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# Guide To Firewalls And Network Security: Intrusion Detection And VPNs



## **Synopsis**

This text is designed for the student and network administrator who need to learn the basics of network firewall security. It covers basic installation techniques, discusses how to make an intelligent choice of firewall technology, and presents basic firewall troubleshooting. It contains pedagogical features including chapter review questions, hands-on exercises and case projects that allow the reader to practice skills as they are learned. In addition, this text maps to the CheckPoint CCSA Certification.

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book was required for a Computer Forensics related class. There are many errors, not just typographical, but in concepts and technical information. At times it is filled with a mind-numbing number of details, much of which will be obsolete by the time you read this. In other areas it skips over important concepts leaving you lost. If you're hoping to learn more about network security you're better off looking elsewhere.

After browsing it twice, I finally put it down. It's very introductory, simple and not well-written to a newbie. It doesn't cover that much on Checkpoint... The rest you can get it from the Internet.

This book is used as the text book for my college course. The examples are ridiculous, the

exercises are nuts, and the definitions are strange. "This book is not intended to be read in sequence, from beginning to end." (from the book's introduction) Maybe the book isn't meant to be read at all. There is better information from O'Reilly and Cisco. Search for "firewall" on O'Reilly's site and you'll get better information than what's in this book and you'll save \$75. Get "The Best Damn Firewall Book Period" instead of this, sells it for \$37 and it gets 4 stars.

If I could put negative stars for this book I would. I am reading this book as a requirement for a network security course. This book by far has to be the most poorly written misleading book I've ever read. In the first chapter there is technically wrong information: The OSI reference model has a wrong layer numbered. I am surprised that colleges even bother to use it as a study guide\text book. The end of chapter questions are very misleading.

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