

# **Enterprise Azure Quick Start Guide**

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## **Introduction**

Azure is Microsoft's cloud platform. It's a growing collection of integrated services—compute, storage, data, networking, and application. It allows services to be deployed as and when required. Charges are made for what is used making it an extremely flexible and cost effective solution.

The Loadbalancer.org Enterprise Azure cloud based load balancer allows customers to rapidly deploy and configure a feature rich load balancing solution within the Azure cloud.

## About Enterprise Azure

The core software is based on customized versions of Centos 6 / RHEL 6, Linux 3.10, HA-Linux, HAProxy, Pound & STunnel.

#### Version 7.6.x

Enterprise Azure is based on the same code base as our main hardware/virtual product. This means that Enterprise Azure supports many of the same features as the hardware & virtual based products. There are certain differences due to the way the Microsoft Azure environment works. The main differences are listed below.

## Main Differences to the Non-Cloud Product

- The appliance can only have a single IP address. All configured virtual services must also use this address
- The network setup is customized for Microsoft Azure deployment
- Layer 4 NAT mode and DR mode are not supported
- The WUI is not accessible on HTTP port 9080, only HTTPS port 9443

## Why use Enterprise Azure?

Microsoft enables users to configure a load balancer to load balance multiple Azure instances running in the cloud. This does provide basic load balancing functionality but is limited in several areas. Loadbalancer.org's Enterprise Azure load balancer provides the following additional features & advantages:

- 1. Supports Layer 7 load balancing functionality
- 2. Load balances both Azure based and non-Azure based servers
- 3. Supports Round Robin and Least Connection connection distribution algorithms
- 4. Supports customizable timeouts for custom applications beyond those offered by Azure
- 5. Supports comprehensive back-end server health-check options
- 6. Enables fallback servers to be configured and invoked when all load balanced servers/services fail
- 7. Provides extensive real time and historical statistics reports
- 8. Supports session distribution based on actual server load (utilizing Loadbalancer.org's feedback agent which is available for both Linux & Windows)
- 9. Supports SSL Termination
- 10. Supports RDP Cookie based persistence
- 11. Supports full integration with Remote Desktop Services Connection Broker

## Azure Terminology

<u>Acronym</u>	Definition
Windows Azure	Microsoft's Cloud platform
BLOB	Binary Large Object for storing large data items, basically a large file
Image	A VHD that is used as a template to create a new virtual machine
VNet	Virtual Network for grouping services
Cloud Service	Logical construct for grouping VM's and sharing public IP addresses
VIP	The public IP address (allocated to the Cloud Service)
DIP	The private IP address allocated by Azures DHCP service

## **Getting Started**

To start using Microsoft Azure, you'll need an Azure account. If you don't already have one you can create one at the following URL : https://manage.windowsazure.com/

Another useful source of information to help get started with Azure is available at the following URL:

http://blogs.technet.com/b/keithmayer/archive/2013/01/05/31-days-of-servers-in-the-cloud-getting-started.aspx

## **Deployment Concepts**

### Overview

When deploying the load balancer and other virtual machines, it's possible to deploy them generically into Azures various regions, or more specifically to a particular Virtual Network (VNet). A VNet is required since the load balancer and the other load balanced VM's must be able to communicate with each other within the Azure Infrastructure. For more information please refer to the following link:

http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/azure/jj156007.aspx

## Virtual Networks in Azure

A Virtual Network is a network overlay that can be configured in Azure. VM's and services that are part of the same VNet can access each other. However, services outside the VNet have no way to identify or connect to services hosted within other VNets unless you decide to configure a VNet to VNet connection. This provides an added layer of isolation to your services. Azure VNets also allow you to extend your network into Azure and treat deployments as a natural extension to your on-premises network. For more information please refer to the following link:

http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/azure/dn133803.aspx

## Network Interfaces

The current release of Azure does not support adding or removing NICs after a VM is created. Multiple NICs can only be configured when a VM is created. This functionality is only supported within a Virtual Network. Please refer to the following link for more information:

http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/dn848315.aspx

## Default Gateway

The default gateway in Azure subnets is always the first IP address in the subnet. For example, for the subnet 10.0.20.0/24, the default gateway would be 10.0.20.1.

## **IP Address Types**

**NOTE :** The load balancer has a single public IP address in Azure so all work-load and management services must be accessed via the same IP address.

#### DIP - Internal IP Address automatically assigned by DHCP

An internal IP address that is automatically assigned to the VM. The address isn't routable over the Internet. It's used to communicate directly within Azure and for cross-premises configurations.

When using a VNet, the DIP is automatically assigned from a range you specify. You can optionally configure a static DIP from the range. If you don't have a VNet, the IP address is automatically assigned by Azure; you cannot specify it.

#### <u>VIP – Public IP Address automatically assigned to the associated Cloud Service</u>

A public IP address associated with the VM's Cloud Service. You access all VM's in the Cloud Service by

using the same VIP address, but with a different public port number for each VM endpoint.

You can reserve a public VIP address and associate it with the VM's Cloud Service (for example, by using Azure PowerShell Cmdlets), or Azure can automatically assign a VIP to the Cloud Service.

PIP – Public IP Address assigned directly to the VM

A public IP address that can be assigned directly to the VM.

You can add a PIP to an existing VM by using Azure PowerShell Cmdlets.

## Cloud Services

In Azure, Virtual Machines are associated with Cloud Services. If multiple VM's are associated with the same Cloud Service, they will be accessible via the same VIP address.

## End Points

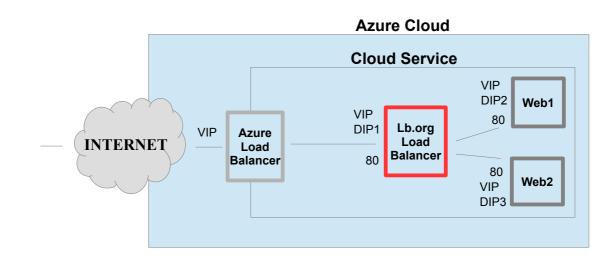
As mentioned, the Cloud Service virtual IP address is shared between all the virtual machines that are running within a particular Cloud Service. Endpoints enable mapping from an externally accessible port on the Cloud Service virtual IP address to a private port on a specific virtual machine. Default endpoints are created for each Windows virtual machine for RDP and PowerShell and for Linux VM's for SSH access.

## Transparency

Load balanced services are not transparent with Azure. The source IP address of packets reaching the backend (load balanced) servers will be the Cloud Services VIP address.

## Putting it Together

The following diagram illustrates how things fit together for a load balanced Azure environment:



Endpoint Configuration:

LB.org (Load Balanced cluster)	:	VIP:80 Ext , 80 Int
LB.org (WUI access)	:	VIP:9443 Ext , 9443 Int
LB.org (SSH access)	:	VIP:22 Ext , 22 Int
WEB1 (SSH access, port auto-assigned)	:	VIP:53958 Ext , 22 Int
WEB2 (SSH access, port auto-assigned)	:	VIP:54156 Ext , 22 Int

N.B. Endpoints are not needed for port 80 on Web1 and Web2. This ensures that connections are load balanced by the LB.org load balancer and not the Azure Load Balancer.

### Azure Management

Many management tasks can be carried out using the Azure Management Portal. However, there are still a number of tasks that must be done via Azure PowerShell. Azure PowerShell is a powerful scripting environment that can be used to control and automate the deployment and management of workloads in Azure.

The Azure Cross-Platform Command-Line Interface (xplat-cli) is also available and provides a set of open source, cross-platform commands for working with the Azure Platform.

#### Useful related Microsoft Links:

1) PowerShell & Cli for Azure can be downloaded here: http://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/downloads/

2) Installing & Configuring Azure PowerShell: http://azure.microsoft.com/en-gb/documentation/articles/install-configure-powershell/

3) Installing & Configuring Azure Cli: http://azure.microsoft.com/en-gb/documentation/articles/xplat-cli/

4) Azure PowerShell CmdLet reference: https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/azure/jj554330.aspx

## Deploying Enterprise Azure

## STEP 1 - Create a Virtual Network

- In the Azure Management Portal select the **Networks** option
- Click NEW to create a new Virtual Network, the select Custom Create
- Specify a suitable Name & Location, e.g. Vnet1 and West US
- Click the Next arrow
- Specify DNS & VPN settings if required
- Click the Next arrow
- By default one subnet is created, add more if required using the Add Subnet green button
- Click the Complete tick-mark
- Select the Virtual Network just created and click **Configure** to show the settings:

vnet1

▲ DASHBOARD CONFIGURE CERTIFICATES

dns servers				
ENTER NAME	IP ADDRES	SS		
point-to-site con	nectivity			
ONNECTION	Config	ure point-to-site connect	ivity	
virtual network a	ddress spaces			
ADDRESS SPACE	STARTING IP	CIDR (ADDRESS COUNT)	USABLE ADDRESS RANGE	
10.0.0/8	10.0.0.0	/8 (16777	10.0.0.4 - 10.255.255.254	
SUBNETS				
Subnet-1 add subnet	10.0.0.0	/11 (2097	10.0.0.4 - 10.31.255.254	
add address space				

## STEP 2 – Accessing & Deploying the Enterprise Azure Image

- In the Azure Management Portal select the Virtual Machines option
- Click the IMAGES option at the top of the screen
- Click the BROWSE VM DEPOT option
- Click the **CENTOS** option
- Scroll down the list and select Load Balancer for Azure
- Click the Next arrow
- Select the required IMAGE REGION and STORAGE ACCOUNT, and specify a NEW STORAGE ACCOUNT NAME if required
- Click the Complete tick-mark, the Loadbalancer.org load balancer image will now be copied from the VM Depot to the storage account specified in the previous step
- Use the **REGISTER** option at the bottom of the screen to register the image and make it available
- Click the INSTANCES option at the top of the screen
- Click **NEW** to create a new Virtual Machine
- Select COMPUTE > VIRTUAL MACHINE > FROM GALLERY
- When prompted to Choose an Image, select the **MY IMAGES** option
- Select the Load-Balancer-for-Azure image

CREATE A VIRTUAL MACHIN	E	×		
Choose an In	nage	٩		
ALL MICROSOFT WINDOWS SERVER SHAREPOINT	FEATURED V Load-Balancer-for-Azure	Load-Balancer- for-Azure		
SQL SERVER BIZTALK SERVER VISUAL STUDIO DYNAMICS		Loadbalancer.org Load Balancer for Azure provides advanced Layer 4 / 7 load balancing, automatically distributing incoming application traffic across multiple A More		
UBUNTU COREOS		OS FAMILY Linux OS STATE Generalized		
CENTOS-BASED SUSE		NUMBER OF 1 DISKS		
ORACLE PUPPET LABS		SUBSCRIPTION Pay-As-You-Go LOCATION West Europe		
MY IMAGES				
MY DISKS		PRICING INFORMATION Pricing varies based on the subscription you select to provision your virtual machine.		
		$( \mathbf{A} )$		4

• Click the next arrow

- Type a suitable name, e.g. *LoadBalancer*
- Complete the other details as required

## CREATE A VIRTUAL MACHINE Virtual machine configuration

VIRTUAL MACHINE NAME
LoadBalancer
TIER
BASIC STANDARD
SIZE 🔞
A1 (1 core, 1.75 GB memory)
NEW USER NAME
azureuser
AUTHENTICATION 😰
UPLOAD COMPATIBLE SSH KEY FOR AUTHENTICATION
PROVIDE A PASSWORD
NEW PASSWORD CONFIRM
•••••• 📀 ••••••

• Click the Next arrow

*N.B.* to enable full root access, the following command can be used once logged in to the appliance via ssh:

#### # sudo su

For this to work without further modification, the username specified when setting up the appliance must be 'azureuser' as shown in the screen shot above

CREATE A VIRTUAL MACHINE

## Virtual machine configuration

CLOUD SERVICE 🔞				
Create a new cloud service	•			
CLOUD SERVICE DNS NAME				
LoadBalancer		.cloudapp.net		
REGION/AFFINITY GROUP/VIRTUAL NETWO	DRK			
Vnet1	•			
VIRTUAL NETWORK SUBNETS				
Subnet-1(10.0.0/11)	•			
AVAILABILITY SET 😨				
(None)	•			
ENDPOINTS				
NAME	PROTOCOL	PUBLIC PORT	PRIVATE PORT	
SSH	ТСР	22	22	
нттр	TCP	80	80	
WUI	ТСР	9443	9443	
L7 STATS	TCP	7777	7777	

Create a new Cloud Service or select an existing one as required

N.B. The load balancer and the servers to be load balanced must reside within the same Cloud Service

- Set the Cloud Service DNS name as required, e.g. LoadBalancer
- Select the appropriate VNet1

N.B. The load balancer and the servers to be load balanced must reside within the same VNet

- Select the required subnet
- Define the End-points as required. The example above includes the following: SSH (22) – for external SSH access to the load balancer (*Recommended*) HTTP (80) – for load balanced HTTP services (*Required for Web Based deployments*) WUI (9443) – for access to the management WUI (*Required*) L7 STATS (7777) – for access to the layer 7 (HAProxy) Statistics page (*Required*)

- Click the Next arrow and then the Complete tick-mark to deploy & start the VM
- Use the Manage ACL option to configure access to the Endpoint public ports

## Accessing the Enterprise Azure WUI

In a browser, navigate to the Public DNS name or Public IP address port 9443

i.e.

#### https://<Cloud Service DNS name>:9443

or

## https://<Cloud Service IP address>:9443

You'll receive a warning about the certificate as it's a self signed cert not related to an Internet based CA. Confirm you want to continue and a login prompt will be displayed. Use the following default credentials:

Username: loadbalancer Password: loadbalancer

Once logged in, the following screen is displayed:



## Using the Enterprise Azure WUI

The main menu options are as follows:

System Overview – Displays a graphical summary of all VIPs, RIPS and key appliance statistics

Local Configuration – Configure local host settings such as DNS, Date & Time etc.

Cluster Configuration – configure load balanced services such as VIPs & RIPs

Maintenance – Perform maintenance tasks such as service restarts and taking backups

View Configuration – Display the saved appliance configuration settings

Reports - View various appliance reports & graphs

Logs – View various appliance logs

Support – Create a support download & contact the support team

The following sections detail the menu options that differ from our main product. For all others please refer to our main administration manual : http://pdfs.loadbalancer.org/loadbalanceradministrationv7.pdf

#### Local Configuration > Network Interface Configuration

NETWOR	k Interf	
	IP Add	ress Assignment
	eth0	10.0.0.4/11
		Configure Interfaces

#### Notes:

- Shows the private IP address allocated to the Virtual Machine
- Click **Configure Interfaces** to apply any changes

## Accessing Enterprise Azure using SSH

The current version of the Azure Management Portal only accepts SSH public keys that are encapsulated in an X509 certificate. The steps below show how to generate and use SSH keys with Azure under Linux and Windows.

## Creating SSH Keys using Linux

STEP 1 - Install OpenSSL if not currently installed:

Under CentOS / Oracle Linux:

#### # sudo yum install OpenSSL

Under Ubuntu: # sudo apt-get install OpenSSL

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Under SLES & openSUSE:

#### # sudo zypper install OpenSSL

#### STEP 2 - Use OpenSSL to generate an X509 certificate with a 2048-bit RSA keypair:

(Answer the questions that the OpenSSL prompts for (or you may leave them blank). The content in these fields is not used by the platform)

All Distros:

# OpenSSL req -x509 -nodes -days 365 -newkey rsa:2048 -keyout myPrivateKey.key -out myCert.pem

2 files are created:

- myPrivateKey.key this is used on the SSH client machine
- myCert.pem this is uploaded to the Loadbalancer.org Enterprise Azure Virtual Machine when the VM is deployed

#### STEP 3 - Change the permissions on the private key to secure it:

All Distros:

#### # chmod 600 myPrivateKey.key

#### STEP 4 – Configure SSH authentication:

Specify the PEM file (myCert.pem in this example) when creating the Loadbalancer.org Enterprise Azure Virtual Machine. This is configured within the *Authentication* section.

## Creating SSH Keys using Windows

#### STEP 1 - Install OpenSSL if not currently installed:

Download and install GitHub for Windows from the following location: http://windows.github.com/ Run *Git Bash* from the Start Menu > All Programs > Git

#### STEP 2 - Use OpenSSL to generate an X509 certificate with a 2048-bit RSA keypair:

(Answer the questions that the OpenSSL prompts for (or you may leave them blank). The content in these fields is not used by the platform)

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## Accessing the Load Balancer from Windows using PuTTy

Download PuTTy from: http://www.chiark.greenend.org.uk/~sgtatham/putty/download.html

For PuTTY, the private key must be converted into an appropriate format. To do this the PuTTYgen utility (included with PuTTY) must be used. Start PuTTYgen:

ile <u>K</u> ey Con <u>v</u> ersions <u>H</u> elp		
Key		
No key.		
Actions		
Actions Generate a public/private key pair		Generate
		Generate Load
Generate a public/private key pair		
Generate a public/private key pair Load an existing private key file		Load
Generate a public/private key pair Load an existing private key file Save the generated key	Save p <u>u</u> blic key	Load ve private key

Click **Load**, change the file-type to all files and select the pem file saved earlier when creating your Key Pair. You should see the following message:



Click OK

e <u>K</u> ey Con <u>v</u> ersi	ons <u>H</u> elp		
Key			
Public key for pasting	into OpenSSH authorized_k	eys file:	
M5sMxmfDLufBSP7 4o80cH	AAAADAQABAAABAQCez2 w2KdRR17OCEGDgSZ5lqnh 18ruY35Mg3OqPEFB8bONs	nG/qV1b2xKXhiawEm	WGtxHePUVdC
Key fingerprint:	ssh-rsa 2048 75:59:2f:a3:	8c:08:d0:e1:d7:5d:04:	73:32:ec:47:27
Key <u>c</u> omment:	imported-openssh-key		
Key p <u>a</u> ssphrase:			
Confirm passphrase:			
Actions			
Generate a public/pri	vate key pair		<u>G</u> enerate
Load an existing priva	ate key file		<u>L</u> oad
Save the generated k	(ey	Save p <u>u</u> blic key	Save private key
Parameters			
Type of key to genera	ate:	SSH-2	DSA
SSH- <u>1</u> (RSA)			

Now Click **Save private key** – this can then be used with PuTTY.

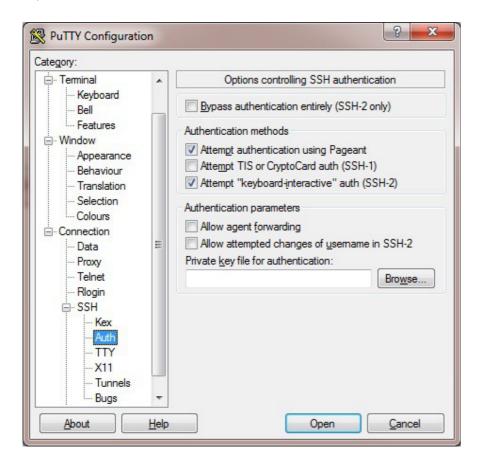
You can also choose to enter an additional pass-phrase for improved security, if you don't, the following message will be displayed:



Click Yes and save the file with the default .ppk extension

Now close PuTTYgen and start PuTTY

Expand the SSH section as shown below:



Click Browse and select the new .ppk file just created

When you open the SSH session, login as 'azureuser' - no password will now be required.

## Accessing Enterprise Azure using SCP

## Using Windows

Download WinSCP from: http://winscp.net/eng/download.php

With WinSCP, enter the relevant IP address, set the username field to **azureuser**, and browse to the private key file created previously using PuTTYgen as shown below:

Session	Session		
Stored sessions Logging	File protocol:		
Environment	SCP 🔹		
Directories Recycle bin	Host name:		Po <u>r</u> t number:
SCP/Shell	23.97.163.97		22 🚔
Connection Proxy	<u>U</u> ser name:	Password:	
Tunnel	azureuser		
SSH Key exchange	Private <u>k</u> ey file:		
Authentication Bugs	C:\Users\Rob\myPrivateKey.p	pk	
Preferences			Select color
			Select Color
<u>A</u> dvanced options			
About	guages Login	Save	Close

Click Login

## **Configuration Examples**

The following sections provide a number of examples to help illustrate how the load balancer can be deployed.

**NOTE :** It's not possible to configure a VIP on the same IP address as any of the network interfaces. This ensures services can move between master and slave appliances.

## 1) Load Balancing Web Servers - Single Subnet, Layer 7

This is a simple layer 7 example using one public subnet for both the load balancer and the web servers.

#### a) Setting up Azure

- Deploy the load balancer instance as described on page 8-10
- Deploy your required web server VM's into the same VNet & subnet as the load balancer
- Ensure the required Endpoints are configured as described on page 10
- Public IP addresses are not needed when deploying the real server instances since the load balancer is configured to send traffic to the private IP address (DIP) of each web server

#### b) Setting up the Virtual Service

- Using the WUI, go to Cluster Configuration > Layer 7 Virtual Service and click [Add a New Virtual Service]
- Enter the following details:

Label		Web-Cluster1	0
Virtual Service	IP Address	10.0.0.22	0
	Ports	80	0
Layer 7 Protoco	I	HTTP Mode <b>▼</b>	3
Manual Configu	ration		0
		Update	

- Enter an appropriate label for the VIP, e.g. Web-Cluster1
- Set the Virtual Service IP address field to the required IP address, e.g. 10.0.0.22
- Set the Virtual Service Ports field to 80
- Leave Layer 7 Protocol set to HTTP mode
- Click Update

#### c) Setting up the Real Servers

- Using the WUI, go to Cluster Configuration > Layer 7 Real Servers and click [Add a new Real Server] next to the newly created VIP
- Enter the following details:

Label	Web1	8
Real Server IP Address	10.0.23	0
Real Server Port	80	0
Weight	100	0
	Update	

- Enter an appropriate label for the RIP, e.g. Web1
- Change the Real Server IP Address field to the required IP address, e.g. 10.0.0.23
- Click Update
- Repeat the above steps to add your other Web Server(s)

#### d) Applying the new Layer 7 Settings

• Once the configuration is complete, use the **Reload HAProxy** button at the top of the screen to commit the changes

#### e) Testing & Verification

To test the configuration is working, browse to the public IP address (VIP) on port 80

#### i.e. http://<VIP Address>:80

## 2) Load Balancing Web Servers - Single Subnet Layer 7 with SSL Termination

This is similar to the first example with the addition of setting up SSL termination on the load balancer. We generally recommend that SSL should be termination on the backend servers rather than the load balancer for scalability reasons, although in some cases terminating on the load balancer may be preferred.

#### a) Setting up Azure

- Deploy the load balancer instance as described on page 8-10
- Deploy your required web server VM's into the same VNet & subnet as the load balancer
- Ensure the required Endpoints are configured as described on page 10 including an end-point for HTTPS on port 443
- Public IP addresses are not needed when deploying the real server instances since the load balancer is configured to send traffic to the private IP address (DIP) of each web server

#### b) Setting up the Virtual Service

- Using the WUI, go to Cluster Configuration > Layer 7 Virtual Service and click [Add a New Virtual Service]
- Enter the following details:

Label		Web-Cluster1	0
Virtual Service	IP Address	10.0.0.22	0
	Ports	80	0
Layer 7 Protoco	I	HTTP Mode 🔻	0
Manual Configu	ration		0
		Update	

- Enter an appropriate label for the VIP, e.g. Web-Cluster1
- Set the Virtual Service IP address field to the required IP address, e.g. 10.0.0.22
- Set the Virtual Service Ports field to 80
- Leave Layer 7 Protocol set to HTTP mode
- Click Update

#### c) Setting up the Real Servers

- Using the WUI, go to Cluster Configuration > Layer 7 Real Servers and click [Add a new Real Server] next to the newly created VIP
- Enter the following details:

Label	Web1	0
Real Server IP Address	10.0.0.23	0
Real Server Port	80	Ø
Weight	100	0
	Update	

- Enter an appropriate label for the RIP, e.g. Web1
- Change the Real Server IP Address field to the required IP address, e.g. 10.0.0.23
- Click Update
- Repeat the above steps to add your other Web Server(s)

#### d) Configuring SSL Termination

- Using the WUI, go to Cluster Configuration > SSL Termination and click [Add a New Virtual Service]
- Enter the following details:

Label	SSL-WEB	0
Virtual Service IP address	10.0.0.22	0
Virtual Service Port	443	Ø
Backend Virtual Service IP Address	10.0.0.22	Ø
Backend Virtual Service Port	80	0
Ciphers to use	ECDHE-RSA-AES128-GCM-	0
Do not insert empty fragments		0
SSL Terminator	Pound STunnel	8
Delay DNS Lookups		0
Disable SSLv2 Ciphers		0
Disable SSLv3 Ciphers		0
Allow Client Renegotiation		Ø
Disable SSL Renegotiation		Ø
Time To Close	0	Ø
Set as Transparent Proxy		0

- Enter an appropriate label for the VIP, e.g. **SSL-WEB**
- Set the Virtual Service IP address to be the same as the VIP created in step c) e.g. 10.0.0.22
- Set the Virtual Service Ports field to 443
- Set the *Backend Virtual Service IP address* to be the same as the VIP created in step c) e.g. **10.0.022**
- Set the Backend Virtual Service Ports field to 80
- Leave all other settings at their default values
- Click Update

#### SSL Certificate Notes:

- A default self-signed certificate will be used when setting up SSL Termination
- To change this, using the WUI, select: *Cluster Configuration* > SSL Termination
- Click [Certificate] next to the Virtual Service
- If you already have a certificate, use the Upload prepared PEM/PFX file option at the bottom of the screen to upload it
- If you don't have a certificate, you can create a CSR using the **Generate SSL Certificate Request** section. This will create the CSR in the upper pane of the **Upload Signed Certificate** section based on the settings you enter. This should be copied and sent to your CA
- Once the signed certificate is received copy/paste it (along with any required intermediate

certificates) the lower pane of the Upload Signed Certificate section, and click Upload Signed Certificate

#### e) Applying the new Settings

- Once the configuration is complete, use the **Reload HAProxy** button at the top of the screen to commit the changes
- Once the configuration is complete, use the **Restart Stunnel** button at the top of the screen to commit the changes

#### f) Testing & Verification

To test the configuration is working, browse to the public IP address (VIP) on HTTPS port 443

#### i.e. https://<VIP Address>

## Verifying Load Balanced Services

Various features exist on the load balancer to help monitor load balanced services. These are covered in the sections below.

## Connection Error Diagnosis

If the VIP is not working, check Reports > Layer 7 Status. The default credentials required are

username: loadbalancer password: loadbalancer

This will open a second tab in the browser and display a statistics/status report as shown in the example below:

#### Statistics Report for pid 3261

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## System Overview

The System Overview shows the status of the various real servers that make up a cluster:

Virtual Service HTTP-Cluster2	IP 192.168.110.152	Ports 80	Protocol HTTP	Meth Layer		Mode Proxy		<b>B.</b> #
Real Server	IP	Ports	Weight					
rip1	192.168.110.237	80	100	Drain	Halt	Ŷ	141	
rip2	192.168.110.238	80	0	Online	Halt	٩	8.00	
rip3	192.168.111.239	80	100	Drain	Halt	ŧ	111	

In this example:

rip1 is green which indicates that the Real Server is operating normally.

*rip2* is blue, this indicates that the Real Server has been either Halted or Drained. in this example Drain has been used. If Halt was used, 'Halt' would be displayed in the Weight column rather than a weight of 0.

rip3 is down (red). This implies that the Real Server has failed a health check. This can be investigated using

*Logs > Layer* 7. If you know the Real Server should be active, you may need to increase the health check time-outs using *Cluster Configuration > Layer* 7 – *Advanced Configuration*.

## Log Files

The appliance includes several logs that are very useful when diagnosing issues. These are viewable via the Logs option in the WUI.

## Loadbalancer.org Technical Support

If you have any questions regarding the appliance don't hesitate to contact the support team support@loadbalancer.org or your local reseller.

For more details please refer to our full administration manual which is available at:

http://www.loadbalancer.org/pdffiles/loadbalanceradministrationv7.pdf

## <u>Appendix</u>

## 1. Copying Images

AzCopy can be used to copy Blobs (files) between Azure storage locations. It's basically the same as Windows Xcopy but specifically for Azure.

Copying an entire folder:

AzCopy /Source:https://lbvmazure.blob.core.windows.net/lb-org /Dest:https://rob23.blob.core.windows.net/instances /SourceKey:zTc+vNJDminJHDXsfk5ss4SOJTdivUOBJmrILNVcUMvm3pVXdj7SvWzjPgoYTHzu+w== /DestKey:CoaUiVoPKSdJDBcFZ9q9z/h6RTUGzetC54IHDLficc6DeuLwarBl6h4k5nWEsT7m0+bDw== /S

Copying a specific file:

AzCopy /Source:https://lbvmazure.blob.core.windows.net/lb-org /Pattern:Loadbalancer.org\_Enterprise\_Azure\_V7.6.3-os-2015-01-16.vhd /Dest:https://rob23.blob.core.windows.net/instances /SourceKey:zTc+vNJDminJHDXsfk5s31u7nHDvjoleJMOxOnQUMvm3pVXdj7SvWzjPgoYTHzu+w== /DestKey:CoaUiVoPKSdJDBcFZ9q9z/GJr3ABANdVvjY6OJ/h66DeuLwarBl6h4k5nWEsT7m0+bDw== /S

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