# Webroot<sup>™</sup> DNS Protection

Prevent attacks by taking full control of DNS

### It's always DNS!

DNS is integral to everything accessed on networks and the internet, so control of DNS is essential to a stable and secure network. Unfortunately, effective control of DNS has become more challenging since the advent of DNS encryption, the "work from anywhere" reality of hybrid work, and now process-level DNS requests that can be used by malware to bypass system-level controls.

### **Beyond the browser**

DNS filtering is often associated with browsing websites on the internet and then filtering the corresponding DNS requests. Unfortunately, just filtering browser requests is inadequate because malware and other attacks can leverage DNS at a process level, bypassing browser controls to advance attacks. By filtering DNS for all processes, DNS Protection can also block communication with C&C servers, prevent data exfiltration, and increase visibility with comprehensive logs to combat infections.

### **DNS Leak Prevention and DoH**

Webroot DNS Protection continues to lead the industry in innovation, creating new methods to control and secure DNS with three patents filed and more on the way.

For example, our patent-pending DNS Leak Prevention feature acts as a devicelevel DNS firewall to stop any process from deriving DNS resolution outside of the agent.

Chose which types of requests you want to prevent.         Standard DNS Requests <b>O</b>	COMPLETE PREVENTION (53, 443 AND 853)
DoH Requests 😨	Prevents DNS leaks caused by applications, processes, and VPNs
DoT Requests	configured to use alternate DNS resolvers through standard DNS, DoH (DNS over HTTPS) and DoT (DNS over TLS).
192.168.1.1 × Inly IPv4 addresses are supported 1/50 Remove All	Helps to ensure that DNS requests are managed, logged, and filtered by the DNS Protection Agent. This configuration blocks all three DNS protocols including standard DNS, DoT, and DoH.

### **Features**

- Block alternate or unauthorized sources of DNS
- Prevent access to malicious domains or Command-and-Control (C&C) servers
- Encrypt all DNS requests to prevent DNS hijacks
- Log all DNS requests to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and suspicious behaviors
- Stop data exfiltration through DNS

## **Benefits**

- Reduce malware by an additional 27.1% vs AV alone (OpenText Cybersecurity Threat Report 2023)
- Prevent data exfiltration and malware proliferation through DNS
- Protect remote and hybrid workers on any network
- Deploy easily with immediate results; completely transparent for users

Webroot<sup>™</sup> DNS Protection was the first protective DNS solution to tackle the challenge of encrypted DNS or DNS over HTTPS (DoH), which can bypass system configurations by allowing encrypted DNS resolution from alternate sources. By tracking and controlling access to DoH providers, DNS Protection stops unauthorized connections as DNS requests are attempted.

Though DoH needs control, it is also a very powerful mechanism for DNS resolution. The Webroot<sup>™</sup> DNS Protection agent leverages DoH for reliable and encrypted DNS resolution, which ensures all DNS requests remain private to your organization and invisible to your ISP or other prying eyes.

### Easy to implement and transparent to users

Webroot<sup>™</sup> DNS Protection is a born-in-the-cloud SaaS solution proven to be secure, reliable, scalable, and performant. Whether protecting the entire network or roaming devices, the web-based console provides intuitive DNS policy controls and reporting. The DNS Protection agent can simply be pushed to devices as an MSI or—optionally—as an extension of Webroot Endpoint Protection. Admins can control how all DNS requests are logged, allowing configuration of what information is captured to help comply with GDPR.

#### **Network or roaming devices**

Webroot<sup>™</sup> DNS Protection can be configured to secure the entire network, including corporate Wi-Fi, LAN and even guest Wi-Fi connections, reducing threats on BYOD and other devices on which an agent is not possible or desirable.

For roaming devices, the DNS Protection agent ensures control of DNS. The agent routes all DNS requests through our hardened DNS servers, enforcing the filtering, logging, and security controls you need to empower hybrid and remote work no matter what network the device is using.

### **Avoid false positives**

False positives are often caused by poor threat intelligence, impacting users by interrupting workflows and creating headaches for administrators. Webroot<sup>™</sup> DNS Protection minimizes false positives by leveraging our proprietary BrightCloud<sup>®</sup> Threat Intelligence platform. BrightCloud's mature, sixth-generation machine learning provides unmatched threat intelligence with reliability, accuracy, depth, and timeliness.

### Enhance your Organization's Resilience against Cyberattacks

OpenText Cybersecurity brings together best-in-class solutions to help your business remain cyber resilient. Carbonite and Webroot can help you prevent and protect from threats happening in the first place, minimize the impact by quickly detecting and responding, recover the data seamlessly to reduce the impact, and help you adapt and comply with changing regulations.

To learn more or request a trial, visit: <u>www.webroot.com/dnsprotection</u>.

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