

Activate Firmware Update Mode, Technique T0800 - ICS

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ID	Mitigation	Description
M0801	Access Management	All devices or systems changes, including all administrative functions, should require authentication. Consider using access management technologies to enforce authorization on all management interface access attempts, especially when the device does not inherently provide strong authentication and authorization functions.
M0800	Authorization Enforcement	Restrict configurations changes and firmware updating abilities to only authorized individuals.
M0802	Communication Authenticity	Protocols used for device management should authenticate all network messages to prevent unauthorized system changes.
M0937	Filter Network Traffic	Filter for protocols and payloads associated with firmware activation or updating activity.
M0804	Human User Authentication	Devices that allow remote management of firmware should require authentication before allowing any changes. The authentication mechanisms should also support Account Use Policies , Password Policies , and User Account Management
M0807	Network Allowlists	Use host-based allowlists to prevent devices from accepting connections from unauthorized systems. For example, allowlists can be used to ensure devices can only connect with master stations or known management/engineering workstations. ^[2]
M0930	Network Segmentation	Segment operational network and systems to restrict access to critical system functions to predetermined management systems. ^[2]

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M0813	Software Process and Device Authentication	Authenticate connections from software and devices to prevent unauthorized systems from accessing protected management functions.

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