

## pfSense - Feature #3697

### New backup/restore area: Certificates

06/06/2014 04:50 AM - Dmitry K

<b>Status:</b>	New	<b>Start date:</b>	06/06/2014
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>		<b>% Done:</b>	0%
<b>Category:</b>	Backup / Restore	<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>	Future		
<b>Description</b>			
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#### History

##### #1 - 06/06/2014 02:33 PM - Jim Pingle

- Target version changed from 2.2 to Future

##### #2 - 02/02/2016 08:28 PM - Chris Buechler

- Subject changed from New area: Certificates to New backup/restore area: Certificates

##### #3 - 03/11/2017 10:58 AM - Kill Bill

Dmitriy K wrote:

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I don't think so. Imagine you have a bunch of certificates used for:

- webGUI
- OpenVPN
- IPsec
- bunch of different packages (Squid, haproxy, FreeRADIUS ...)
- local users
- ...

Now, you import some certificates backup not matching your current configuration (why'd you be importing it otherwise), and all of the above breaks.

Coding something like this frankly sounds like a nightmare.

##### #4 - 03/11/2017 11:14 AM - Dmitry K

OPNsense implemented it and it works like a charm. Few days ago I was prepping a replacement box and I thought I would die copy-pasting never ending certificates.

Honestly, I don't understand you. There are CAs and Certs ... it very easy to read them from xml. Who cares about previous cert assignation? Just

import "as is". I will assign them as I want. That's all.

**#5 - 03/11/2017 11:30 AM - Kill Bill**

Ah yeah, blindly replacing a config section is indeed absolutely no problem... Who cares that the GUI, VPNs and other services will crash. Afraid this is not the way coding is done in pfSense. If causing tons of collateral damage is OK with some random fork, you are free to use it.