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## Barracuda Web Filter

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The Barracuda Web Filter is used by Application Control 2.0 and the HTTP proxy to categorize URLs accessed by the users. You must have an active Energize Updates subscription to use the Barracuda Web Filter. The Barracuda Web Filter first attempts to find the requested page in the local cache. If the page cannot be found in this cache, the page is checked against the URL filter database in the Barracuda Cloud. Access to the URL is then granted or denied according to the specified policy.

### Barracuda Web Filter with Application Control 2.0

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For best matching results use Application Control 2.0 and the Barracuda Web Filter to enforce your application policies. The URL Filter Match object is used as an application rule matching criteria and can be optionally used to apply different QoS settings depending on the URL category or specific website.

For more information, see [How to Create an URL Filter Policy Object](#) and [How to Create an URL Filter Match Object](#).

### Barracuda Web Filter with HTTP Proxy

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Web filtering allows you to control access to websites based on the URL category. To offer granular control it is possible to define exceptions for individual users and IP addresses and also to log which requests are allowed and denied.

For more information, see [How to Configure Web Filtering](#).

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