

# RSA NetWitness Platform

## Event Source Log Configuration Guide



## Rapid7 NeXpose

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### Event Source Product Information:

**Vendor:** [Rapid7](#)

**Event Source:** NeXpose

**Versions:** 4.8, 5.2, 5.10, 6.x

### Additional Downloads:

- `sftpageant.conf.unix.nexpose` (configuration file for Linux)
- `nicsftpageant.conf.nexpose`
- `sftpageant.conf.nexpose`
- `sftpageant.conf.rapid7`
- `nexpose-audits.vbs`
- `nexpose-authevents.vbs`
- `nexpose-nscevents.vbs`
- `config.cfg`

### RSA Product Information:

**Supported On:** NetWitness Platform 10.0 and later

**Event Source Log Parser:** nexpose

**Collection Method:** File

**Event Source Class.Subclass:** Security.Vulnerability

To configure Rapid7 NeXpose, you must complete these tasks:

- I. [Configure Scripts on Rapid7 NeXpose](#)
- II. [Configure SFTP Agent](#)
- III. [Configure the RSA NetWitness Log Collector for File Collection](#)

## Configure Scripts on Rapid7 NeXpose

**Note:** This entire section is for configuring a Windows system. If you are using Linux, you can skip this section, and go straight to the [Configure SFTP Agent](#) section.

On a Windows system, to configure the Rapid7 NeXpose event source to generate logs in the proper area, configure the appropriate script.

1. Use a browser to navigate to the [Rapid7 NeXpose Additional Downloads page](#) in the RSA® NetWitness® Platform Event Source Downloads space.
2. Download the scripts you need to your local hard drive.
3. Configure scripts for your version of Rapid7 NeXpose:
  - [Configure Scripts for NeXpose 5.2 or later](#)
  - [Configure Scripts for NeXpose 4.8](#)

### Configure Scripts for NeXpose 5.2 or later

**To configure the scripts for NeXpose 5.2 or later:**

1. Create a new folder on your NeXpose host named **C:\NeXposeScripts**
2. From the **/nexpose/scripts** folder in your Event Source Update installation directory, copy the **config.cfg**, **nexpose-audits.vbs**, **nexpose-authevents.vbs**, and **nexpose-nsevents.vbs** files, and paste them into **C:\NeXposeScripts**.
3. In the **config.cfg** file, edit the following parameter values.

Parameter	Value
FileName	<i>InstallPath\nse.log</i>
FolderSize	<b>100</b>
FileName1	<i>InstallPath\auth.log</i>
FolderSize1	<b>100</b>

Parameter	Value
FileName2	<i>InstallPath</i> \nsc.log
FolderSize2	100

Where *InstallPath* is the location where the NeXpose logs are stored. For example, **C:\Program Files\rapid7\nexpose\nse\**.

4. Schedule the **nexpose-audits.vbs** file:

**Note:** These instructions are for Microsoft Windows 2003; if you are running a different version of Windows, your instructions for scheduling a task will vary slightly.

- a. From Windows, click **Start > Control Panel > Scheduled Tasks > Add Scheduled Task**.
- b. Click **Next**.
- c. Select **Command Prompt**, and click **Next**.
- d. In the **Name** field, type **rapid7Batch**.
- e. In the **Perform this task** field, select **Daily**, and click **Next**.
- f. Add the appropriate start time and the start date for this scheduled task.
- g. Click **Next**.
- h. Enter your user name and password, and click **Next**.
- i. Ensure that **Open advanced properties for this task when I click Finish** is selected, and click **Finish**.
- j. Select the **Task** tab.
- k. In the **Run** field, type **nexpose-audits.vbs**.
  - l. In the **Start in** field, type **C:\NeXposeScripts\**.
- m. Select the **Schedule** tab, click **Advanced**.
- n. Select **Repeat task**.
- o. Select **1 Minute**, and click **OK**.
- p. Click **Apply**, and enter your user name and password.
- q. Click **OK**.

Configure scripts for your version of Rapid7 NeXpose:

5. Schedule the **nexpose-authevents.vbs** file. Repeat all instructions from Step 4, except for step 4.j, where you should type **nexpose-authevents.vbs** in the Run field.
6. Schedule the **nexpose-nscevents.vbs** file. Repeat all instructions from Step 4, except for step 4.j, where you should type **nexpose-nscevents.vbs** in the Run field.

## Configure Scripts for NeXpose 4.8

### To configure the scripts for NeXpose 4.8:

1. Create a new folder on your NeXpose host named **C:\NeXposeScripts**
2. From the **/nexpose/scripts** folder in your Event Source Update installation directory, copy the **config.cfg** and **nexpose-audits.vbs** files, and paste them into **C:\NeXposeScripts**.
3. In the **nexpose-audits.vbs** file, edit the following parameter values.

Parameter	Value
FileName	<i>InstallPath</i> \nexpose\nse\nse.log, where <i>InstallPath</i> is the location where NeXpose is installed, for example, C:\Program Files\rapid7.
FolderSize	100

4. Schedule the **nexpose-audits.vbs** file:
  - a. Click **Start > Control Panel > Scheduled Tasks > Add Scheduled Task**.
  - b. Click **Next**.
  - c. Select **Command Prompt**, and click **Next**.
  - d. In the **Name** field, type **rapid7Batch**.
  - e. In the **Perform this task** field, select **Daily**, and click **Next**.
  - f. Click **Next**.
  - g. Enter your user name and password, and click **Next**.
  - h. Ensure that **Open advanced properties for this task when I click Finish** is selected, and click **Finish**.
  - i. Select the **Task** tab.
  - j. In the **Run** field, type **nexpose-audits.vbs**.

- k. In the **Start in** field, type **C:\NeXposeScripts\**.
- l. Select the **Schedule** tab, click **Advanced**.
- m. Select **Repeat task**.
- n. Select **1 Minute**, and click **OK**.
- o. Click **Apply**, and enter your user name and password.
- p. Click **OK**.

## Configure SFTP Agent

If you are using Windows, see the [Install and Update SFTP Agent](#) guide on RSA Link.

**To set up SFTP agent on Linux, follow these steps:**

**Note:** Complete details about the script are available from this link in RSA Link: [Configure SFTP Shell Script File Transfer](#).

1. Download the Shell script, **sasftpageant.sh**, from RSA Link (<https://community.rsa.com/docs/DOC-45018>), and save the file to **/usr/local/sa**.
2. Download the **sftpageant.conf.unix.nexpose** file from RSA Link here: <https://community.rsa.com/docs/DOC-47295>.
3. Save the file as **sftpageant.conf** in **/etc/rsa**, and change permissions as follows:  

```
chmod 777 /etc/rsa/sftpageant.conf
```
4. Edit the file, and confirm the configuration parameters are set as follows (for more details and guidelines, see [Configure SFTP Shell Script File Transfer](#)):  

```
SA=<The name or IP address of your RSA NetWitness Log Collector host>
DATA_
DIRECTORY=/opt/rapid7/nexpose/nsc/logs/auth.log:/opt/rapid7/nexpose/nsc/
logs/nsc.log:/opt/rapid7/nexpose/nsc/logs/nse.log
FILESPEC=*.log
DEPTH=1
SA_DIRECTORY=/upload/nexpose/nexpose
PERSINFO_DIRECTORY="/var/lib/rsa/$NAME"
TRANSFER_METHOD=SFTP
USERNAME=sftp
IDENTITY=~/.ssh/id_rsa
UPLOAD_SPEC=tmp
FLAG_REMOVE_FILE_AFTER_SEND=no
EXPECTED_SFTP_OUTPUT_LINES=3
USEHEAD=0
LOG_FILE="/var/log/rsa/$NAME.log"
LOCK_TIMEOUT=300
```
5. Set up a cron job to run the script periodically.
6. Check **/var/log/rsa/sasftpageant.log** to verify that File collection is working.

## Configure the RSA NetWitness Log Collector for File Collection

Perform the following steps to configure the Log Collector for File collection.

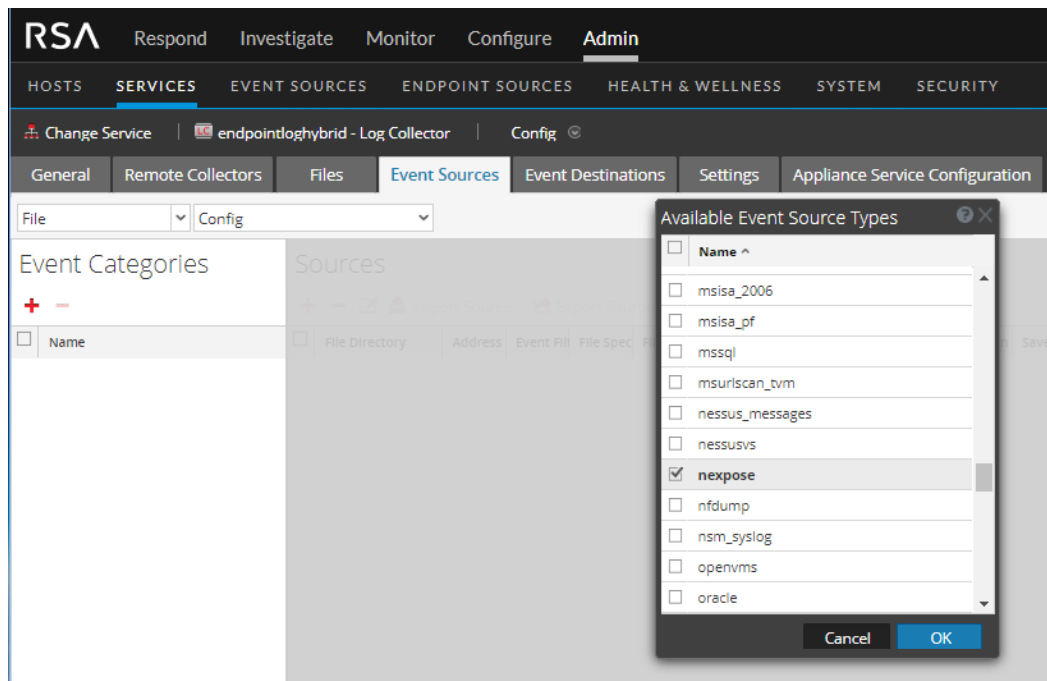
### To configure the Log Collector for file collection:

1. In the NetWitness menu, select **Admin > Services**.
2. In the Services grid, select a Log Collector, and from the Actions menu, choose **View > Config > Event Sources**.
3. Select **File/Config** from the drop-down menu.

The Event Categories panel displays the File event sources that are configured, if any.

4. In the Event Categories panel toolbar, click **+**.

The Available Event Source Types dialog is displayed.



5. Select **nexpose** from the **Available Event Source Types** dialog, and click **OK**.  
The newly added event source type is displayed in the Event Categories panel.

6. Select the new type in the Event Categories panel and click **+** in the Sources panel toolbar.

The Add Source dialog is displayed.

7. Add a File Directory name, modify any other parameters that require changes, and click **OK**.

**Note:** For the **File Directory** parameter, enter **nexpose**. This must match the SA\_DIRECTORY parameter that you set in the **sftpagent.conf** file earlier. The final portion of that path must match the directory name you enter here (/upload/nexpose/**nexpose**).

8. Stop and Restart File Collection. After you add a new event source that uses file collection, you must stop and restart the NetWitness File Collection service. This is necessary to add the key to the new event source.

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