Prevention		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Runtime Behavior Analysis (HIPS)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Antimalware Scan Interface (AMSI)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Malicious Traffic Detection (MTD)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exploit Prevention (details on page 5)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Active Adversary Mitigations (details on page 5)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ransomware File Protection (CryptoGuard)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Disk and Boot Record Protection (WipeGuard)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Man-in-the-Browser Protection (Safe Browsing)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Enhanced Application Lockdown	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Detect						
Live Discover (Cross Estate SQL Querying for Threat Hunting & IT Security Operations Hygiene)			√	√	✓	√
SQL Query Library (pre-written, fully customizable queries)			√	√	✓	√
Fast Access, On-disk Data Storage (up to 90 days)			✓	√	✓	√
Cross-product Data Sources e.g. Firewall, Email			✓	✓	✓	✓
Prioritized List of Detections			✓	✓	✓	✓
Sophos Data Lake (Cloud data storage)			30 days	30 days	30 days	30 days
Scheduled Queries			✓	✓	✓	✓
Container Runtime Visibility and Detections			✓	✓	✓	✓
Investigate						
Threat Cases (Root Cause Analysis)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Deep Learning Malware Analysis			✓	✓	✓	✓
Advanced On-demand SophosLabs Threat Intelligence			√	√	✓	√
Forensic Data Export			✓	✓	✓	✓
Al-guided Investigations			√	✓	✓	✓

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Remediate						
Automated Malware Removal	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Synchronized Security Heartbeat	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sophos Clean	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Live Response (Remote Terminal Access for further investigation and response)			√	√	√	✓
On-demand Server Isolation			✓	✓	✓	✓
Single-click "Clean and Block"			✓	✓	✓	✓
Container Runtime Visibility and Detections			✓	✓	✓	✓
Control						
Synchronized Application Control (visibility of applications)	√	√	√	√	✓	✓
Update Cache and Message Relay	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Automatic Scanning Exclusions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
File Integrity Monitoring			✓	✓	✓	✓
Cloud Environments						
Cloud Environment Monitoring: AWS, Azure, GCP, Kubernetes, IaC and Docker Hub registries		One per provider	One per provider	Unlimited	One per provider	One per provider
Security Monitoring (CSPM best practice rules)		Daily scans	Daily scans	Scheduled, daily and on-demand scans	Daily scans	Daily scans
Asset Inventory		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Advanced Search Capabilities		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Al-powered Anomaly Detection		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SophosLabs Intelix Malicious Traffic Alerts		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Email Alerts		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
AWS Native Service Integrations (Amazon GuardDuty, AWS Security Hub, Amazon Inspector etc.)		✓	✓	√	√	✓
Azure Native Service Integrations (Azure Sentinel and Advisor)		√	√	√	√	✓
Cloud Workload Protection: Sophos Intercept X Server agent discovery		✓	✓	√	✓	✓
Cloud Workload Protection: Automatic Sophos Intercept X Server agent removal		✓	✓	√	√	✓

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Compliance Policies and Reports		CIS Benchmarks	CIS Benchmarks	CIS Benchmarks, ISO 27001, EBU R 143, FEDRAMP FIEC, GDPR, HIPAA, PCI DSS, SOC2, Sophos Best Practices	CIS Benchmarks	CIS Benchmarks
Custom Policies				✓		
Network Visualization		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
IAM Visualization		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Spend Monitor		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Alert Management Integrations (Jira, ServiceNow, Slack, Teams, PagerDuty, Amazon SNS)		✓	√	✓	✓	✓
SIEM Integrations (Splunk, Azure Sentinel)		√	√	✓	√	√
Rest API		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Infrastructure as Code Template Scanning		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Environment Access Control		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Container image scanning (ECR, ACR, Docker Hub, API)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Managed Service						
24/7 Lead-driven Threat Hunting					✓	✓
Security Health Checks					✓	✓
Data Retention					✓	✓
Activity Reporting					✓	✓
Adversarial Detections					✓	✓
Threat Neutralization & Remediation					✓	✓
24/7 Lead-less Threat Hunting						✓
Threat Response Team Lead						✓
Direct Call-in Support						✓
Proactive Security Posture Management						✓
Ransomware File Protection (CryptoGuard)						✓

Operating System Feature Comparison

Features	Windows	Linux*
Management		
Multiple Policies	✓	✓
Controlled Updates	✓	✓
Attack Surface Reduction		
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Antimalware Scan Interface (AMSI)	✓	
Malicious Traffic Detection (MTD)	✓	See note
Exploit Prevention (details on page 5)	✓	
Active Adversary Mitigations (details on page 5)	✓	
Ransomware File Protection (CryptoGuard)	✓	
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Scheduled Queries	✓	✓
Container Runtime Visibility and Detections		✓
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Threat Cases (Root Cause Analysis)	✓	
Deep Learning Malware Analysis	✓	
Advanced On-demand SophosLabs Threat Intelligence	✓	
Forensic Data Export	✓	
Al-guided Investigations	✓	✓
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File Integrity Monitoring	√	
Managed Service		
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Security Health Checks	✓	✓
Data Retention	✓	✓
Activity Reporting	✓	✓
Adversarial Detections	✓	✓
Threat Neutralization & Remediation	✓	✓
24/7 Lead-less Threat Hunting	✓	✓
Threat Response Team Lead	✓	✓
Direct Call-in Support	✓	✓
Proactive Security Posture Improvement	✓	✓

^{*}Linux includes two deployment options. 1) Sophos Protection for Linux deployment gives access to the features noted in the table. 2) Sophos Anti-Virus for Linux deployment that includes: Anti-malware, Live Protection, Malicious Traffic Detection and Synchronized Security. Please note that the two deployment options cannot be used together.

Sophos Protection Overview

Details of workload protection features included with Intercept X and Cloud Native Security

Features	
Exploit Prevention	
Enforce Data Execution Prevention	✓
Mandatory Address Space Layout Randomization	✓
Bottom-up ASLR	✓
Null Page (Null Deference Protection)	✓
Heap Spray Allocation	✓
Dynamic Heap Spray	✓
Stack Pivot	✓
Stack Exec (MemProt)	✓
Stack-based ROP Mitigations (Caller)	✓
Branch-based ROP Mitigations (Hardware Assisted)	✓
Structured Exception Handler Overwrite (SEHOP)	✓
Import Address Table Filtering (IAF)	✓
Load Library	✓
Reflective DLL Injection	✓
Shellcode	✓
VBScript God Mode	✓
Wow64	✓
Syscall	✓
Hollow Process	✓
DLL Hijacking	✓
Squiblydoo Applocker Bypass	✓
APC Protection (Double Pulsar / AtomBombing)	✓
Process Privilege Escalation	✓
Dynamic Shellcode Protection	✓
EFS Guard	✓

Features	
CTF Guard	✓
ApiSetGuard	✓
Active Adversary Mitigations	
Credential Theft Protection	✓
Code Cave Mitigation	✓
Man-in-the-Browser Protection (Safe Browsing)	✓
Malicious Traffic Detection	✓
Meterpreter Shell Detection	✓
Anti-Ransomware	
Ransomware File Protection (CryptoGuard)	✓
Automatic file recovery (CryptoGuard)	✓
Disk and Boot Record Protection (WipeGuard)	✓
Application Lockdown	
Web Browsers (including HTA)	✓
Web Browser Plugins	✓
Java	✓
Media Applications	✓
Office Applications	✓
Deep Learning Protection	
Deep Learning Malware Detection	✓
Deep Learning Potentially Unwanted Applications (PUA) Blocking	✓
False Positive Suppression	✓
Respond Investigate Remove	
Threat Cases (Root Cause Analysis)	✓
Sophos Clean	✓
Synchronized Security Heartbeat	✓

Managed Threat Response (MTR)

Sophos Managed Threat Response (MTR) provides 24/7 threat hunting, detection, and response capabilities delivered by an expert team as a fully-managed service. MTR customers also receive Intercept X Advanced for Server with XDR.

Sophos MTR: Standard

24/7 Lead-Driven Threat Hunting

Confirmed malicious artifacts or activity (strong signals) are automatically blocked or terminated, freeing up threat hunters to conduct lead-driven threat hunts. This type of threat hunt involves the aggregation and investigation of causal and adjacent events (weak signals) to discover new Indicators of Attack (IoA) and Indicators of Compromise (IoC) that previously could not be detected.

Security Health Check

Keep your Sophos Central products--beginning with Intercept X Advanced for Server with XDR--operating at peak performance with proactive examinations of your operating conditions and recommended configuration improvements.

Activity Reporting

Summaries of case activities enable prioritization and communication so your team knows what threats were detected and what response actions were taken within each reporting period.

Adversarial Detections

Most successful attacks rely on the execution of a process that can appear legitimate to monitoring tools. Using proprietary investigation techniques, our team determines the difference between legitimate behavior and the tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) used by attackers.

Sophos MTR: Advanced

Includes all Standard features, plus the following:

24/7 Leadless Threat Hunting

Applying data science, threat intelligence, and the intuition of veteran threat hunters, we combine your company profile, high-value assets, and high-risk users to anticipate attacker behavior and identify new Indicators of Attack (IoA).

Enhanced Telemetry

Threat investigations are supplemented with telemetry from other Sophos Central products extending beyond the endpoint to provide a full picture of adversary activities.

Proactive Posture Improvement

Proactively improve your security posture and harden your defenses with prescriptive guidance for addressing configuration and architecture weaknesses that diminish your overall security capabilities.

Dedicated Threat Response Lead

When an incident is confirmed, a dedicated threat response lead is provided to directly collaborate with your on-premises resources (internal team or external partner) until the active threat is neutralized.

Direct Call-In Support

Your team has direct call-in access to our security operations center (SOC). Our MTR Operations Team is available around-the-clock and backed by support teams spanning 26 locations worldwide.

Asset Discovery

From asset information covering OS versions, applications, and vulnerabilities to identifying managed and unmanaged assets, we provide valuable insights during impact assessments, threat hunts, and as part of proactive posture improvement recommendations.

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