



OpenBSD IPSec Configuration (host-to-host)



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References

- » OpenBSD FAQ - Virtual Private Networks (VPN)
 - <https://www.openbsd.org/faq/faq17.html>
- » Man pages:
 - `iked(8)`
 - `ikectl(8)`
 - `iked.conf(5)`
 - `ipsecctl(8)`
 - `rcctl(8)`



Introduction

- » OpenBSD comes with `iked(8)`, a modern, privilege-separated IKEv2 server
 - It can act both as responder, e.g. a server receiving connection requests, or initiator, e.g. a client initiating a connection to a responder
 - The `ikectl(8)` utility is used to control the server, which gets its configuration from the `iked.conf(5)` file



Agenda

- » Configuration (iked.conf)
- » Start iked on both endpoints for testing
- » Verify IPsec flows (ipsecctl)
- » Configure the iked service for continuous operation



Configuration

- » Ownership and permissions for /etc/iked.conf
- » Sharing public keys between nodes
- » Mapping public keys to automatic keying policies



Start ikes

- » Run ikes on the endpoints with debugging:
 - “ikes -dv”

Verify IPsec Flows

- » View the IPsec flows:
 - “ipsecctl -sa”
- » Confirm with tcpdump
 - Primary interface
 - enc0 interface



Configure Continuous Operation

» Service configuration commands:

- rcctl enable ike
- rcctl start ike

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