

Clearswift Comparison Matrix



Thinking of moving to the Clearswift SECURE Email Gateway – or planning to stay with MIMESweeper for SMTP?

Get all the facts you need with this Clearswift SECURE Email Gateway versus MIMESweeper comparison matrix.

In 2002, Clearswift acquired Content Technologies from Baltimore Technologies, along with the MIMESweeper brand. Following this, Clearswift MIMESweeper for SMTP was built using the MIMESweeper content-aware filtering technology.

You may be an existing Clearswift client relying on MIMESweeper for SMTP to protect and enable your communications. But as technological innovations evolve, unfortunately so do the threats. The Clearswift SECURE Email Gateway is the evolution in email security, keeping one step ahead of the cyber criminals and insider threats and safeguarding your organization from the risks that exist today – and those to expect tomorrow. Implemented alongside Clearswift's unique Adaptive Redaction and Encryption features, the SECURE Email Gateway enables secure collaboration with your clients, suppliers and partners.

The below comparison matrix details the wide range of benefits that come with implementing the SECURE Email Gateway compared with those of MIMESweeper for SMTP, to provide guidance when choosing a long-term solution to support your cyber security strategy.



Feature	MIMESweeper for SMTP	Clearswift SECURE Email Gateway
AD/LDAP integration	Yes	Yes
Built-in AV	No, customer chooses vendor	Kaspersky AV and/or Sophos AV
Active Content Detection Filters	No	Yes
Active Content Detection Sanitization	HTML body only	HTML, Office, OpenOffice, PDF (cost option)
Reputation Filters	No	Yes
GreyListing	Yes	Yes
SPF checking	No	Yes
DKIM support	No	Yes
Bayesian filters	Yes	Integrated
Signature filters	Yes	Yes
Spam URL DB	Yes	Integrated
SMTP Auth	Yes	Yes
Built-in reporting	Yes	Yes
Automated delivery of reports	No	Yes
DB support	SQL Express, Server 2012/2014 required	Postgres SQL database supplied
DB Maintenance	Manual	Automatic
Operating System support	Windows 2008/2012 OS required	Red Hat Linux OS included
End user message release (via Portal)	Yes	Yes

Feature	MIMESweeper for SMTP	Clearswift SECURE Email Gateway
End user whitelist	Yes	Yes
End user message Portal	Yes	Yes
Brandable end user release	No	Yes
iPhone App for end user release system	No	Yes
Inbound file controls	Yes	Yes
Outbound file controls	Yes	Yes
Text Analysis: Weighted words Regular expressions Boolean operators Dictionaries	Yes	Yes
Text Scan of Document Properties	No	Yes
Structured Data Import	No	Yes
Predefined Keyword search lists	PCI, SEC, SOX, Confidentiality, Profanity Lists	PCI, SEC, SOX, Confidentiality, Profanity Lists
Predefined Tokens	Credit Card, Social Security, IBAN, National Insurance	Credit Card, Social Security, IBAN, National Insurance
Customer defined token	No	Yes
Keyword Search Languages	Supports over 200 character encodings	Supports over 200 character encodings
Structured Data Search - Import	No	Yes
Data Redaction	No	Text, HTML, Office, OpenOffice, PDF (cost option)
Document Sanitization	No	Office, OpenOffice, PDF (cost option)
File detection methods	File Signature, Extension, Checksum	File Signature, Extension, Checksum
Encryption options	3rd party extensions only	TLS included (standard) S/MIME, PGP and Password protected zips (cost option) Portal Based Encryption (cost option)
Image scanning	Yes (cost option)	Yes (included)
Message delay mechanism	No	Yes
RSS alerts	Yes	Yes
Delegated admin	Yes	Yes
Automatic patch download	No	Yes
Virtualization Support	VMware and Microsoft Hyper-V	VMware and Microsoft Hyper-V
Automated System Backup	No	Yes
HTML Informs	No	Yes
Manager Relationships	File	File or AD/LDAP
Directory Integration	LDAP	LDAP and LDAP/S
Notifications to	Sender,Recipient, Named Administrator	Sender,Recipient, Named Administrator, Line Manager
Message release via Inform	No	Yes
Message release notification	Yes	Yes
Copy Auditor on Message release	No	Yes
Alarms notification methods	UI	UI, Email, SNMP
Integrated System Diagnostics	No	Yes
System log's accessible through product UI	No	Yes
Policy Rollback	No	Yes
Policy Change History	No	Yes
Identify Policy	Yes	Yes
Integration with IG server (Partial fingerprinting, Data Tracking)	No	Yes
FIPS support	No	Yes
Syslog support	requires 3rd party tools	Integrated
Policy Model	Hierarchical	Flat



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