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Step 1: Configure the Tunnel Interface VPN Policy on each unit. This is done under VPN > Settings.

On the General tab of the new VPN Policy configuration window, configure the following settings.

- Policy Type: Tunnel Interface
- Authentication Method: IKE using Preshared Secret
- Name: Enter a desired policy name
- IPSec Primary Gateway Name/Address: Enter the remote unit's WAN IP.
- Enter a shared secret that will be used on each side of the tunnel.

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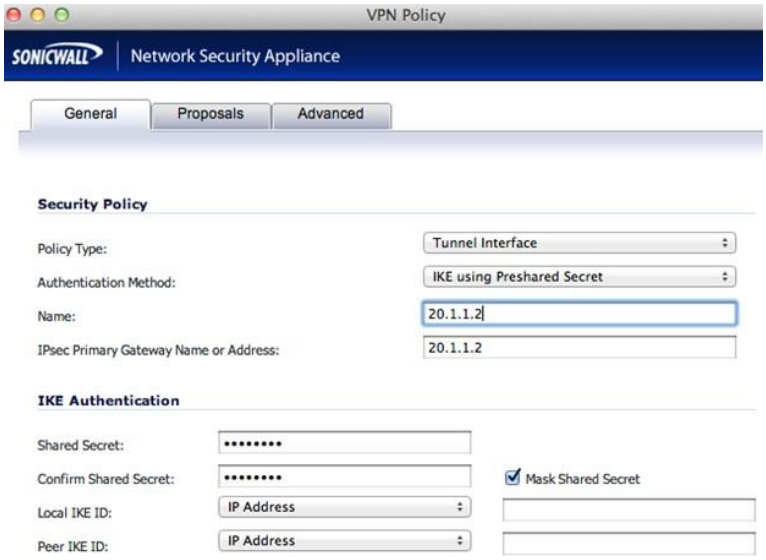

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On the **Advanced** tab, configure Keep Alive, Management via this SA, and any other desired options. Ensure the **VPN Policy Bound To** dropdown menu is set to the WAN Interface that the tunnel will use to connect. In this example, the X6 WAN Interface is used on the Central site, while the Remote site uses X1 WAN.

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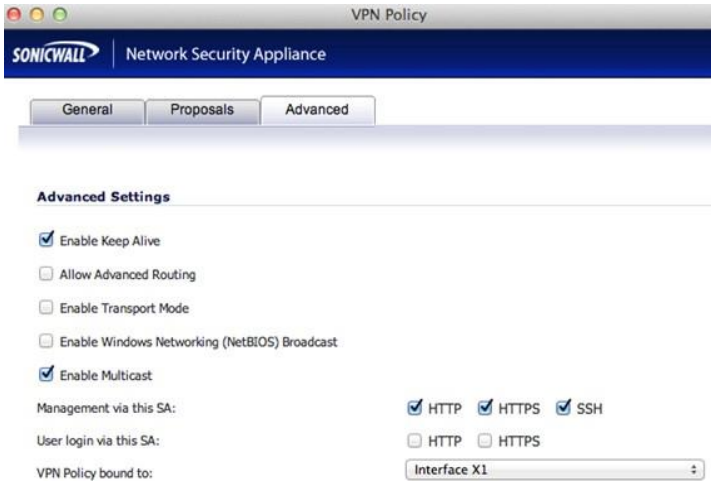

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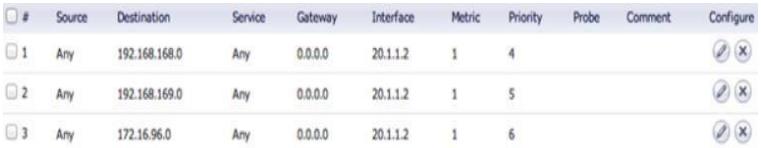

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Detailed route configuration:

- Source: Any
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- Service: Any
- Interface: Select the Tunnel Interface name from the dropdown list.
- Allow Automatic Access Rule creation for simplicity, or disable it for granularity.

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Note: If using the Route-All option, a NAT Policy must be created on the Central site for translation to the WAN IP. An example NAT Policy for the Remote site's X0 LAN can be found below.

Step 2b – Remote site routes:

Route-All Option:

Split Tunnel Option:

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Step 3: On the Remote site, enable IP Helper and create IP Helper Policies for DHCP Relay. Options include DHCP Relay to the Central firewall's internal DHCP server and DHCP Relay to an external DHCP server behind the Central firewall.

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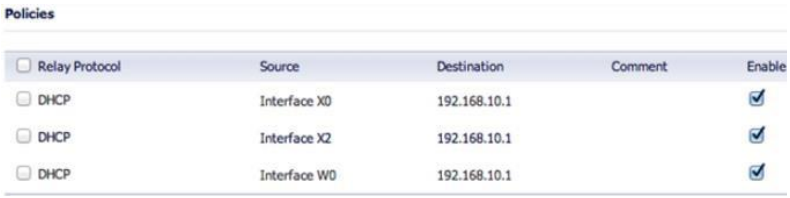

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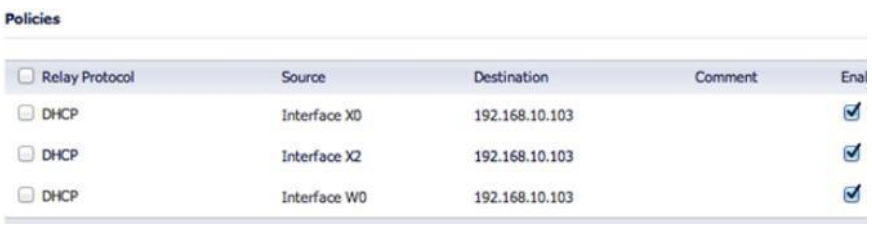

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Internal DHCP configuration:

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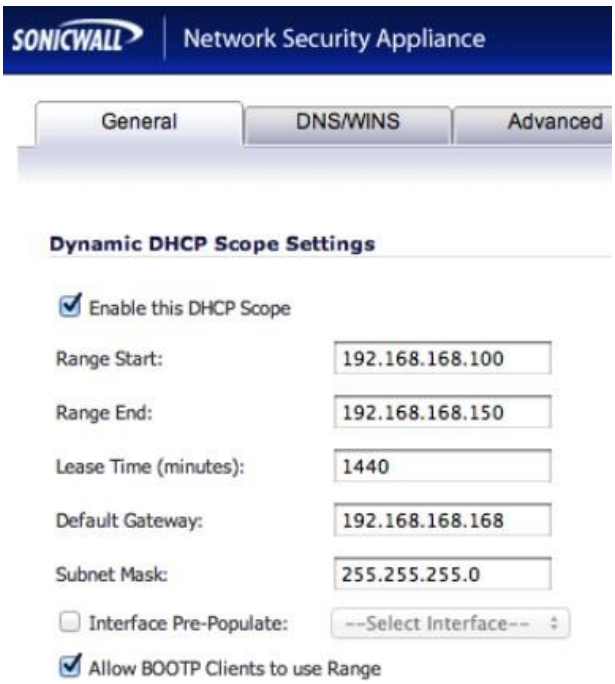

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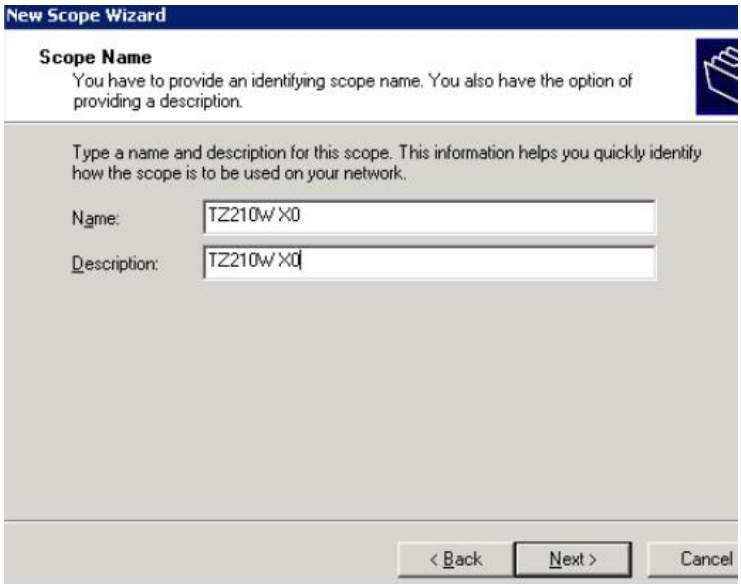

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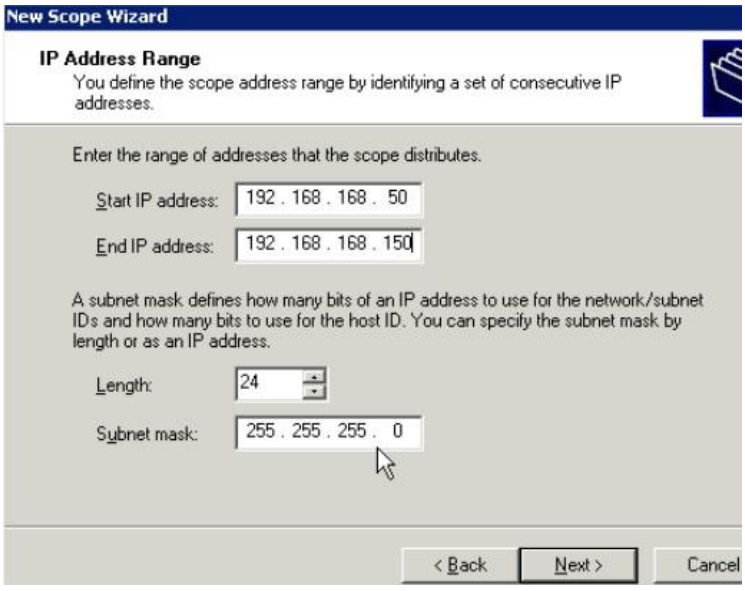

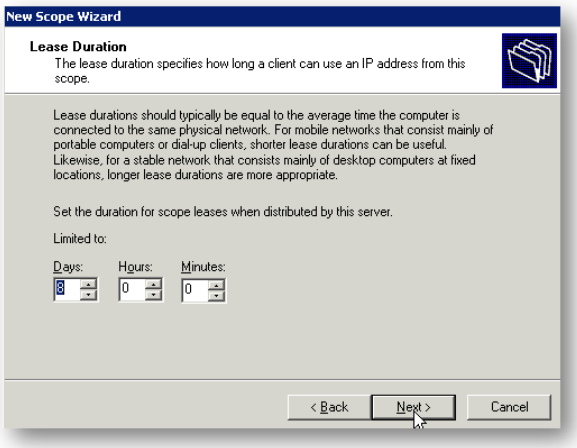

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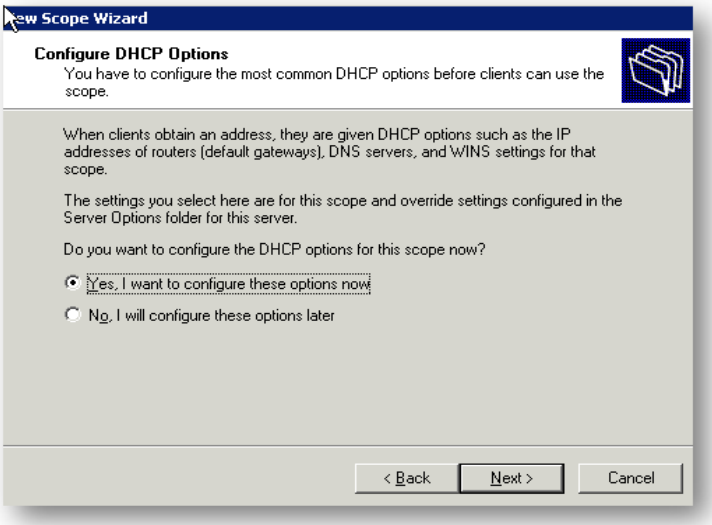

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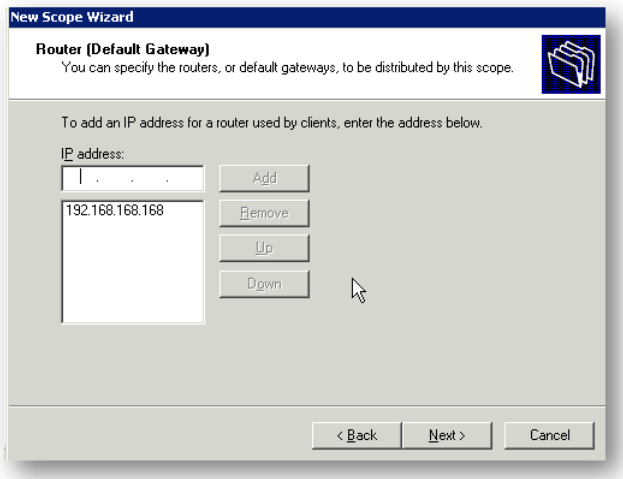

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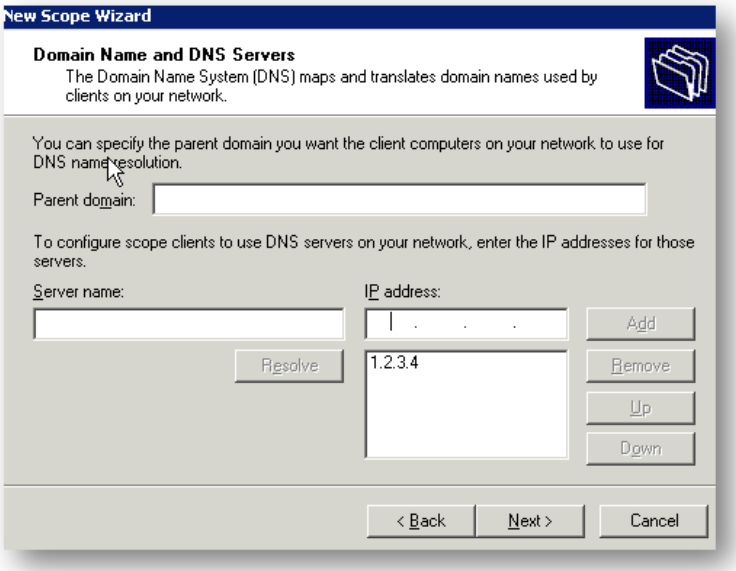

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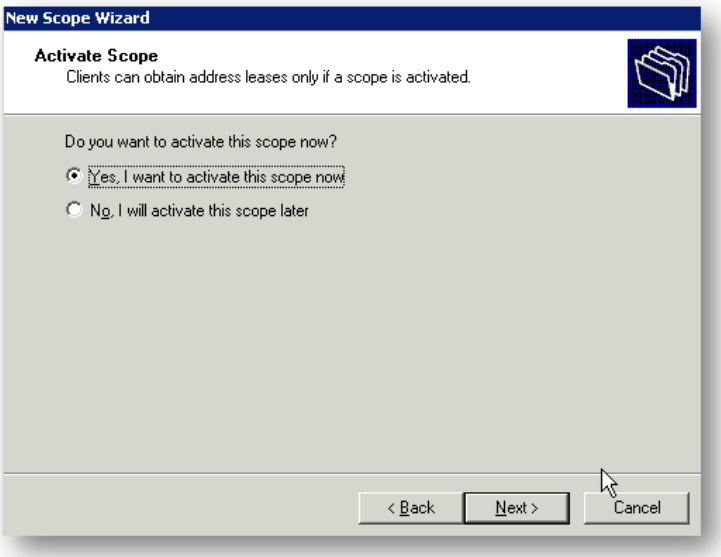

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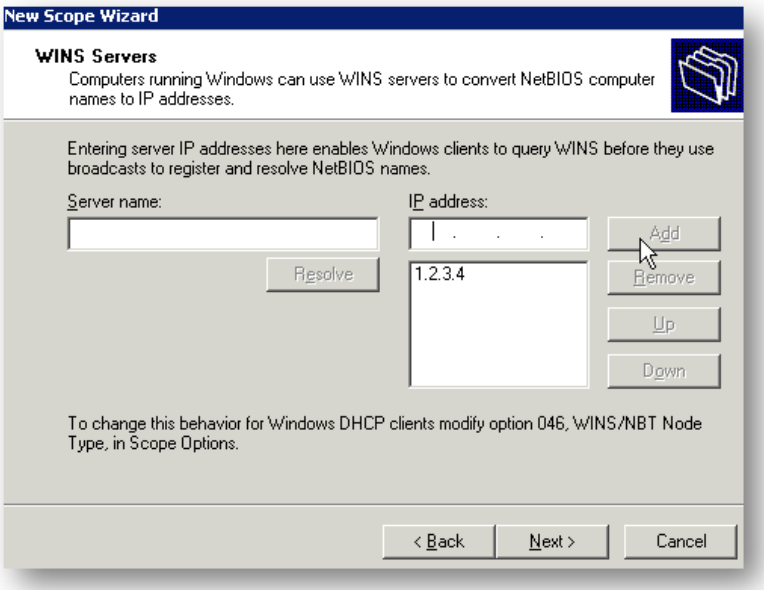

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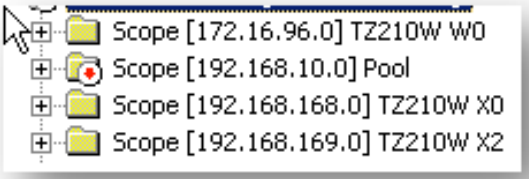

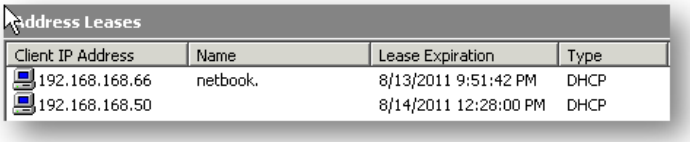

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RESOLUTION FOR SONICOS 6.5 AND LATER

SonicOS 6.5 was released September 2017. This release includes significant user interface changes and many new features that are different from the SonicOS 6.2 and earlier firmware. The below resolution is for customers using SonicOS 6.5 and later firmware.

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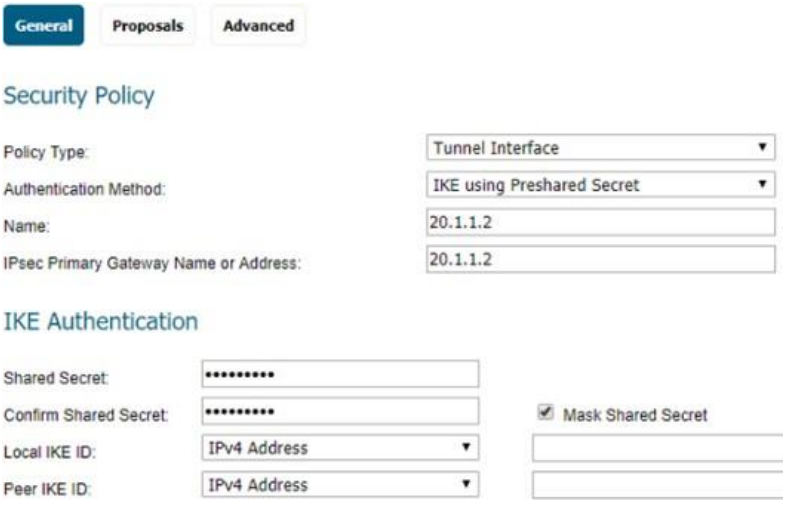

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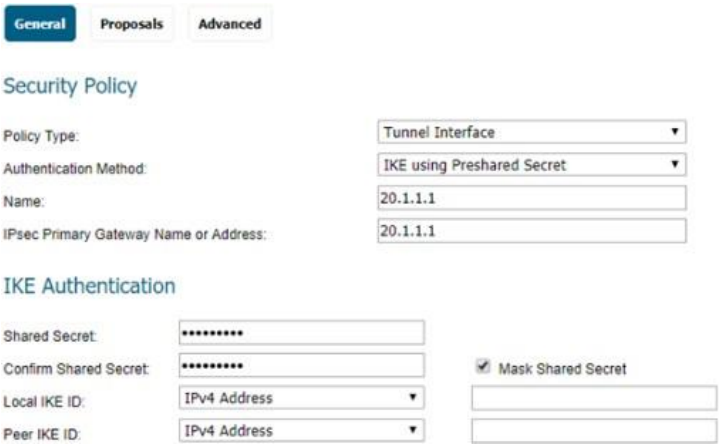

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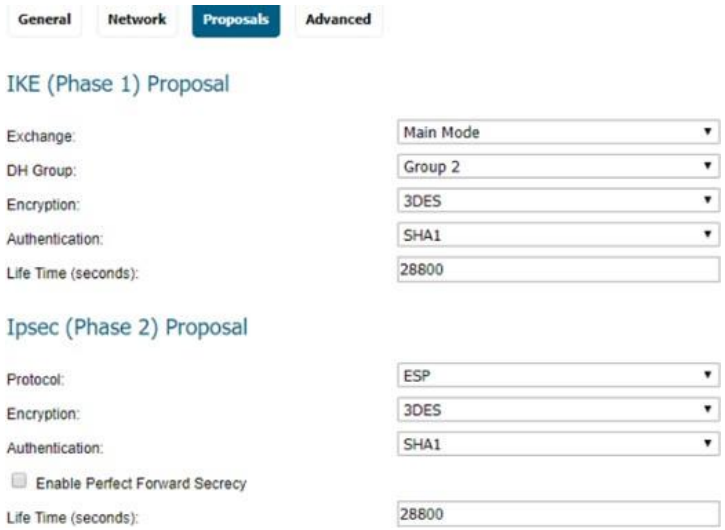

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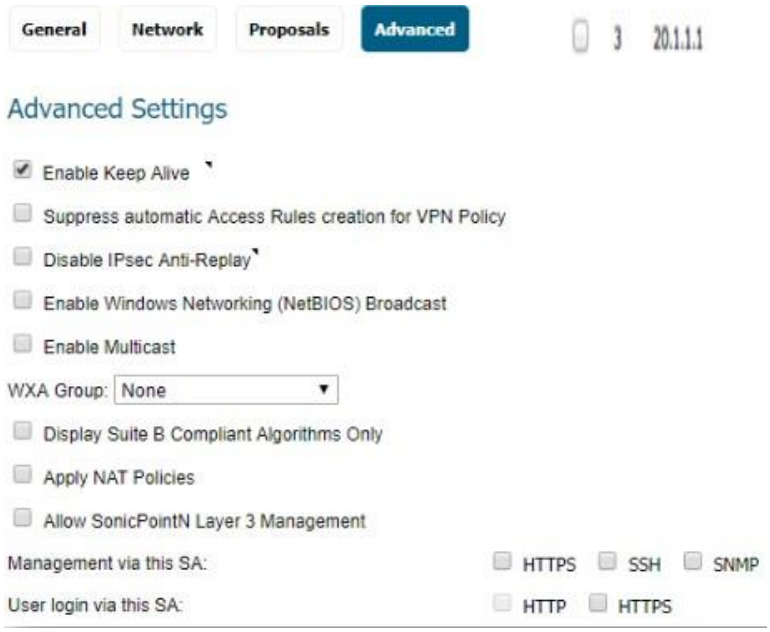

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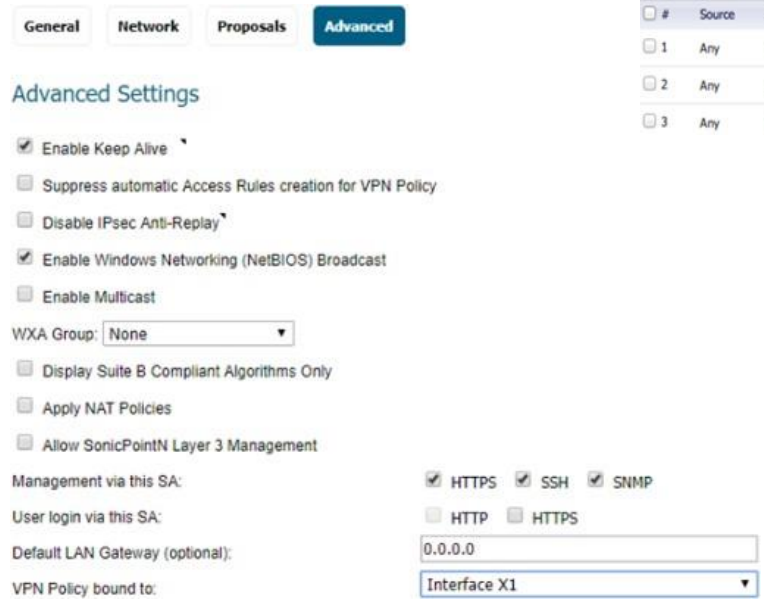

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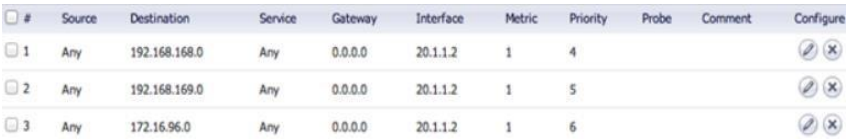

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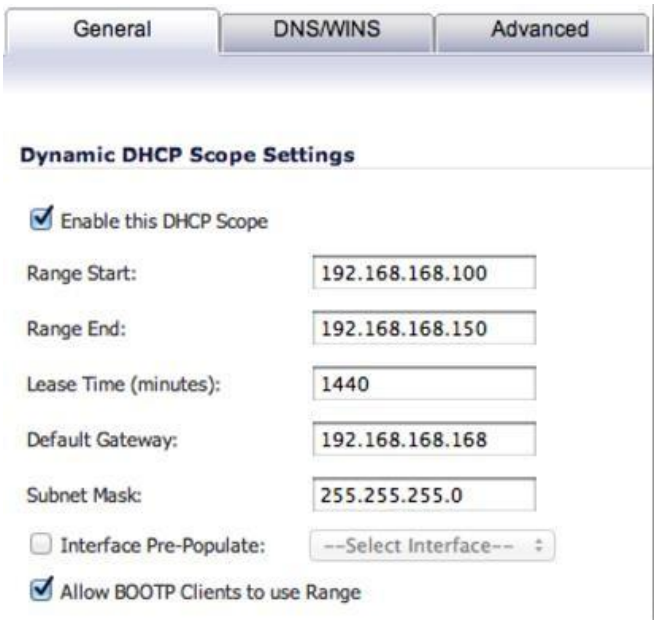

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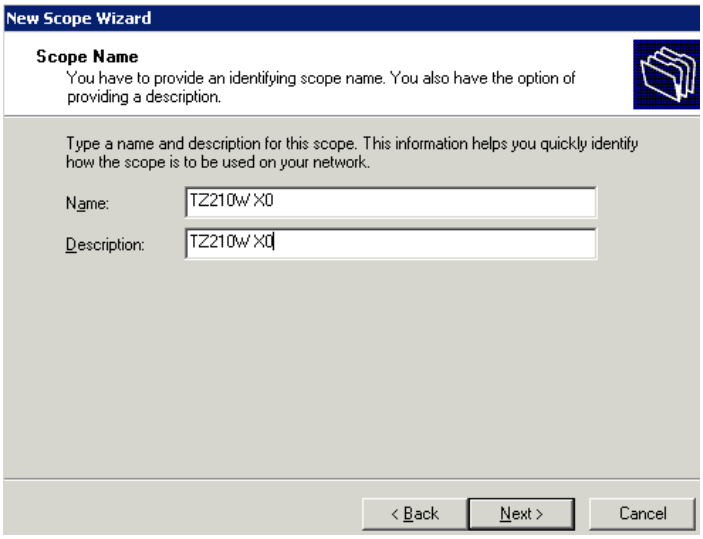

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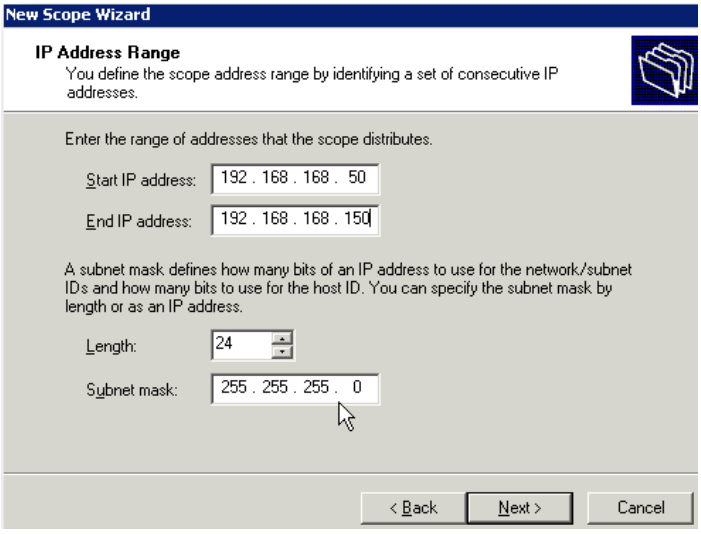

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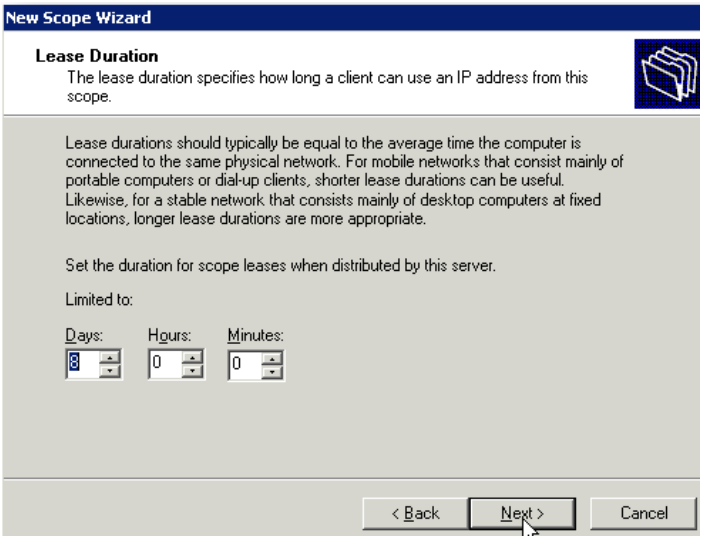

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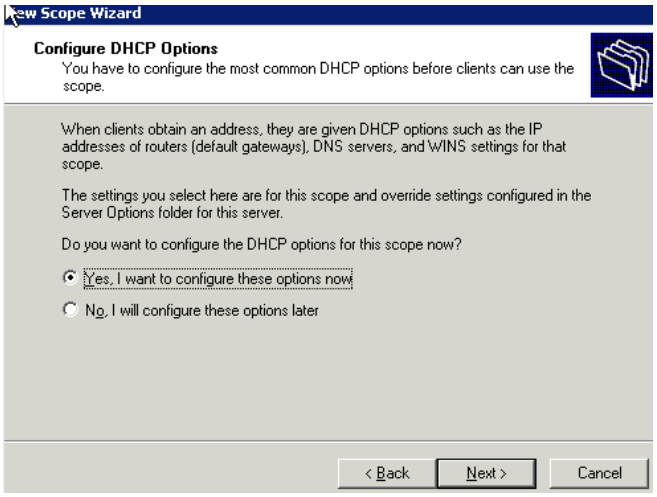

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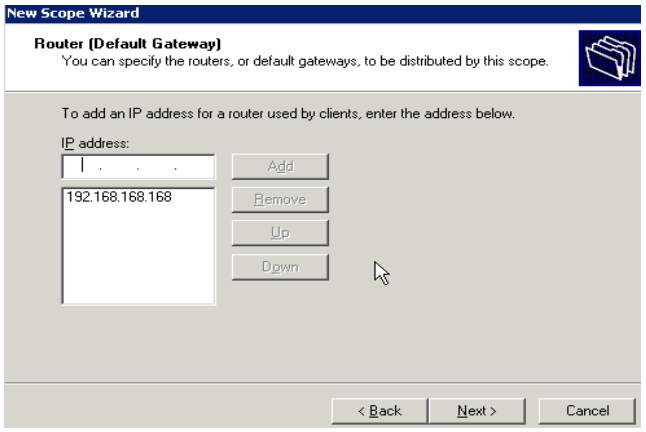

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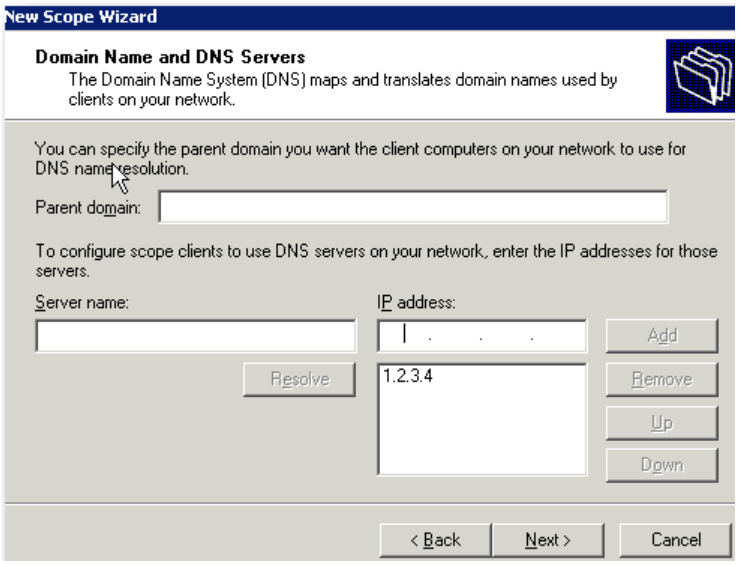

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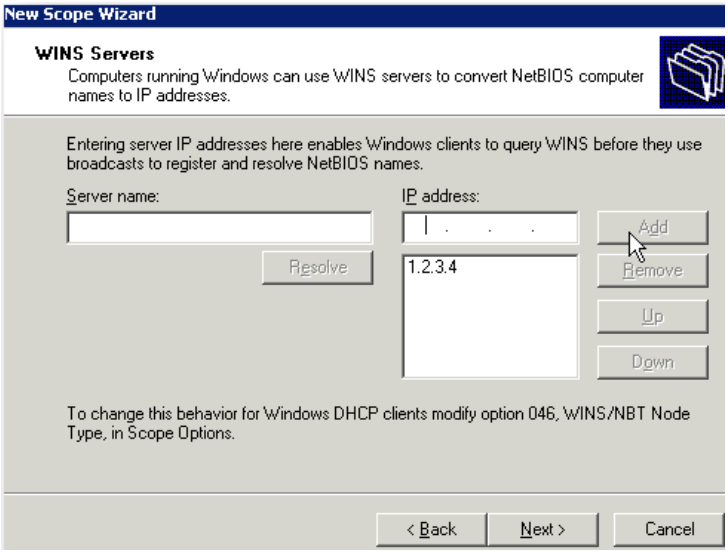

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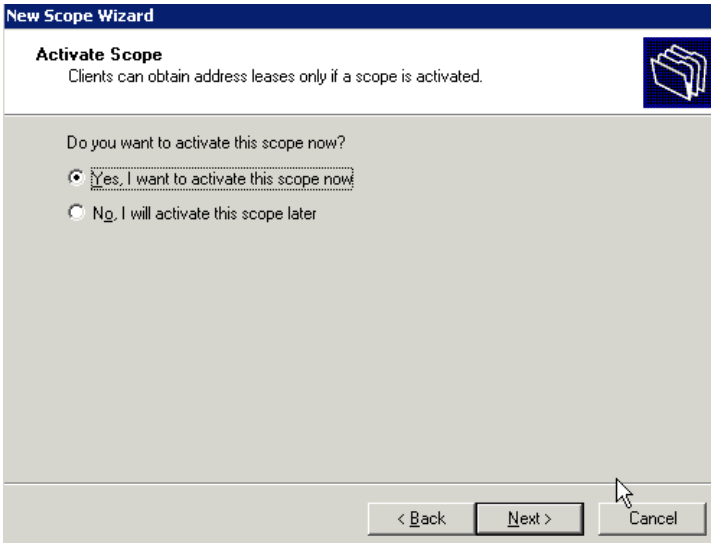

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