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# Policing by session and overriding traffic classes

Policing by session and traffic class override is implemented using connection 18 services for Subscriber and Virtual Channel (vChannel). The service extends the possibilities of policing by determining the traffic rate for a particular session. It is also possible to override the traffic class for a specific Subscriber or Virtual Channel. Recall that global traffic class markup is described in [Traffic prioritization depending on protocols and directions](#).

Important: Directional priority overrides protocol priority, so if traffic already has [Priority assignment depending on the directions](#), this service will not override the traffic class.

## SSG Configuration

The service **requires additional RAM** (compared to standard requirements), which is reserved by a setting in `/etc/dpi/fastdpi.conf`:

```
support_service_18=1
```

To apply the settings, you must restart the service: **service fastdpi restart**



**SSG 12.4+** For vchannel DSCP is defined **only** if the support\_service\_18 parameter is set!

## Setting up and managing the service

### Configuring Policing by Session

It is necessary to create a file describing the speed for a particular protocol and convert it using the `lst2tbf` utility.

- rate - session polysing rate for outgoing traffic
- inbound.rate - polysing rate by session for incoming traffic
- burst - short-term excess rate
- inbound.burst - short-term excess inbound.rate

```
speedtest tbf rate 16mbit inbound.rate 16mbit
bittorrent tbf rate 8Mbit
TCP Unknown tbf rate 8Mbit burst 1Mbit inbound.rate 8Mbit inbound.burst 1Mbit
cat tbf_prof_1.txt | lst2tbf /tmp/tbf_prof_1.tbf
```

Reverse conversion `tbf2lst /tmp/tbf_prof_1.tbf`

## Configuring traffic class overrides

It is necessary to create a file describing traffic classes using the `lst2dscp` utility.



[Full list of protocols.](#)

The DSCP value is specified [in numeric \(10-, 16-, or 8-character\) format](#) or [with a text abbreviation](#).

The key word means:

- drop - packets should not be transmitted further (they should be discarded)
- keep - the priority value should not be changed, i.e. keep its current value (usually 0).
- default - means "for all other protocols" and it allows to significantly simplify and shorten the process of creating a configuration file

File creation procedure `dscp_prof_1.dscp`:

```
speedtest cs1
default keep
cat dscp_prof_1.txt | lst2dscp /tmp/dscp_prof_1.dscp
```

Reverse conversion: `dscp2lst /tmp/dscp_prof_1.dscp`

## Creating a service profile

```
fdpi_ctrl load profile --service 18 --profile.name test_dscp --profile.json
'{ "dscp" : "/tmp/dscp_prof_1.dscp", "tbf" : "/tmp/tbf_prof_1.tbf" }'
```



You should always specify the path to both files, even if you only want to set session polyscning or only override traffic classes. Specify an empty file if no customization is required.

## Connecting a service profile

For the subscriber:

```
fdpi_ctrl load --service 18 --profile.name test_dscp --ip 10.10.10.10
fdpi_ctrl load --service 18 --profile.name test_dscp --login DEMO
```

For a virtual channel (vChannel):

```
fdpi_ctrl load --service 18 --profile.name test_dscp --vchannel 1
```

## Deleting a service profile

For the subscriber:

```
fdpi_ctrl del --service 18 --profile.name test_dscp --ip 10.10.10.10
fdpi_ctrl del --service 18 --profile.name test_dscp --login DEMO
```

For a virtual channel (vChannel):

```
fdpi_ctrl del --service 18 --profile.name test_dscp --vchannel 1
```

## Display of information on service profiles

Get a list with connected 18 service

```
fdpi_ctrl list all --service 18
```

Get information on a specific IP/LOGIN/vChannel

```
fdpi_ctrl list --service 18 --ip 192.168.0.1
fdpi_ctrl list --service 18 --login DEMO
fdpi_ctrl list --service 18 --vchannel 1
```

## Increasing the number of profiles

An error occurs when the limit on the number of profiles is reached:

```
ierr_code=5 (too many profiles) : 'service_18' : too many records,
num_allocs=16, max_num_profiles=16/16
```

To increase the number of available profiles, you must set the following parameter in the DPI configuration:

```
max_profiles_serv18=<necessary number of profiles>
```