

## How to Change the Root Password and Management ACL

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Restricting access to the management interface of the Barracuda NextGen Firewall F-Series is important for network security. Barracuda Networks strongly recommends changing the root password after the first login. Use the management access control list to whitelist IP addresses that are allowed to connect via NextGen Admin to the firewall or Control Center.

### In this article:

## Change the Root Password

1. Go to **CONFIGURATION > Configuration Tree > Box > Administrative Settings**.
2. In the left menu, click **System Access**.
3. Click **Lock**.
4. In the **Root Password** section, enter the password for the root user.

Passwords can consist of small and capital characters, numbers, and non alpha-num symbols. Barracuda NextGen Admin rates the password strength according to the entered characters. For more information, see the NextGen Admin password strength policy in [Configuration Pages - Access and Controls](#).

5. Click **Send Changes** and **Activate**.

## Manage the Management Access Control List

Enter the IP addresses or networks for which access to the management IP on TCP ports 22 (secure shell) and 800-820 is granted. Access from all other addresses to these port/addresses are denied. By default, access is allowed from an arbitrary address. Changing the ACL does not terminate active admin sessions. To enforce ACL changes, manually terminate active sessions on the **FIREWALL > Sessions** page.

When deploying a CloudGen Firewall in Azure, the ACL is enforced only when the interface is changed from dhcp to ethx and assigned a static IP address. For more information, see [Reserved, Static and Public IP Addresses in the Azure Cloud using ASM](#).

1. Go to **CONFIGURATION > Configuration Tree > Box > Administrative Settings**.
2. In the left menu, click **System Access**.

3. Click **Lock**.
4. In the **Access Control List** section, click **+** and add the IP addresses from which the Barracuda NextGen Firewall F-Series can be administered.
5. Click **Send Changes** and **Activate**.

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