

# How to view connection attempts from external devices to your endpoints

Open Endpoint Manager > Click 'Security Sub-Systems' > 'Device Control'

- The device control area lets you view a history of connection attempts from external devices to your Windows endpoints. External devices include USB devices, Bluetooth devices, IDE ATA/ATAPI controllers and more.
- Endpoint Manager can also create a log when an external device attempts to connect to an endpoint.
- You can define which types of devices are blocked by adding an 'External Device Control' section to a profile. See [this wiki](#) for help to do this.
- This article explains the information and functionality of the device control section.

## Open the device control area

- Log into Comodo One / Xcitium
- Click 'Applications' > 'Endpoint Manager'
- Click 'Security Sub-Systems' > 'Device Control'
- Each row shows a moment in time when an external device connected or tried to connect, to an endpoint. Click the funnel icon on the right to filter the list.

Endpoint Manager		Device Control		
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OS	HARDWARE NAME	DATE DETECTED	HARDWARE CLASS
	CD-ROM Drive	2022/07/29 06:20:22 PM	4D36E965-E325-11CE-BFC1-08002BE10318
	IDE Channel	2022/07/29 06:20:22 PM	4D36E96A-E325-11CE-BFC1-08002BE10318
	IDE Channel	2022/07/29 06:20:22 PM	4D36E96A-E325-11CE-BFC1-08002BE10318
	Red Hat VirtIO Ethernet Adapter	2022/07/29 06:20:22 PM	4D36E972-E325-11CE-BFC1-08002BE10318
	Intel(R) 82371SB PCI Bus Master IDE Controller	2022/07/29 06:20:22 PM	4D36E96A-E325-11CE-BFC1-08002BE10318
	Microsoft Kernel Debug Network Adapter	2022/07/29 06:20:22 PM	4D36E972-E325-11CE-BFC1-08002BE10318
	Volume	2022/07/29 06:20:22 PM	71A27CDD-812A-11D0-BEC7-08002BE2092F
	USB Input Device	2022/07/29 06:20:22 PM	745A17A0-74D3-11D0-B6FE-00A0C90F57DA
	Intel(R) PRO/1000 MT Desktop Adapter	2022/07/28 11:24:40 PM	4D36E972-E325-11CE-BFC1-08002BE10318
	Microsoft Kernel Debug Network Adapter	2022/07/28 11:24:40 PM	4D36E972-E325-11CE-BFC1-08002BE10318

**Hardware Name** - A broad description of the type of device that attempted to connect. For example, 'Disk Drive', or 'CD Drive'

**Date Detected** - Date and time of the connection attempt

**Hardware Class** - The Global Unique Identifier (GUID) of the device. This code identifies the category, or 'class', of the external device. All devices of the same type will have the same GUID, even if they are different brands/models.

**Hardware Path** - The Device Instance Identifier. This is dynamically assigned to the device at the time it connects by the plug-n-play manager.

**Host Device** - The name of the Windows device to which the connection attempt was made. This column also shows the host's current connection status (connected or removed)

**Status** - Indicates whether the connection was allowed or blocked. This depends on the settings in the ['External Device Control' section](#) of the endpoint's profile.

The 'Export' button above the table lets you create a .csv file of all items in the list.



You can download the report from 'Dashboard' > 'Reports'.

## Further reading

[How to view security events on Windows endpoints](#)

[How to manage programs running in containment on your endpoints](#)

[How to manage unknown & malicious files on your endpoints](#)

[How to run virus scans on devices from the security sub-systems menu](#)