ConnectWindow

Learn how to use the ConnectWindow config.txt directive to link remote users to their session using the /connect endpoint in EZproxy. **ConnectWindow** is a position-independent directive that interacts with the /connect endpoint that links a remote user to their session after authentication. By default, the /connect window is open for 60 seconds after a user authenticates. Entering the ConnectWindow directive with a smaller numeric value in config.txt will cause EZproxy to close the /connect window more quickly and make it more difficult for an unauthorized user to access the session.

This directive is compatible with EZproxy 6.1 and later.

**Syntax**

The complete syntax is:

```
ConnectWindow seconds
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**Qualifiers**

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**Example**

The following example would specify that the /connect window remain open for 5 seconds:

```
ConnectWindow 5
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This window should never be made smaller than the amount of time it might take a user to get from the redirect that occurs upon submitting valid credentials to the time the /connect request is sent by the browser and received by EZproxy. If you wish to reduce the time the connect window remains open, begin by entering a value smaller than 60, but larger than the time you think it will take to connect.

After entering this directive, you can enter:

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Audit Most
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in config.txt and monitor your /audit page for Session.ReconnectBlocked events. These may signal that an unauthorized user is attempting to connect to an authenticated user’s session using the /connect request, and you may want to investigate the IP address from which that user is attempting to authenticate.

**Related Directives**

- [Audit](https://help.oclc.org/Library_Management/EZproxy/Configure_resources/ConnectWindow)