
Working with External Servers

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This article describes how you can add and work with external servers, where you store report logs.

Adding an External Server

Use this section to add **FTP** or **SMB** servers for storing report logs. These servers can then be selected from the **Reports** page.

1. Enter the details for the external server:
 - **Server Type** – Select either FTP or SMB.
 - **Alias**– (Optional) Enter the server alias name.
 - **Hostname/IP Address** – Enter the FQDN or IP address of the server.
 - **Port**– Enter the **Port** number of the server.
 - Default ports:
 - FTP = 21
 - smb = 445
 - **Username/Password**– Enter a username and password with permissions to access the FTP or SMB server.

As a best practice, use a unique account for this integration point and grant it the least level of privileges required, coordinating with the FTP or SMB administrator. This account requires read and write privileges on the FTP or SMB server *only for the specific path you indicate* in the next field. For additional information, see [Security for Integrating with Other Systems - Best Practices](#).
 - **Folder/Path**– Enter the directory path location, including forward slashes (/).
2. Click **Add Server** to add the server to the **External Servers** table.
3. Click **Test Server** to test the server connection.

External Servers

The list of external servers you have defined on this page for reports. Fields in the table include:

- **Alias** – Alias name for the server.
- **Hostname/IP Address** – The FQDN or IP address of the server.
- **Type** – The type of external server, either *FTP* or *SMB*.
- **Port** – Port number for the external server.
- **Folder/Path** – Directory path location.
- **Actions** - Actions you can take on the external server:
 - **Edit** – Make any changes to the server details in the top part of this page. You can test

the server again, if needed.

Be sure to click **Save Changes** when you have finished.

- **Remove** - Removes the link between the external server and this Barracuda Reporting Server.

Note: If you remove an external server, any reports that were pointing to it will be disabled. They will still be listed in the **Scheduled Reports** list on the **Reports** page, but they cannot run without your specifying a new external server.

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