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Getting Started Guide

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1 Introduction

1.1 About this manual

The scope of this 'Getting Started Guide' is to help you install and run GFI MailEssentials on your network with minimum configuration effort. It describes:

1. The various environments and email infrastructures supported by this product
2. Guides you through the respective installation procedure
3. Walks you through the key steps needed to get the product running on default settings.

Manual structure

The sections in this manual are 'self contained' and are designed to guide you through the sequence of steps needed to:

1. Identify product prerequisites applicable to your network
2. Prepare your environment for product installation
3. Install/upgrade GFI MailEssentials
4. Configure, test and run the product.

The sections in this manual are structured as follows:

Chapter 1	Introduces this manual.
Chapter 2	Provides a high-level overview of how GFI MailEssentials works.
Chapter 3	Gives detailed information on how to install GFI MailEssentials on Windows Server environments running Microsoft Exchange 2000 or 2003.
Chapter 4	Provides detailed information on how to install GFI MailEssentials on Windows Server environments running Exchange 2007.
Chapter 5	Provides detailed instructions on how to install GFI MailEssentials for Lotus Domino email servers.
Chapter 6	Gives detailed information regarding the installation of GFI MailEssentials for other SMTP Servers.
Chapter 7	Provides guidelines on how to troubleshoot common issues.
Glossary	Includes a collection of specific technical terms used in this manual.

Follow the instructions for your type of network using the appropriate section in this manual. Where applicable each section contains information related to installing GFI MailEssentials on the same server

as your mail server, on a mail gateway or relay/perimeter server or in a clustered environment.

Administration and configuration manual

Detailed administration and configuration guidelines are provided in a separate manual called **GFI MailEssentials administration and configuration manual** which is installed with the product or separately downloadable from the GFI web site:

<http://www.gfi.com/mes/mes14acmanual.pdf>

This Administration and Configuration manual complements this Getting Started Guide by providing more detailed information on how to use and customize the features provided in GFI MailEssentials (e.g. tweaking of anti spam filters).

1.2 Terms used in this manual

The following terms are used in this manual:

- **“NOTE:”**
 - This provides additional information and references essential to GFI MailEssentials' operation.
- **“IMPORTANT:”**
 - This provides important information such as warnings and cautions that advise of potential issues commonly encountered.

For any technical terms and their definitions as used in this manual refer to the [Glossary](#) chapter.

1.3 Licensing

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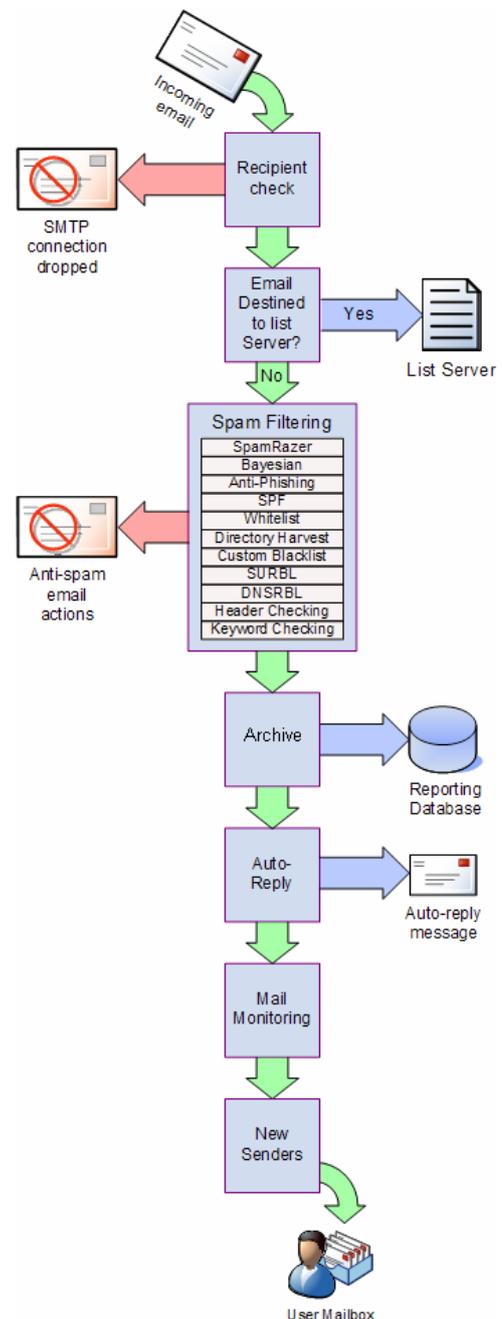
<http://www.gfi.com/products/gfi-mailessentials/pricing/licensing>

2 How does GFI MailEssentials work?

2.1 Inbound mail filtering

Inbound mail filtering is the process through which incoming email are filtered before delivery to users.

1. On establishing a connection, the incoming email's recipient email address is checked and if it is not found the connection is immediately terminated. This is done through the directory-harvesting filter. If the recipient email address is found, email goes to next stage.
2. Next the email is checked to see if it is addressed to a list server. If this is the case the email is forwarded to the list server, else it goes to the next stage.
3. The incoming email is filtered using all the spam filters. Any email that fails a spam filter check is sent to the anti spam email actions. If an email goes through all the filters and is not identified as spam, it then goes to the next stage.
4. If configured, email is next archived to the reporting database. The mail goes to the next stage.
5. If configured, auto-replies are next sent to the sender. Email goes to next stage.
6. If configured, email monitoring is next executed and the appropriate actions taken. Email goes to the next stage.
7. The new senders filter is now executed. Email goes to the next stage.
8. Email is sent to the user's mailbox.



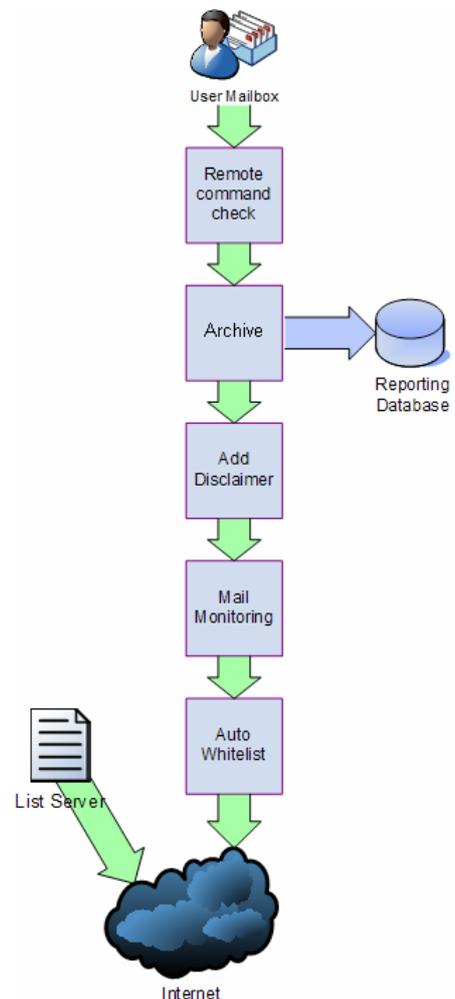
2.1.1 Inbound email domains

A very important concept within GFI MailEssentials is that of inbound email domains. During its configuration, GFI MailEssentials will automatically detect the domains on which you receive emails. This enables it to distinguish between inbound and outbound emails and therefore protect your network against spam. Inbound email domains are also configurable after installation through the GFI MailEssentials Configuration console. For more information refer to the GFI MailEssentials [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

2.2 Outbound mail filtering

Outbound mail filtering is the process through which email sent by users within a company is processed before it is sent out.

1. User creates and sends email.
2. Remote commands check executes any remote commands in email if any are found. If none are found, email goes to the next stage.
3. Email is next checked to see if it should be archived. If archiving is enabled, email is saved in the reporting database. In all cases email goes to the next stage.
4. If configured, the applicable disclaimer is next added to the email. Once this is done, the email goes to the next stage.
5. Email is checked for any mail monitoring which may apply and action is taken according to any rules configured. Email goes to the next stage.
6. If enabled, the auto-whitelist check adds the email recipient email address to the whitelist. This automatically enables replies from such recipients to go to the sender without verification. After this check, emails are sent to the recipients.



The outbound email sequence of events is followed by all outbound emails, except for outbound email processes initiated by the list server. This feature enables the creation and routing of distribution lists (newsletters and discussion lists) from GFI MailEssentials. In this case, emails are scanned for spam and automatically sent to recipients.

3 Installation for Microsoft Exchange 2000 & 2003

3.1 Introduction

GFI MailEssentials installation depends on how your network is configured for Exchange 2000/2003. You can install this product on:

- **The dedicated mail server :** This setup is typically used to filter email spam on the mail server (running Microsoft Exchange) that is configured to receive emails directly from the internet.
- **The SBS 2000/2003 server:** This setup is used to filter email spam on the SBS 2000/2003 server, which uses Microsoft Exchange to receive emails directly from the internet.
- **The mail relay server:** This setup is commonly used to filter spam in distributed email infrastructures., especially those running a DMZ. In this environment a dedicated machine (also known as a gateway/perimeter server. Us set to relay emails to another mail server (running Microsoft Exchange). GFI MailEssentials is installed on the gateway/perimeter server so that email spam is filtered before reaching the mail server. This setup reduces network traffic, email storage and processing requirements on your mail server.
- **Microsoft Exchange Server & IIS Clusters:** This type of installation is commonly used to filter spam within environments where clusters are used as disaster prevention and recovery.

3.2 System requirements

3.2.1 Software

Supported operating systems

- Microsoft Windows Server 2008 x64
- Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Standard/Enterprise (x86 or x64)
- Microsoft Windows 2000 Server/Advanced Server (SP1 or higher)
- Microsoft Small Business Server 2000 (SP2) / 2003 (SP1)

Mail Servers

- Microsoft Exchange Server 2000 (SP1) / 2003 (SP2)

Other components

- Microsoft .NET Framework 2.0

- Microsoft XML core services: This is required by the GFI MailEssentials reporter to enable anti spam report generation. For UK/US English OS this is installed automatically by GFI MailEssentials. For other languages, this can be downloaded from: <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Microsoft Virtual Server cluster group resource with a physical disc cluster. This is required ONLY for environments running Microsoft Exchange 2000/2003 clusters. For more information refer to: [http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb124318\(EXCHG.65\).aspx](http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb124318(EXCHG.65).aspx)
- (OPTIONAL) Microsoft Message Queuing Services: This is required ONLY if list servers are used. MSMQ is used by GFI MailEssentials to ensure the reliable running of distributions lists on list servers. For more information on list servers refer to 'List servers' section in the [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

3.2.2 System requirements: Hardware

Processor

- **Minimum:** Intel Pentium or compatible 1 GHz 32-bit processor
- **Recommended:** x64 architecture-based server with Intel 64 architecture or AMD64 platform.

Memory

- **Minimum:** 1GB
- **Recommended:** 2GB RAM

Physical Storage

- **Minimum:** 500MB for installation, 2GB for execution.
- **Recommended:** 500MB for installation, 4GB for execution

3.3 Important settings

3.3.1 Antivirus and backup software

Antivirus and backup software may cause GFI MailEssentials to malfunction. This occurs when such software denies access to certain files required by GFI MailEssentials.

Disable third party antivirus and backup software from scanning the following folders:

x86 installations (32-bit)	X64 installations (64-bit)
<..\Program Files\GFI\MailEssentials>	<..\Program Files (x86)\GFI\MailEssentials>
<..\Program Files\Common Files\GFI>	<..\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\GFI>
<..\inetpub\mailroot> If installed on a gateway machine.	
<..\Program Files\Exchsrvr\Mailroot> If installed on the same machine as Microsoft Exchange 2000/2003.	

3.3.2 Firewall port settings

Configure your firewall to allow the following port connections. These ports are used by GFI MailEssentials to connect to GFI servers:

- **DNS (Port 53)** - Used by anti spam filters (DNS blacklist, Sender Policy Framework, Header Checking) to identify the domain from where received emails originated.
- **FTP (Ports 20 and 21)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to connect to 'ftp.gfisoftware.com' and retrieve latest product version information.
- **HTTP (Port 80)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to download product patch and anti spam filter updates (i.e. SpamRazer, Anti-Phishing, and Bayesian anti spam filters) from the following locations:
 - 'http://update.gfi.com'
 - 'http://update.gfisoftware.com'
 - 'http://support.gfi.com'
 - 'http://db11.spamcatcher.net' (GFI MailEssentials 14 or earlier)
 - 'http://sn92.mailshell.net' (GFI MailEssentials 14 SR1 or later)
- **Remoting (Ports 8021)** - Used in the latest builds of GFI MailEssentials for inter-process communication. No firewall configuration is required to allow connections to or from the remoting ports since all the GFI MailEssentials processes run on the same server.
- **NOTE:** Ensure that no other applications (except GFI MailEssentials) are listening on port 8021.
- **(OPTIONAL) LDAP (Port 389)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to get email addresses from SMTP server. Only required if the server running GFI MailEssentials does not have access/cannot get list of users from Active Directory e.g. in a DMZ environment or other environment which does not use Active Directory.

3.4 Installing on Microsoft Exchange Server 2000/2003

3.4.1 Upgrade from earlier version

If you are currently using a previous version of GFI MailEssentials (versions 9, 10, 11 and 12), you can upgrade your current installation while at the same time retain all your existing configuration settings.

Important notes

- Upgrades cannot be undone i.e. you cannot downgrade to an earlier version once you have installed the latest version.
- On upgrading an existing installation, licensing reverts to trial version and a new fully purchased license key for the GFI MailEssentials 14 is required. For more information on new license keys, refer to: <http://customers.gfi.com>
- You cannot change the installation path during GFI MailEssentials upgrades.
- When upgrading from GFI MailEssentials 9, the current Bayesian weights file will be upgraded to the new format used in GFI MailEssentials 10 or later. The new format is more compact and uses less memory. NO DATA WILL BE LOST.

Upgrade procedure

1. Launch GFI MailEssentials installation on the server where your earlier version of GFI MailEssentials is installed.



Screenshot 1 - Confirm the upgrade

2. Click **Yes** to start the upgrade process and follow on-screen instructions. For assistance refer to [New installations](#) section below.

3.4.2 New installations

Pre-install actions

No pre-install actions or configurations are required.

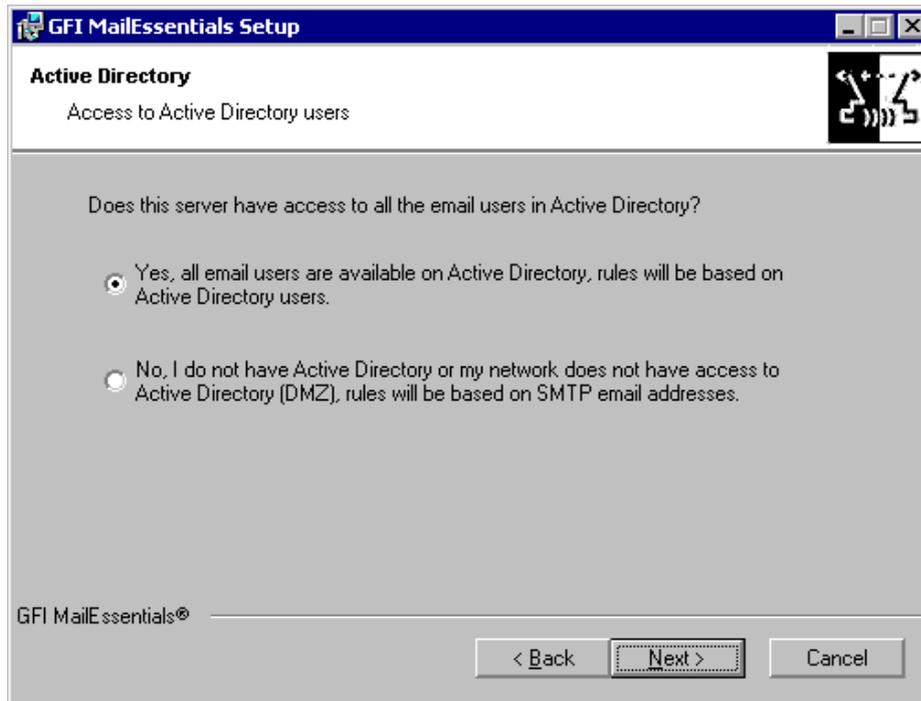
Important notes

1. At the end of the installation process, GFI MailEssentials will restart Microsoft Exchange Server services. This is required to allow GFI MailEssentials components to be registered and started. Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.
2. Before starting installation, close any running Windows applications.

Installation procedure

1. Logon your Microsoft Exchange Server machine using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14.exe** (32-bit install) or **mailessentials14_x64.exe** (64-bit install) accordingly.
3. Select install language and click **Next**.

4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.
5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with the installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.
8. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are sent.



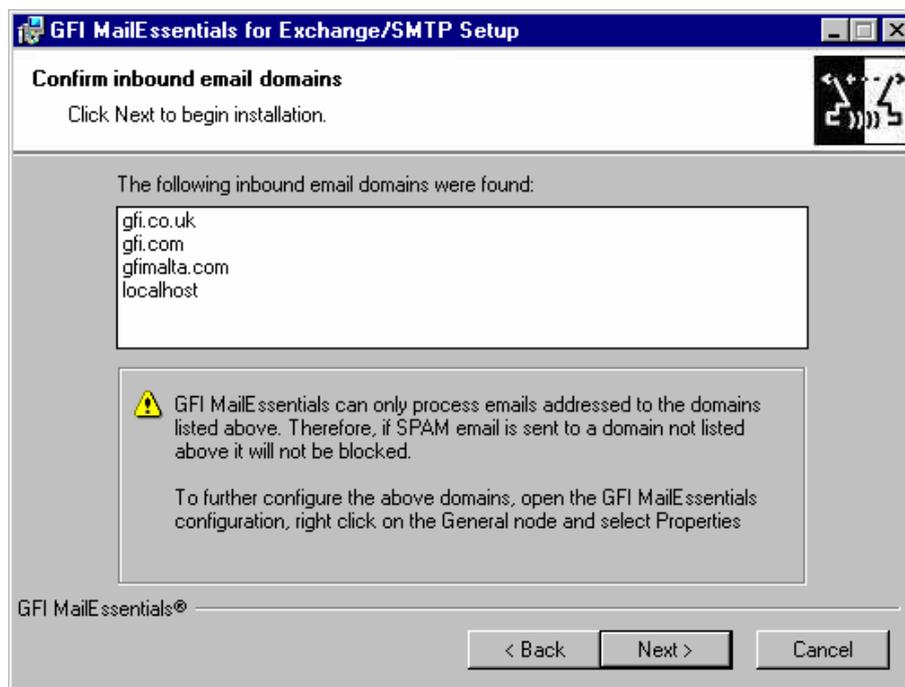
Screenshot 2 - Selecting SMTP mode or Active Directory mode

9. Specify whether GFI MailEssentials will get the list of email users (required for user-based configuration/rules e.g. disclaimers) from Active Directory or SMTP server. Click **Next** to continue.



Screenshot 3 - Installing Microsoft Message Queuing Service

10. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.



Screenshot 4 - Configure your inbound email domain

11. Setup will now display the list of inbound email domains detected. Verify that all inbound email domains to be protected against spam are listed. Take note of any changes required for post-installation and click **Next**.

NOTE: You can modify the list of inbound email domains ONLY post-installation. For more information refer to the [Confirm domains to defend against spam](#) section starting on page 15 in this manual.

12. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:

- Ask you to restart the SMTP service.
IMPORTANT: Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.
- Check whether Microsoft XML engine is installed. This is automatically installed if not found on UK/US English OS. For other OS languages, this has to be manually downloaded and installed. Microsoft XML engine can be downloaded from: <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the configuration settings required post-install/for first use (Recommended).

13. At this stage, GFI MailEssentials is installed. You must now configure GFI MailEssentials for first use. For instructions refer to the next section titled [Post-install actions](#).

3.4.3 Post-install actions

To ensure that your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is effectively up and running you must perform the following post-install actions:

Step 1: Launch GFI MailEssentials Configuration console

Click on **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Configuration**.

Step 2: Verify current DNS Server settings

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **DNS Server** tab. Verify the DNS server details automatically detected during install.
3. To specify a different DNS Server, select **Use the following DNS server** and specify details.
4. Click **Test** to check your newly added DNS server settings.
5. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 3: Confirm domains to defend against spam

NOTE: ONLY the inbound email domains configured in GFI MailEssentials will be protected against spam.

1. Right click **General** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **Inbound Email Domains** and ensure that all required inbound domains are listed in the **Inbound Domains** field.
3. To specify additional domains, click **Add...** and enter inbound email domain details.
4. Click **OK** button to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Enable Directory Harvesting

This filter uses Active directory or LDAP lookups to verify whether inbound emails are addressed to legitimate 'internal' email accounts. To enable this filter:

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Directory Harvesting ► Properties**.
2. Select **Enable directory harvesting protection**.
3. Select the lookups method to be used:
 - **Use native Active Directory lookups option** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from Active Directory (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9).
 - **Use LDAP lookups** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from SMTP server using LDAP (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9). In addition:
 - Unselect the **Anonymous bind** option if your LDAP server requires authentication
 - Enter the authentication details using Domain\User format.
 - Click **Test** button to test your LDAP configuration settings.

Step 5: Configure whitelists

This filter allows you to specify lists of 'friendly' email domains, email addresses or IP addresses.

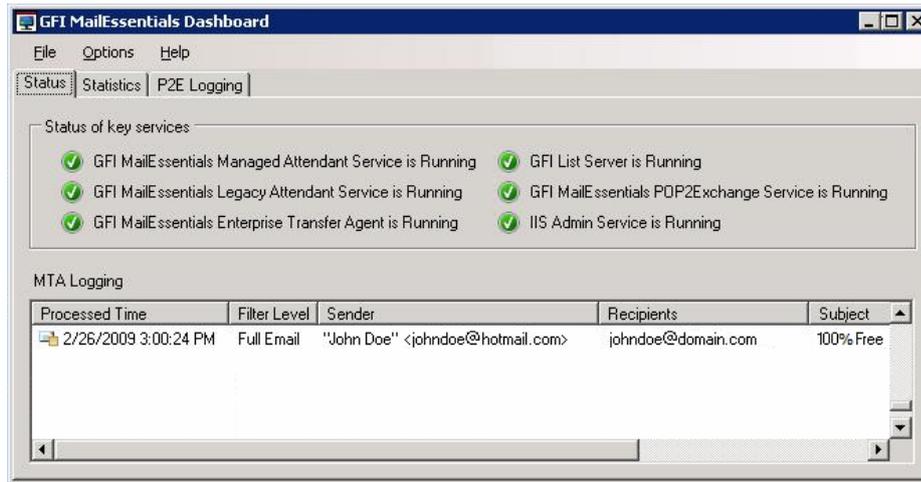
WARNING: USE THIS FEATURE WITH CAUTION. Entries in this list will not be scanned for spam and will bypass all anti spam filtering.

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Whitelist ► Properties**.
2. Click on the **Whitelist** tab.
3. Click **Add...** and specify domains/email addresses or IP addresses to whitelist.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 6: Test your anti spam system

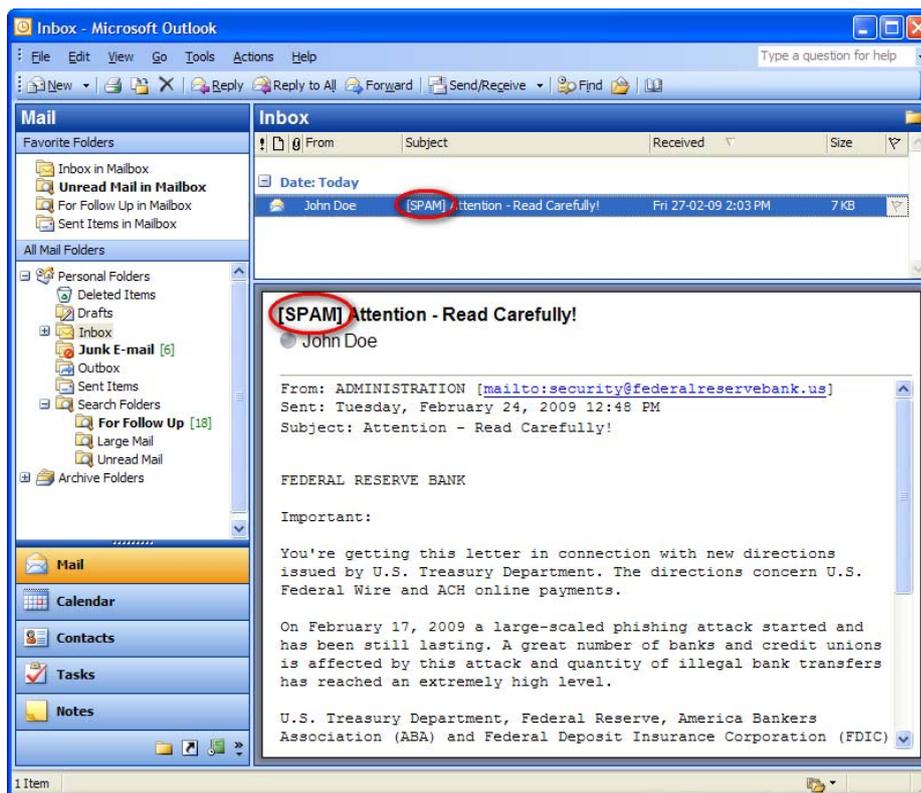
GFI MailEssentials is now ready to start managing spam. To verify that anti spam is working properly:

1. Navigate to **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Dashboard**.
2. Using an external email account (for example webmail, hotmail or Gmail), create a new email and key in "100% free" as the subject.
3. Send the email to one of your internal email accounts. GFI MailEssentials will tag this email as spam by adding the tag [SPAM] to the email 'subject' field.
4. Allow some time for email delivery and confirm that email spam tagging is working by:



Screenshot 5 - Testing your anti spam system

- Checking the GFI MailEssentials Dashboard. Use the **Status** tab to view the status of key GFI MailEssentials services and email processing activity. Receipt and processing status of this email is logged in the MTA logging window.



Screenshot 6 – Email tagged as SPAM

- Accessing the inbox of the email account to which the test email was sent and confirm that email subject includes [SPAM] in the subject field.

3.4.4 GFI MailEssentials Configuration

At this stage, your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is up and running. All inbound email will be scanned by the anti spam filters

enabled by default. (See Table 1 - Anti spam filters enabled by default below).

Filter	Description	Enabled by Default
SpamRazer	An anti spam engine that determines if an email is spam by using email reputation, message fingerprinting and content analysis.	✓
Directory Harvesting	Stops email which is randomly generated towards a server, mostly addressed to non-existent users.	✓
PURBL	Blocks emails that contain links in the message bodies pointing to known phishing sites or if they contain typical phishing keywords.	✓
SPF	Stops email which is received from domains not authorized in SPF records	✗
Auto-Whitelist	Addresses that an email is sent to are automatically excluded from being blocked.	✓
Whitelists	A custom list of safe email addresses	✓
Custom blacklist	A custom list of blocked email users or domains.	✓
DNS blacklists	Checks if the email received is from senders that are listed on a public DNS blacklist of known spammers.	✓
SURBL	Stops emails which contain links to domains listed on public Spam URI Blocklists such as sc.surbl.org	✓
Header checking	A module which analyses the individual fields in a header by referencing the SMTP and MIME fields	✓
Keyword checking	Spam messages are identified based on blocked keywords in the email title or body	✗
New Senders	Emails that have been received from senders to whom emails have never been sent before.	✗
Bayesian analysis	An anti spam technique where a statistical probability index based on training from users is used to identify spam.	✗

✓ - Enabled by default

✗ - Not enabled by default

Table 1 - Anti spam filters enabled by default

By default, email classified as spam will be tagged (i.e. will include the prefix [SPAM] in the subject field – see Screenshot 6 above). Although enabled by default, email tagging is NOT the only anti spam filter action that can be triggered on detection of email spam. Other actions include re-routing of spam emails to specific folders and deletion of spam emails.

Filters	Anti spam filter actions					
	Tagging	Delete	Forward to specific email address	Move to subfolder in user mailbox	Move to junk mail folder	Move to specific folder
SpamRazer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Directory Harvesting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SPF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Whitelists	○	○	○	○	○	○
Custom Blacklist	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DNS blacklists	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Header Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keyword Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Senders	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Bayesian Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ - Action supported

✗ - Action not possible

○ - Not applicable

Table 2 - Anti spam filter actions

Configuration of anti spam filters and actions is possible via the GFI MailEssentials Configuration console. Additionally, through this console you can also run reports and customize other product features such as enable daily spam digest.

For guidelines on how to configure GFI MailEssentials functions and features refer to the GFI MailEssentials [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

3.5 Installing on an email gateway or relay/perimeter server

Introduction

GFI MailEssentials can be installed:

- On a perimeter server (e.g. in a DMZ)

- As a mail relay server between the perimeter (gateway) SMTP server and the recipients' inboxes.

Both setups enable you to reduce unnecessary email traffic by using your Active Directory resources (at a perimeter/gateway server level) to drop connections for non-existent email recipients in incoming email. This helps counter spamming techniques such as Directory Harvest Attacks (a brute force type of attack used by spammers to find valid/existent e-mail addresses at a domain). This structure stops the majority of Spam from arriving at your Microsoft Exchange server.

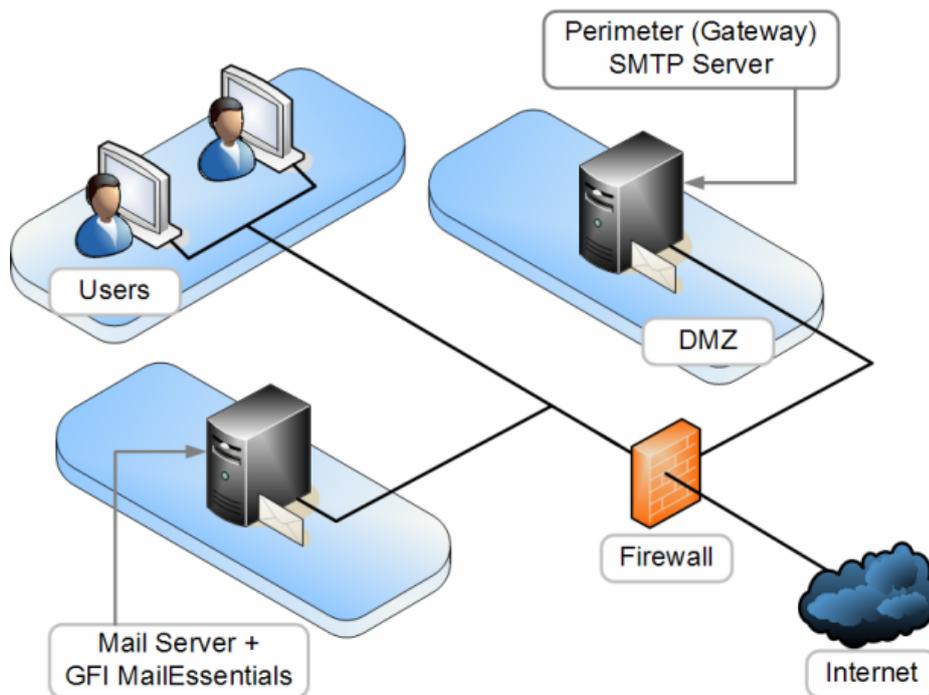


Figure 1 – A typical Perimeter SMTP Relay Server setup

3.5.1 Upgrades from earlier version

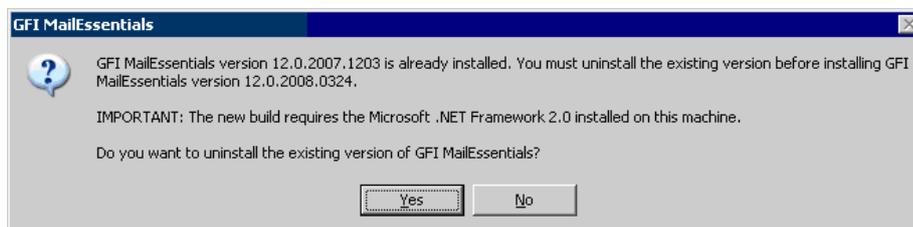
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- On upgrading an existing installation, licensing reverts to trial version and a new fully purchased license key for the GFI MailEssentials 14 is required. For more information on new license keys, refer to: <http://customers.gfi.com>.
- You cannot change the installation path during GFI MailEssentials upgrades.
- When upgrading from GFI MailEssentials 9, the current Bayesian weights file will be upgraded to the new format used in GFI MailEssentials 10 or later. The new format is more compact and uses less memory. NO DATA WILL BE LOST.

Upgrade procedure

1. Launch GFI MailEssentials installation on the server where your earlier version of GFI MailEssentials is installed.



Screenshot 7 - Confirm the upgrade

2. Click **Yes** to start the upgrade process and follow on-screen instructions. For assistance refer to [New installations](#) section below.

3.5.2 New installations

Important notes

1. During installation, GFI MailEssentials restarts Microsoft Exchange Server services. This is required to allow GFI MailEssentials components to be registered and started.
2. Before starting installation, close any running Windows applications.
3. When installing GFI MailEssentials on a DMZ, we recommend you use LDAP lookups to get the list of email users (required for user-based configuration/rules e.g. disclaimers) from your SMTP server. The AD of a DMZ usually will NOT include all the network users (email recipients).

Pre-install actions

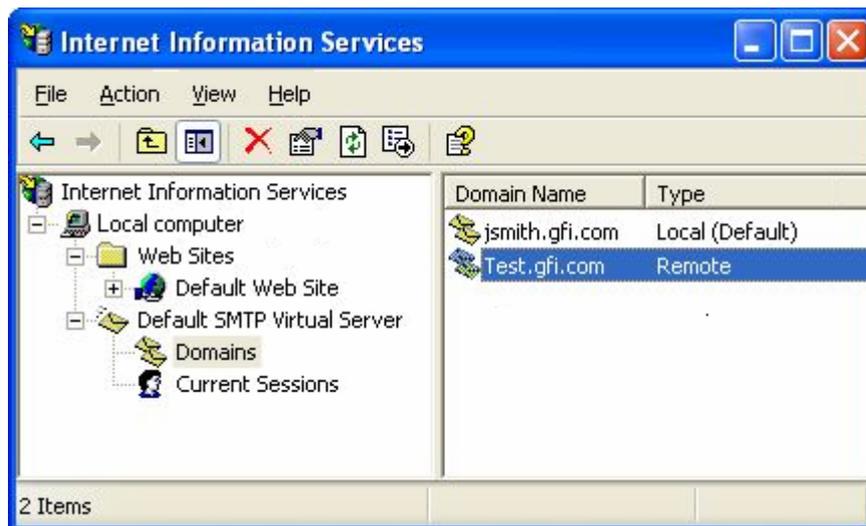
GFI MailEssentials uses the IIS SMTP service as its SMTP Server and therefore the IIS SMTP service must be configured to act as a mail relay server. This is achieved as follows:

Step 1: Enable IIS SMTP Service

1. Go to **Start ► Control Panel ► Add or Remove Programs ► Add/Remove Windows Components**.
2. Select **Internet Information Services (IIS)** and click **Details**.
3. Select the **SMTP Service** option and click **OK**.
4. Click **Next** to finalize your configuration.

Step 2: Create SMTP domain(s) for email relaying

1. Go to **Start ► Control Panel ► Administrative Tools**.
2. Click on **Internet Information Services (IIS) Manager**.

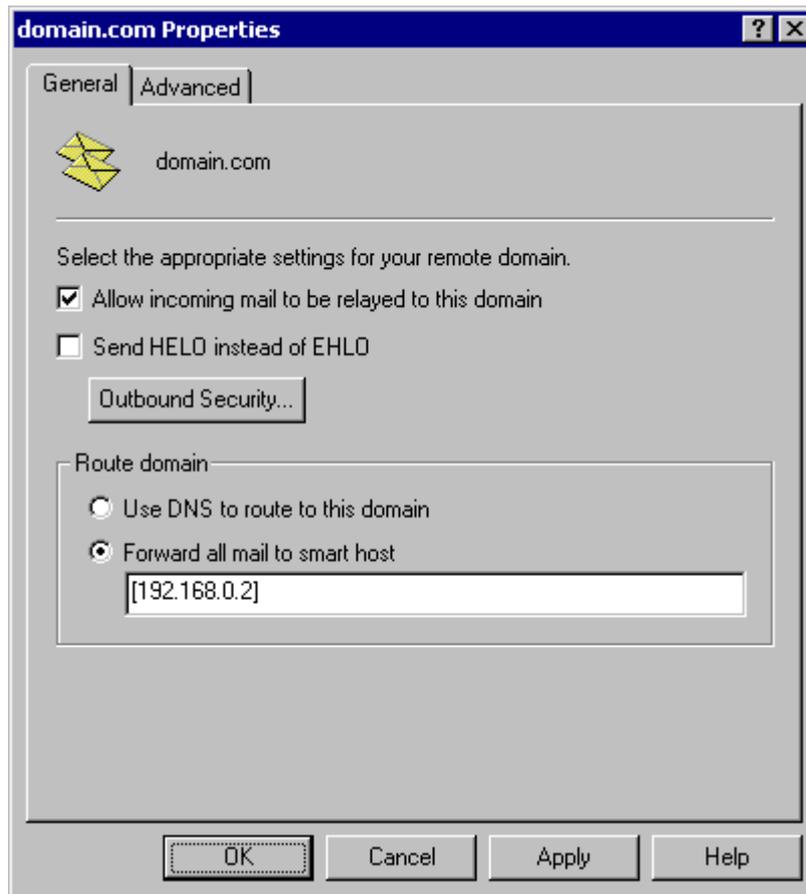


Screenshot 8 - Internet Information Services (IIS) Manager

3. In the left pane, expand the respective server node. Right click on **Default SMTP Virtual Server** and select **Properties**.
4. Select the IP address currently assigned to your SMTP server and click **OK**.
5. Expand the **Default SMTP Virtual Server** node.
6. Right click **Domains** and select **New ► Domain**.
7. Select the **Remote** option and click **Next**.
8. Specify domain name (e.g. test.gfi.com) and click **Finish**.

Step 3: Enable email relaying to your Microsoft Exchange server:

1. Right click on the new domain (e.g. test.gfi.com) and select **Properties**.
2. Select the **Allow the Incoming Mail to be Relayed to this Domain** checkbox.



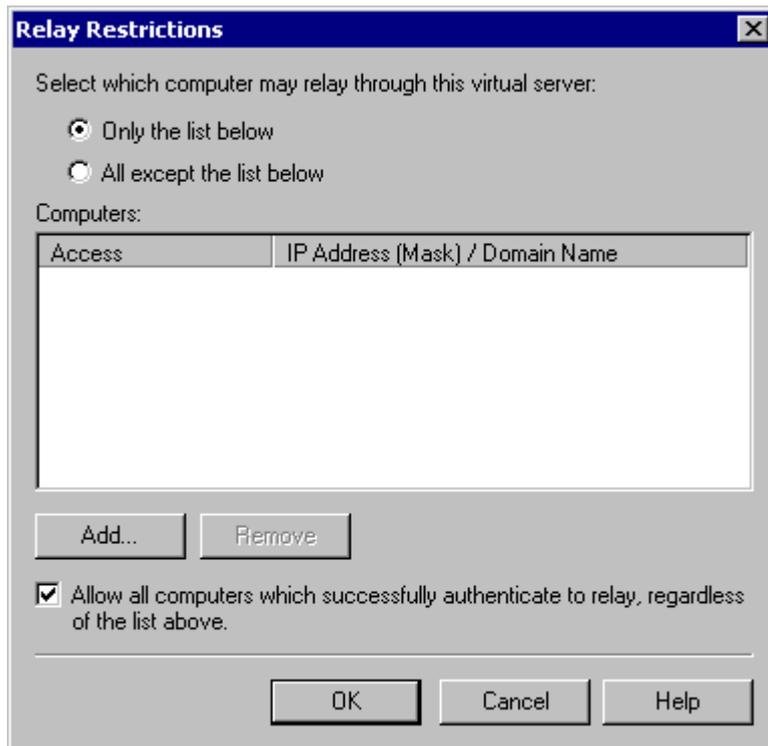
Screenshot 9 - Configure the domain

3. Select the **Forward all mail to smart host** option and specify the IP address of the server managing emails in this domain. IP address must be enclosed in square brackets e.g. [123.123.123.123] so to exclude them from all DNS lookup attempts.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Secure your SMTP email-relay server

If unsecured, your mail relay server can be exploited and used as an open relay for spam. To avoid this from happening, it is recommended that you specifically define which mail servers can route emails through this mail relay server (i.e. allow only specific servers to use this email relaying setup). To achieve this:

1. Go to **Start ► Control Panel ► Administrative Tools**.
2. Click on **Internet Information Services (IIS) Manager**.
3. In the left pane, expand the respective server node. Right click on **Default SMTP Virtual Server** and select **Properties**.
4. Click on the **Access** tab and select **Relay**.

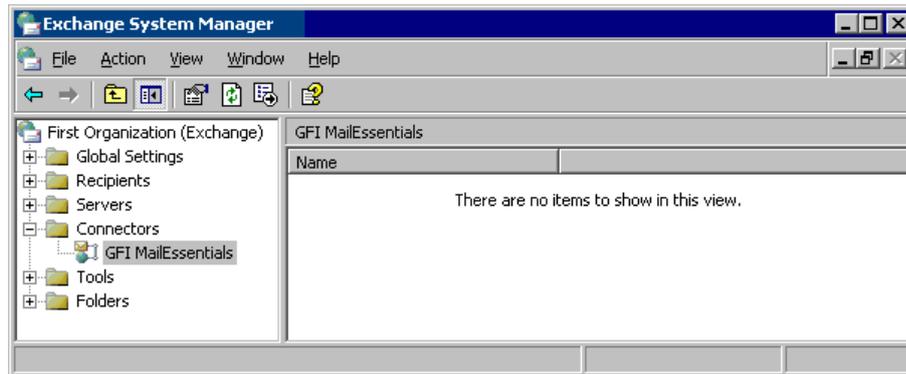


Screenshot 10 - Relay options

5. Select the **Only the list below** option and click **Add**.
6. Specify IP(s) of the mail server(s) that are allowed to route emails through your mail relay server. You can specify:
 - **Single computer** – i.e. Authorize one specific machine to relay email through this server. Use the **DNS Lookup** button to lookup an IP address for a specific host.
 - **Group of computers** – i.e. Authorize specific computer(s) to relay emails through this server.
 - **Domain** – Allow all computers in a specific domain to relay emails through this server.

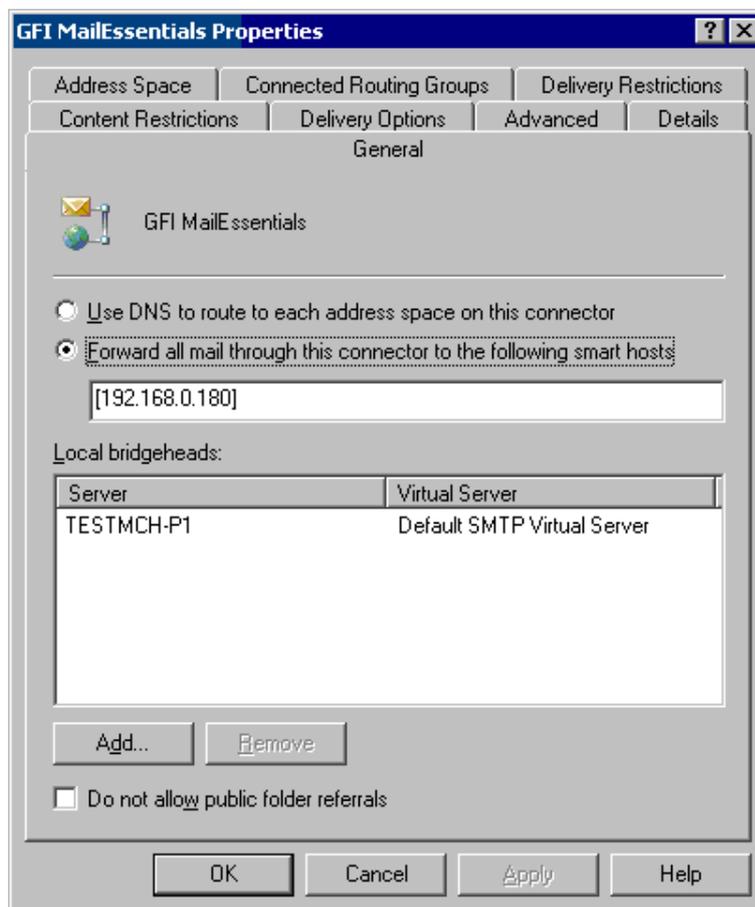
NOTE: The Domain option adds a processing overhead that can degrade SMTP service performance. This is due to the reverse DNS lookup processes triggered on all IP addresses (within that domain) that try to route emails through this relay server.

Step 5: Enable your Microsoft Exchange Server to route emails via mail relay server/GFI MailEssentials



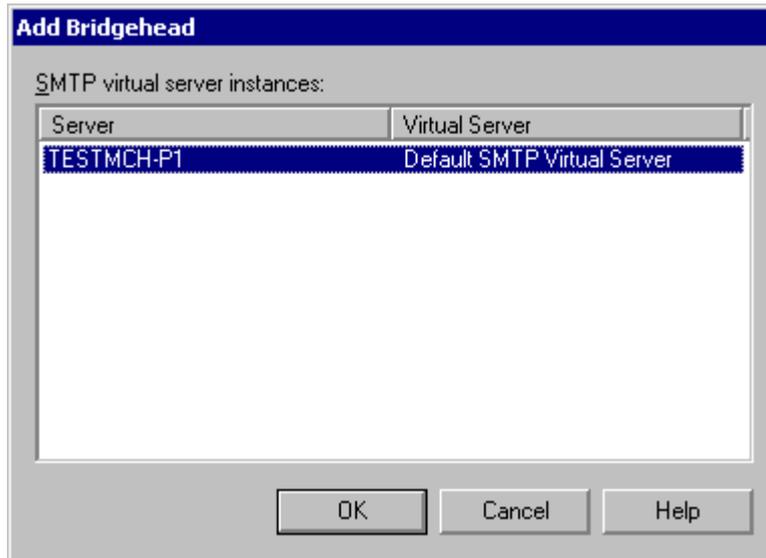
Screenshot 11 - Forwarding email to GFI MailEssentials machine

1. Launch Exchange System Manager.
2. Right click **Connectors** node and select **New ► SMTP Connector**.



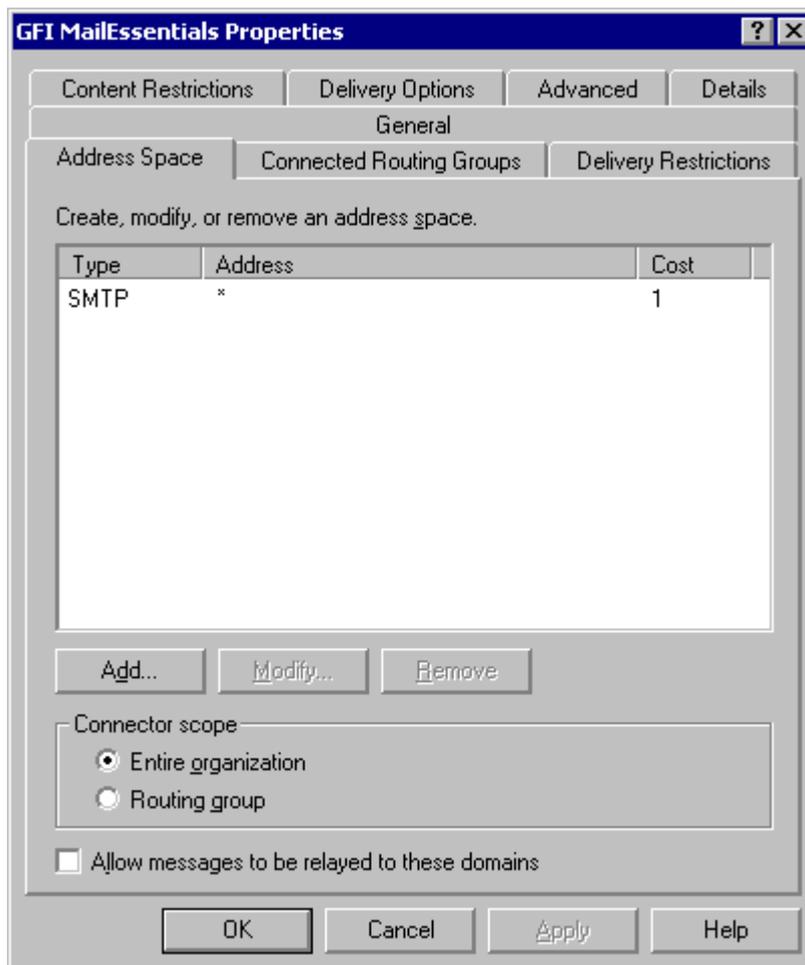
Screenshot 12 - Specifying IP of GFI MailEssentials machine

3. Select the **Forward all mail through this connector to the following smart host** option, and specify the IP of your mail relay server within square brackets (i.e. the IP of the machine on which GFI MailEssentials is installed) e.g. [123.123.1.123].



Screenshot 13 - Adding a bridgehead

4. Click **Add** and select the virtual SMTP Server (i.e. the email relay server on which GFI MailEssentials is running).



Screenshot 14 - Adding SMTP as address space

5. Click on the **Address Space** tab then click **Add**.
6. Select **SMTP** and click **OK**.

7. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration. All emails will now be forwarded to the GFI MailEssentials server.

Step 6: Update your domain MX record to point to mail relay server

Update the MX record of your domain to point to the IP of the new mail relay server. If your DNS server is managed by your ISP, ask your ISP to update the MX record for you.

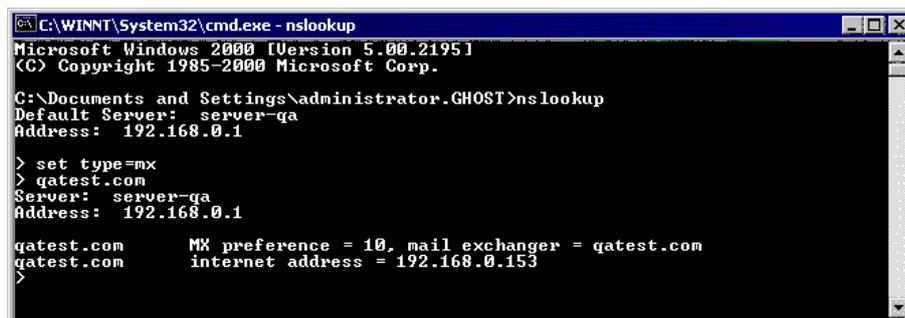
If MX record is not updated all emails will be routed directly to your email server - hence by-pass GFI MailEssentials anti spam filters.

Verify that MX record has been successfully updated

To verify whether MX record is updated do as follows:

1. Click **Start ►Run** and type: **Command**
2. From the command prompt type in: **nslookup**
3. Type in: **set type=mx**
4. Specify your mail domain name.

The MX record should return a single IP address. This should be the mail relay server I.P. address.



```
C:\WINNT\System32\cmd.exe - nslookup
Microsoft Windows 2000 [Version 5.00.2195]
(C) Copyright 1985-2000 Microsoft Corp.

C:\Documents and Settings\administrator.GHOST>nslookup
Default Server: server-ga
Address: 192.168.0.1

> set type=mx
> gatest.com
Server: server-ga
Address: 192.168.0.1

gatest.com      MX preference = 10, mail exchanger = gatest.com
gatest.com      internet address = 192.168.0.153
>
```

Screenshot 15 - Checking the MX record of your domain

Step 7: Test your new mail relay server

Before proceeding to install GFI MailEssentials, verify that your new mail relay server is working correctly by doing as follows:

Test IIS SMTP inbound connection via test email

1. Send an email from an 'external' account (e.g. internet email account) to an internal email address/user.
2. Ensure that intended recipient received the test email in the respective email client.

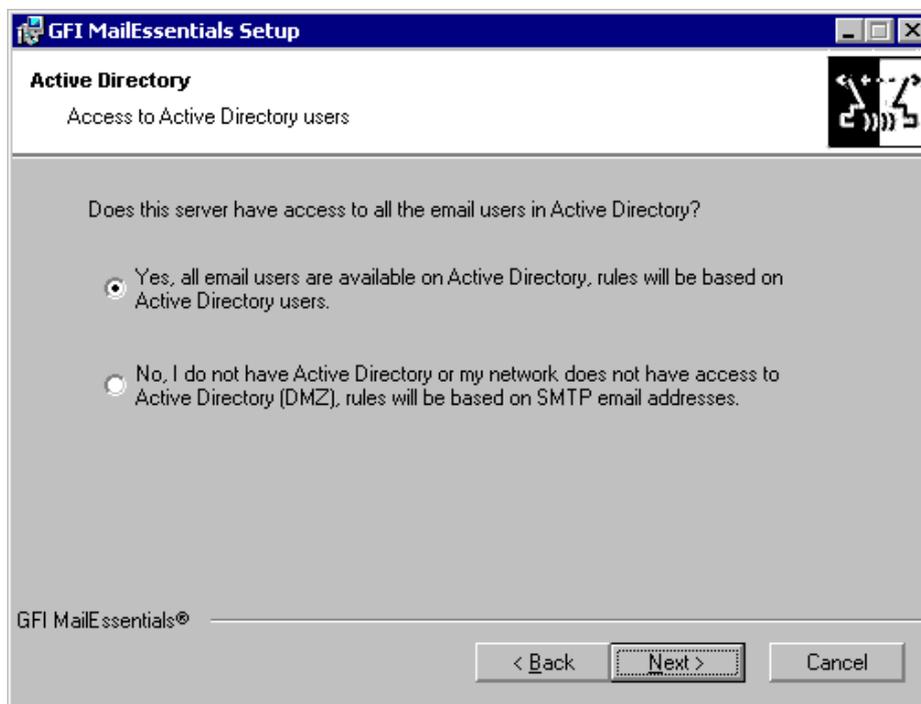
Test IIS SMTP outbound connection via test email

1. Send an email from an 'internal' email account to an external account (e.g. internet email).
2. Ensure that the intended recipient/external user received the test email.

NOTE: You can also use 'Telnet' to manually send the test email and obtained more troubleshooting information. For more information refer to: <http://support.microsoft.com/support/kb/articles/Q153/1/19.asp>

GFI MailEssentials installation procedure

1. Logon your Microsoft Exchange Server machine using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14.exe** (32-bit install) or **mailessentials14_x64.exe** (64-bit install) accordingly.
3. Select preferred install language and click **Next**.
4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.
5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with this installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.
8. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are to be sent.



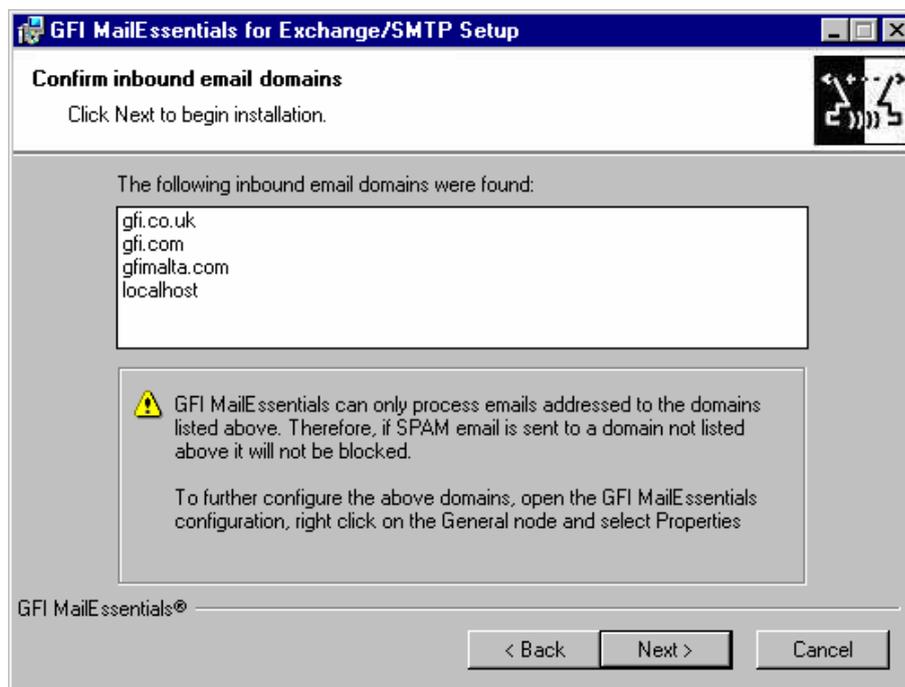
Screenshot 16 - Selecting SMTP mode or Active Directory mode

9. Specify whether GFI MailEssentials will get the list of email users (required for user-based configuration/rules e.g. disclaimers) from Active Directory or SMTP server. Click **Next** to continue.



Screenshot 17 - Installing Microsoft Message Queuing Service

10. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.



Screenshot 18 - Configure your inbound email domain

11. Setup will now display the list of inbound email domains detected. Verify that all inbound email domains to be protected against spam are listed. Take note of any changes required for post-installation and click **Next**.

NOTE: You can modify the list of inbound email domains ONLY post-install. For more information refer to the [Confirm domains to defend against spam](#) section starting on page 30 in this manual.

12. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:

- Ask you to restart the SMTP service.
IMPORTANT: Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.
- Check whether Microsoft XML engine is installed. This is automatically installed if not found on UK/US English OS. For other OS languages, this has to be manually downloaded and installed. Microsoft XML engine can be downloaded from: <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the configuration settings required post-install/for first use (Recommended).

13. At this stage, GFI MailEssentials is installed. You must now configure GFI MailEssentials for first use. For instructions refer to the next section titled [Post-install actions](#).

3.5.3 Post-install actions

To ensure that your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is effectively up and running you must perform the following post-install actions:

Step 1: Launch GFI MailEssentials Configuration console

Click on **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Configuration**.

Step 2: Verify current DNS Server settings

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **DNS Server** tab. Verify the DNS server details automatically detected during install.
3. To specify a different DNS Server, select **Use the following DNS server** and specify details.
4. Click **Test** to check your newly added DNS server settings.
5. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 3: Confirm domains to defend against spam

NOTE: ONLY the inbound email domains configured in GFI MailEssentials will be protected against spam.

1. Right click **General** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **Inbound Email Domains** tab and ensure that all required inbound domains are listed in the **Inbound domains** field.
3. To specify additional domains, click **Add...** and enter inbound email domain details.
4. Click **OK** button to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Enable Directory Harvesting

This filter uses Active directory or LDAP lookups to verify whether inbound emails are addressed to legitimate 'internal' email accounts. To enable this filter:

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Directory Harvesting ► Properties**.
2. Select **Enable directory harvesting protection**.
3. Select the lookups method to be used:
 - **Use native Active Directory lookups option** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from Active Directory (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9).
 - **Use LDAP lookups** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from SMTP server using LDAP (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9). In addition:
 - Unselect the **Anonymous bind** option if your LDAP server requires authentication
 - Enter the authentication details using Domain\User format.
 - Click **Test** button to test your LDAP configuration settings.

Step 5: Configure whitelists

Whitelists enable you to specify lists of 'friendly' email domains, email addresses or IP addresses.

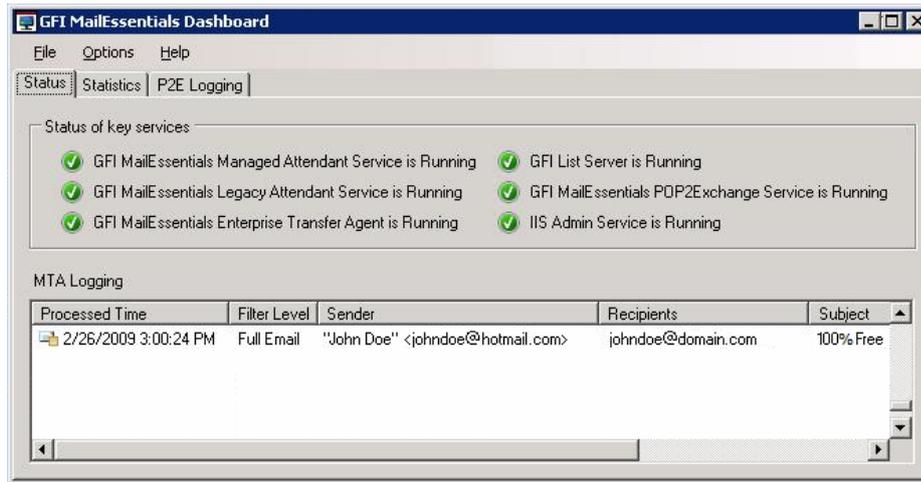
WARNING: USE THIS FEATURE WITH CAUTION. Entries in this list will not be scanned for spam and will bypass all anti spam filtering.

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Whitelist ► Properties**.
2. Click on the **Whitelist** tab.
3. Click **Add...** and specify domains/email addresses or IP addresses to whitelist.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 6: Test your anti spam system

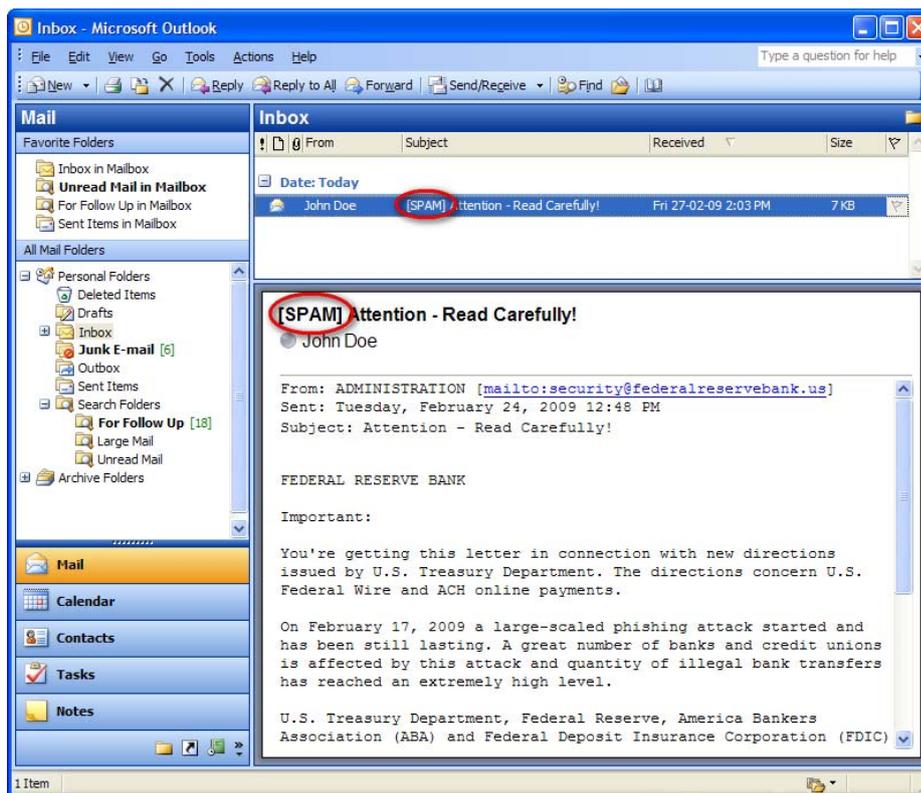
GFI MailEssentials is now ready to start managing spam. To verify that anti spam is working properly:

1. Clicking **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Dashboard**.
2. Using an external email account (for example webmail, hotmail or Gmail), create a new email and key in "100% free" as the subject.
3. Send the email to one of your internal email accounts. GFI MailEssentials will tag this email as spam by adding the tag [SPAM] to the email 'subject' field.
4. Allow some time for email delivery and confirm that email spam tagging is working by:



Screenshot 19 - Testing your anti spam system

- Checking the GFI MailEssentials Dashboard. Use the Status tab to view the status of key GFI MailEssentials services and email processing activity. Receipt and processing status of this email is logged in the MTA logging window.



Screenshot 20 – Email tagged as SPAM

- Accessing the inbox of the email account to which the test email was sent and confirm that email subject includes [SPAM] in the subject field.

3.5.4 GFI MailEssentials Configuration

At this stage, your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is up and running. All inbound email will be scanned by the anti spam filters

enabled by default (see Table 3 - Anti spam filters enabled by default below).

Filter	Description	Enabled by Default
SpamRazer	An anti spam engine that determines if an email is spam by using email reputation, message fingerprinting and content analysis.	✓
Directory Harvesting	Stops email which is randomly generated towards a server, mostly addressed to non-existent users.	✓
PURBL	Blocks emails that contain links in the message bodies pointing to known phishing sites or if they contain typical phishing keywords.	✓
SPF	Stops email which is received from domains not authorized in SPF records	✗
Auto-Whitelist	Addresses that an email is sent to are automatically excluded from being blocked.	✓
Whitelists	A custom list of safe email addresses	✓
Custom blacklist	A custom list of blocked email users or domains.	✓
DNS blacklists	Checks if the email received is from senders that are listed on a public DNS blacklist of known spammers.	✓
SURBL	Stops emails which contain links to domains listed on public Spam URI Blocklists such as sc.surbl.org	✓
Header checking	A module which analyses the individual fields in a header by referencing the SMTP and MIME fields	✓
Keyword checking	Spam messages are identified based on blocked keywords in the email title or body	✗
New Senders	Emails that have been received from senders to whom emails have never been sent before.	✗
Bayesian analysis	An anti spam technique where a statistical probability index based on training from users is used to identify spam.	✗

✓ - Enabled by default

✗ - Not enabled by default

Table 3 - Anti spam filters enabled by default

By default, email classified as spam will be tagged (i.e. will include the prefix [SPAM] in the subject field - see Screenshot 20 above). Although enabled by default, email tagging is NOT the only anti spam filter action that can be triggered on detection of email spam (see Table 4 - Anti spam filter actions below). Other actions include re-routing of spam emails to specific folders and deletion of spam emails.

Filters	Anti spam filter actions					
	Tagging	Delete	Forward to specific email address	Move to subfolder in user mailbox	Move to junk mail folder	Move to specific folder
SpamRazer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Directory Harvesting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SPF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Whitelists	○	○	○	○	○	○
Custom Blacklist	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DNS blacklists	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Header Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keyword Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Senders	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Bayesian Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ - Action supported

✗ - Action not possible

○ - Not applicable

Table 4 - Anti spam filter actions

Configuration of anti spam filters and actions is possible via the GFI MailEssentials Configuration console. Additionally, through this console you can also run reports and customize other product features such as enable daily spam digest.

For guidelines on how to configure GFI MailEssentials functions and features refer to the GFI MailEssentials [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

3.6 Installing on Microsoft Exchange 2000/2003 cluster

Introduction

A cluster is a group of servers, technically known as nodes, working collectively as a single server. Such environment provides high availability and fail over mechanisms to ensure constant availability of resources and applications including email infrastructures. If one of

the nodes in the cluster fails/is not available, resources and applications switch to another cluster node.

A Microsoft Exchange cluster can be set up in one of 2 modes: active/active or active/passive. GFI MailEssentials supports **ONLY** active/passive clusters. In an active/passive cluster, a 'failover' mechanism ensures that whenever an active cluster fails, one of the available passive nodes becomes active (i.e. takes over the role of the failed node).

In view of the way clusters work, GFI MailEssentials must be installed on all servers/cluster nodes in order to ensure uninterrupted email spam management. GFI MailEssentials installation in a Microsoft Exchange 2000/2003 cluster is a 4-tier process:

- **Process 1:** Install GFI MailEssentials on the Active cluster node.
- **Process 2:** Stop the GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant and the GFI POP2Exchange cluster resources and move the Exchange Virtual Server cluster group resource to a passive/other node.
- **Process 3:** Install GFI MailEssentials on another cluster node.
- **Process 4:** Add specific GFI MailEssentials services to the Exchange Virtual Server cluster resource group

Repeat Processes 2, 3 and 4 above for the remaining passive node(s) in the cluster.

3.6.1 Upgrade from earlier version

If you are currently using a previous version of GFI MailEssentials (versions 9, 10, 11 and 12), you can upgrade your current installation while at the same time retain all your existing configuration settings.

Pre-upgrade actions

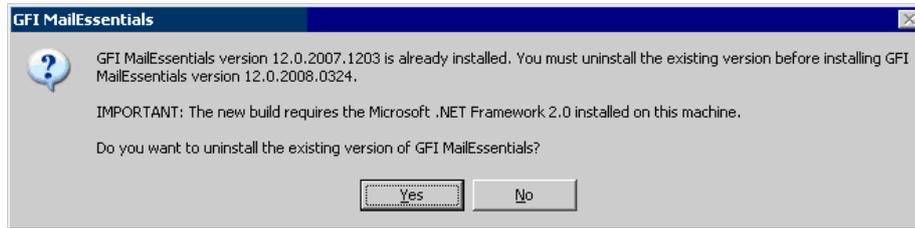
None

Important notes

- Upgrades cannot be undone i.e. you cannot downgrade to an earlier version once you have installed the latest version.
- On upgrading an existing installation, licensing reverts to trial version and a new fully purchased license key for the GFI MailEssentials 14 is required. For more information on new license keys, refer to: <http://customers.gfi.com>
- You cannot change the installation path during GFI MailEssentials upgrades.
- When upgrading from GFI MailEssentials 9, the current Bayesian weights file will be upgraded to the new format used in GFI MailEssentials 10 or later. The new format is more compact and uses less memory. **NO DATA WILL BE LOST.**
- When upgrading in a Microsoft Exchange cluster environment, all instances of GFI MailEssentials must be upgraded i.e. GFI MailEssentials must be upgraded on all cluster nodes/servers making part of the cluster.

Upgrade procedure

1. Launch GFI MailEssentials installation on the server where your earlier version of GFI MailEssentials is installed.



Screenshot 21 - Confirm the upgrade

2. Click **Yes** to start the upgrade process and follow on-screen instructions. For assistance refer to the [Installation procedure](#) chapter in the section below.

3.6.2 New installations

Important notes

1. Only active/passive cluster setups are supported.
2. Before starting installation, close any running Windows applications.
3. Before starting installation, Microsoft Exchange Server 2000/2003 needs to be installed in clustered mode.
4. Before starting installation ensure that you have a Microsoft Virtual Server cluster group resource with a physical disc cluster available.

Pre-install actions

Create Microsoft Virtual Server cluster group resource

Before you can create an Exchange Virtual Server in a Windows Server cluster, you must first create a cluster resource group. This is the unit of failover in a Windows Server cluster. When Exchange Server is running in a Windows Server cluster, the cluster resource group that contains the Exchange cluster resources is referred to as an Exchange Virtual Server.

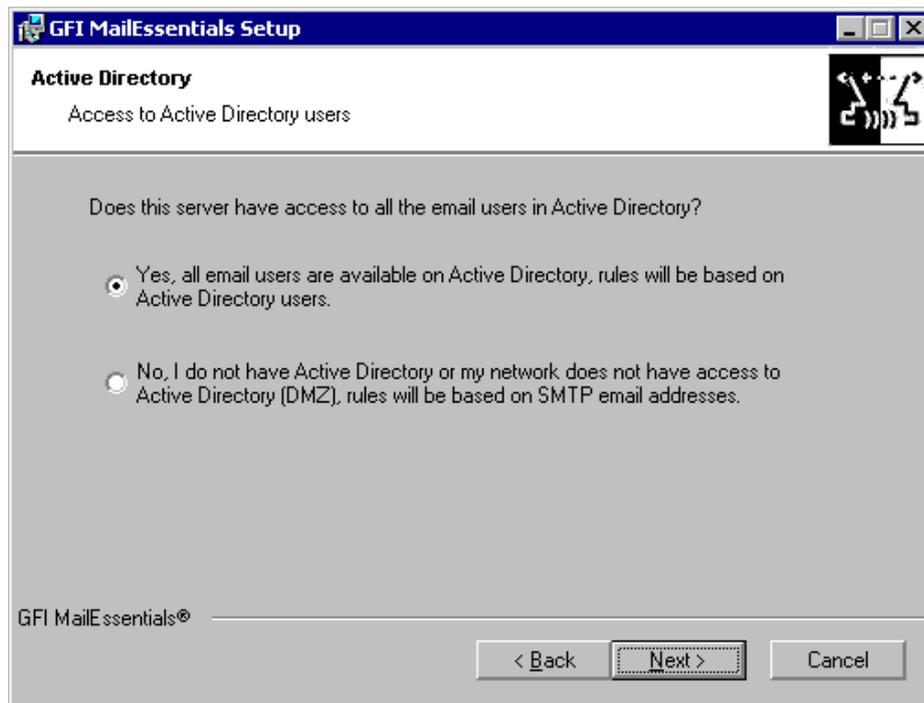
To create a resource group for an Exchange Virtual Server in a Windows Server cluster do as follows:

1. Start Cluster Administrator. On prompt, specify cluster details (e.g. name) or click the **browse** button to select cluster in which you want to create an Exchange Virtual Server.
2. In the console tree, right-click **Groups** and select **New ► Group**.
3. In the New Group Wizard that starts automatically, specify a name for the new cluster group, and click **Next**.
4. Click **Finish** to finalize your configuration. This new group object is displayed under Groups in Cluster Administrator.

Installation procedure

Step 1 - Install GFI MailEssentials in the shared hard drive on active server

1. Logon on the active node of your Microsoft Exchange cluster using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14.exe** (32-bit install) or **mailessentials14_x64.exe** (64-bit install) accordingly.
3. Select install language and click **Next**.
4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.
5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with the installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.
8. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are sent.



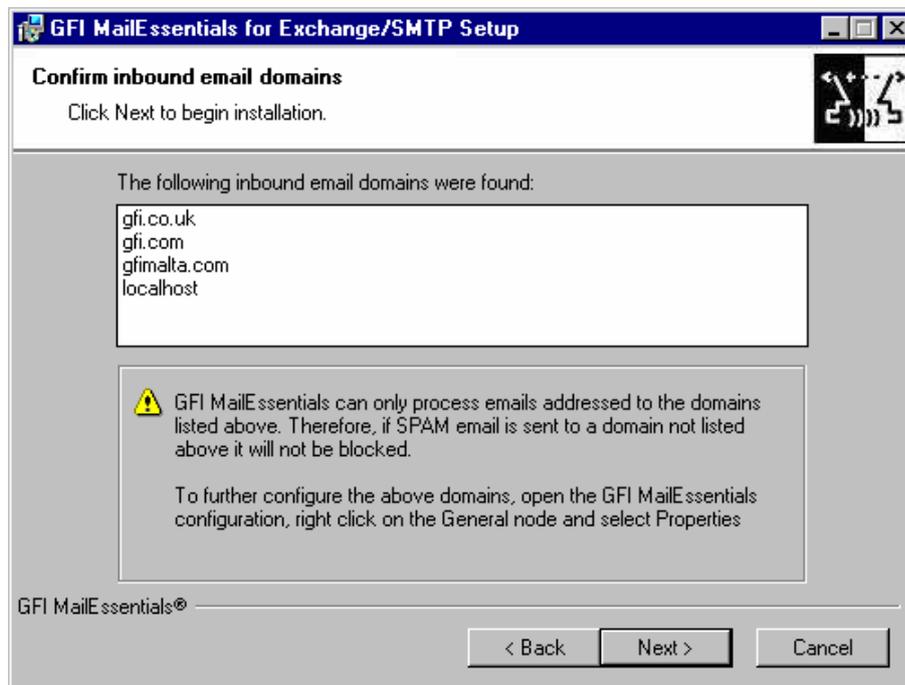
Screenshot 22 - Selecting SMTP mode or Active Directory mode

9. Specify whether GFI MailEssentials will get the list of email users (required for user-based configuration/rules e.g. disclaimers) from Active Directory or SMTP server. Click **Next** to continue.



Screenshot 23 - Installing Microsoft Message Queuing Service

10. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.



Screenshot 24 - Configure your inbound email domain

11. Setup will now display the list of inbound email domains detected. Verify that all inbound email domains to be protected against spam are listed. Take note of any changes required for post-installation and click **Next**.

NOTE: You can modify the list of inbound email domains ONLY post-install. For more information refer to the [Confirm domains to defend against spam](#) section in this manual.

12. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:

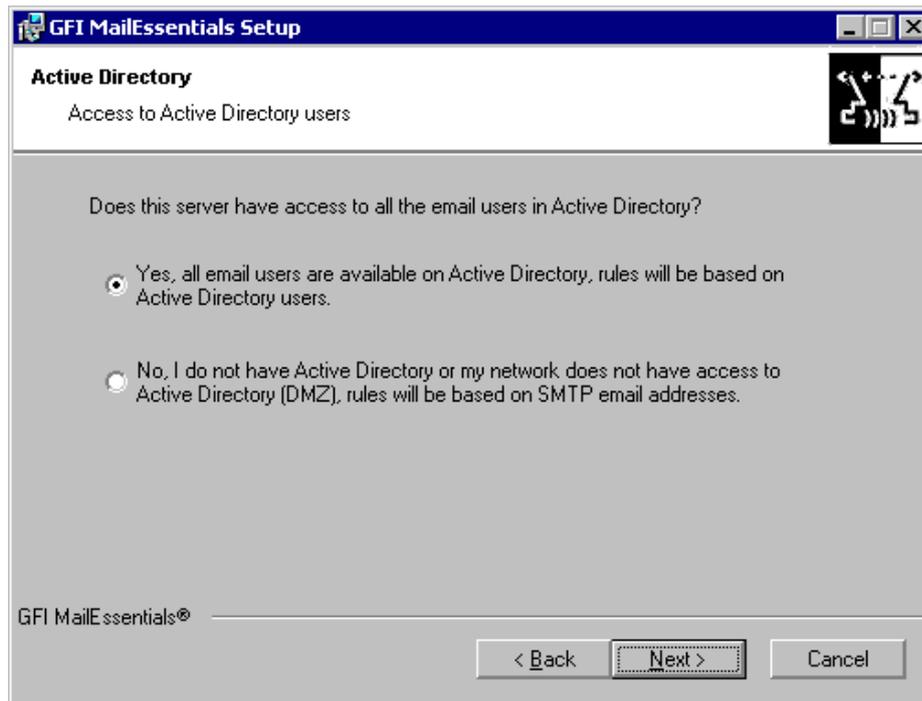
- Ask you to restart the SMTP service. Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.
- Check whether Microsoft XML engine is installed. This is automatically installed if not found on UK/US English OS. For other OS languages, this has to be manually downloaded and installed. Microsoft XML engine can be downloaded from:
<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the GFI MailEssentials configuration settings required post-install/for first use.

Step 2 – Move the Exchange Virtual Server cluster group

1. Go to **Control Panel ► Administrative Tools ► Cluster Administrator**.
2. Stop the **GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant** and the **GFI POP2Exchange** cluster resources.
3. Move the **Exchange Virtual Server** cluster group resource to another node.

Step 3 – Install GFI MailEssentials on a passive server

1. Logon on the passive node of your Microsoft Exchange cluster using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14.exe** (32-bit install) or **mailessentials14_x64.exe** (64-bit install) accordingly.
3. Select install language and click **Next**.
4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.
5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with the installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.
8. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are sent.



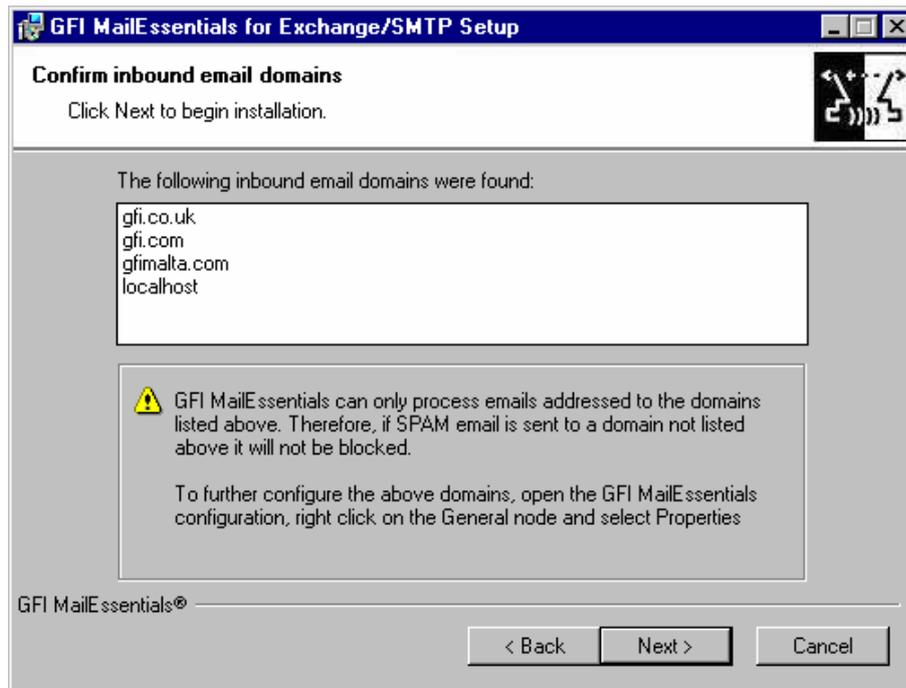
Screenshot 25 - Selecting SMTP mode or Active Directory mode

9. Specify whether GFI MailEssentials will get the list of email users (required for user-based configuration/rules e.g. disclaimers) from Active Directory or SMTP server. Click **Next** to continue.



Screenshot 26 - Installing Microsoft Message Queuing Service

10. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.



Screenshot 27 - Configure your inbound email domain

11. Setup will now display the list of inbound email domains detected. Verify that all inbound email domains to be protected against spam are listed. Take note of any changes required for post-installation and click **Next**.

NOTE: You can modify the list of inbound email domains ONLY post-install. For more information refer to the [Confirm domains to defend against spam](#) section starting on page 43 in this manual.

12. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:

- Ask you to restart the SMTP service. Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.
- Check whether Microsoft XML engine is installed. This is automatically installed if not found on UK/US English OS. For other OS languages, this has to be manually downloaded and installed. Microsoft XML engine can be downloaded from:
<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the GFI MailEssentials configuration settings required post-install/for first use.

Step 4 - Add specific GFI MailEssentials services to the Exchange Virtual Server cluster resource group

When installing GFI MailEssentials in a clustered windows environment, the product services described below are not automatically included in a cluster resource group. Consequently, if the cluster node on which GFI MailEssentials is running fails, these product services are not moved to another cluster node along with the resource group and they will not be restarted on the new node. As a result, GFI MailEssentials will not start up properly after a failover in a cluster environment.

The services to be added to the Exchange Virtual Server cluster resource group are:

Service Name: gfiasm1host

- Display name: **GFI MailEssentials Managed Attendant Service**
- Dependencies: **None**
- Start Parameters: **None**
- Registry Replication: **None**

Service Name: listserv

- Display Name: **GFI MailEssentials List Server**
- Dependencies: **GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant**
- Start Parameters: **None**
- Registry Replication: **None**

Service Name: GFIMETRXSVC

- Display Name: **GFI MailEssentials Enterprise Transfer Service**
- Dependencies: **GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant**
- Start Parameters: **None**
- Registry Replication: **None**

To add these services:

1. Go to **Control Panel ► Administrative Tools ► Cluster Administrator**.
2. In the tree view on the left hand side of the 'Cluster Administrator console', expand the cluster root node and then the **Groups** node.
3. Right-click on the **Exchange Virtual Server** cluster group resource to bring up the pop-up menu.
4. Scroll down to the **New** menu item to expand it, and select **Resource** to bring up the New Resource wizard.
5. Enter the service display name in the 'Name' and 'Description' fields. Select 'Generic Service' as Resource Type and select the Exchange Virtual Server cluster group resource as the group to which the new resource will be added. Click **Next**.
6. In the **Possible Owners** dialog, add the nodes of the Exchange cluster to the list of preferred owners. Click **Next**.
7. Select the resource dependencies in the **Dependencies** dialog. Click **Next**.
8. In the 'Generic Service Parameters' dialog, enter the service name, and leave the start parameters text box empty. Click **Next**.
9. Click **Finish** to finalize your configuration. Do not add any keys in the 'Registry Replication' dialog.
10. Repeat from step 3 to 8 above for each service mentioned above.
11. Right-click on the newly added resource(s) and select **Bring Online** to enable services. These resources are visible in the list of cluster resources of the Exchange Virtual Server cluster.

3.6.3 Post-install actions

At this stage, GFI MailEssentials is installed. You must now configure GFI MailEssentials for first use.

To ensure that your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is effectively up and running do as follows:

Step 1: Launch GFI MailEssentials Configuration console

Click on **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Configuration**.

Step 2: Verify current DNS Server settings

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **DNS Server** tab. Verify the DNS server details automatically detected during install.
3. To specify a different DNS Server, select **Use the following DNS server** and specify details.
4. Click **Test** to check your newly added DNS server settings.
5. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 3: Confirm domains to defend against spam

NOTE: ONLY the inbound email domains configured in GFI MailEssentials will be protected against spam.

1. Right click **General** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **Inbound Email Domains** tab and ensure that all required inbound domains are listed in the **Inbound domains** field.
3. To specify additional domains, click **Add...** and enter inbound email domain details.
4. Click **OK** button to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Enable Directory Harvesting

This filter uses Active directory or LDAP lookups to verify whether inbound emails are addressed to legitimate 'internal' email accounts. To enable this filter:

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Directory Harvesting ► Properties**.
2. Select **Enable directory harvesting protection**.
3. Select the lookups method to be used:
 - **Use native Active Directory lookups option** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from Active Directory (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9).
 - **Use LDAP lookups** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from SMTP server using LDAP (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9). In addition:
 - Unselect the **Anonymous bind** option if your LDAP server requires authentication

- Enter the authentication details using Domain\User format.
- Click **Test** button to test your LDAP configuration settings.

Step 5: Configure whitelists

This filter allows you to specify lists of 'friendly' email domains, email addresses or IP addresses.

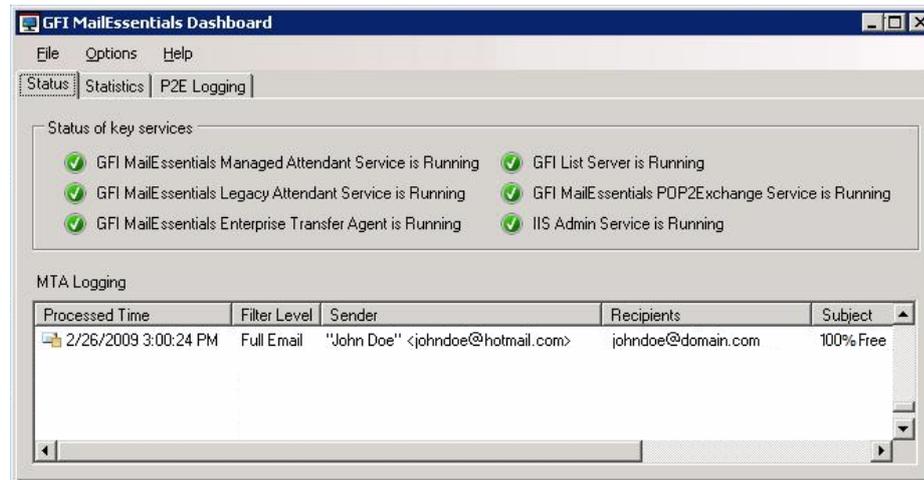
WARNING: USE THIS FEATURE WITH CAUTION. Entries in this list will not be scanned for spam and will bypass all anti spam filtering.

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Whitelist ► Properties**.
2. Click on the **Whitelist** tab.
3. Click **Add...** and specify domains/email addresses or IP addresses to whitelist.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 6: Test your anti spam system

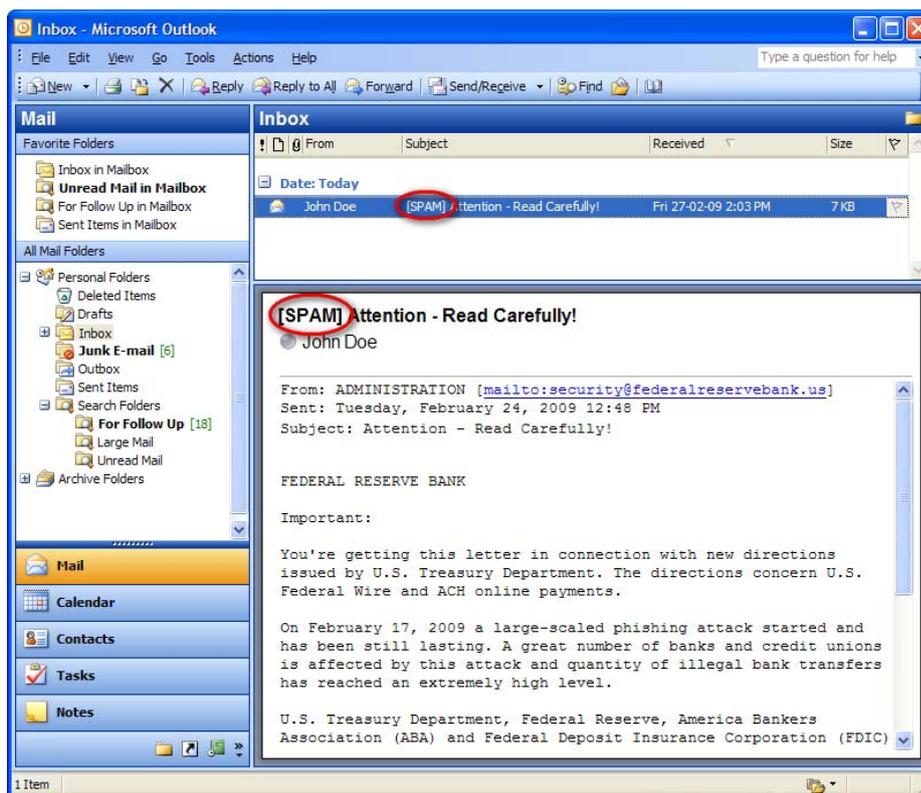
GFI MailEssentials is now ready to start managing spam. To verify that anti spam is working properly:

1. Clicking **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Dashboard**.
2. Using an external email account (for example webmail, hotmail or Gmail), create a new email and key in "100% free" as the subject.
3. Send the email to one of your internal email accounts. GFI MailEssentials will tag this email as spam by adding the tag [SPAM] to the email 'subject' field.
4. Allow some time for email delivery and confirm that email spam tagging is working by:



Screenshot 28 - Testing your anti spam system

- Checking the GFI MailEssentials Dashboard. Use the Status tab to view the status of key GFI MailEssentials services and email processing activity. Receipt and processing status of this email is logged in the MTA logging window.



Screenshot 29 – Email tagged as SPAM

- Accessing the inbox of the email account to which the test email was sent and confirm that email subject includes [SPAM] in the subject field.

3.6.4 GFI MailEssentials Configuration

At this stage, your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is up and running. All inbound email will be scanned by the anti spam filters enabled by default (see Table 5 - Anti spam filters enabled by default below).

Filter	Description	Enabled by Default
SpamRazer	An anti spam engine that determines if an email is spam by using email reputation, message fingerprinting and content analysis.	✓
Directory Harvesting	Stops email which is randomly generated towards a server, mostly addressed to non-existent users.	✓
PURBL	Blocks emails that contain links in the message bodies pointing to known phishing sites or if they contain typical phishing keywords.	✓
SPF	Stops email which is received from domains not authorized in SPF records	✗
Auto-Whitelist	Addresses that an email is sent to are automatically excluded from being blocked.	✓

Whitelists	A custom list of safe email addresses	✓
Custom blacklist	A custom list of blocked email users or domains.	✓
DNS blacklists	Checks if the email received is from senders that are listed on a public DNS blacklist of known spammers.	✓
SURBL	Stops emails which contain links to domains listed on public Spam URI Blocklists such as sc.surbl.org	✓
Header checking	A module which analyses the individual fields in a header by referencing the SMTP and MIME fields	✓
Keyword checking	Spam messages are identified based on blocked keywords in the email title or body	✗
New Senders	Emails that have been received from senders to whom emails have never been sent before.	✗
Bayesian analysis	An anti spam technique where a statistical probability index based on training from users is used to identify spam.	✗

✓ - Enabled by default

✗ - Not enabled by default

Table 5 - Anti spam filters enabled by default

By default, email classified as spam will be tagged (i.e. will include the prefix [SPAM] in the subject field - see Screenshot 29 above). Although enabled by default, email tagging is NOT the only anti spam filter action that can be triggered on detection of email spam (see Table 6 - Anti spam filter actions below). Other actions include re-routing of spam emails to specific folders and deletion of spam emails.

Filters	Anti spam filter actions					
	Tagging	Delete	Forward to specific email address	Move to subfolder in user mailbox	Move to junk mail folder	Move to specific folder
SpamRazer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Directory Harvesting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SPF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Whitelists	○	○	○	○	○	○

Custom Blacklist	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DNS blacklists	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Header Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keyword Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Senders	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Bayesian Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ - Action supported
✗ - Action not possible
○ - Not applicable

Table 6 - Anti spam filter actions

Configuration of anti spam filters and actions is possible via the GFI MailEssentials Configuration console. Additionally, through this console you can also run reports and customize other product features such as enable daily spam digest.

For guidelines on how to configure GFI MailEssentials functions and features refer to the GFI MailEssentials [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

3.7 Installing on IIS cluster

Introduction

A cluster is a group of servers, technically known as nodes, working collectively as a single server. Such environment provides high availability and fail over mechanisms to ensure constant availability of resources and applications including email infrastructures. If one of the nodes in the cluster fails/is not available, resources and applications switch to another cluster node.

A Microsoft Exchange cluster can be set up in one of two modes: active/active or active/passive. GFI MailEssentials supports **ONLY** active/passive clusters. In an active/passive cluster, a 'failover' mechanism ensures that whenever an active cluster fails, one of the available passive nodes becomes active (i.e. takes over the role of the failed node).

In view of the way clusters work, GFI MailEssentials must be installed on all servers/cluster nodes in order to ensure uninterrupted email spam management. GFI MailEssentials installation in an IIS cluster is a 3-tier process:

- **Process 1:** Install GFI MailEssentials on the Active cluster node.
- **Process 2:** Install GFI MailEssentials on another cluster node.
- **Process 3:** Add specific GFI MailEssentials services to the Exchange Virtual Server cluster resource group.

Repeat Processes 2, 3 and 4 above for the remaining passive node(s) in the cluster.

3.7.1 Upgrade from earlier version

If you are currently using a previous version of GFI MailEssentials (version 12), you can upgrade your current installation while at the same time retain all your existing configuration settings.

Pre-upgrade actions

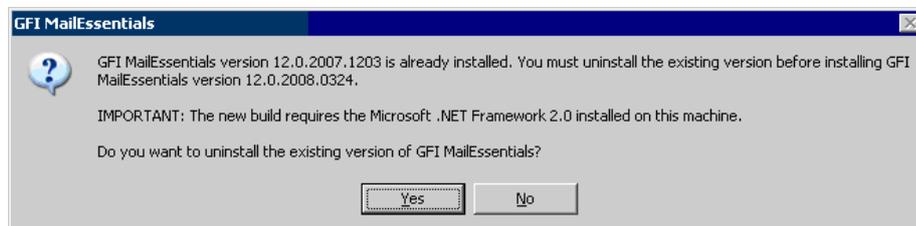
None

Important notes

- Upgrades cannot be undone i.e. you cannot downgrade to an earlier version once you have installed the latest version.
- On upgrading an existing installation, licensing reverts to trial version and a new fully purchased license key for the GFI MailEssentials 14 is required. For more information on new license keys, refer to: <http://customers.gfi.com>
- You cannot change the installation path during GFI MailEssentials upgrades.
- When upgrading in a Microsoft Exchange cluster environment, all instances of GFI MailEssentials must be upgraded i.e. GFI MailEssentials must be upgraded on all cluster nodes/servers making part of the cluster.

Upgrade procedure

1. Launch GFI MailEssentials installation on the server where your earlier version of GFI MailEssentials is installed.



Screenshot 30 - Confirm the upgrade

2. Click **Yes** to start the upgrade process and follow on-screen instructions. For assistance refer to [Installation procedure](#) chapter in the section below.

3.7.2 New installations

Important notes

1. Only active/passive cluster setups are supported.
2. Before starting installation, close any running Windows applications.
3. Before starting installation, Microsoft Exchange Server 2000/2003 needs to be installed in clustered mode.
4. Before starting installation ensure that you have a Generic Service cluster group resource for the SMTP Service and a physical disc cluster resource available.

Pre-install actions

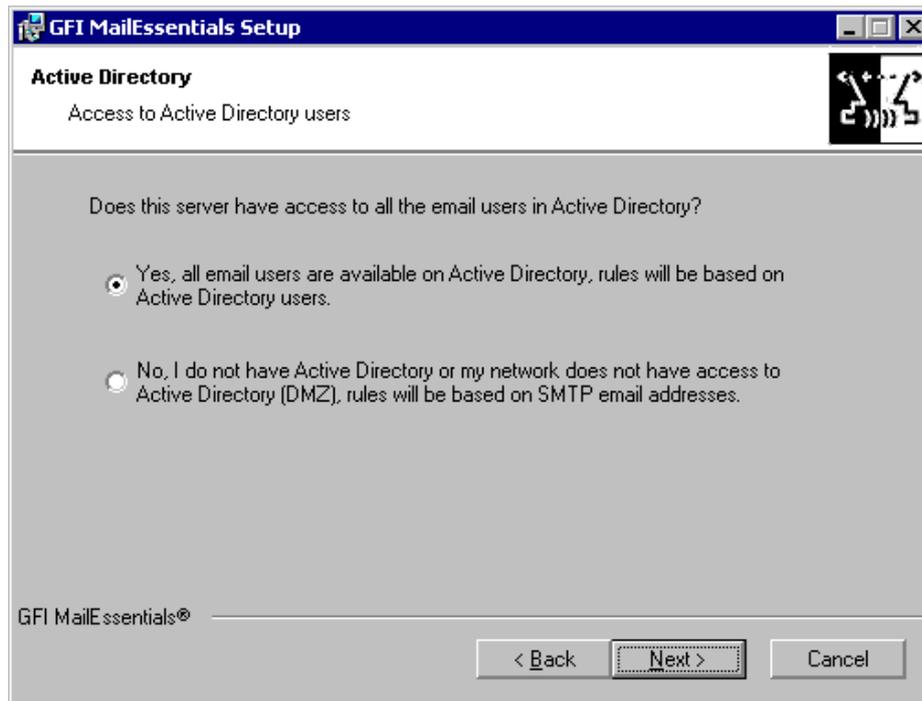
Create a new resource

1. Open Cluster Administrator.
2. In the console tree, double-click **Groups** folder.
3. In the details pane, click the group to which you want the resource to belong.
4. On the **File** menu, select to **New**, and then click **Resource**.
5. In the **New Resource Wizard**, type the appropriate information in Name and Description, click the appropriate information in **Resource type** and **Group**, and click **Next**.
6. Add or remove possible owners of the resource, and click **Next**.
7. To add dependencies, under Available resources, click a resource, and then click **Add**.
Or, to remove dependencies, under Resource dependencies, click a resource, and then click **Remove**.
8. Repeat step 7 for any other resource dependencies, and click **Next**.
9. Set resource properties in the **Parameters** dialog box,

Installation procedure

Step 1 - Install GFI MailEssentials in the shared hard drive on active server

1. Logon on the active node of your IIS cluster using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14.exe** (32-bit install) or **mailessentials14_x64.exe** (64-bit install) accordingly.
3. Select install language and click **Next**.
4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.
5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with the installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.
8. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are sent.



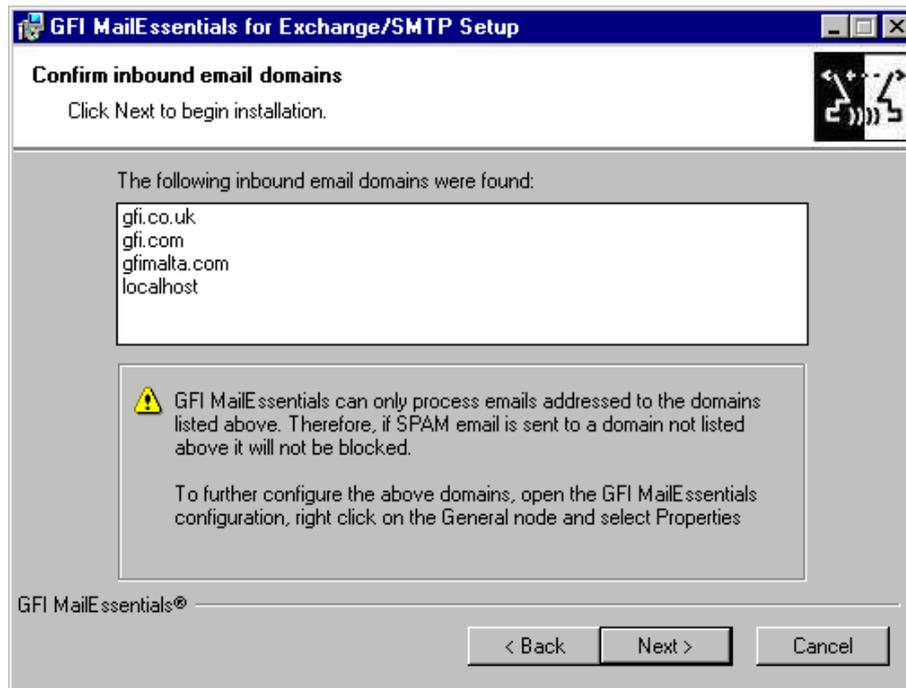
Screenshot 31 - Selecting SMTP mode or Active Directory mode

9. Specify whether GFI MailEssentials will get the list of email users (required for user-based configuration/rules e.g. disclaimers) from Active Directory or SMTP server. Click **Next** to continue.



Screenshot 32 - Installing Microsoft Message Queuing Service

10. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.



Screenshot 33 - Configure your inbound email domain

11. Setup will now display the list of inbound email domains detected. Verify that all inbound email domains to be protected against spam are listed. Take note of any changes required for post-installation and click **Next**.

NOTE: You can modify the list of inbound email domains ONLY post-install. For more information refer to the [Confirm domains to defend against spam](#) section starting on page 55 in this manual.

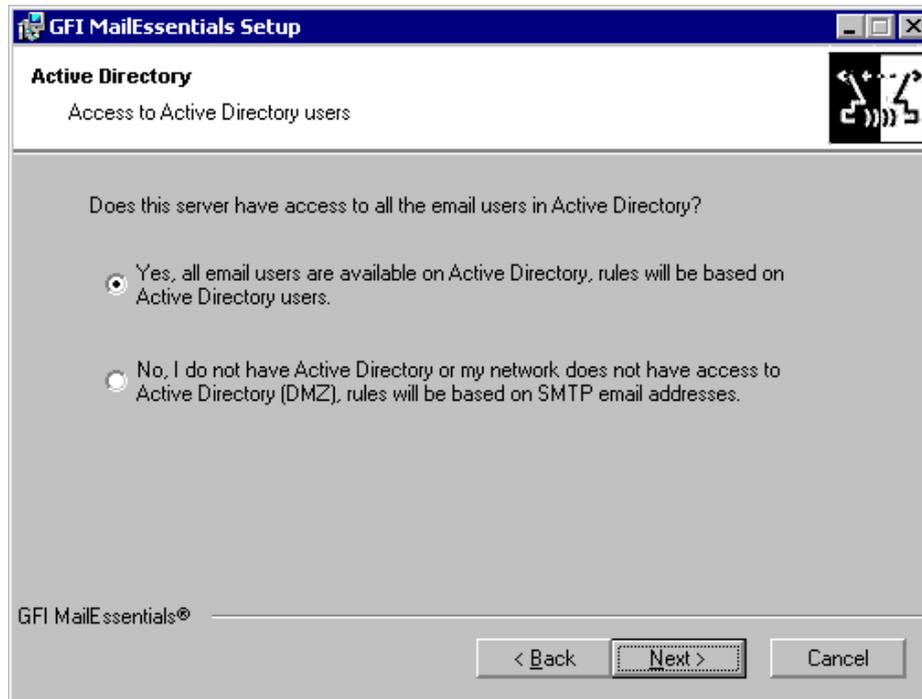
12. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:

- Ask you to restart the SMTP service. Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.
- Check whether Microsoft XML engine is installed. This is automatically installed if not found on UK/US English OS. For other OS languages, this has to be manually downloaded and installed. Microsoft XML engine can be downloaded from:
<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the GFI MailEssentials configuration settings required post-install/for first use.

Step 2 – Install GFI MailEssentials on a passive server

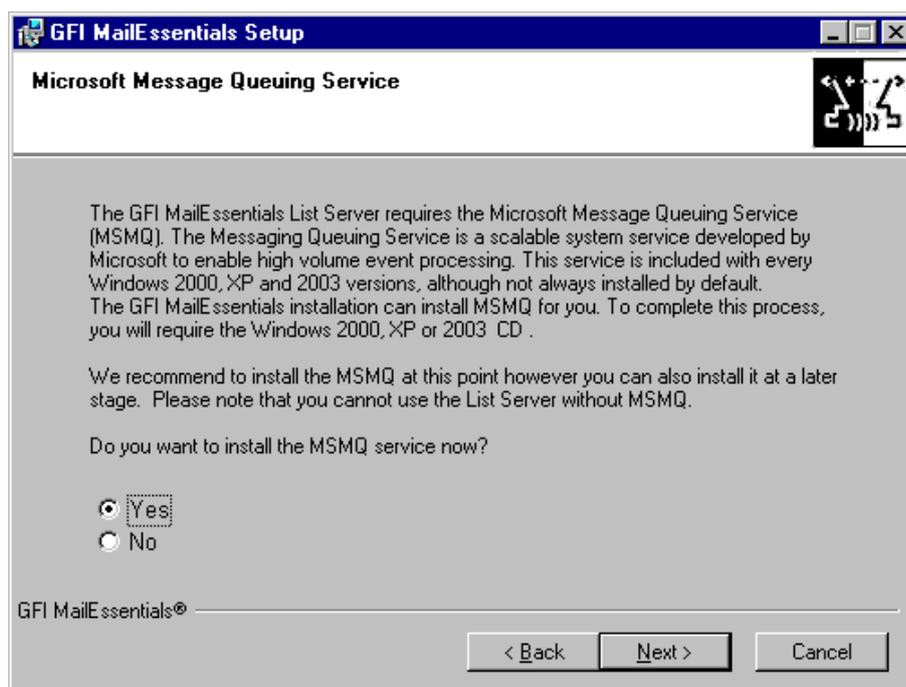
1. Logon on the passive node of your Microsoft Exchange cluster using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14.exe** (32-bit install) or **mailessentials14_x64.exe** (64-bit install) accordingly.
3. Select install language and click **Next**.
4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.

5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with the installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.
8. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are sent.

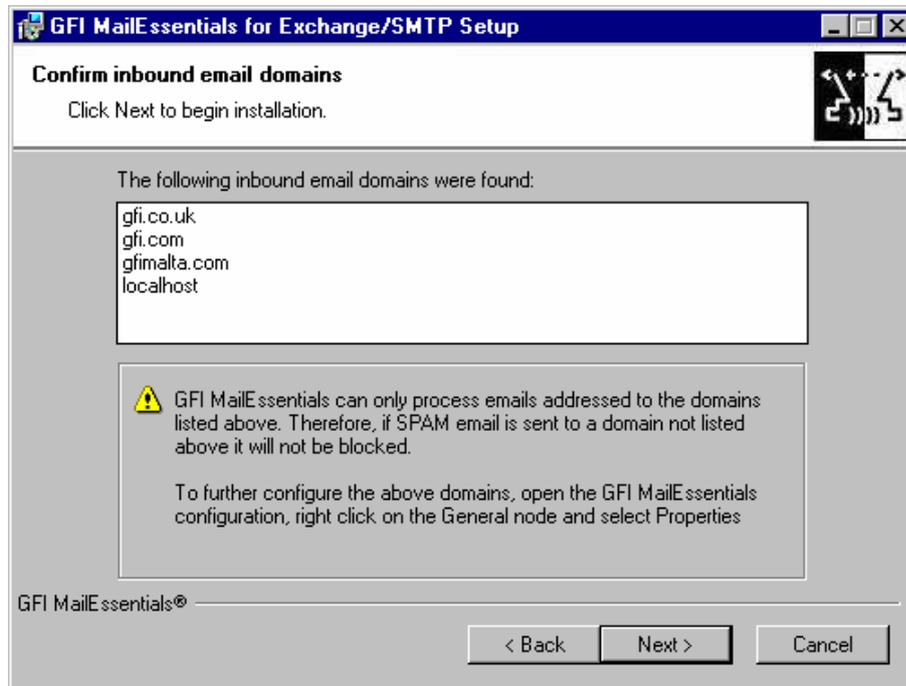


Screenshot 34 - Selecting SMTP mode or Active Directory mode

9. Specify whether GFI MailEssentials will get the list of email users (required for user-based configuration/rules e.g. disclaimers) from Active Directory or SMTP server. Click **Next** to continue.



10. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.



Screenshot 36 - Configure your inbound email domain

11. Setup will now display the list of inbound email domains detected. Verify that all inbound email domains to be protected against spam are listed. Take note of any changes required for post-installation and click **Next**.

NOTE: You can modify the list of inbound email domains **ONLY** post-install. For more information refer to the [Confirm domains to defend against spam](#) section starting on page in this manual.

12. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:

- Ask you to restart the SMTP service. Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.
- Check whether Microsoft XML engine is installed. This is automatically installed if not found on UK/US English OS. For other OS languages, this has to be manually downloaded and installed. Microsoft XML engine can be downloaded from:
<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the GFI MailEssentials configuration settings required post-install/for first use.

Step 3 - Add specific GFI MailEssentials services to IIS Server cluster resource group

When installing GFI MailEssentials in a clustered windows environment, the product services described below are not automatically included in a cluster resource group. Consequently, if

the cluster node on which GFI MailEssentials is running fails, these product services are not moved to another cluster node along with the resource group and they will not be restarted on the new node. As a result, GFI MailEssentials will not start up properly after a failover in a cluster environment.

The services to be added to the Exchange Virtual Server cluster resource group are:

Display Name: GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant Service

- Dependencies: **None**
- Service Name: **GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant Service**
- Start Parameters: **None**
- Registry Replication: **None**

Service Name: gfiasmlhost

- Display name: **GFI MailEssentials Managed Attendant Service**
- Dependencies: **None**
- Start Parameters: **None**
- Registry Replication: **None**

Service Name: listserv

- Display Name: **GFI MailEssentials List Server**
- Dependencies: **GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant**
- Start Parameters: **None**
- Registry Replication: **None**

Service Name: GFI POP2Exchange

- Display Name: **GFI POP2Exchange**
- Dependencies: **GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant**
- Start Parameters: **None**
- Registry Replication: **None**

Service Name: GFIMETRSVC

- Display Name: **GFI MailEssentials Enterprise Transfer Service**
- Dependencies: **GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant**
- Start Parameters: **None**
- Registry Replication: **None**

To add these services:

1. Go to **Control Panel ► Administrative Tools Cluster Administrator**.
2. In the tree view on the left hand side of the 'Cluster Administrator console', expand the cluster root node and then the Groups node.

3. Right-click on the IIS Cluster group resource to bring up the pop-up menu.
4. Scroll down to the **New** menu item to expand it, and select **Resource** to bring up the New Resource wizard.
5. Enter the service display name in the 'Name' and 'Description' fields. Select 'Generic Service' as Resource Type and select the Exchange Virtual Server cluster group resource as the group to which the new resource will be added. Click **Next**.
6. In the **Possible Owners** dialog, add the nodes of the Exchange cluster to the list of preferred owners. Click **Next**.
7. Select the resource dependencies in the **Dependencies** dialog. Click **Next**.
8. In the 'Generic Service Parameters' dialog, enter the service name, and leave the start parameters text box empty. Click **Next**.
9. Click **Finish** to finalize your configuration. Do not add any keys in the 'Registry Replication' dialog.
10. Repeat from step 3 to 8 above for each service mentioned above.
11. Right-click on the newly added resource(s) and select **Bring Online** to enable services. These resources are visible in the list of cluster resources of the Exchange Virtual Server cluster.

3.7.3 Post-install actions

At this stage, GFI MailEssentials is installed. You must now configure GFI MailEssentials for first use.

To ensure that your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is effectively up and running do as follows:

Step 1: Launch GFI MailEssentials Configuration console

Click on **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Configuration**.

Step 2: Verify current DNS Server settings

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **DNS Server** tab. Verify the DNS server details automatically detected during install.
3. To specify a different DNS Server, select **Use the following DNS server** and specify details.
4. Click **Test** to check your newly added DNS server settings.
5. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 3: Confirm domains to defend against spam

NOTE: ONLY the inbound email domains configured in GFI MailEssentials will be protected against spam.

1. Right click **General** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **Inbound Email Domains** tab and ensure that all required inbound domains are listed in the **Inbound domains** field.

3. To specify additional domains, click **Add...** and enter inbound email domain details.
4. Click **OK** button to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Enable Directory Harvesting

This filter uses Active directory or LDAP lookups to verify whether inbound emails are addressed to legitimate 'internal' email accounts. To enable this filter:

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Directory Harvesting ► Properties**.
2. Select **Enable directory harvesting protection**.
3. Select the lookups method to be used:
 - **Use native Active Directory lookups option** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from Active Directory (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9).
 - **Use LDAP lookups** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from SMTP server using LDAP (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9). In addition:
 - Unselect the **Anonymous bind** option if your LDAP server requires authentication
 - Enter the authentication details using Domain\User format.
 - Click **Test** button to test your LDAP configuration settings.

Step 5: Configure whitelists

This filter allows you to specify lists of 'friendly' email domains, email addresses or IP addresses.

WARNING: USE THIS FEATURE WITH CAUTION. Entries in this list will not be scanned for spam and will bypass all anti spam filtering.

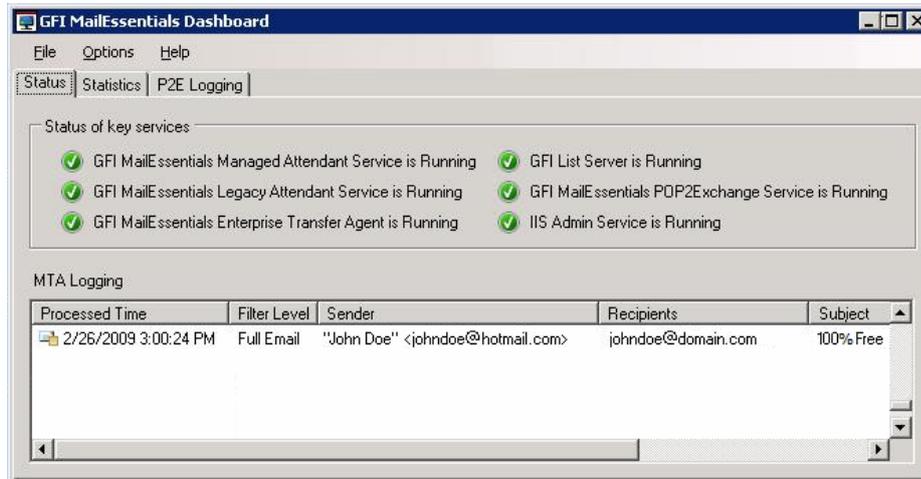
1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Whitelist ► Properties**.
2. Click on the **Whitelist** tab.
3. Click **Add...** and specify domains/email addresses or IP addresses to whitelist.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 6: Test your anti spam system

GFI MailEssentials is now ready to start managing spam. To verify that anti spam is working properly:

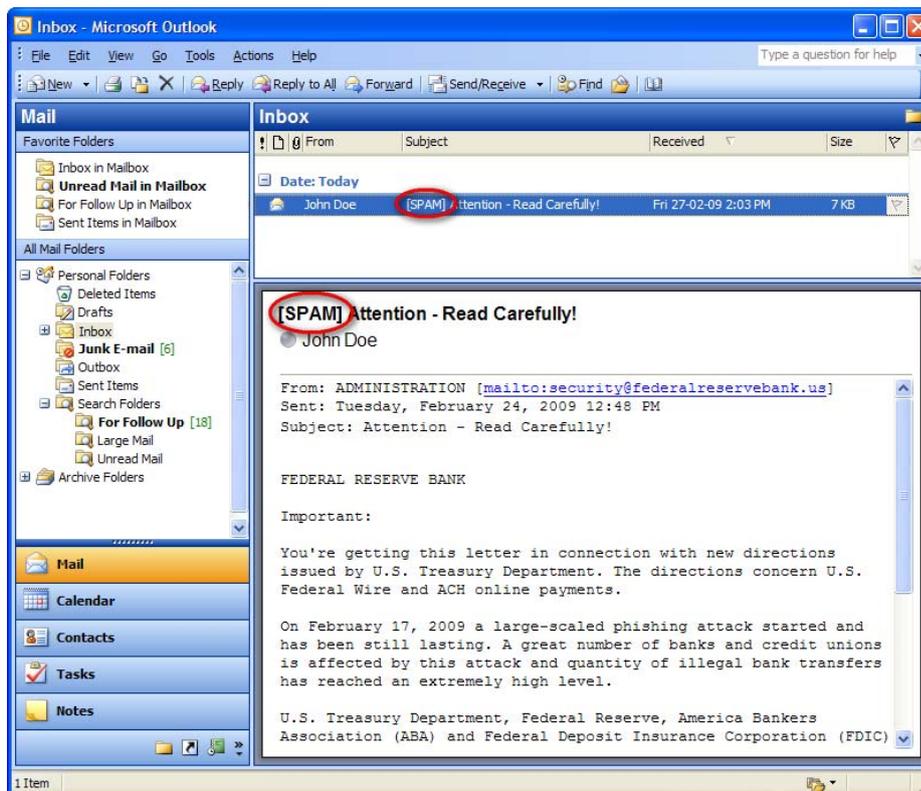
1. Clicking **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Dashboard**.
2. Using an external email account (for example webmail, hotmail or Gmail), create a new email and key in "100% free" as the subject.
3. Send the email to one of your internal email accounts. GFI MailEssentials will tag this email as spam by adding the tag [SPAM] to the email 'subject' field.

4. Allow some time for email delivery and confirm that email spam tagging is working by:



Screenshot 37 - Testing your anti spam system

- Checking the GFI MailEssentials Dashboard. Use the Status tab to view the status of key GFI MailEssentials services and email processing activity. Receipt and processing status of this email is logged in the MTA logging window.



Screenshot 38 – Email tagged as SPAM

- Accessing the inbox of the email account to which the test email was sent and confirm that email subject includes [SPAM] in the subject field.

3.7.4 GFI MailEssentials Configuration

At this stage, your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is up and running. All inbound email will be scanned by the anti spam filters enabled by default (see Table 7 - Anti spam filters enabled by default below).

Filter	Description	Enabled by Default
SpamRazer	An anti spam engine that determines if an email is spam by using email reputation, message fingerprinting and content analysis.	✓
Directory Harvesting	Stops email which is randomly generated towards a server, mostly addressed to non-existent users.	✓
PURBL	Blocks emails that contain links in the message bodies pointing to known phishing sites or if they contain typical phishing keywords.	✓
SPF	Stops email which is received from domains not authorized in SPF records	✗
Auto-Whitelist	Addresses that an email is sent to are automatically excluded from being blocked.	✓
Whitelists	A custom list of safe email addresses	✓
Custom blacklist	A custom list of blocked email users or domains.	✓
DNS blacklists	Checks if the email received is from senders that are listed on a public DNS blacklist of known spammers.	✓
SURBL	Stops emails which contain links to domains listed on public Spam URI Blocklists such as sc.surbl.org	✓
Header checking	A module which analyses the individual fields in a header by referencing the SMTP and MIME fields	✓
Keyword checking	Spam messages are identified based on blocked keywords in the email title or body	✗
New Senders	Emails that have been received from senders to whom emails have never been sent before.	✗
Bayesian analysis	An anti spam technique where a statistical probability index based on training from users is used to identify spam.	✗

✓ - Enabled by default

✗ - Not enabled by default

Table 7 - Anti spam filters enabled by default

By default, email classified as spam will be tagged (i.e. will include the prefix [SPAM] in the subject field - see Screenshot 38 above). Although enabled by default, email tagging is NOT the only anti spam

filter action that can be triggered on detection of email spam (see Table 8 - Anti spam filter actions below). Other actions include re-routing of spam emails to specific folders and deletion of spam emails.

Filters	Anti spam filter actions					
	Tagging	Delete	Forward to specific email address	Move to subfolder in user mailbox	Move to junk mail folder	Move to specific folder
SpamRazer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Directory Harvesting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SPF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Whitelists	○	○	○	○	○	○
Custom Blacklist	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DNS blacklists	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Header Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keyword Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Senders	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Bayesian Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

- ✓ - Action supported
- ✗ - Action not possible
- - Not applicable

Table 8 - Anti spam filter actions

Configuration of anti spam filters and actions is possible via the GFI MailEssentials Configuration console. Additionally, through this console you can also run reports and customize other product features such as enable daily spam digest.

For guidelines on how to configure GFI MailEssentials functions and features refer to the GFI MailEssentials [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

4 Installation for Microsoft Exchange 2007

4.1 Introduction

GFI MailEssentials installation depends on your network infrastructure, i.e. Microsoft Exchange 2007 or SBS 2008 setup. You can install this product on:

- **Same server running Microsoft Exchange or SBS:** This setup is typically used to filter email spam on Microsoft Exchange or SBS servers set to receive emails directly from 'outside' (i.e. the internet).
- **Mail gateway or relay/perimeter server:** This type of installation is commonly used to filter spam in distributed email infrastructures – especially those running a DMZ. In this environment a dedicated machine is set to relay emails to another server running Microsoft Exchange. Here, GFI MailEssentials is typically installed on the mail relay server so that email spam is filtered before reaching your Microsoft Exchange server. This setup reduces network traffic, email storage and processing requirements on your email infrastructure.
- **Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 clusters:** This type of installation is commonly used to filter spam within environments where clusters are used as disaster prevention and recovery mechanisms.

4.2 System requirements

4.2.1 Software

Supported operating systems

- Microsoft Windows Server 2008 x64
- Microsoft Windows Server 2008 x32 (Installations on gateway/perimeter server only)
- Microsoft Small Business Server (SBS) 2008 Standard

Mail Servers

- Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 or Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 SP1 with the following roles:
 - Edge Server role
 - Hub Transport role
 - Hub Transport role and Mailbox server role

NOTE: Mailbox Server role alone is not supported.

Other components

- Microsoft .NET Framework 2.0
- Microsoft XML core services: This is required by the GFI MailEssentials reporter to enable anti spam report generation. For UK/US English OS this is installed automatically by GFI MailEssentials. For other languages, this can be downloaded from: <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Microsoft Virtual Server cluster group resource with a physical disc cluster. This is required ONLY for environments running Microsoft Exchange 2000/2003 clusters. For more information refer to: [http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb124318\(EXCHG.65\).aspx](http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb124318(EXCHG.65).aspx)
- (OPTIONAL) Microsoft Message Queuing Services: This is required ONLY if list servers are used. MSMQ is used by GFI MailEssentials to ensure the reliable running of distributions lists on list servers. For more information on list servers refer to 'List servers' section in the [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

4.2.2 System requirements: Hardware

Processor

- **Minimum:** Intel Pentium or compatible 1 GHz 32-bit processor
- **Recommended:** x64 architecture-based server with Intel 64 architecture or AMD64 platform

Memory

- **Minimum:** 1GB RAM
- **Recommended:** 2GB RAM

Physical Storage

- **Minimum:** 500MB for installation, 2GB for execution
- **Recommended:** 500MB for installation, 4GB for execution

4.3 Important settings

4.3.1 Antivirus and backup software

Antivirus and backup software may cause GFI MailEssentials to malfunction. This occurs when such software denies access to certain files required by GFI MailEssentials

Disable third party antivirus and backup software from scanning the following folders:

x86 installations (32-bit)	X64 installations (64-bit)
<..\Program Files\GFIMailEssentials>	<..\Program Files (x86)\GFIMailEssentials>
<..\Program Files\Common Files\GFI>	<..\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\GFI>
<..\inetpub\mailroot> If installed on a gateway machine.	
<..\Program Files\Exchsrvr\Mailroot> If installed on the same machine as Microsoft Exchange 2007.	

4.3.2 Firewall port settings

Configure your firewall to allow the following port connections. These ports are used by GFI MailEssentials to connect to GFI servers:

- **DNS (Port 53)** - Used by anti spam filters (DNS blacklist, Sender Policy Framework, Header Checking) to identify the domain from where received emails originated.
- **FTP (Ports 20 and 21)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to connect to 'ftp.gfisoftware.com' and retrieve latest product version information.
- **HTTP (Port 80)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to download product patch and anti spam filter updates (i.e. SpamRazer, Anti-Phishing, and Bayesian anti spam filters) from the following locations:
 - 'http://update.gfi.com'
 - 'http://update.gfisoftware.com'
 - 'http://support.gfi.com'
 - 'http://db11.spamcatcher.net' (GFI MailEssentials 14 or earlier)
 - 'http://sn92.mailshell.net' (GFI MailEssentials 14 SR1 or later)
- **Remoting (Ports 8021)** - Used in the latest builds of GFI MailEssentials for inter-process communication. No firewall configuration is required to allow connections to or from the remoting ports since all the GFI MailEssentials processes run on the same server.

NOTE: Ensure that no other applications (except GFI MailEssentials) are listening on port 8021.
- **(OPTIONAL) LDAP (Port 389)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to get email addresses from SMTP server. ONLY required if the server running GFI MailEssentials does not have access/cannot get list of users from Active Directory e.g. in a DMZ environment or other environment which does not use Active Directory.

4.4 Installing on Microsoft Exchange or SBS server

4.4.1 Upgrade from earlier version

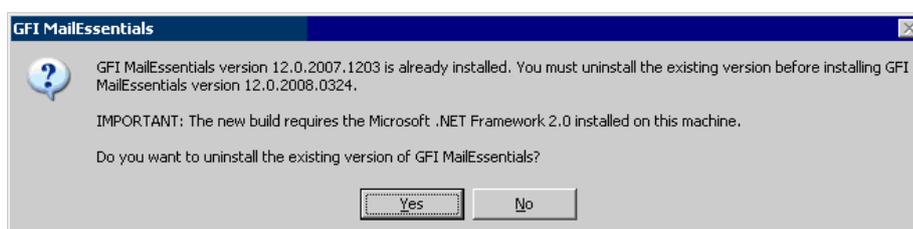
If you are currently using a previous version of GFI MailEssentials (version 12), you can upgrade your current installation while at the same time retain all your existing configuration settings.

Important notes

- Upgrades cannot be undone i.e. you cannot downgrade to an earlier version once you have installed the latest version.
- On upgrading an existing installation, licensing reverts to trial version and a new fully purchased license key for the GFI MailEssentials 14 is required. For more information on new license keys, refer to: <http://customers.gfi.com>
- You cannot change the installation path during GFI MailEssentials upgrades.

Upgrade procedure

1. Launch GFI MailEssentials installation on the server where your earlier version of GFI MailEssentials is installed.



Screenshot 39 - Confirm the upgrade

2. Click **Yes** to start the upgrade process and follow on-screen instructions. For assistance refer to [New installations](#) section below.

4.4.2 New installations

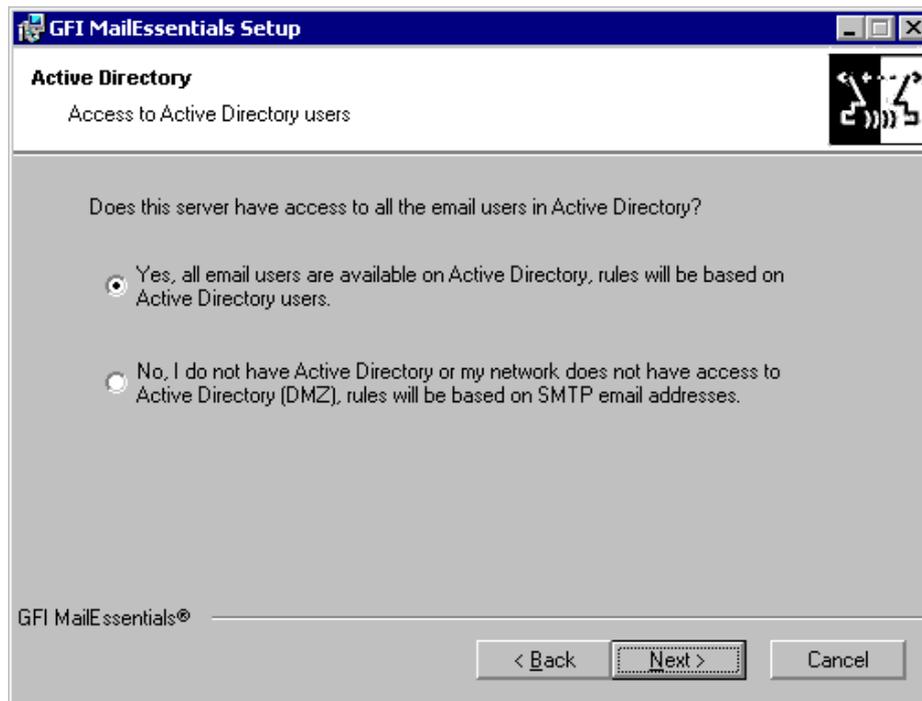
Important notes

1. During installation, GFI MailEssentials restarts Microsoft Exchange Server services. This is required to allow GFI MailEssentials components to be registered and started.
2. Before starting installation, close any running Windows applications.
3. Since Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 can only be installed on Windows Server 2008 64-bit, GFI MailEssentials 64-bit version is required.

Installation procedure

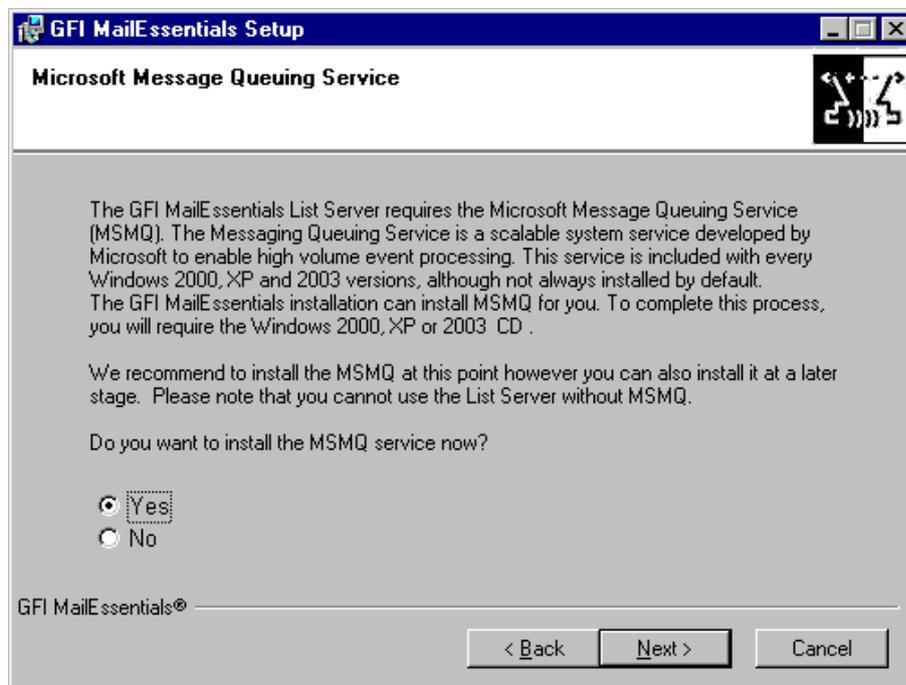
1. Logon your Microsoft Exchange Server machine using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14_x64.exe**.
3. Select install language and click **Next**.
4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.
5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with the installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.

8. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are sent.



Screenshot 40 - Selecting SMTP mode or Active Directory mode

9. Specify whether GFI MailEssentials will get the list of email users (required for user-based configuration/rules e.g. disclaimers) from Active Directory or SMTP server. Click **Next** to continue.



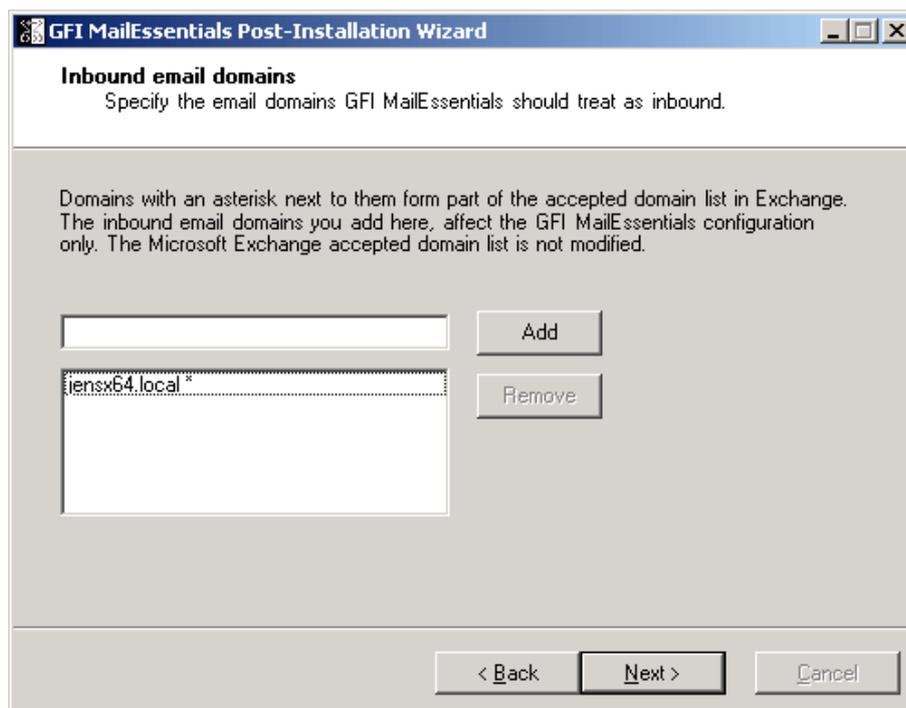
Screenshot 41 - Installing Microsoft Message Queuing Service

10. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.

11. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:
 - Ask you to restart the SMTP service.
 - IMPORTANT: Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.**
 - Check whether Microsoft XML engine is installed. This is automatically installed if not found on UK/US English OS. For other OS languages, this has to be manually downloaded and installed. Microsoft XML engine can be downloaded from: <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
 - Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the configuration settings required post-install/for first use (Recommended).
 - Launch the post-installation wizard that registers GFI MailEssentials with the local installation of Microsoft Exchange 2007.

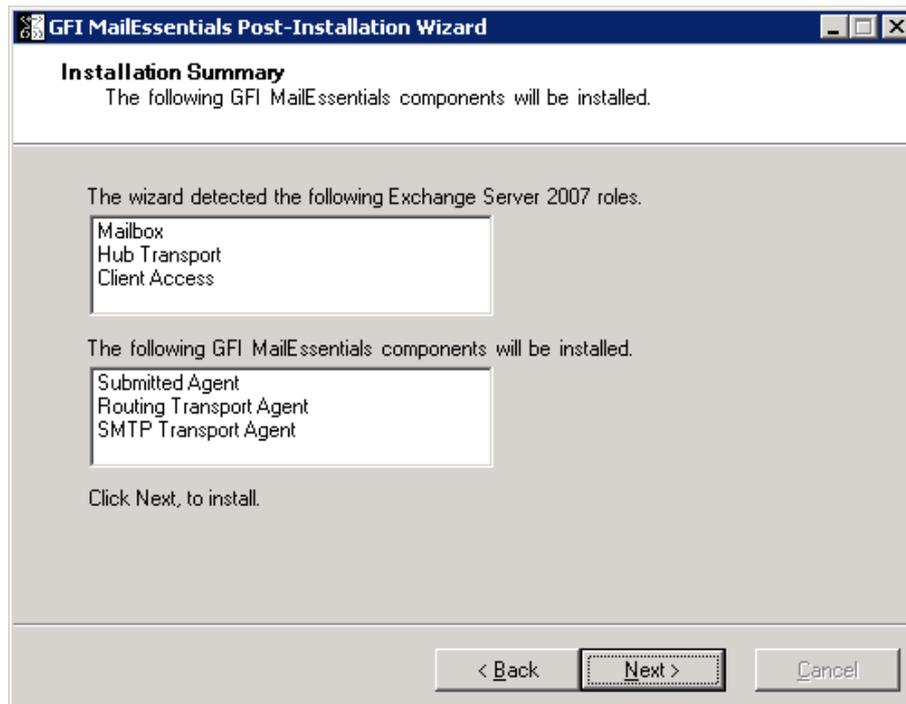
Post-installation wizard

1. Click **Next** in the welcome page.



Screenshot 42 – Inbound email domains list

2. In the accepted domain list:
 - Review local domains found.
 - NOTE:** Asterisks (*) next to inbound email domains indicate domains detected by Microsoft Exchange.
 - Key in inbound domain details in the **Inbound email domains** box and click **Add**
 - Select domains and clicking **Remove** to remove domains.
- Click **Next** to continue setup.



Screenshot 43 - Server roles detected and list of components to install.

3. A list of the Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 server roles detected and GFI MailEssentials components required is displayed. Click **Next** to install the required GFI MailEssentials components.
4. Click **Finish** to finalize the installation.
5. At this stage, GFI MailEssentials is installed. You must now configure GFI MailEssentials for first use. For instructions refer to the next section titled [Post-install actions](#).

4.4.3 Post-install actions

To ensure that your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is effectively up and running you must perform the following post-install actions:

Step 1: Launch GFI MailEssentials Configuration console

Click on **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Configuration**.

Step 2: Verify current DNS Server settings

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **DNS Server** tab. Verify the DNS server details automatically detected during install.
3. To specify a different DNS Server, select **Use the following DNS server** and specify details.
4. Click **Test** to check your newly added DNS server settings.
5. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 3: Confirm domains to defend against spam

NOTE: ONLY the inbound email domains configured in GFI MailEssentials will be protected against spam.

1. Right click **General** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **Inbound Email Domains** tab and ensure that all required inbound domains are listed in the **Inbound domains** field.
3. To specify additional domains, click **Add...** and enter inbound email domain details.
4. Click **OK** button to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Enable Directory Harvesting

This filter uses Active directory or LDAP lookups to verify whether inbound emails are addressed to legitimate 'internal' email accounts. To enable this filter:

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Directory Harvesting ► Properties**.
2. Select **Enable directory harvesting protection**.
3. Select the lookups method to be used:
 - **Use native Active Directory lookups option** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from Active Directory (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9).
 - **Use LDAP lookups** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from SMTP server using LDAP (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9). In addition:
 - Unselect the **Anonymous bind** option if your LDAP server requires authentication.
 - Enter the authentication details using Domain\User format.
 - Click **Test** button to test your LDAP configuration settings.

Step 5: Configure whitelists

This filter allows you to specify lists of 'friendly' email domains, email addresses or IP addresses.

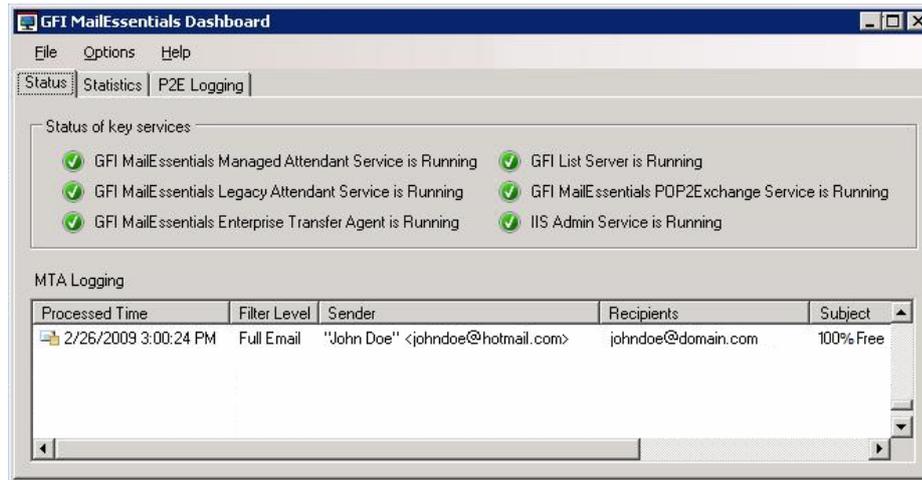
WARNING: USE THIS FEATURE WITH CAUTION. Entries in this list will not be scanned for spam and will bypass all anti spam filtering.

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Whitelist ► Properties**.
2. Click on the **Whitelist** tab.
3. Click **Add...** and specify domains/email addresses or IP addresses to whitelist.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 6: Test your anti spam system

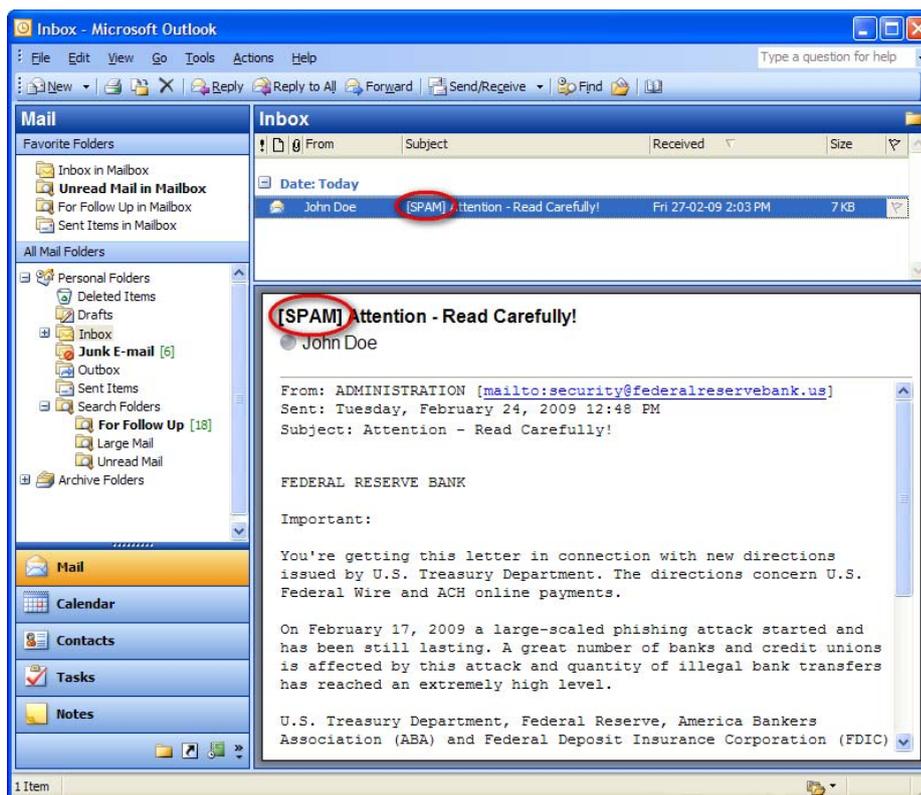
GFI MailEssentials is now ready to start managing spam. To verify that anti spam is working properly:

1. Clicking **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Dashboard**.
2. Using an external email account (for example webmail, hotmail or Gmail), create a new email and key in “100% free” as the subject.
3. Send the email to one of your internal email accounts. GFI MailEssentials will tag this email as spam by adding the tag [SPAM] to the email ‘subject’ field.
4. Allow some time for email delivery and confirm that email spam tagging is working by:



Screenshot 44 - Testing your anti spam system

- Checking the GFI MailEssentials Dashboard. Use the Status tab to view the status of key GFI MailEssentials services and email processing activity. Receipt and processing status of this email is logged in the MTA logging window.



Screenshot 45 – Email tagged as SPAM

- Accessing the inbox of the email account to which the test email was sent and confirm that email subject includes [SPAM] in the subject field.

4.4.4 GFI MailEssentials Configuration

At this stage, your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is up and running. All inbound email will be scanned by the anti spam filters enabled by default (see Table 9 - Anti spam filters enabled by default below).

Filter	Description	Enabled by Default
SpamRazer	An anti spam engine that determines if an email is spam by using email reputation, message fingerprinting and content analysis.	✓
Directory Harvesting	Stops email which is randomly generated towards a server, mostly addressed to non-existent users.	✓
PURBL	Blocks emails which contain links in the message bodies pointing to known phishing sites or if they contain typical phishing keywords.	✓
SPF	Stops email which is received from domains not authorized in SPF records	✗
Auto-Whitelist	Addresses that an email is sent to are automatically excluded from being blocked.	✓

Whitelists	A custom list of safe email addresses	✓
Custom blacklist	A custom list of blocked email users or domains.	✓
DNS blacklists	Checks if the email received is from senders that are listed on a public DNS blacklist of known spammers.	✓
SURBL	Stops emails which contain links to domains listed on public Spam URI Blocklists such as sc.surbl.org	✓
Header checking	A module which analyses the individual fields in a header by referencing the SMTP and MIME fields	✓
Keyword checking	Spam messages are identified based on blocked keywords in the email title or body	✗
New Senders	Emails that have been received from senders to whom emails have never been sent before.	✗
Bayesian analysis	An anti spam technique where a statistical probability index based on training from users is used to identify spam.	✗

✓ - Enabled by default

✗ - Not enabled by default

Table 9 - Anti spam filters enabled by default

By default, email classified as spam will be tagged (i.e. will include the prefix [SPAM] in the subject field - see Screenshot 45 above). Although enabled by default, email tagging is NOT the only anti spam filter action that can be triggered on detection of email spam (see Table 10 - Anti spam filter actions below). Other actions include re-routing of spam emails to specific folders and deletion of spam emails.

Filters	Anti spam filter actions					
	Tagging	Delete	Forward to specific email address	Move to subfolder in user mailbox	Move to junk mail folder	Move to specific folder
SpamRazer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Directory Harvesting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SPF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Whitelists	○	○	○	○	○	○

Custom Blacklist	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DNS blacklists	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Header Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keyword Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Senders	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Bayesian Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ - Action supported
 ✗ - Action not possible
 ○ - Not applicable

Table 10 - Anti spam filter actions

Configuration of anti spam filters and actions is possible via the GFI MailEssentials Configuration console. Additionally, through this console you can also run reports and customize other product features such as enable daily spam digest.

For guidelines on how to configure GFI MailEssentials functions and features refer to the GFI MailEssentials [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

4.5 Installing on an email gateway or relay/perimeter server

Introduction

GFI MailEssentials can be installed:

- On a perimeter server (e.g. DMZ) with Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 in Edge Server role.
- As a mail relay server between the perimeter (gateway) SMTP server and the recipients' inboxes with Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 in Hub Transport role.

Both setups enable you to reduce unnecessary email traffic by using your Active Directory resources (at a perimeter/gateway server level) to drop connections of non-existent email recipients in incoming email. This greatly helps against common spamming techniques such as Directory Harvest Attacks (a brute force type of attack used by spammers to find valid/existent e-mail addresses at a domain). This structure eliminates most spam from arriving at your Microsoft Exchange server.

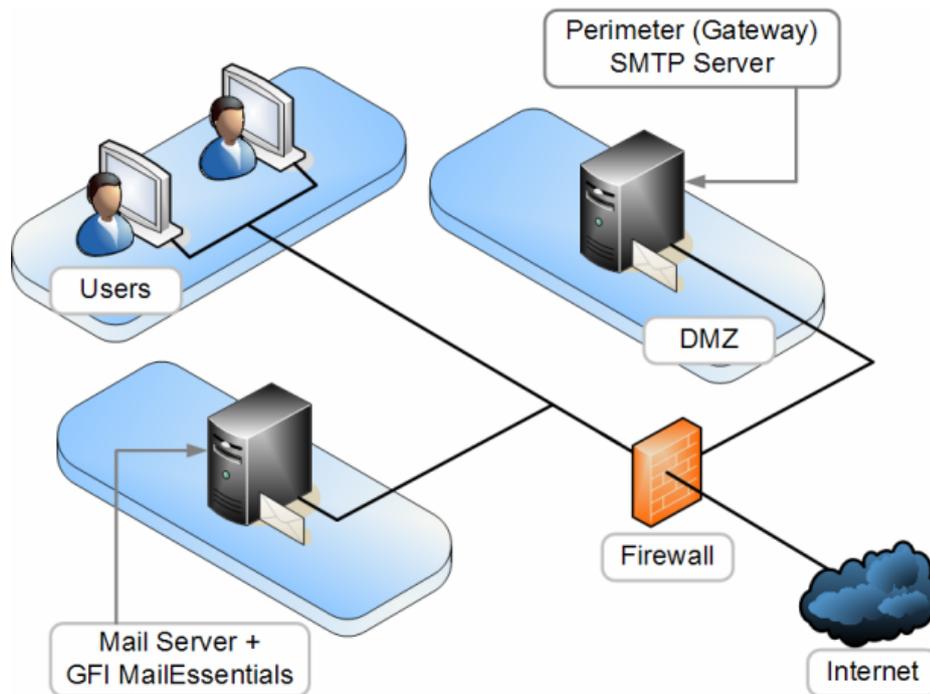


Figure 2 - A typical Perimeter SMTP Relay Server setup

4.5.1 Pre-install actions

Step 1: Send and Receive connector setup

NOTE: These connectors are not required for Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 installed with Edge Server Role.

Ensure that the required Send connectors and Receive connectors to and from Microsoft Exchange 2007 are created for servers installed with Hub Transport Role.

Where these are not yet created:

1. Add a 'Send Connector' to Microsoft Exchange 2007 server to forward all emails to the GFI MailEssentials machine

- From the Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 Management Console select Organization Configuration ► Hub Transport ► Actions ► New Send Connector
- In the **New SMTP connector wizard**, key in the name for the connector in the introduction screen.
 - **NOTE:** You can use 'GFI MailEssentials SMTP Connector'.
- From the Select the intended use for this Send Connector drop down list box select Internet.
- From the Address space screen click **Add** and key in *. Click **Ok** ► **Next**.
- Choose **Route mail through the following smart host**, click **Add** and provide the **IP address** of the server where GFI MailEssentials is installed. Click **Next** to continue.
- Set the authentication for the GFI MailEssentials machine (if required) and click **Next**.

- Select the Hub Transport server with which the connector will be associated and click **Next**.
- Verify the configuration Summary created. Complete the wizard to create new send connector.

NOTE: On completion, the GFI MailEssentials connector will be available in the **Send Connectors** tab and should be set to **Enabled** by default.

2. Add a 'Receive Connector' to Microsoft Exchange 2007 server to accept emails from the GFI MailEssentials Machine

- From the Exchange Management Shell and key in the following command (Change the RemoteIPRanges property with the IP address for the GFI MailEssentials machine.):

```
new-receiveconnector -name "GFI
MailEssentials" -Bindings "0.0.0.0:25" -
RemoteIPRanges "MailEssentials IP Address" -
AuthMechanism "ExternalAuthoritative" -
PermissionGroups "ExchangeServers"
```

Example:

```
new-receiveconnector -name "GFI
MailEssentials" -Bindings "0.0.0.0:25" -
RemoteIPRanges "192.168.0.1" -AuthMechanism
"ExternalAuthoritative" -PermissionGroups
"ExchangeServers"
```

Step 2: Test your new mail relay server

Before installing GFI MailEssentials, verify that your new mail relay server is working correctly:

Test IIS SMTP inbound connection via test email

1. Send an email from an 'external' account (e.g. internet email account) to an internal email address/user.
2. Ensure that intended recipient received the test email in the respective email client.

Test IIS SMTP outbound connection via test email

1. Send an email from an 'internal' email account to an external account (e.g. internet email)
2. Ensure that the intended recipient/external user received the test email.

NOTE: You can also use 'Telnet' to manually send the test email and obtained more troubleshooting information. For more information refer to:

<http://support.microsoft.com/support/kb/articles/Q153/1/19.asp>

4.5.2 Upgrades from earlier version

If you are currently using a previous version of GFI MailEssentials (versions 9, 10, 11 and 12), you can upgrade your current installation while at the same time retain all your existing configuration settings.

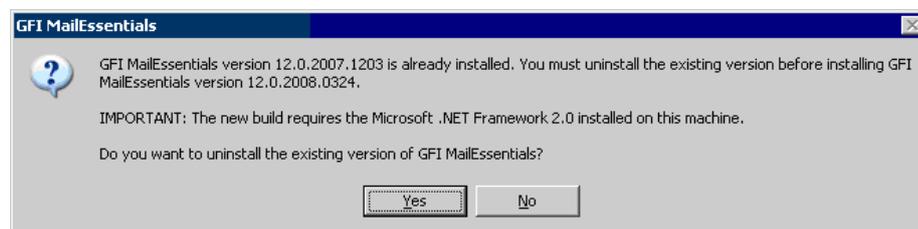
Important notes

- Upgrades cannot be undone i.e. you cannot downgrade to an earlier version once you have installed the latest version.

- On upgrading an existing installation, licensing reverts to trial version and a new fully purchased license key for the GFI MailEssentials 14 is required. For more information on new license keys, refer to: <http://customers.gfi.com>
- You cannot change the installation path during GFI MailEssentials upgrades.
- When upgrading from GFI MailEssentials 9, the current Bayesian weights file will be upgraded to the new format used in GFI MailEssentials 10 or later. The new format is more compact and uses less memory. NO DATA WILL BE LOST.

4.5.3 Upgrade procedure

1. Launch GFI MailEssentials installation on the server where your earlier version of GFI MailEssentials is installed.



Screenshot 46 - Confirm the upgrade

2. Click **Yes** to start the upgrade process and follow on-screen instructions. For assistance refer to [New installations](#) section below.

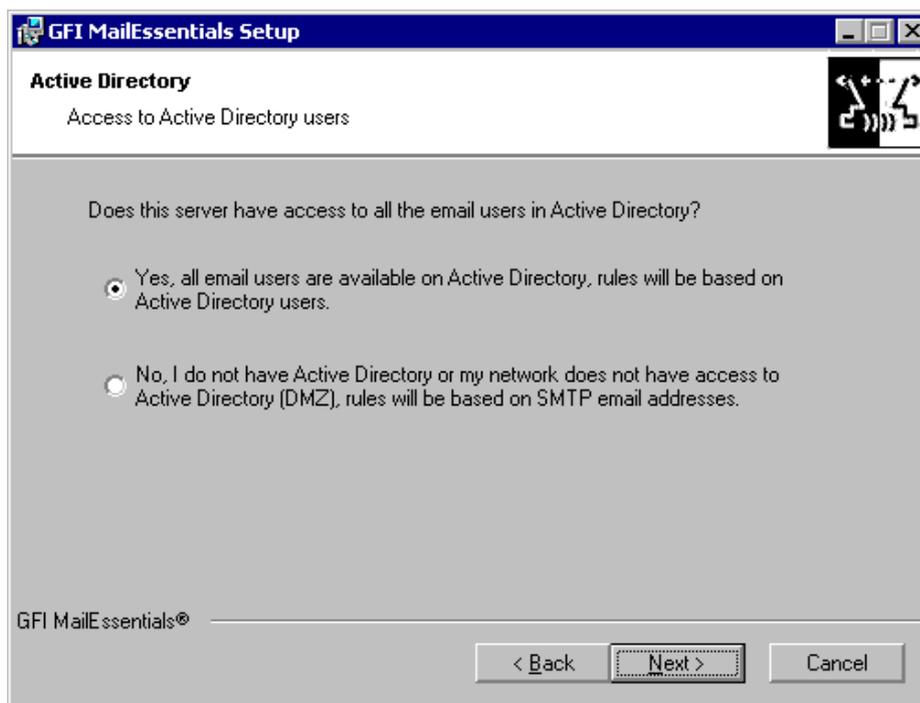
4.5.4 New installations

Important notes

1. During installation, GFI MailEssentials restarts Microsoft Exchange Server services. This is required to allow GFI MailEssentials components to be registered and started.
2. Before starting installation, close any running Windows applications.

Installation procedure

1. Logon your Microsoft Exchange Server machine using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14.exe** (32-bit install) or **mailessentials14_x64.exe** (64-bit install) accordingly.
3. Select install language and click **Next**.
4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.
5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with the installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.
8. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are sent.



Screenshot 47 - Selecting SMTP mode or Active Directory mode

9. Specify whether GFI MailEssentials will get the list of email users (required for user-based configuration/rules e.g. disclaimers) from Active Directory or SMTP server. Click **Next** to continue.



Screenshot 48 - Installing Microsoft Message Queuing Service

10. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.

11. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:

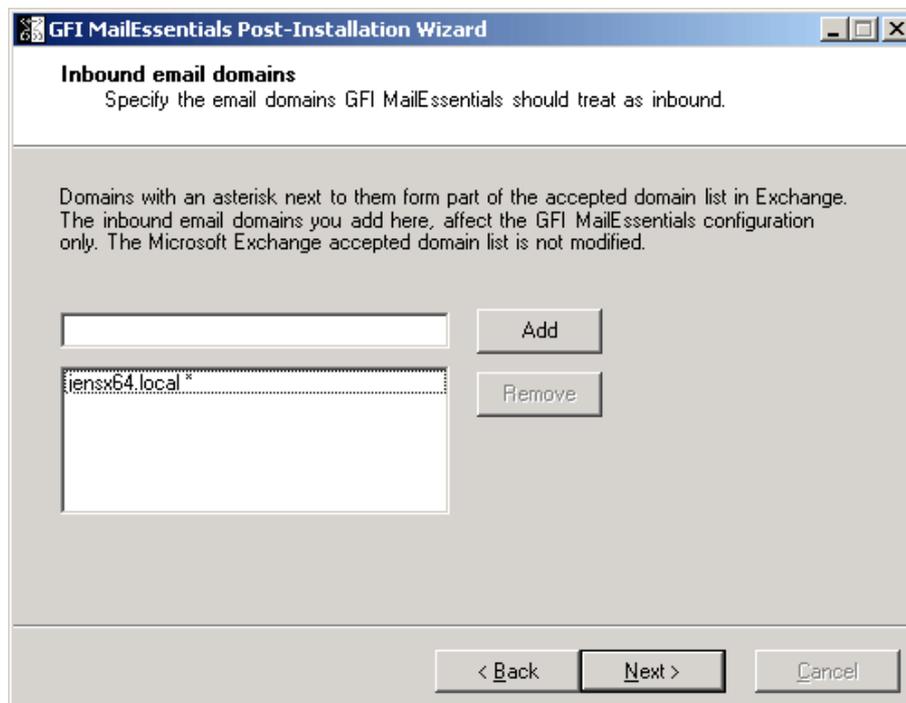
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<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the configuration settings required post-install/for first use (Recommended).
- Launch the post-installation wizard that registers GFI MailEssentials with the local installation of Microsoft Exchange 2007.

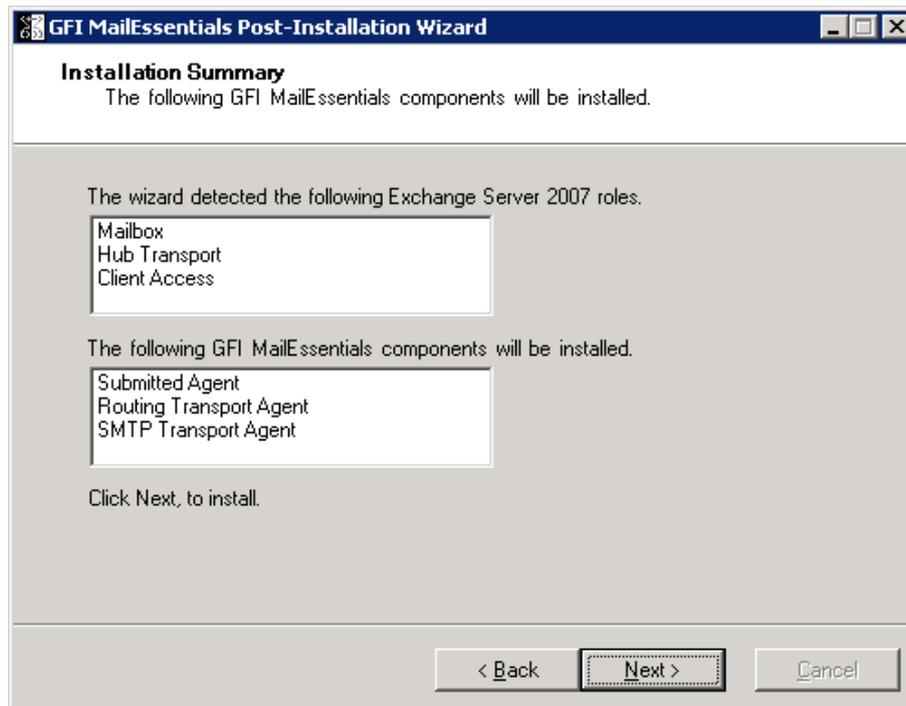
Post-installation wizard

1. Click **Next** in the welcome page.



Screenshot 49 – Inbound email domains list

2. In the accepted domain list:
 - Review local domains found.
NOTE: Asterisks (*) next to inbound email domains indicate domains detected by Microsoft Exchange.
 - Key in inbound domain details in the **Inbound email domains** box and click **Add**.
 - Select domains and clicking **Remove** to remove domains.Click **Next** to continue setup.



Screenshot 50 - Server roles detected and list of components to install.

3. A list of the Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 server roles detected and GFI MailEssentials components required is displayed. Click **Next** to install the required GFI MailEssentials components.
4. Click **Finish** to finalize the installation.
5. At this stage, GFI MailEssentials is installed. You must now configure GFI MailEssentials for first use. For instructions refer to the next section titled [Post-install actions](#).

4.5.5 Post-install actions

To ensure that your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is effectively up and running you must perform the following post-install actions:

Step 1: Launch GFI MailEssentials Configuration console

Click on **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Configuration**.

Step 2: Verify current DNS Server settings

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **DNS Server** tab. Verify the DNS server details automatically detected during install.
3. To specify a different DNS Server, select **Use the following DNS server** and specify details.
4. Click **Test** to check your newly added DNS server settings.
5. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 3: Confirm domains to defend against spam

NOTE: ONLY the inbound email domains configured in GFI MailEssentials will be protected against spam.

1. Right click **General** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **Inbound Email Domains** tab and ensure that all required inbound domains are listed in the **Inbound domains** field.
3. To specify additional domains, click **Add...** and enter inbound email domain details.
4. Click **OK** button to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Enable Directory Harvesting

This filter uses Active directory or LDAP lookups to verify whether inbound emails are addressed to legitimate 'internal' email accounts. To enable this filter:

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Directory Harvesting ► Properties**.
2. Select **Enable directory harvesting protection**.
3. Select the lookups method to be used:
 - **Use native Active Directory lookups option** – Select this option if during installation you selected to get the list of email users from Active Directory (see [Installation Procedure](#) section above – step 9).
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 - Unselect the **Anonymous bind** option if your LDAP server requires authentication.
 - Enter the authentication details using Domain\User format.
 - Click **Test** button to test your LDAP configuration settings.

Step 5: Configure whitelists

This filter allows you to specify lists of 'friendly' email domains, email addresses or IP addresses.

WARNING: USE THIS FEATURE WITH CAUTION. Entries in this list will not be scanned for spam and will bypass all anti spam filtering.

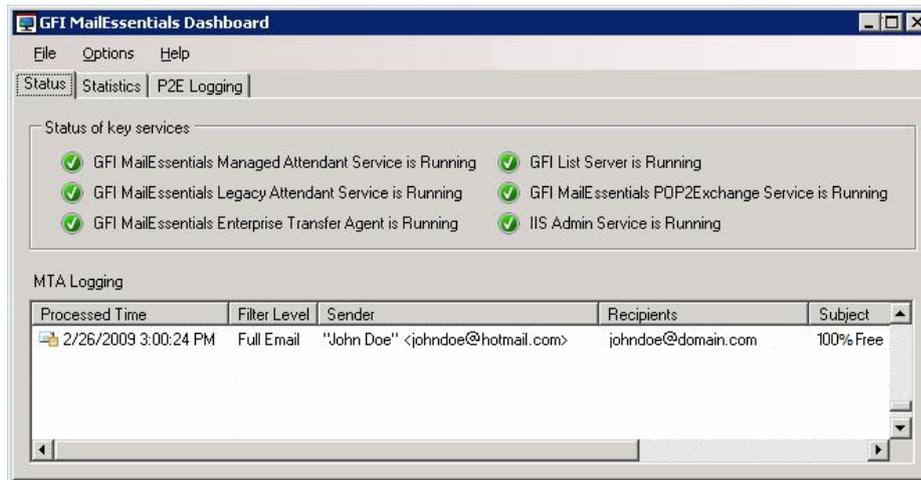
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3. Click **Add...** and specify domains/email addresses or IP addresses to whitelist.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 6: Test your anti spam system

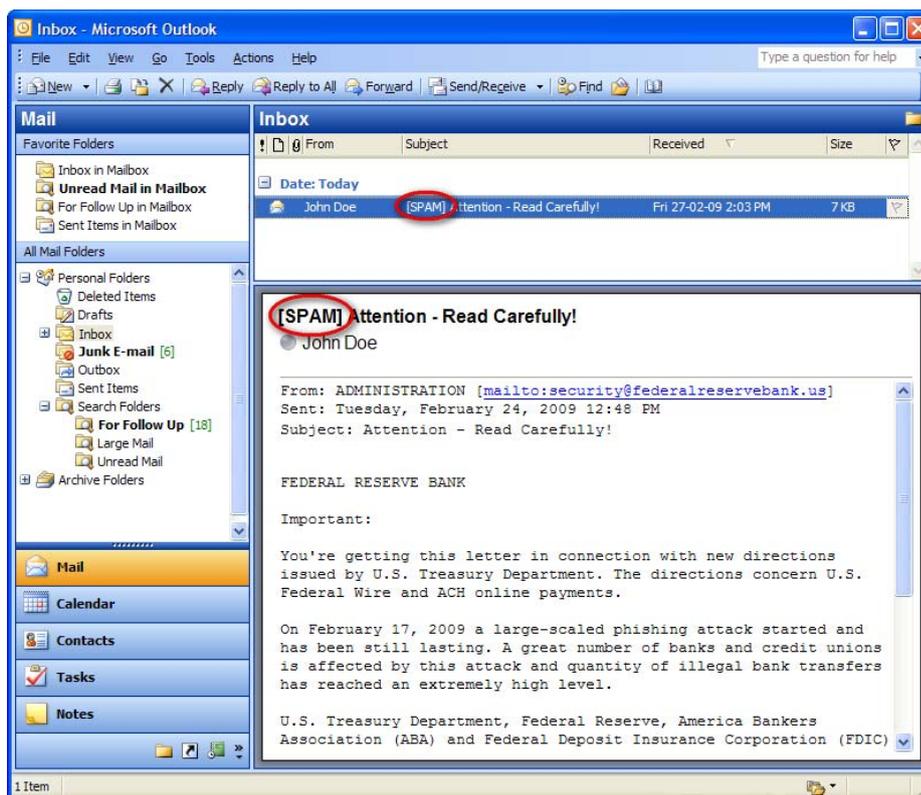
GFI MailEssentials is now ready to start managing spam. To verify that anti spam is working properly:

1. Clicking **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Dashboard**.
2. Using an external email account (for example webmail, hotmail or Gmail), create a new email and key in "100% free" as the subject.
3. Send the email to one of your internal email accounts. GFI MailEssentials will tag this email as spam by adding the tag [SPAM] to the email 'subject' field.
4. Allow some time for email delivery and confirm that email spam tagging is working by:



Screenshot 51 - Testing your anti spam system

- Checking the GFI MailEssentials Dashboard. Use the **Status tab** to view the status of key GFI MailEssentials services and email processing activity. Receipt and processing status of this email is logged in the MTA logging window.



Screenshot 52 – Email tagged as SPAM

- Accessing the inbox of the email account to which the test email was sent and confirm that email subject includes [SPAM] in the subject field.

4.5.6 GFI MailEssentials Configuration

At this stage, your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is up and running. All inbound email will be scanned by the anti spam filters enabled by default (see Table 11 - Anti spam filters enabled by default below).

Filter	Description	Enabled by Default
SpamRazer	An anti spam engine that determines if an email is spam by using email reputation, message fingerprinting and content analysis.	✓
Directory Harvesting	Stops email which is randomly generated towards a server, mostly addressed to non-existent users.	✓
PURBL	Blocks emails that contain links in the message bodies pointing to known phishing sites or if they contain typical phishing keywords.	✓
SPF	Stops email which is received from domains not authorized in SPF records	✗
Auto-Whitelist	Addresses that an email is sent to are automatically excluded from being blocked.	✓

Whitelists	A custom list of safe email addresses	✓
Custom blacklist	A custom list of blocked email users or domains.	✓
DNS blacklists	Checks if the email received is from senders that are listed on a public DNS blacklist of known spammers.	✓
SURBL	Stops emails which contain links to domains listed on public Spam URI Blocklists such as sc.surbl.org	✓
Header checking	A module which analyses the individual fields in a header by referencing the SMTP and MIME fields	✓
Keyword checking	Spam messages are identified based on blocked keywords in the email title or body	✗
New Senders	Emails that have been received from senders to whom emails have never been sent before.	✗
Bayesian analysis	An anti spam technique where a statistical probability index based on training from users is used to identify spam.	✗

✓ - Enabled by default
✗ - Not enabled by default

Table 11 - Anti spam filters enabled by default

By default, email classified as spam will be tagged (i.e. will include the prefix [SPAM] in the subject field - see Screenshot 52 above). Although enabled by default, email tagging is NOT the only anti spam filter action that can be triggered on detection of email spam (see Table 12 - Anti spam filter actions below). Other actions include re-routing of spam emails to specific folders and deletion of spam emails.

Filters	Anti spam filter actions					
	Tagging	Delete	Forward to specific email address	Move to subfolder in user mailbox	Move to junk mail folder	Move to specific folder
SpamRazer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Directory Harvesting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SPF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Whitelists	○	○	○	○	○	○

Custom Blacklist	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DNS blacklists	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Header Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keyword Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Senders	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Bayesian Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ - Action supported
 ✗ - Action not possible
 ○ - Not applicable

Table 12 - Anti spam filter actions

Configuration of anti spam filters and actions is possible via the GFI MailEssentials Configuration console. Additionally, through this console you can also run reports and customize other product features such as enable daily spam digest.

For guidelines on how to configure GFI MailEssentials functions and features refer to the GFI MailEssentials [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

4.6 Installing on Microsoft Exchange Server 2007 clusters

On Microsoft Exchange 2007 servers only servers with the Mailbox Role can be part of a cluster. Any other roles are required to be installed on separate servers.

To install GFI MailEssentials as part of a Microsoft Exchange 2007 cluster, install GFI MailEssentials on a server running the Hub Transport or the Edge Transport Role. Alternatively, you install GFI MailEssentials on a separate machine in gateway/perimeter server mode.

- On Microsoft Exchange 2007 server clusters without the Mailbox role, the option to move SPAM to subfolders of the users' mailbox is disabled.
- High availability for the Hub Transport, Edge Transport, Client Access, and Unified Messaging server roles is achieved through a combination of server redundancy, Network Load Balancing (NLB), hardware load balancing, Domain Name System (DNS) round robin, as well as proactive server, service, and infrastructure management. In this case GFI MailEssentials will need to be installed on all servers running the Hub Transport roles or all servers running the Edge Transport roles.

Instructions on how to install GFI MailEssentials are provided in the previous sections.

5 Installation for Lotus Domino

5.1 Introduction

Installing GFI MailEssentials with Lotus Domino enables you to scan all inbound emails received from 'outside' (i.e. the internet) for spam before reaching your Lotus Domino server. Outbound emails relayed to GFI MailEssentials are also processed (e.g. adding of disclaimers and auto-whitelisting) before these are sent via internet.

To install GFI MailEssentials with Lotus Domino, the server where GFI MailEssentials is installed must be configured as an email gateway server (also known as "Smart host" or "Mail relay" server) for all your email. All inbound and outbound email must pass through this server for scanning before being relayed to the mail server for distribution.

5.2 System requirements

5.2.1 Software

Supported operating systems

- Microsoft Windows Server 2008 (x86 or x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Standard/Enterprise (x86 or x64)
- Microsoft Windows 2000 Server/Advanced Server (SP1 or higher)
- Microsoft Small Business Server 2000 (SP2) / 2003 (SP1)

Mail Servers

- Lotus Domino 6 or later

Other components

- Microsoft .NET Framework 2.0
- Microsoft Data Access Components (MDAC) 2.8 – This component is used by GFI MailEssentials' mail archiving feature to communicate with databases. Download this component from:
<http://www.microsoft.com/Downloads/details.aspx?familyid=6C050FE3-C795-4B7D-B037-185D0506396C&displaylang=en>
- Internet Information Services (IIS) (x32 or x64) – SMTP service and WWW service. This is required to enable communications between GFI MailEssentials and Lotus Domino.
- Microsoft XML core services: This is required by the GFI MailEssentials reporter to enable anti spam report generation. For UK/US English OS this is installed automatically by GFI MailEssentials. For other languages, this can be downloaded from:

<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>

- (OPTIONAL) Microsoft Message Queuing Services: This is required ONLY if list servers are used. MSMQ is used by GFI MailEssentials to ensure the reliable running of distributions lists on list servers. For more information on list servers refer to 'List servers' section in the [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

5.2.2 System requirements: Hardware

Processor

- **Minimum:** Intel Pentium or compatible 1 GHz 32-bit processor
- **Recommended:** x64 architecture-based server with Intel 64 architecture or AMD64 platform.

Memory

- **Minimum:** 1GB
- **Recommended:** 2GB RAM

Physical Storage

- **Minimum:** 500MB for installation, 2GB for execution.
- **Recommended:** 500MB for installation, 4GB for execution

5.3 Important settings

5.3.1 Antivirus and backup software

Antivirus and backup software may cause GFI MailEssentials to malfunction. This occurs when such software denies access to certain files required by GFI MailEssentials.

Disable third party antivirus and backup software from scanning the following folders:

x86 installations (32-bit)	X64 installations (64-bit)
<..\Program Files\GFI\MailEssentials>	<..\Program Files (x86)\GFI\MailEssentials>
<..\Program Files\Common Files\GFI>	<..\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\GFI>
<..\inetpub\mailroot> If installed on a gateway machine.	

5.3.2 Firewall port settings

Configure your firewall to allow the following port connections. These ports are used by GFI MailEssentials to connect to GFI servers:

- **DNS (Port 53)** - Used by anti spam filters (DNS blacklist, Sender Policy Framework, Header Checking) to identify the domain from where received emails originated.

- **FTP (Ports 20 and 21)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to connect to 'ftp.gfisoftware.com' and retrieve latest product version information.
- **HTTP (Port 80)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to download product patch and anti spam filter updates (i.e. SpamRazer, Anti-Phishing, and Bayesian anti spam filters) from the following locations:
 - 'http://update.gfi.com'
 - 'http://update.gfisoftware.com'
 - 'http://support.gfi.com'
 - 'http://db11.spamcatcher.net' (GFI MailEssentials 14 or earlier)
 - 'http://sn92.mailshell.net' (GFI MailEssentials 14 SR1 or later)
- **Remoting (Ports 8021)** - Used in the latest builds of GFI MailEssentials for inter-process communication. No firewall configuration is required to allow connections to or from the remoting ports since all the GFI MailEssentials processes run on the same server.

NOTE: Ensure that no other applications (except GFI MailEssentials) are listening on port 8021.
- **LDAP (Port 389)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to get email addresses from Lotus Domino server.

5.4 Installing on gateway servers for Lotus Domino

5.4.1 Pre-install actions

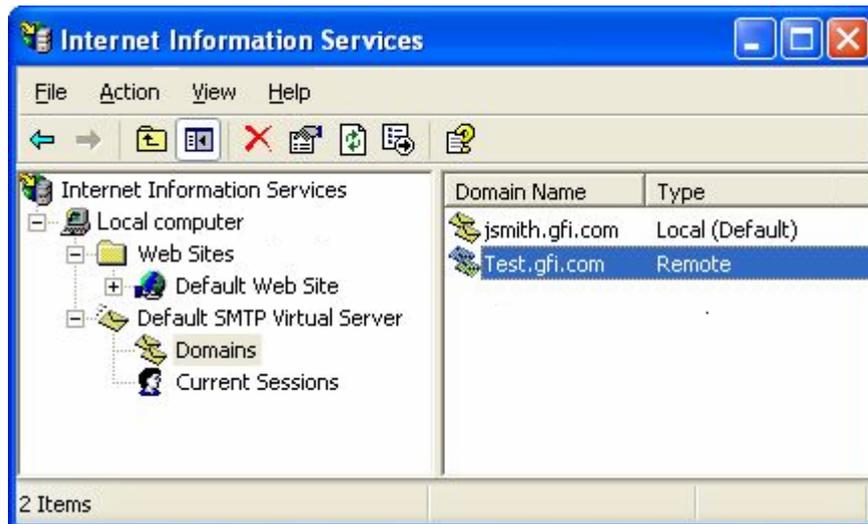
GFI MailEssentials uses the IIS SMTP service as its SMTP Server and therefore the IIS SMTP service must be configured to act as a mail relay server. This is achieved as follows:

Step 1: Enable IIS SMTP Service

1. Go to **Start ► Control Panel ► Add or Remove Programs ► Add/Remove Windows Components**.
2. Select **Internet Information Services (IIS)** and click **Details**.
3. Select the **SMTP Service** option and click **OK**.
4. Click **Next** to finalize your configuration.

Step 2: Create SMTP domain(s) for email relaying

1. Go to **Start ► Control Panel ► Administrative Tools**.
2. Click on **Internet Information Services (IIS) Manager**.



Screenshot 53 - Internet Information Services (IIS) Manager

3. In the left pane, expand the respective server node. Right click on **Default SMTP Virtual Server** and select **Properties**.
4. Select the IP address currently assigned to your SMTP server and click **OK**.
5. Expand the **Default SMTP Virtual Server** node.
6. Right click **Domains** and select **New ► Domain**.
7. Select the **Remote** option and click **Next**.
8. Specify domain name (e.g. test.gfi.com) and click **Finish**.

Step 3: Enable email relaying to your Microsoft Exchange server:

1. Right click on the new domain (e.g. test.gfi.com) and select **Properties**.
2. Select the **Allow the Incoming Mail to be Relayed to this Domain** checkbox.



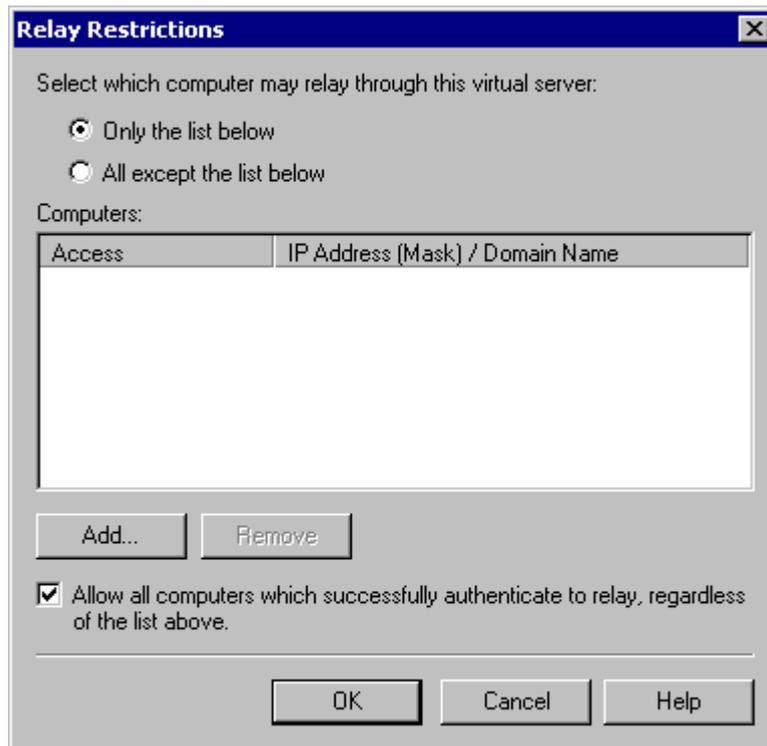
Screenshot 54 - Configure the domain

3. Select the **Forward all mail to smart host** option and specify the IP address of the server managing emails in this domain. IP address must be enclosed in square brackets e.g. [123.123.123.123] so to exclude them from all DNS lookup attempts.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Secure your SMTP email-relay server

If unsecured, your mail relay server can be exploited and used as an open relay for spam. To avoid this from happening, it is recommended that you specifically define which mail servers can route emails through this mail relay server (i.e. allow only specific servers to use this email relaying setup). To achieve this:

1. Go to **Start ► Control Panel ► Administrative Tools**.
2. Click on **Internet Information Services (IIS) Manager**.
3. In the left pane, expand the respective server node. Right click on **Default SMTP Virtual Server** and select **Properties**.
4. Click on the **Access** tab and select **Relay**.



Screenshot 55 - Relay options

5. Select the **Only the list below** option and click **Add**.
6. Specify IP(s) of the mail server(s) that are allowed to route emails through your mail relay server. You can specify:
 - **Single computer** – i.e. Authorize one specific machine to relay email through this server. Use the **DNS Lookup** button to lookup an IP address for a specific host.
 - **Group of computers** – i.e. Authorize specific computer(s) to relay emails through this server.
 - **Domain** – Allow all computers in a specific domain to relay emails through this server.

NOTE: The Domain option adds a processing overhead that can degrade SMTP service performance. This is due to the reverse DNS lookup processes triggered on all IP addresses (within that domain) that try to route emails through this relay server.

Step 5: Configure Lotus Domino for GFI MailEssentials

a. Configure Lotus Domino to send outbound emails through GFI MailEssentials

1. From the 'Lotus Domino Administrator', click **Configuration** tab and select **configurations** item under the **server** node.
2. From the 'Configurations main window, select the server to use with GFI MailEssentials and click **edit configuration**.
3. Select **Router/SMTP** tab and ensure **Basics** is selected.
4. Double click on the content to edit. Select **Relay host for messages leaving the local internet domain** option and key in the IP address of the mail gateway server where GFI MailEssentials is installed.

5. Click **Save and Close** to save configuration.

b. Configure Lotus Domino LDAP settings

1. From the 'Directory Assistance database', click on **Add directory assistance** to create a new Assistance document.

2. Select the **LDAP Clients** checkbox from the 'Make this domain available to:' option.

3. From the 'server configuration', edit the credentials under the configuration. Enable **Anonymous** authentication to allow GFI MailEssentials to access Lotus Domino LDAP.

Step 6: Update your domain MX record to point to mail relay server

Update the MX record of your domain to point to the IP of the new mail relay server. If your DNS server is managed by your ISP, ask your ISP to update the MX record for you.

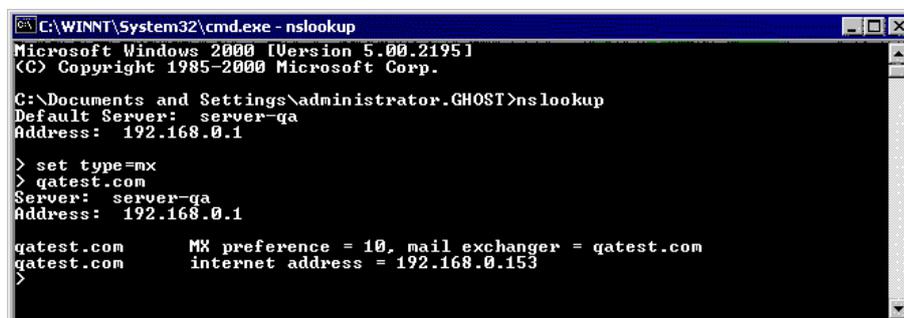
If MX record is not updated all emails will be routed directly to your email server - hence by-pass GFI MailEssentials anti spam filters.

Verify that MX record has been successfully updated

To verify whether MX record is updated:

1. Click **Start ► Run** and type **Command**
2. From the command prompt type in: **nslookup**
3. Type in: **set type=mx**
4. Specify your mail domain name.

The MX record should return a single IP address. This should be the mail relay server I.P. address.



```
C:\WINNT\System32\cmd.exe - nslookup
Microsoft Windows 2000 [Version 5.00.2195]
(C) Copyright 1985-2000 Microsoft Corp.

C:\Documents and Settings\administrator.GHOST>nslookup
Default Server:  server-ga
Address: 192.168.0.1

> set type=mx
> gatest.com
Server:  server-ga
Address: 192.168.0.1

gatest.com      MX preference = 10, mail exchanger = gatest.com
gatest.com      internet address = 192.168.0.153
>
```

Screenshot 56 - Checking the MX record of your domain

Step 7: Test your new mail relay server

Before proceeding to install GFI MailEssentials, verify that your new mail relay server is working correctly by doing as follows:

Test IIS SMTP inbound connection via test email

1. Send an email from an 'external' account (e.g. internet email account) to an internal email address/user.
2. Ensure that intended recipient received the test email in the respective email client.

Test IIS SMTP outbound connection via test email

1. Send an email from an 'internal' email account to an external account (e.g. internet email)

2. Ensure that the intended recipient/external user received the test email.

NOTE: You can also use 'Telnet' to manually send the test email and obtain more troubleshooting information. For more information refer to:

<http://support.microsoft.com/support/kb/articles/Q153/1/19.asp>

5.4.2 Upgrade from earlier version

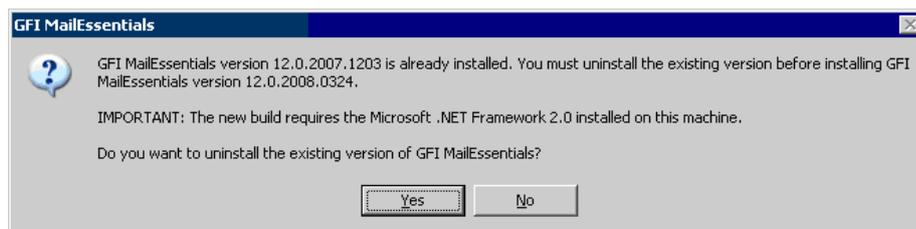
If you are currently using a previous version of GFI MailEssentials (versions 9, 10, 11 and 12), you can upgrade your current installation while at the same time retain all your existing configuration settings.

Important notes

- Upgrades cannot be undone i.e. you cannot downgrade to an earlier version once you have installed the latest version.
- On upgrading an existing installation, licensing reverts to trial version and a new fully purchased license key for the GFI MailEssentials 14 is required. For more information on new license keys, refer to: <http://customers.gfi.com>.
- You cannot change the installation path during GFI MailEssentials upgrades.
- When upgrading from GFI MailEssentials 9, the current Bayesian weights file will be upgraded to the new format used in GFI MailEssentials 10 or later. The new format is more compact and uses less memory. NO DATA WILL BE LOST.

Upgrade procedure

1. Launch GFI MailEssentials installation on the server where your earlier version of GFI MailEssentials is installed.



Screenshot 57 - Confirm the upgrade

2. Click **Yes** to start the upgrade process and follow on-screen instructions. For assistance refer to [New installations](#) section below.

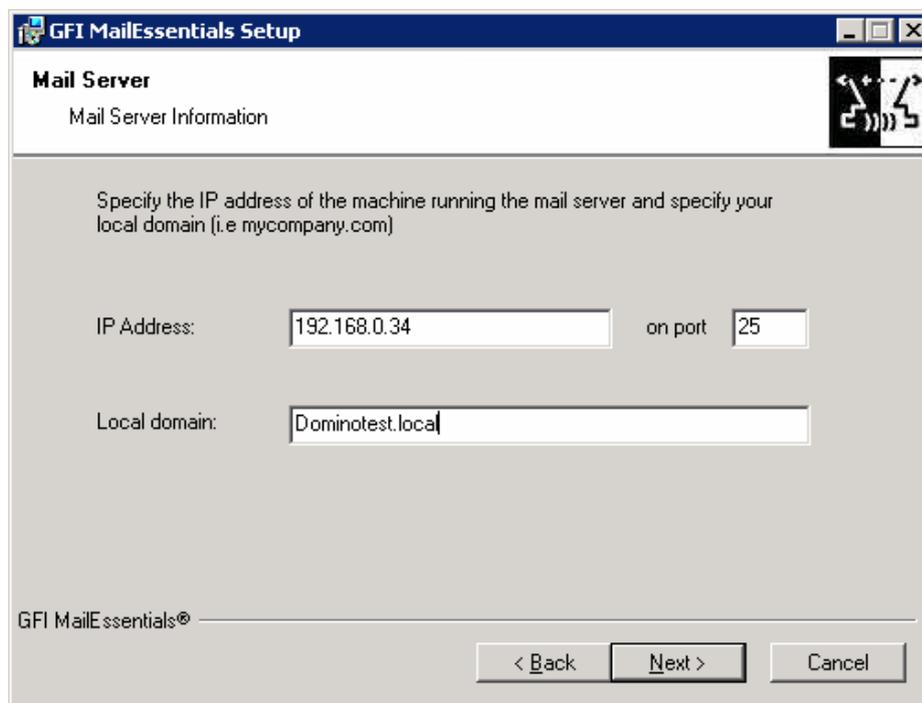
5.4.3 New installations

Important notes

1. During installation, GFI MailEssentials restarts IIS services. This is required to allow GFI MailEssentials components to be registered and started.
2. Before starting installation, close any running Windows applications.

Installation procedure

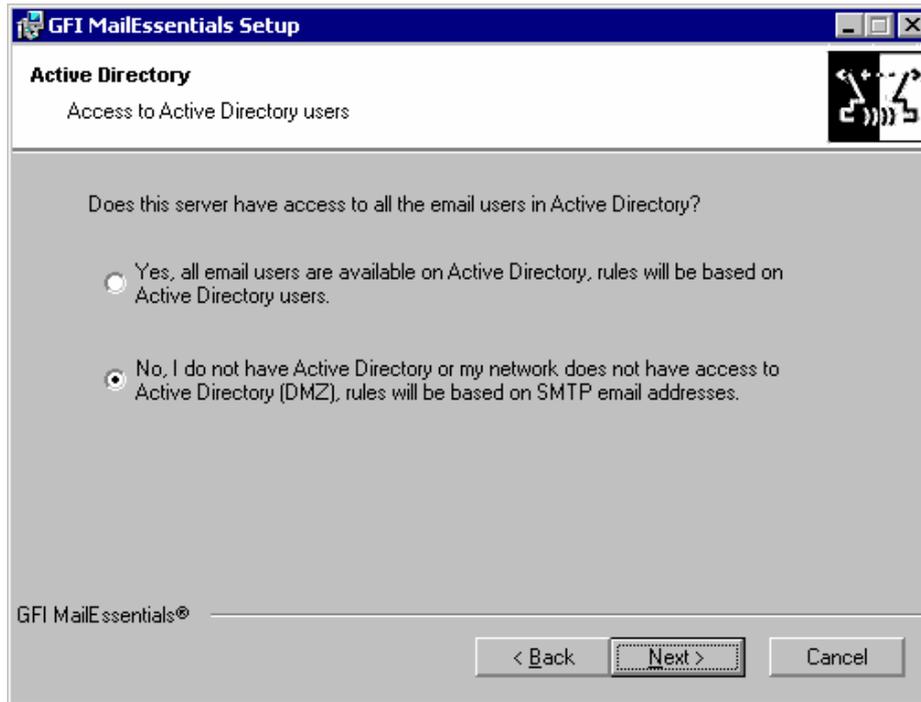
1. Logon the email gateway server where GFI MailEssentials will be installed using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14.exe** (32-bit install) or **mailessentials14_x64.exe** (64-bit install) accordingly.
3. Select install language and click **Next**.
4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.
5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with the installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.



The screenshot shows the 'GFI MailEssentials Setup' window with the 'Mail Server' section selected. The 'Mail Server Information' section contains the following text: 'Specify the IP address of the machine running the mail server and specify your local domain (i.e. mycompany.com)'. Below this text are three input fields: 'IP Address:' with the value '192.168.0.34', 'on port' with the value '25', and 'Local domain:' with the value 'Dominotest.local'. At the bottom of the window, there are three buttons: '< Back', 'Next >', and 'Cancel'. The GFI MailEssentials logo is visible in the bottom left corner of the window.

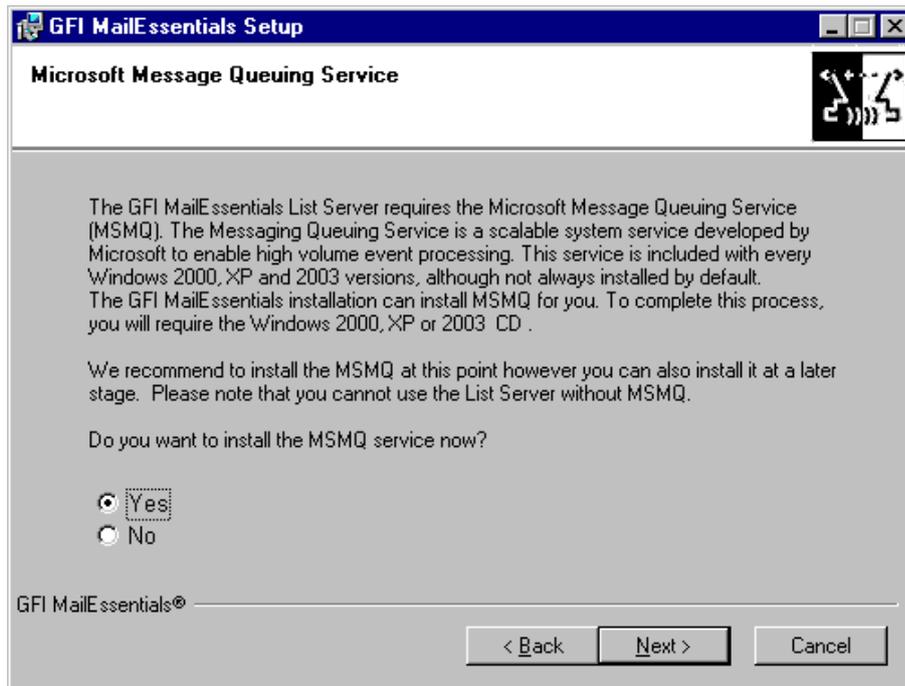
Screenshot 58 – Specify mail server details

8. Specify IP address and listening port of Lotus Domino Server and the external domain name used. Click **Next** to continue.
9. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are sent.



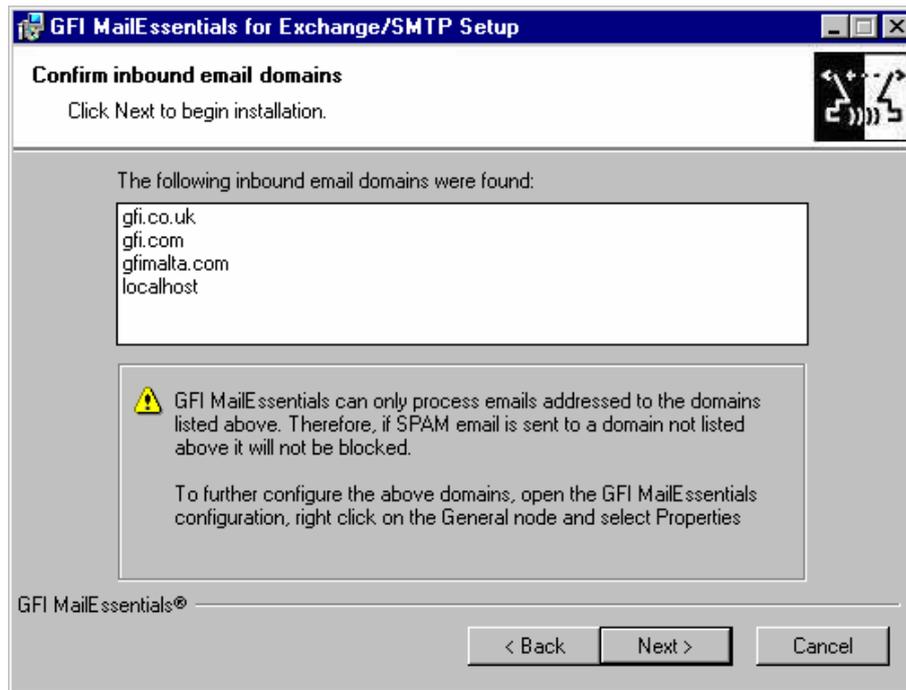
Screenshot 59 - Selecting SMTP mode

10. Select **No, I do not have Active Directory...** option to use SMTP server to get the list of email users. Click **Next** to continue.



Screenshot 60 - Installing Microsoft Message Queuing Service

11. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.



Screenshot 61 - Configure your inbound email domain

12. Setup will now display the list of inbound email domains detected. Verify that all inbound email domains to be protected against spam are listed. Take note of any changes required for post-installation and click **Next**.

NOTE: You can modify the list of inbound email domains ONLY post-install. For more information refer to the [Confirm domains to defend against spam](#) section starting on page 96 below in this manual.

13. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:

- Ask you to restart the SMTP service.

IMPORTANT: Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.
- Check whether Microsoft XML engine is installed. This is automatically installed if not found on UK/US English OS. For other OS languages, this has to be manually downloaded and installed. Microsoft XML engine can be downloaded from:

<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the configuration settings required post-install/for first use (Recommended).

14. At this stage, GFI MailEssentials is installed. You must now configure GFI MailEssentials for first use. For instructions refer to the [Post-install actions](#) section below.

5.4.4 Post-install actions

To ensure that your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is effectively up and running you must perform the following post-install actions:

Step 1: Launch GFI MailEssentials Configuration console

Click on **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Configuration**.

Step 2: Verify current DNS Server settings

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **DNS Server** tab. Verify the DNS server details automatically detected during install.
3. To specify a different DNS Server, select **Use the following DNS server** and specify details.
4. Click **Test** to check your newly added DNS server settings.
5. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 3: Confirm domains to defend against spam

NOTE: ONLY the inbound email domains configured in GFI MailEssentials will be protected against spam.

1. Right click **General** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **Inbound Email Domains** tab and ensure that all required inbound domains are listed in the **Inbound domains** field.
3. To specify additional domains, click **Add...** and enter inbound email domain details.
4. Click **OK** button to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Enable Directory Harvesting

This filter uses Active directory or LDAP lookups to verify whether inbound emails are addressed to legitimate 'internal' email accounts. To enable this filter:

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Directory Harvesting ► Properties**.
2. Select **Enable directory harvesting protection**.
3. Select the **Use LDAP lookups** and:
 - a. Unselect the **Anonymous bind** option if your LDAP server requires authentication
 - b. Enter the authentication details using Domain\User format.
 - c. Click **Test** button to test your LDAP configuration settings.

Step 5: Configure whitelists

This filter allows you to specify lists of 'friendly' email domains, email addresses or IP addresses.

WARNING: USE THIS FEATURE WITH CAUTION. Entries in this list will not be scanned for spam and will bypass all anti spam filtering.

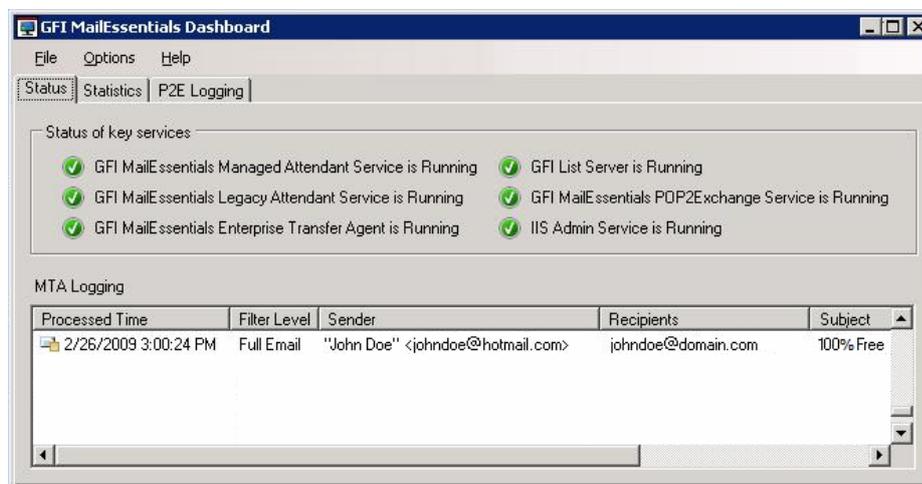
1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Whitelist ► Properties**.
2. Click on the **Whitelist** tab.
3. Click **Add...** and specify domains/email addresses or IP addresses to whitelist.

4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 6: Test your anti spam system

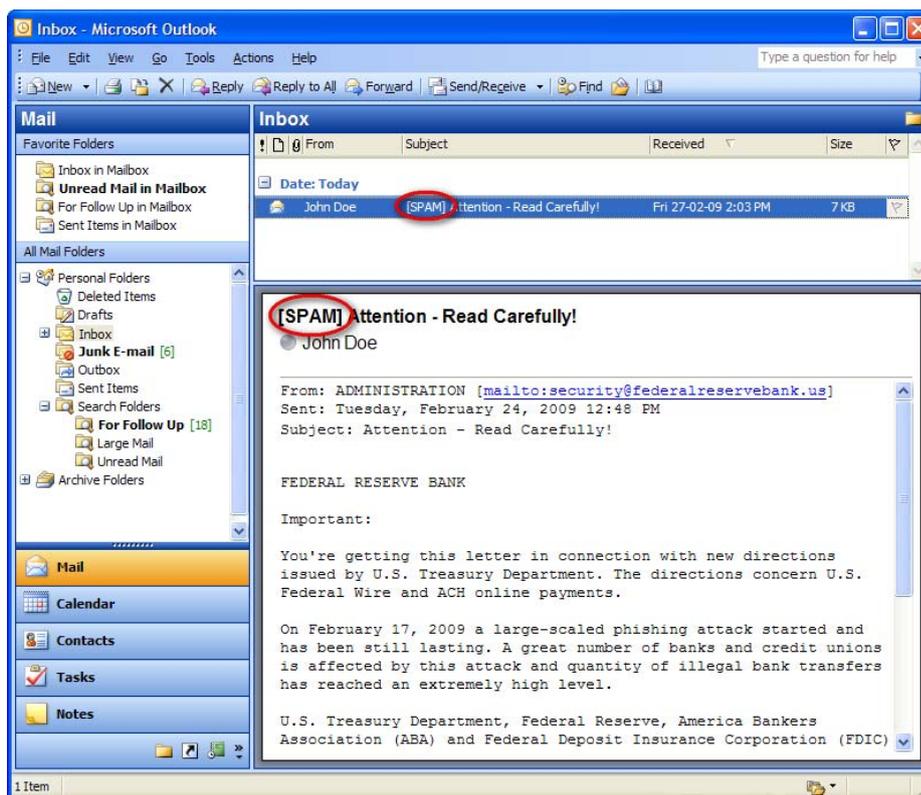
GFI MailEssentials is now ready to start managing spam. To verify that anti spam is working properly:

1. Clicking **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Dashboard**.
2. Using an external email account (for example webmail, hotmail or Gmail), create a new email and key in "100% free" as the subject.
3. Send the email to one of your internal email accounts. GFI MailEssentials will tag this email as spam by adding the tag [SPAM] to the email 'subject' field.
4. Allow some time for email delivery and confirm that email spam tagging is working by:



Screenshot 62 - Testing your anti spam system

- Checking the GFI MailEssentials Dashboard. Use the **Status tab** to view the status of key GFI MailEssentials services and email processing activity. Receipt and processing status of this email is logged in the MTA logging window.



Screenshot 63 – Email tagged as SPAM

- Accessing the inbox of the email account to which the test email was sent and confirm that email subject includes [SPAM] in the subject field.

5.4.5 GFI MailEssentials Configuration

At this stage, your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is up and running. All inbound email will be scanned by the anti spam filters enabled by default (Table 13 - Anti spam filters enabled by default below

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SpamRazer	An anti spam engine, which determines if an email is spam by using email reputation, message fingerprinting and content analysis.	✓
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DNS blacklists	Checks if the email received is from senders that are listed on a public DNS blacklist of known spammers.	✓
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✗ - Not enabled by default

Table 13 - Anti spam filters enabled by default

By default, email classified as spam will be tagged (i.e. will include the prefix [SPAM] in the subject field – see Screenshot 63 above). Although enabled by default, email tagging is NOT the only anti spam filter action that can be triggered on detection of email spam (see Table 14 - Anti spam filter actions below). Other actions include re-routing of spam emails to specific folders and deletion of spam emails.

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PURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SPF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Whitelists	○	○	○	○	○	○

Custom Blacklist	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DNS blacklists	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Header Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keyword Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Senders	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Bayesian Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ - Action supported

✗ - Action not possible

○ - Not applicable

Table 14 - Anti spam filter actions

Configuration of anti spam filters and actions is possible via the GFI MailEssentials Configuration console. Additionally, through this console you can also run reports and customize other product features such as enable daily spam digest.

For guidelines on how to configure GFI MailEssentials functions and features refer to the GFI MailEssentials [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

6 Installation for SMTP Servers

6.1 Introduction

Installing GFI MailEssentials with other SMTP enables you to scan all inbound emails received from 'outside' (i.e. the internet) for spam before reaching your SMTP Server. Outbound emails relayed to GFI MailEssentials are also processed (e.g. adding of disclaimers and auto-whitelisting) before these are sent via internet.

To install GFI MailEssentials with other SMTP servers, the server where GFI MailEssentials is installed must be configured as an email gateway server (also known as "Smart host" or "Mail relay" server) for all your email. All inbound and outbound email must pass through this server for scanning before being relayed to the mail server for distribution.

6.2 System requirements

6.2.1 Software

Supported operating systems

- Microsoft Windows Server 2008 (x86 or x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Standard/Enterprise (x86 or x64)
- Microsoft Windows 2000 Server/Advanced Server (SP1 or higher)
- Microsoft Small Business Server 2000 (SP2) / 2003 (SP1)

Mail Servers

- Any SMTP compliant email server

Other components

- Microsoft .NET Framework 2.0
- Microsoft Data Access Components (MDAC) 2.8 – This component is used by GFI MailEssentials' mail archiving feature to communicate with databases. Download this component from:
<http://www.microsoft.com/Downloads/details.aspx?familyid=6C050FE3-C795-4B7D-B037-185D0506396C&displaylang=en>
- Internet Information Services (IIS) (x32 or x64) – SMTP service and WWW service. This is required to enable communications between GFI MailEssentials and your SMTP server.
- Microsoft XML core services: This is required by the GFI MailEssentials reporter to enable anti spam report generation. For

UK/US English OS this is installed automatically by GFI MailEssentials. For other languages, this can be downloaded from:

<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>

- (OPTIONAL) Microsoft Message Queuing Services: This is required ONLY if list servers are used. MSMQ is used by GFI MailEssentials to ensure the reliable running of distributions lists on list servers. For more information on list servers refer to 'List servers' section in the [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

6.2.2 System requirements: Hardware

Processor

- **Minimum:** Intel Pentium or compatible 1 GHz 32-bit processor
- **Recommended:** x64 architecture-based server with Intel 64 architecture or AMD64 platform

Memory

- **Minimum:** 1GB
- **Recommended:** 2GB RAM

Physical Storage

- **Minimum:** 500MB for installation, 2GB for execution
- **Recommended:** 500MB for installation, 4GB for execution

6.3 Important settings

6.3.1 Antivirus and backup software

Antivirus and backup software may cause GFI MailEssentials to malfunction. This occurs when such software denies access to certain files required by GFI MailEssentials.

Disable third party antivirus and backup software from scanning the following folders:

x86 installations (32-bit)	X64 installations (64-bit)
<..\Program Files\GFI\MailEssentials>	<..\Program Files (x86)\GFI\MailEssentials>
<..\Program Files\Common Files\GFI>	<..\Program Files (x86)\Common Files\GFI>
<..\inetpub\mailroot> If installed on a gateway machine.	

6.3.2 Firewall port settings

Configure your firewall to allow the following port connections. These ports are used by GFI MailEssentials to connect to GFI servers:

- **DNS (Port 53)** - Used by anti spam filters (DNS blacklist, Sender Policy Framework, Header Checking) to identify the domain from where received emails originated.
- **FTP (Ports 20 and 21)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to connect to 'ftp.gfisoftware.com' and retrieve latest product version information.
- **HTTP (Port 80)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to download product patch and anti spam filter updates (i.e. SpamRazer, Anti-Phishing, and Bayesian anti spam filters) from the following locations:
 - 'http://update.gfi.com'
 - 'http://update.gfisoftware.com'
 - 'http://support.gfi.com'
 - 'http://db11.spamcatcher.net' (GFI MailEssentials 14 or earlier)
 - 'http://sn92.mailshell.net' (GFI MailEssentials 14 SR1 or later)
- **Remoting (Ports 8021)** - Used in the latest builds of GFI MailEssentials for inter-process communication. No firewall configuration is required to allow connections to or from the remoting ports since all the GFI MailEssentials processes run on the same server.

NOTE: Ensure that no other applications (except GFI MailEssentials) are listening on port 8021.
- **(LDAP (Port 389)** – Used by GFI MailEssentials to get email addresses from SMTP server.

6.4 Installing on gateway servers for SMTP Servers

6.4.1 Pre-install actions

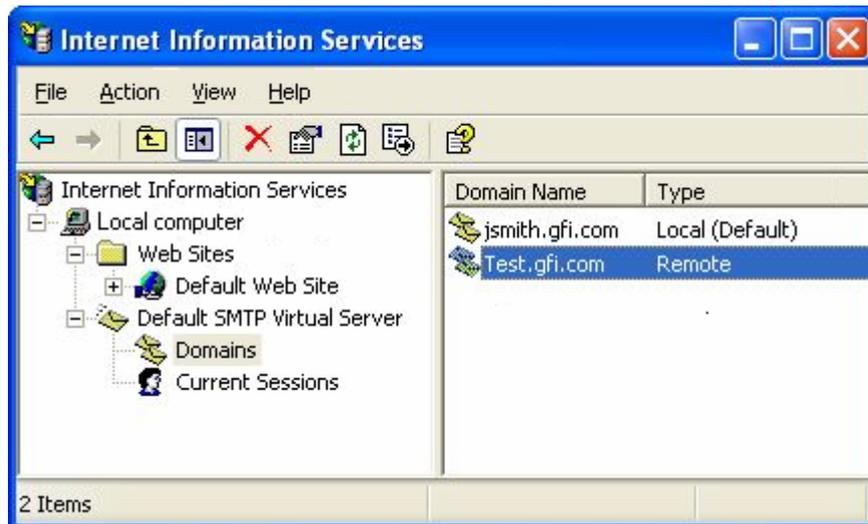
GFI MailEssentials uses the IIS SMTP service as its SMTP Server and therefore the IIS SMTP service must be configured to act as a mail relay server. This is achieved as follows:

Step 1: Enable IIS SMTP Service

1. Go to **Start ► Control Panel ► Add or Remove Programs ► Add/Remove Windows Components**.
2. Select **Internet Information Services (IIS)** and click **Details**.
3. Select the **SMTP Service** option and click **OK**.
4. Click **Next** to finalize your configuration.

Step 2: Create SMTP domain(s) for email relaying

1. Go to **Start ► Control Panel ► Administrative Tools**.
2. Click on **Internet Information Services (IIS) Manager**.

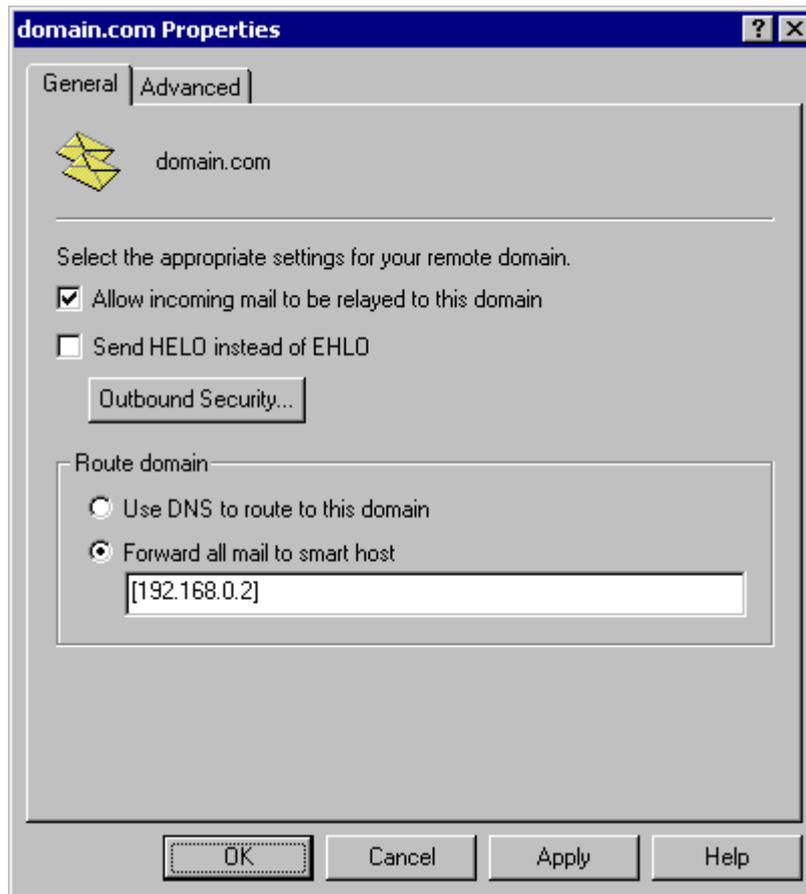


Screenshot 64 - Internet Information Services (IIS) Manager

3. In the left pane, expand the respective server node. Right click on **Default SMTP Virtual Server** and select **Properties**.
4. Select the IP address currently assigned to your SMTP server and click **OK**.
5. Expand the **Default SMTP Virtual Server** node
6. Right click **Domains** and select **New ► Domain**.
7. Select the **Remote** option and click **Next**.
8. Specify domain name (e.g. test.gfi.com) and click **Finish**.

Step 3: Enable email relaying to your Microsoft Exchange server:

1. Right click on the new domain (e.g. test.gfi.com) and select **Properties**.
2. Select the **Allow the Incoming Mail to be Relayed to this Domain** checkbox.



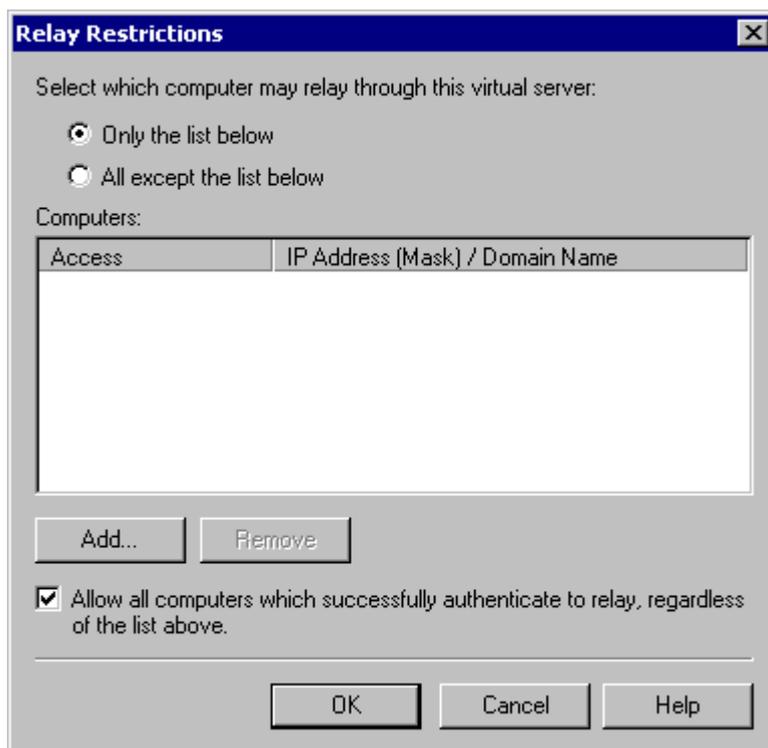
Screenshot 65 - Configure the domain

3. Select the **Forward all mail to smart host** option and specify the IP address of the server managing emails in this domain. IP address must be enclosed in square brackets e.g. [123.123.123.123] so to exclude them from all DNS lookup attempts.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Secure your SMTP email-relay server

If unsecured, your mail relay server can be exploited and used as an open relay for spam. To avoid this from happening, it is recommended that you specifically define which mail servers can route emails through this mail relay server (i.e. allow only specific servers to use this email relaying setup). To achieve this:

1. Go to **Start ► Control Panel ► Administrative Tools**.
2. Click on **Internet Information Services (IIS) Manager**.
3. In the left pane, expand the respective server node. Right click on **Default SMTP Virtual Server** and select **Properties**.
4. Click on the **Access** tab and select **Relay**.



Screenshot 66 - Relay options

5. Select the **Only the list below** option and click **Add**.
6. Specify IP(s) of the mail server(s) that are allowed to route emails through your mail relay server. You can specify:
 - **Single computer** – i.e. Authorize one specific machine to relay email through this server. Use the **DNS Lookup** button to lookup an IP address for a specific host.
 - **Group of computers** – i.e. Authorize specific computer(s) to relay emails through this server.
 - **Domain** – Allow all computers in a specific domain to relay emails through this server.

NOTE: The Domain option adds a processing overhead that can degrade SMTP service performance. This is due to the reverse DNS lookup processes triggered on all IP addresses (within that domain) that try to route emails through this relay server.

Step 5: Configure your SMTP server for GFI MailEssentials

Refer to the SMTP server documentation on forwarding email to the GFI MailEssentials server.

Step 6: Update your domain MX record to point to mail relay server.

Update the MX record of your domain to point to the IP of the new mail relay server. If your DNS server is managed by your ISP, ask your ISP to update the MX record for you.

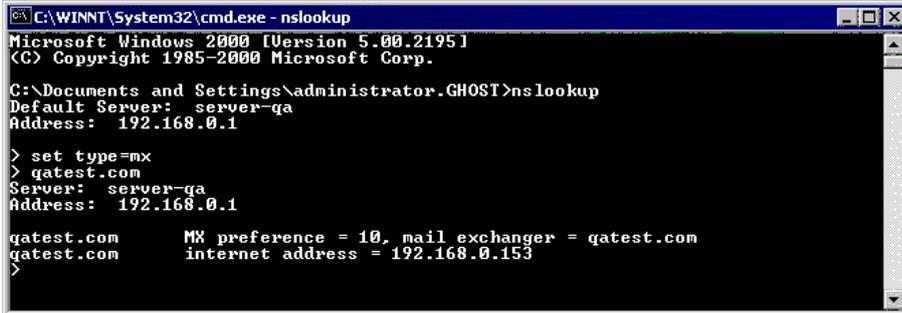
If the MX record is not updated, all emails will be routed directly to your email server - hence by-pass GFI MailEssentials anti spam filters.

Verify that MX record has been successfully updated

To verify whether MX record is updated do as follows:

1. Click **Start ► Run** and type in **Command**
2. From the command prompt type in: **nslookup**
3. Type in: **set type=mx**
4. Specify your mail domain name.

The MX record should return a single IP address. This should be the mail relay server I.P. address.



```
C:\WINNT\System32\cmd.exe - nslookup
Microsoft Windows 2000 [Version 5.00.2195]
(C) Copyright 1985-2000 Microsoft Corp.

C:\Documents and Settings\administrator.GHOST>nslookup
Default Server:  server-qa
Address:  192.168.0.1

> set type=mx
> gatest.com
Server:  server-qa
Address:  192.168.0.1

gatest.com      MX preference = 10, mail exchanger = gatest.com
gatest.com      internet address = 192.168.0.153
>
```

Screenshot 67 - Checking the MX record of your domain

Step 7: Test your new mail relay server

Before proceeding to install GFI MailEssentials, verify that your new mail relay server is working correctly by doing as follows:

Test IIS SMTP inbound connection via test email

1. Send an email from an 'external' account (e.g. internet email account) to an internal email address/user.
2. Ensure that intended recipient received the test email in the respective email client.

Test IIS SMTP outbound connection via test email

1. Send an email from an 'internal' email account to an external account (e.g. internet email).
2. Ensure that the intended recipient/external user received the test email.

NOTE: You can also use 'Telnet' to manually send the test email and obtained more troubleshooting information. For more information refer to:

<http://support.microsoft.com/support/kb/articles/Q153/1/19.asp>

6.4.2 Upgrade from earlier version

If you are currently using a previous version of GFI MailEssentials (versions 9, 10, 11 and 12), you can upgrade your current installation while at the same time retain all your existing configuration settings.

Important notes

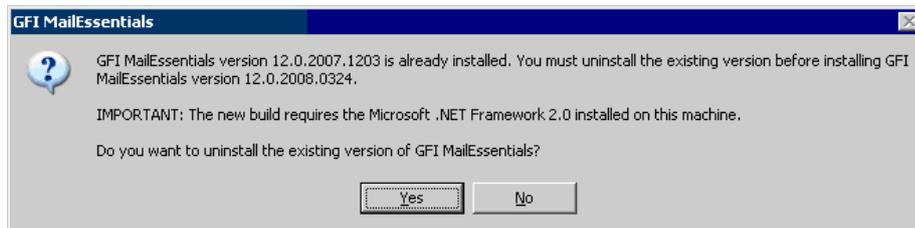
- Upgrades cannot be undone i.e. you cannot downgrade to an earlier version once you have installed the latest version.
- On upgrading an existing installation, licensing reverts to trial version and a new fully purchased license key for the GFI

MailEssentials 14 is required. For more information on new license keys, refer to: <http://customers.gfi.com>

- You cannot change the installation path during GFI MailEssentials upgrades.
- When upgrading from GFI MailEssentials 9, the current Bayesian weights file will be upgraded to the new format used in GFI MailEssentials 10 or later. The new format is more compact and uses less memory. NO DATA WILL BE LOST.

Upgrade procedure

1. Launch GFI MailEssentials installation on the server where your earlier version of GFI MailEssentials is installed.



Screenshot 68 - Confirm the upgrade

2. Click **Yes** to start the upgrade process and follow on-screen instructions. For assistance refer to [New installations](#) section below.

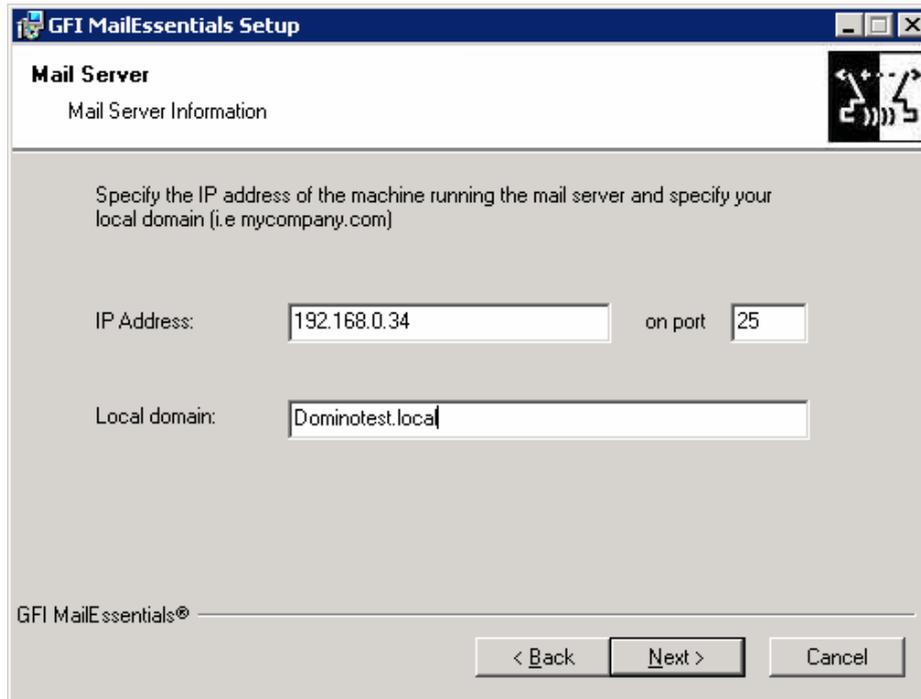
6.4.3 New installations

Important notes

1. During installation, GFI MailEssentials restarts IIS services. This is required to allow GFI MailEssentials components to be registered and started.
2. Before starting installation, close any running Windows applications.

Installation procedure

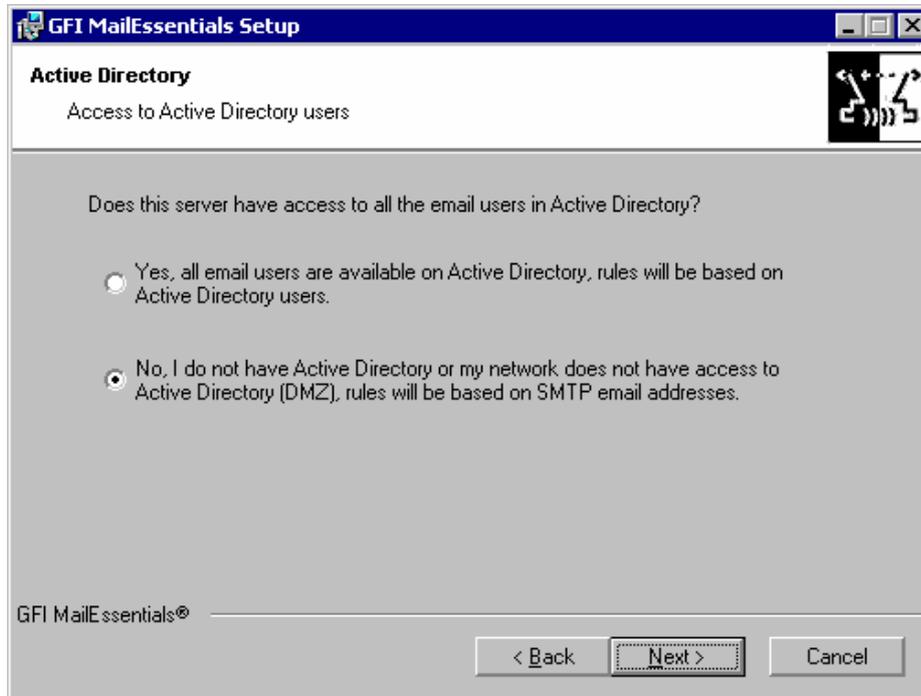
1. Logon your Microsoft Exchange Server machine using administrator credentials.
2. Double click **mailessentials14.exe** (32-bit install) or **mailessentials14_x64.exe** (64-bit install) accordingly.
3. Select install language and click **Next**.
4. Select whether to check for newer versions/builds of GFI MailEssentials and click **Next**.
5. Read licensing agreement. To proceed with the installation select **I accept the license agreement** and click **Next**.
6. Click **Next** to install in default location or click **Browse** to change path.
7. Specify user details and enter license key. Click **Next** to continue.



Screenshot 69 – Specify mail server details

8. Specify IP address and listening port of your SMTP server and the external domain name used. Click **Next** to continue.

9. Specify the email address where notifications (e.g. failed anti spam filters, spam digests) are sent.



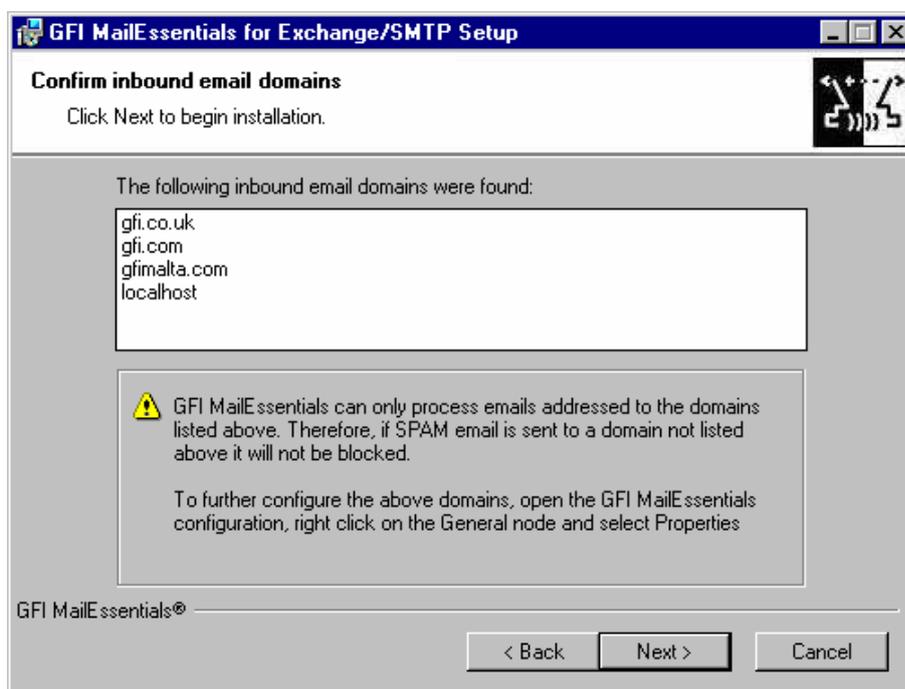
Screenshot 70 - Selecting SMTP mode

10. Select **No, I do not have Active Directory...** option to use SMTP server to get the list of email users. Click **Next** to continue.



Screenshot 71 - Installing Microsoft Message Queuing Service

11. If Microsoft Message Queuing Services (MSMQ) is not installed then the dialog in the above screenshot will open. To be able to use list servers (i.e. distributions lists), select **Yes** to install MSMQ.



Screenshot 72 - Configure your inbound email domain

12. Setup will now display the list of inbound email domains detected. Verify that all inbound email domains to be protected against spam are listed. Take note of any changes required for post-installation and click **Next**.

NOTE: You can modify the list of inbound email domains ONLY post-install. For more information refer to the [Confirm domains to defend against spam](#) section starting on page 111 in this manual.

13. Click **Finish** to finalize your installation. On completion, setup will:

- Ask you to restart the SMTP service.
IMPORTANT: Failing to restart the SMTP service will negatively affect anti spam filtering and email flow.
- Check whether Microsoft XML engine is installed. This is automatically installed if not found on UK/US English OS. For other OS languages, this has to be manually downloaded and installed. Microsoft XML engine can be downloaded from:
<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=3144B72B-B4F2-46DA-B4B6-C5D7485F2B42&displaylang=en>
- Prompt you to launch the Quick Start Guide. This is a set of instructions that will guide you through the configuration settings required post-install/for first use (Recommended).

14. At this stage, GFI MailEssentials is installed. You must now configure GFI MailEssentials for first use. For instructions refer to the [Post-install actions](#) section below.

6.4.4 Post-install actions

To ensure that your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is effectively up and running you must perform the following post-install actions:

Step 1: Launch GFI MailEssentials Configuration console

Click on **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Configuration**.

Step 2: Verify current DNS Server settings

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **DNS Server** tab. Verify the DNS server details automatically detected during install.
3. To specify a different DNS Server, select **Use the following DNS server** and specify details.
4. Click **Test** to check your newly added DNS server settings.
5. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 3: Confirm domains to defend against spam

NOTE: ONLY the inbound email domains configured in GFI MailEssentials will be protected against spam.

1. Right click **General** node and select **Properties**.
2. Click on the **Inbound Email Domains** tab and ensure that all required inbound domains are listed in the **Inbound domains** field.
3. To specify additional domains, click **Add...** and enter inbound email domain details.
4. Click **OK** button to finalize your configuration.

Step 4: Enable Directory Harvesting

This filter uses Active directory or LDAP lookups to verify whether inbound emails are addressed to legitimate 'internal' email accounts. To enable this filter:

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Directory Harvesting ► Properties**.
2. Select **Enable directory harvesting protection**.
3. Select the **Use LDAP lookups** and:
 - a. Unselect the **Anonymous bind** option if your LDAP server requires authentication
 - b. Enter the authentication details using Domain\User format.
 - c. Click **Test** button to test your LDAP configuration settings.

Step 5: Configure whitelists

This filter allows you to specify lists of 'friendly' email domains, email addresses or IP addresses.

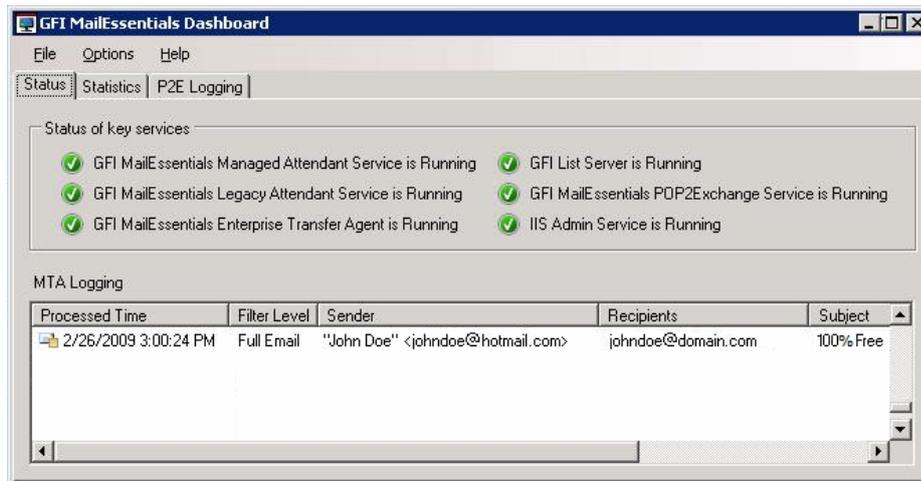
WARNING: USE THIS FEATURE WITH CAUTION. Entries in this list will not be scanned for spam and will bypass all anti spam filtering.

1. Right click **Anti spam** node and select **Whitelist ► Properties**.
2. Click on the **Whitelist** tab.
3. Click **Add...** and specify domains/email addresses or IP addresses to whitelist.
4. Click **OK** to finalize your configuration.

Step 6: Test your anti spam system

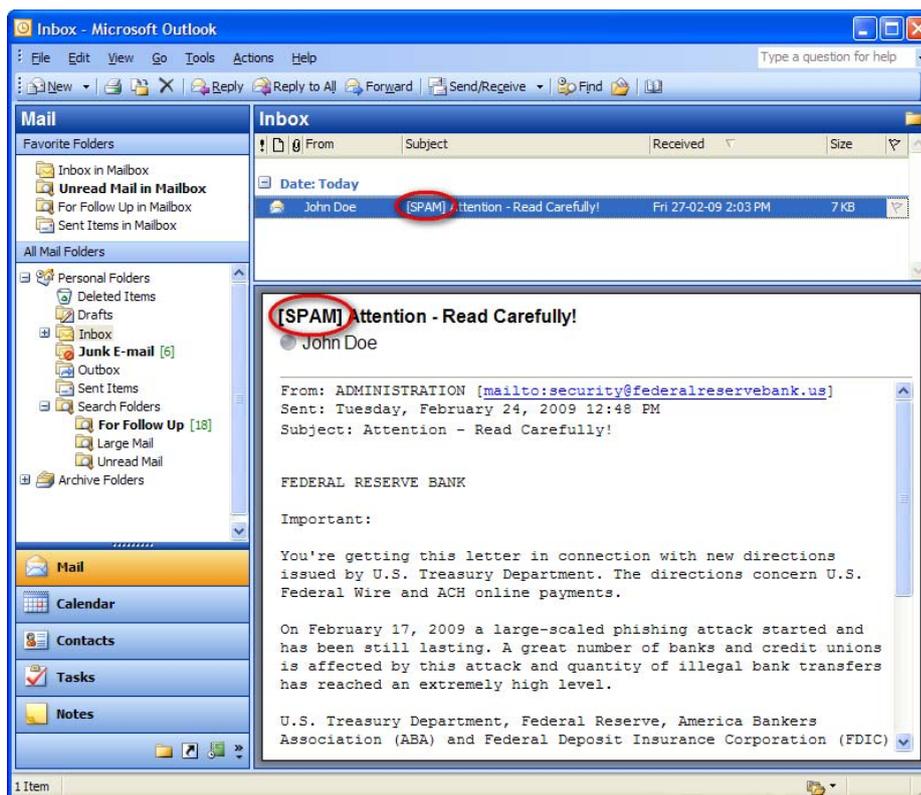
GFI MailEssentials is now ready to start managing spam. To verify that anti spam is working properly:

1. Clicking **Start ► All Programs ► GFI MailEssentials ► GFI MailEssentials Dashboard**.
2. Using an external email account (for example webmail, hotmail or Gmail), create a new email and key in "100% free" as the subject.
3. Send the email to one of your internal email accounts. GFI MailEssentials will tag this email as spam by adding the tag [SPAM] to the email 'subject' field.
4. Allow some time for email delivery and confirm that email spam tagging is working by:



Screenshot 73 - Testing your anti spam system

- Checking the GFI MailEssentials Dashboard. Use the **Status tab** to view the status of key GFI MailEssentials services and email processing activity. Receipt and processing status of this email is logged in the MTA logging window.



Screenshot 74 – Email tagged as SPAM

- Accessing the inbox of the email account to which the test email was sent and confirm that email subject includes [SPAM] in the subject field.

6.4.5 GFI MailEssentials Configuration

At this stage, your GFI MailEssentials anti spam system is up and running. All inbound email will be scanned by the anti spam filters enabled by default. (See Table 15 - Anti spam filters enabled by default below)

Filter	Description	Enabled by Default
SpamRazer	An anti spam engine that determines if an email is spam by using email reputation, message fingerprinting and content analysis.	✓
Directory Harvesting	Stops email which is randomly generated towards a server, mostly addressed to non-existent users.	✓
PURBL	Blocks emails that contain links in the message bodies pointing to known phishing sites or if they contain typical phishing keywords.	✓
SPF	Stops email which is received from domains not authorized in SPF records	✗
Auto-Whitelist	Addresses that an email is sent to are automatically excluded from being blocked.	✓

Whitelists	A custom list of safe email addresses	✓
Custom blacklist	A custom list of blocked email users or domains.	✓
DNS blacklists	Checks if the email received is from senders that are listed on a public DNS blacklist of known spammers.	✓
SURBL	Stops emails which contain links to domains listed on public Spam URI Blocklists such as sc.surbl.org	✓
Header checking	A module which analyses the individual fields in a header by referencing the SMTP and MIME fields	✓
Keyword checking	Spam messages are identified based on blocked keywords in the email title or body	✗
New Senders	Emails that have been received from senders to whom emails have never been sent before.	✗
Bayesian analysis	An anti spam technique where a statistical probability index based on training from users is used to identify spam.	✗

✓ - Enabled by default

✗ - Not enabled by default

Table 15 - Anti spam filters enabled by default

By default, email classified as spam will be tagged (i.e. will include the prefix [SPAM] in the subject field - see Screenshot 74 above). Although enabled by default, email tagging is NOT the only anti spam filter action that can be triggered on detection of email spam (Table 16 - Anti spam filter actions below). Other actions include re-routing of spam emails to specific folders and deletion of spam emails.

Filters	Anti spam filter actions					
	Tagging	Delete	Forward to specific email address	Move to subfolder in user mailbox	Move to junk mail folder	Move to specific folder
SpamRazer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Directory Harvesting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SPF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Whitelists	○	○	○	○	○	○

Custom Blacklist	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DNS blacklists	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SURBL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Header Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keyword Checking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Senders	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
Bayesian Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ - Action supported

✗ - Action not possible

○ - Not applicable

Table 16 - Anti spam filter actions

Configuration of anti spam filters and actions is possible via the GFI MailEssentials Configuration console. Additionally, through this console you can also run reports and customize other product features such as enable daily spam digest.

For guidelines on how to configure GFI MailEssentials functions and features refer to the GFI MailEssentials [Administration and Configuration manual](#).

7 Uninstalling GFI MailEssentials

7.1 Introduction

This chapter describes how to uninstall GFI MailEssentials for all supported operating systems.

NOTE 1: If you are planning to uninstall and reinstall GFI MailEssentials to fix problems you may be having during installation, you should first read the [Troubleshooting and Support](#) chapter in this manual.

NOTE 2: Third-party components which are required by GFI MailEssentials, such as Microsoft .NET Framework or Microsoft XML core services, will not be uninstalled.

7.1.1 Uninstall GFI MailEssentials

1. Exit GFI MailEssentials.
2. From the **Control Panel** select:
 - **Add or Remove Programs** – Windows Server 2000 or 2003, Windows SBS 2000 or 2003.
 - **Programs and Features** – Windows Server 2008, Windows SBS 2008.
3. From the list of installed software select **GFI MailEssentials for Exchange/SMTP** and click **Remove** or **Uninstall**.
4. Follow on-screen instructions to uninstall GFI MailEssentials.

8 Troubleshooting and support

8.1 Introduction

This chapter explains how to resolve any GFI MailEssentials issues encountered during installation. The main sources of information available to solve these issues are:

- This manual – most issues can be solved through the information in this manual section.
- GFI Knowledge Base articles
- Web forums
- Contacting GFI Technical Support

8.2 Troubleshooting: Installation issues

Issue	Possible solution
<p>License key for the previous version is not accepted and the upgraded version is in evaluation mode.</p>	<p>When upgrading to a new version of GFI MailEssentials, you are required to upgrade your license key. For more information on how to upgrade your key, refer to:</p> <p>http://kbase.gfi.com/showarticle.asp?id=KBID003408</p>
<p>During installation some errors may be received causing the product not to be installed properly, or not to be installed at all.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Event Type: 'Warning'</i> • <i>Event ID: '0'</i> • <i>Event Source: 'GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant Service'</i> • <i>Event Description: 'The GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant Service sub-process '8-uantiphish2' has terminated with error code [-1].The sub-process will not be available until the service is restarted. Please contact GFI Support if the problem persists.'</i> 	<p>The Microsoft Event log warnings are created due to a missing requirement for the GFI MailEssentials Legacy Attendant service.</p> <p>This requirement is configured by the post-installation wizard and therefore, no warnings of the same type will be reported in the Microsoft event logs after completing the GFI MailEssentials post-installation wizard.</p>
<p>During installation some errors may be received causing the product not to be installed properly, or not to be installed at all.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>"Error 1720. There is a problem with this Windows Installer package.</i> • <i>A script required for this install to complete could not be run. Contact your support personnel or package vendor."</i> • <i>"Setup failed to launch installation</i> 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Disable any real-time scanning software such as antivirus software. 2. Ensure that you do not have any software that automatically removes files from the TEMP folder. 3. Log in with Domain Administrator privileges. 4. Download and install the latest version of Windows Scripting Host & Windows Installer for your Windows Operating System from:

<p><i>engine: Access is denied.” or:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Error installing lkernel.exe, access is denied.” 	<p>http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/</p> <p>5. Ensure that the following Microsoft Windows technologies are installed correctly and not corrupt:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Microsoft Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI)</i> • <i>Microsoft Windows Installer</i> • <i>Microsoft .Net Framework</i> • <i>Microsoft Data Access Components (MDAC)</i> <p>6. Ensure that the following system libraries located at <Windows\System32> are correctly registered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>urlmon.dll</i> • <i>Oleaut32.dll</i> • <i>ole32.dll</i> • <i>Actxprxy.dll</i> • <i>Shell32.dll</i> • <i>Shdocvw.dll</i> • <i>Mshhtml.dll</i> • <i>Browseui.dll</i> • <i>Scrrun.dll</i> <p>To register system libraries perform the following steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Click Start and select Run b. Key in: cmd.exe c. Key in: regsvr32 <path & filename of dll> <p>Example: regsvr32 c:\windows\system32\urlmon.dll</p> <p>7. Place the installation file in a temporary directory on the server where you are installing the GFI product and retry installing GFI MailEssentials.</p> <p>8. Check Distributed Component Object Model (DCOM) permissions as explained in:</p> <p>http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;295278</p> <p>NOTE: For more information on how to resolve common Windows Installer problems refer to:</p> <p>http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;555175</p>
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8.3 Troubleshooting: Spam management issues

Issue encountered	Solution
After installing GFI MailEssentials, some emails show a garbled message body when viewed in Microsoft Outlook or GFI MailArchiver	<p>This problem occurs for emails that use one character set for the message header and a different character set for the message body. When such emails are processed by Microsoft Exchange 2003, the emails will be show garbled in Microsoft Outlook and GFI MailArchiver. Microsoft has released a hotfix to resolve this issue. More information on the problem and the hotfix can be found at:</p> <p>http://kbase.gfi.com/showarticle.asp?id=KBID003459 and http://support.microsoft.com/kb/916299</p>
Dashboard shows no email is being processed; Or: Only inbound or outbound emails are being processed	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ensure that GFI MailEssentials is not disabled from scanning emails. Refer to Disabling/Enabling email scanning section in the configuration manual for more information on how to start scanning.2. Check for multiple Microsoft IIS SMTP virtual servers and ensure the GFI MailEssentials is bound to the correct virtual server.3. MX record for domain not configured correctly. Ensure that the MX record points to the IP address of the server running GFI MailEssentials4. If inbound emails are passing through another gateway, ensure that that the mail server running on the other gateway forwards inbound emails through GFI MailEssentials5. Ensure that outbound emails are configured to route through GFI MailEssentials. Refer to installation manual for more details.6. Verify that the SMTP virtual server used by Microsoft Exchange Server for outbound emails is the same SMTP server GFI MailEssentials is bound to. <p>For more information on this issue refer to:</p> <p>http://kbase.gfi.com/showarticle.asp?id=KBID003286</p>

8.4 Troubleshooting: Anti spam filters & actions

Issue encountered	Solution
1. SPAM is delivered to users mailbox	<p>Follow the checklist below to solve this issue:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ensure that GFI MailEssentials is not disabled from scanning emails. Refer to Disabling/Enabling email scanning section in the configuration manual for more information on how to start scanning.2. Check if all required anti spam filters are enabled3. Check if local domains are configured correctly4. Check if emails are passing through GFI MailEssentials or if GFI MailEssentials is bound to the correct IIS SMTP Virtual Server5. Check if '%TEMP%' location (which by default is the 'C:\Windows\Temp' folder) contains a lot of files6. Check if the number of users using GFI MailEssentials exceeds the number of purchased licenses7. Check if whitelist is configured correctly8. Check if actions are configured correctly9. Check if Bayesian filter is configured correctly <p>Refer to http://kbase.gfi.com/showarticle.asp?id=KBID003256 for more detailed instructions on how to solve this issue.</p>

8.5 Knowledge Base

GFI maintains a comprehensive Knowledge Base repository, which includes answers to the most common installation problems. In case that the information in this manual does not solve your installation problems, next refer to the Knowledge Base. The Knowledge Base always has the most up-to-date listing of technical support questions and patches. Access the Knowledge Base by visiting:

<http://kbase.gfi.com/>

8.6 Web Forum

User to user technical support is available via the GFI web forum. Access the web forum by visiting:

<http://forums.gfi.com/>.

8.7 Request technical support

If none of the resources listed above enable you to solve your issues, contact the GFI Technical Support team by filling in an online support request form or by phone.

- **Online:** Fill out the support request form and follow the instructions on this page closely to submit your support request on: <http://support.gfi.com/supportrequestform.asp>
- **Phone:** To obtain the correct technical support phone number for your region please visit: <http://www.gfi.com/company/contact.htm>

NOTE: Before you contact our Technical Support team, please have your Customer ID available. Your Customer ID is the online account

number that is assigned to you when you first register your license keys in our Customer Area at:

<http://customers.gfi.com>.

We will answer your query within 24 hours or less, depending on your time zone.

8.8 Build notifications

We strongly suggest that you subscribe to our build notifications list. This way, you will be immediately notified about new product builds. To subscribe to our build notifications, visit:

<http://www.gfi.com/pages/productmailing.htm>.

8.9 Documentation

If this manual does not satisfy your expectations, or if you think that this documentation can be improved in any way, let us know via email on:

documentation@gfi.com

9 Glossary

Active Directory	A technology that provides a variety of network services, including LDAP-like directory services.
AD	See Active Directory
Auto-reply	An email reply that is sent automatically to incoming emails.
Bayesian Filtering	An anti spam technique where a statistical probability index based on training from users is used to identify spam.
Background Intelligent Transfer Service	A component of Microsoft Windows operating systems that facilitates transfer of files between systems using idle network bandwidth.
BITS	See Background Intelligent Transfer Service
Blacklist	A list of email users or domains from whom email is not to be received by users
Botnet	Malicious software that runs autonomously and automatically and is controlled by a hacker/cracker.
Demilitarized Zone	A section of a network that is not part of the internal network and is not directly part of the Internet. Its purpose typically is to act as a gateway between internal networks and the internet.
Disclaimer	A statement intended to identify or limit the range of rights and obligations for email recipients
Domain Name System	A database used by TCP/IP networks that enables the translation of hostnames into IP numbers and to provide other domain related information.
DMZ	See Demilitarized Zone
DNS	See Domain Name System
DNS MX	See Mail Exchange
Email monitoring rules	Rules which enable the replication of emails between email addresses.
False positives	An incorrect result that identifies an email as spam when in fact it is not.
Ham	Legitimate e-mail
IIS	See Internet Information Services
Internet Information Services	A set of Internet-based services created by Microsoft Corporation for internet servers.

IMAP	See Internet Message Access Protocol
Internet Message Access Protocol	One of the two most commonly used Internet standard protocols for e-mail retrieval, the other being POP3.
LDAP	See Lightweight Directory Access Protocol
Lightweight Directory Access Protocol	An application protocol used to query and modify directory services running over TCP/IP
List servers	A special use of e-mail systems that allows for widespread distribution of emails to multiple email users through discussion lists or newsletters.
Mail Exchange	A record used by DNS to provide the names of other entities to which the mail should be sent.
MAPI	See Messaging Application Programming Interface
MDAC	See Microsoft Data Access Components
Messaging Application Programming Interface	A messaging architecture and a Component Object Model based API for Microsoft Windows.
Microsoft Message Queuing Services	A message queue implementation for Windows Server operating systems.
Microsoft Data Access Components	A Microsoft technology that gives developers a homogeneous and consistent way of developing software that can access almost any data store.
MIME	See Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions
MSMQ	See Microsoft Message Queuing Services
Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions	A standard that extends the format of e-mail to support text other than ASCII, non-text attachments, message bodies with multiple parts and header information in non-ASCII character sets.
NDR	See Non Delivery Report
Non Delivery Report	An automated electronic mail message the sender on an email delivery problem.
Perimeter server/gateway	The computer (server) in a LAN that is directly connected to an external network. In GFI MailEssentials perimeter gateway refers to the email servers within the company that first receive email from external domains.
phishing	The process of acquiring sensitive personal information with the aim of defrauding individuals, typically through the use of fake communications
POP2Exchange	A system that collects email messages from POP3 mailboxes and routes them to mail server.
POP3	See Post Office Protocol ver.3

Post Office Protocol ver.3	A protocol used by local email clients to retrieve emails from mailboxes over a TCP/IP connection.
Public folder	A common folder shared between Microsoft Exchange users which enables information.
RBL	See Realtime Blocklist
Realtime Blocklist	Online databases of spam IP addresses. Incoming emails are compared to these lists to determine if they are originating from blacklisted users.
Remote commands	Instructions that facilitate the possibility of executing tasks remotely.
Secure Sockets Layer	A protocol to ensure an integral and secure communication between networks.
Simple Mail Transport Protocol	An internet standard used for email transmission across IP networks.
SMTP	See Simple Mail Transport Protocol
Spam actions	Actions taken on spam emails received, e.g. delete email or send to Junk email folder.
SSL	See Secure Sockets Layer
WebDAV	A HTTP extensions database that enables users to manage files remotely and interactively. Used for managing emails in the mailbox and in the public folder in Microsoft Exchange.
Whitelist	A list of email addresses and domains from which emails are always received
Zombie	See Botnet

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