

IBM Storage Defender

Splunk® Configuration Guide



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Before you use this information and the product it supports, read the information in [“Notices” on page 5.](#)

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About this publication

This publication provides overview, planning, installation, and user instructions for IBM Storage Defender Data Resiliency Service.

Chapter 1. Configuring Splunk® HTTP Event Collector

Procedure

1. Log in with your Splunk® Enterprise account by using your admin credentials.
2. Go to **Settings > Data Inputs**.
3. Select **HTTP Event Collector**. Click **New Token** to create a new token.



Figure 1. Creating a new token

4. Complete the following steps on the **Select Source** screen.
 - a) Enter the new token name in the **Name** field.
 - b) Enter the source name override in the **Source name override** field.
 - c) Check the **Enable indexer acknowledgment** option.
 - d) Click Next.

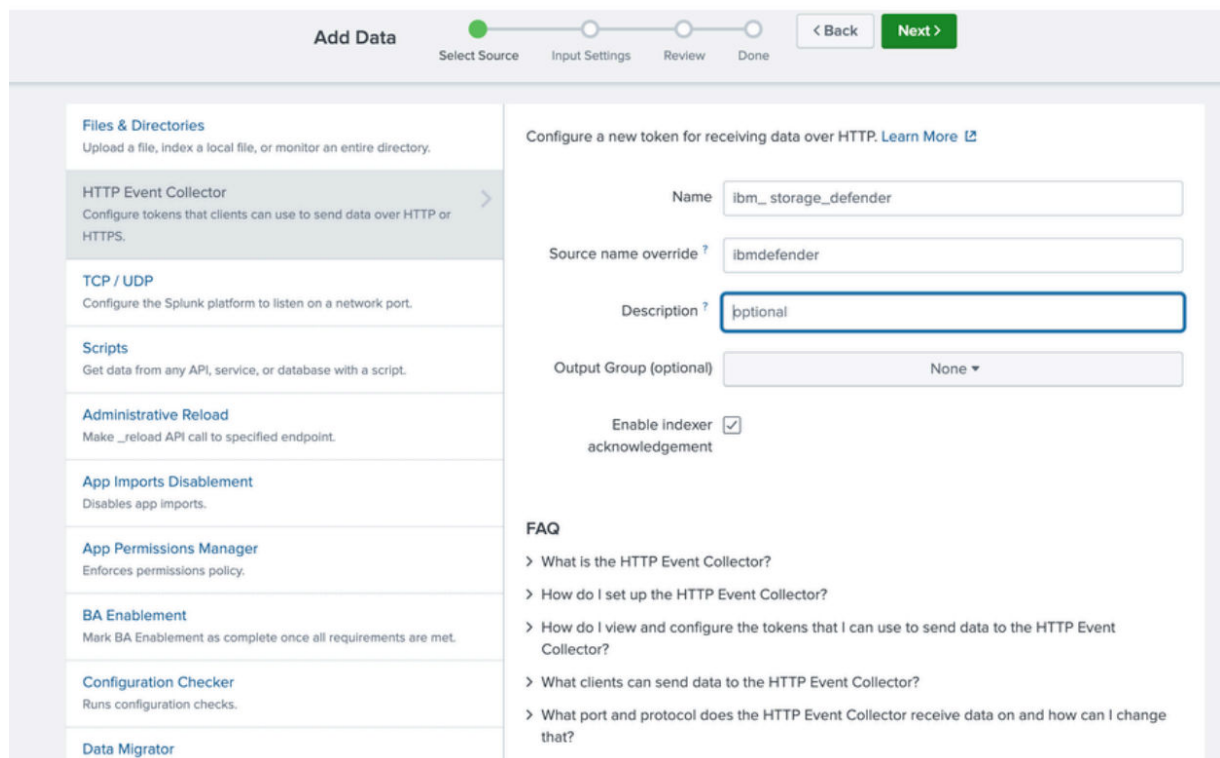


Figure 2. Configuring a new token

5. Under **Input Settings**, click the **Select** tab, select `_json` as the source type. Create a new index with the name **ibm_defender**.

Add Data

Select Source Input Settings Review Done

Input Settings

Optionally set additional input parameters for this data input as follows:

Source type

The source type is one of the default fields that the Splunk platform assigns to all incoming data. It tells the Splunk platform what kind of data you've got, so that the Splunk platform can format the data intelligently during indexing. And it's a way to categorize your data, so that you can search it easily.

Automatic Select New

_json ▼

Index

The Splunk platform stores incoming data as events in the selected index. Consider using a "sandbox" index as a destination if you have problems determining a source type for your data. A sandbox index lets you troubleshoot your configuration without impacting production indexes. You can always change this setting later. [Learn More](#)

Select Allowed Indexes Available Item(s) add all ▶ Selected item(s) ◀ remove all

ibm_defender
loc
main
notable
notable_summary

ibm_defender

Select indexes that clients will be able to select from.

Default Index ibm_defender ▼ Create a new index

FAQ

- > How do indexes work?
- > How do I know when to create or use multiple indexes?

Figure 3. Configuring input parameters

- Click **Review**, and then **Submit**. Copy the token value, you need to configure the token value on the **Verify** admin console.
- Navigate to **Settings > Data Inputs > HTTP Event Collector**.
- In **Global Settings**, ensure that you have checked the Enable SSL option.

Edit Global Settings

✕

All Tokens

Enabled

Disabled

Default Source Type

_json ▾

Default Index

ibm_defender ▾

Default Output Group

None ▾

Use Deployment Server

☐

Enable SSL

☒

HTTP Port Number ?

9090

Cancel

Save

Figure 4. Editing global settings

The HTTP event collector is configured.

9. You can test the HTTP event collector (HEC) by using the following curl request.

```
curl -k "https://defendersplunk1.storage.tucson.ibm.com:8090/services/collector?channel=fa47b69a-4110-41d9-b417-364d52c07933" \
-H 'Authorization: Splunk YOUR_HEC_TOKEN' \
-d '{"event":"hello world ack-demo", "sourcetype": "manual"}'
```

The hostname in the curl request is used in the next section where you configure Splunk® Enterprise with IBM Storage Defender.

10. Click **Search and reporting** in the navigation bar under **Apps**.
11. Search for the index that you selected in Step 5 while adding the HEC token. In this case, the `ibm_defender` index. You can verify the newly created event.

splunkenterprise Apps ▾

Administrator ▾ Messages ▾ Settings ▾ Activity ▾ Help ▾ Find

Search Analytics Datasets Reports Alerts Dashboards

Search & Reporting

New Search

Save As ▾ Create Table View Close

Index="ibm_defender"

2 of 2 events matched No Event Sampling ▾

5 minute window ▾

Events (2) Patterns Statistics Visualization

Format Timeline ▾ Zoom Out + Zoom to Selection X Deselect

1 minute per column

List ▾ Format 20 Per Page ▾

	Time	Event
>	9/11/24 6:57:00.000 AM	hello world ack-demo host = defendersplunk1.storage.tucson.ibm.com:8090 source = httpibm_defenderhec sourcetype = manual
>	9/11/24 6:54:10.000 AM	hello world ack-demo host = defendersplunk1.storage.tucson.ibm.com:8090 source = httpibm_defenderhec sourcetype = manual

< Hide Fields ▮ All Fields

SELECTED FIELDS

a host 1

a source 1

a sourcetype 1

INTERESTING FIELDS

a index 1

linecount 1

a punct 1

a splunk_server 1

+ Extract New Fields

Figure 5. Searching index

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