pfSense Docs - Correction #14084

Feedback on Virtual Private Networks — OpenVPN — OpenVPN Configuration Options — Client Specific Overrides

03/09/2023 05:46 AM - Marius Popa

Status:	Resolved		**Start date:**	
Priority:	Low		**Due date:**	
Assignee:	Jim Pingle		**% Done:**	100%
Category:	OpenVPN		**Estimated time:**	0.00 hour
Target version:				

Description

Page: https://docs.netgate.com/pfsense/en/latest/vpn/openvpn/configure-overrides.html
Using:

```
2.5.0-RELEASE (amd64)
built on Tue Feb 16 08:56:29 EST 2021
```

we have defined an OVPN server using ONLY user auth. In this case, client specific overrides are not working (not matching the username with the Common Name under client specific overrides). The solution is to tick the 'Username as Common Name' from the OVPN server config, but this should not be needed since we only use user auth. Perhaps the docs need improvement to highlight this is needed ?

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The name of the user which OpenVPN will match when a client connects. When using SSL/TLS authentic
ation this is the common name field of the certificate. When using user authentication this is the
 username.
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should become:

```
The name of the user which OpenVPN will match when a client connects. When using SSL/TLS authentic
ation this is the common name field of the certificate. When using user authentication this behavi
or is determined by the Username as Common Name option on the OpenVPN server.
```

Thank you

Feedback:

History

#1 - 03/09/2023 11:16 AM - Jim Pingle

- Assignee set to Jim Pingle

It's actually working as it should in that case, but you are right the docs could use some clarity on that.

Without a certificate you have no "common name". Selecting that option is the way to make it assume the common name is the username so it will match the overrides.

#2 - 03/09/2023 12:33 PM - Jim Pingle

- Status changed from New to Resolved

- % Done changed from 0 to 100

I pushed a correction for this, it will be live in ~10-15 minutes when the build finishes.