

CIW Security Professional Series – Course 1:

Network Security and Firewalls (November 2002)

Network Security and Firewalls teaches you how to secure your network from unauthorized activity. This course teaches you about security principles, such as establishing an effective security policy, and about the different types of hacker activities that you are most likely to encounter.

Topics

What Is Security?

- Network Security Background
- What Is Security?
- Hacker Statistics
- What Is the Risk?
- The Myth of 100-Percent Security
- Attributes of an Effective Security Matrix
- What You Are Trying to Protect
- Who Is the Threat?
- Security Standards
- Elements of Security
- Security Concepts and Mechanisms

Elements of Security

- The Security Policy
- Encryption
- Authentication
- Specific Authentication Techniques
- Access Control
- Auditing
- Security Tradeoffs and Drawbacks

Applied Encryption

- Reasons to Use Encryption
- Creating Trust Relationships
- Rounds, Parallelization and Strong Encryption
- Symmetric-Key Encryption
- Symmetric Algorithms
- Asymmetric Encryption
- Hash Encryption
- Applied Encryption Processes
- Encryption Review

Types of Attacks

- Attack Categories
- Brute-Force and Dictionary Attacks
- System Bugs and Back Doors
- Social Engineering and Non-Direct Attacks

General Security Principles

- Common Security Principles: Introduction
- Be Paranoid
- You Must Have a Security Policy
- No System or Technique Stands Alone
- Minimize the Damage
- Deploy Companywide Enforcement
- Provide Training
- Use an Integrated Security Strategy
- Place Equipment According to Needs
- Identify Security Business Issues
- Consider Physical Security

Protocol Layers and Security

- TCP/IP Security Introduction
- TCP/IP and Network Security
- The TCP/IP Suite and the OSI Reference Model
- Physical Layer
- Network Layer
- Transport Layer
- Application Layer

Securing Resources

- TCP/IP Security Vulnerabilities
- Implementing Security Resources and Services
- Protecting TCP/IP Services
- Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP)
- Testing and Evaluating
- Implementing New Systems and Settings
- Security Testing Software
- Security and Repetition

Firewalls and Virtual Private Networks

- Access Control Overview
- Definition and Description of a Firewall
- The Role of a Firewall
- Firewall Terminology
- Firewall Configuration Defaults
- Creating Packet Filter Rules
- Packet Filter Advantages and Disadvantages
- Configuring Proxy Servers
- Remote Access and Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)
- Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)

Levels of Firewall Protection

- Designing a Firewall
- Types of Bastion Hosts
- Hardware Issues
- Common Firewall Designs
- Putting It All Together

Detecting and Distracting Hackers

- Preparing for the Inevitable
- Proactive Detection
- Distracting the Hacker
- Deterring the Hacker

Incident Response

- Planning for Response
- Create a Response Policy
- Decide Ahead of Time
- Do Not Panic
- Document Everything
- Assess the Situation
- Stop or Contain Activity
- Execute the Response Plan
- Analyze and Learn

Target Audience

Network server administrators, firewall administrators, systems administrators, application developers, and IT security officers.

Job Responsibilities

Implement e-business solutions security policies; identify security threats and develop countermeasures using firewall systems and attack-recognition technologies; and manage the deployment of security solutions.

Prerequisites

Students must have completed the CIW Foundations and CIW Internetworking Professional series or be able to demonstrate equivalent Internet knowledge.

Duration

12 hours