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1 Introduction

1.1 Application Function

The ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector is a uni-directional connector that pulls information from the X-Force Exchange data feed and uploads it into the ThreatQ instance.

1.2 Preface

This guide provides the information necessary to implement the ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector. This document is not specifically intended as a site reference guide. It is assumed that the implementation engineer has experience installing and commissioning the ThreatQuotient Apps and integrations covered within the document, as well as the experience necessary to troubleshoot at a basic level.

1.3 Audience

This document is intended for use by the following parties:

1. ThreatQ Security/Engineers.
2. ThreatQuotient Professional Services Project Team & Engineers.

1.4 Scope

This document covers the implementation of the ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector only.

Table 1: ThreatQuotient Software & App Version Information

Software/App Name	File Name	Version
ThreatQ	Version 3.6.x or greater	
ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector	1.3.2	

1.5 Assumptions

The following criteria is assumed to be in place and functional to allow the implementation of the ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector into the managed estate:

- All ThreatQuotient equipment is online and in service.
- All required firewall ports have been opened.

2 Implementation Overview

This document will show how to install the ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector.

2.1 Prerequisites

Throughout this implementation document, we will refer to several files and directories, some of which will be symbolic, and others may change depending on specifics of the environmental setup.

Ensure all ThreatQ devices are set to the correct time, time zone and date, and using a clock source available to all.

To identify which time zone is closest to your present location, use the `timedatectl` command with the `list-timezones` command line option. For example, to list all available time zones in Europe, type:

Figure 1: Time Zone List Example

```
timedatectl list-timezones | grep Europe
Europe/Amsterdam
Europe/Athens
Europe/Belgrade
Europe/Berlin
```

To change the time zone to UTC, type as root:

Figure 2: Time Zone Change Example

```
timedatectl set-timezone UTC
```

2.2 Security and Privacy

For ThreatQuotient Professional Services engineers to configure the system, local network access is required to connect to the managed estate. Therefore, the implementation must occur at an office or data center location.

Passwords have not been provided in this document. Please contact your project team for this information, if required.

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3 ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector Installation

3.1 Setting up the Integration

From the ThreatQuotient Repository

To install this ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector from the ThreatQuotient repository with YUM credentials.

1. Install the ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector by using the following commands.

Figure 3: Installing from the ThreatQuotient Repository (Example Output)

```
$> pip install tq-conn-xfe
Collecting xfeConnector
  Downloading
https://extensions.threatq.com/threatq/integrations/%2Bf/92b/12421f97ab081/xfeConnector-1.3.2-py2-none-any.whl
Requirement already satisfied: requests in /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages (from xfeConnector) (2.9.1)
Requirement already satisfied: threatqsdk>=1.6 in /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages (from xfeConnector) (1.7.1)
Requirement already satisfied: threatqcc>=1.2 in /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages (from xfeConnector) (1.3.2)
Requirement already satisfied: jinja2==2.8 in /usr/lib64/python2.7/site-packages (from threatqcc>=1.2->xfeConnector) (2.8)
Requirement already satisfied: MarkupSafe in /usr/lib64/python2.7/site-packages (from jinja2==2.8->threatqcc>=1.2->xfeConnector) (0.11)
Installing collected packages: xfeConnector
Successfully installed tq-conn-xfe
[root@DC01-ThreatQ ~]#
```

Offline from the .whl File

To install this ThreatQuotient for X-Force Exchange Connector from a wheel file, the wheel file (.whl) file `tq-conn-xfeConnector-<Version x.x.x>-py2-none-any.whl` must be copied via SCP into your ThreatQ instance.

1. Install the .whl file using the following command.

Figure 4: Installing .whl File (Inc Example Output)

```
$> sudo pip install /file/path/to/app/tq-conn-xfeConnector-<Version x.x.x>-py2-none-any.whl
Requirement already satisfied (use --upgrade to upgrade): urllib3<1.25,>=1.21.1 in /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages (from requests>=2.9.1->threatqsdk>=1.6.7->tq-conn-xfeConnector)
Requirement already satisfied (use --upgrade to upgrade): chardet<3.1.0,>=3.0.2 in /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages (from requests>=2.9.1->threatqsdk>=1.6.7->tq-conn-xfeConnector)
Requirement already satisfied (use --upgrade to upgrade): idna<2.9,>=2.5 in /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages (from requests>=2.9.1->threatqsdk>=1.6.7->tq-conn-xfeConnector)
Requirement already satisfied (use --upgrade to upgrade): certifi>=2017.4.17 in /usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages (from requests>=2.9.1->threatqsdk>=1.6.7->tq-conn-xfeConnector)
Installing collected packages: tq-conn-xfeConnector
Successfully installed tq-conn-xfe-x.x.x
```


Once the application has been installed, you must create a directory structure for all configuration, logs and files, using the `mkdir -p` command. See the example below:

Figure 5: Creating Integration Directories (Example)

```
mkdir -p /etc/tq_labs/  
mkdir -p /var/log/tq_labs/
```

A driver called `tq-conn-xfe` is installed.

2. Issue the following commands to initialize the integration.

You will be asked the following questions:

- a. **ThreatQ Host:** This is the host of the ThreatQ instance, either the IP Address or Hostname as resolvable by ThreatQ.
- b. **Client ID:** This refers to the API credentials that can be found at the **User Icon > My Account**.
- c. **E-mail Address:** This is the User in the ThreatQ System for integrations.
- d. **Password:** The password for the above ThreatQ account
- e. **Status:** This is the default status for IoCs that are created by this integration. It is common to set this to "Review," but Organization SOPs should be respected when setting this status.

Figure 6: Running the Integration

```
$>tq-conn-xfe -c /file/path/to/config/ -ll /file/path/to/logs/ -v3  
ThreatQ Host: <ThreatQ Host IP or Hostname >  
Client ID: <ClientID>  
E-Mail Address: <EMAIL ADDRESS>  
Password: <PASSWORD>  
Status: Active  
Connector configured. Set information in UI
```

The driver will run once, where it will connect to the ThreatQ instance and install the user interface component of the connector.



If multiple instances are required, use the `-n` flag, as shown below.

Figure 7: Running the Integration with -n flag

```
$> tq-conn-xfe -n <Bespoke_Name> -c /file/path/to/config/ -ll  
/file/path/to/logs/ -v3  
ThreatQ Host: <IP ADDRESS>  
Client ID: <ClientID>  
E-Mail Address: <EMAIL ADDRESS>  
Password: <PASSWORD>  
Status: Active  
Connector configured. Set information in UI.Connector has been created,  
please use UI for final configuration
```

3.2 Configuring the connector

To configure the application, access the ThreatQ user interface and navigate to the **Settings icon > Incoming Feeds > Labs** and find the X-Force Exchange feed.

1. Expand the Feed Settings for the X-Force Exchange section.

The following information will need to be entered as described below.

- a. **X-Force Exchange API Key:** The API Key associated with an X-Force Exchange Account.
- b. **X-Force Exchange API Password:** The password associated with the above X-Force Exchange Account.
- c. **Initial Collection Days:** The number of days the initial collection load should load. The default is 5 days. This setting expects an integer. If one is not received by the connector, 5 is assumed. This is only used during the initial load.
- d. **Initial Attachment Days:** The number of days the initial attachment load should load. The default is 10 days. This setting expects an integer. If one is not received by the connector, 10 is assumed. This is only used during the initial load.
- e. **X-Force Exchange URL:** The default is <https://api.xforce.ibmcloud.com>, and should not be changed unless directed to do so by ThreatQuotient.

Figure 8: ThreatQ UI Configuration

X-Force Exchange

Feed Settings

Connection Settings

Feed Name
X-Force Exchange

X-Force Exchange API Key

X-Force Exchange API Password

Initial Collection Days
5
The number of days the initial collections load should load. The default is 5. This expects an integer, if one is not received by the connector, 5 is assumed. This is only used during the initial load.

Initial Attachment Days
10
The number of days the initial attachment load should load. The default is 10 days. This expects an integer, if one is not received by the connector, 10 is assumed. This is only used during the initial load.

X-Force Exchange URL
<https://api.xforce.ibmcloud.com>

Save Changes

Once completed, the integration is ready for operation.

It may be necessary to disable the disable SSL verification to all requests to the X-Force Exchange API.

Use the flag below.

Figure 9: Disable SSL Verification Flag

```
-ds, --disable_ssl
```

3.3 CRON

To run this script on a reoccurring basis, use CRON or some other system schedule. The argument in the cron script **must** specify the config and log locations.

This can be run multiple times a day and should not be run more often than once per hour.

3.3.1 Setting Up the CRONJOB

1. Login via a CLI terminal session to your ThreatQ host.
2. Input the commands below.

Figure 10: Command Line Crontab Command

```
$> crontab -e
```

This will enable the editing of the crontab, using vi.



Depending on how often you wish the cronjob to run, you will need to adjust the time to suit the environment.

3. Input the commands below – this example shows every **4 Hours**.

Figure 11: Command Line Crontab tq-conn-xfe Command

```
0 */4 * * * tq-conn-xfe -c /path/to/config/directory/ -ll  
/path/to/log/directory/ -v3
```

Figure 12: Command Line Crontab tq-conn-xfe Command (Bespoke Name)

```
0 */4 * * * tq-conn-xfe -n <Bespoke_Name> -c /path/to/config/directory/ -  
ll /path/to/log/directory -v3
```

To run this script on a reoccurring basis, use CRON or some other on system schedule. CRON is displayed here.



The argument in the cron script **must** specify the config and log locations.

For further reference, see the [ThreatQ Help Center](#).

Appendix A: Supplementary Information

Uninstalling the Connector

```
sudo pip uninstall tq-conn-xfe
```

Driver command line options

The `tq-conn-xfe` driver has several command line arguments that will help you and your customers execute this. They are listed below. You can view the arguments by executing `/usr/bin/tq-conn-xfe --help`.

```
usage: tq-conn-xfe Connector [-h] [-ll LOGLOCATION] [-c CONFIG] [-v VERBOSITY]
```

optional arguments:

```
-h, --help
```

Shows the help message and exit.

```
-ll LOGLOCATION, --loglocation LOGLOCATION
```

This sets the logging location for this connector. The location should exist and be writable by the current user. A special value of 'stdout' means to log to the console (this happens by default).

```
-c CONFIG, --config CONFIG
```

This is the location of the configuration file for the connector. This location must have read and write permissions for the current user. If no config file is given, the current directory will be used. This file is also where some information from each run of the connector may be stored (e.g. last run time, private OAuth, etc).

```
-v {1,2,3}, --verbosity {1,2,3}
```

This is the logging verbosity level. The Default is 1 (Warning).

```
-ds, --disable_ssl
```

This allows you to disable SSL verification to all requests to the X-Force Exchange API.

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