Blocking access to specific websites

This example sets up the FortiGate unit to block users from viewing a specific website using web filtering.

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Creating a web filter profile

Go to Security Profiles > Web Filter > Profiles.

Create a new profile and select Enable Web Site Filter and Create New. Set the URL to "fortinet.com, using * as a wildcard character in order to block all subdomains of the site. Set the Type to Wildcard and the Action to Block.

Adding the web filter profile to a security policy

Go to Policy > Policy > Policy.

Edit the policy controlling the traffic you wish to block from the website. Under Security Profiles, enable Web Filter and set it to use the new profile.
**Results**

In a web browser, visit www.fortinet.com and docs.fortinet.com. In both cases, the FortiGate unit displays a message, stating that the website is blocked.

This example will only block HTTP web traffic. In order to block HTTPS traffic as well, see “Blocking HTTPS traffic with web filtering” on page 149.