How to Use the LDAP Server Wizard in Nagios XI

Purpose

This document describes how to use the LDAP Server Wizard in Nagios XI to monitor an LDAP server. In this guide, we'll walk you through the step-by-step process of setting up the LDAP Server Wizard, enabling you to monitor your LDAP server to verify it is possible to bind to it.

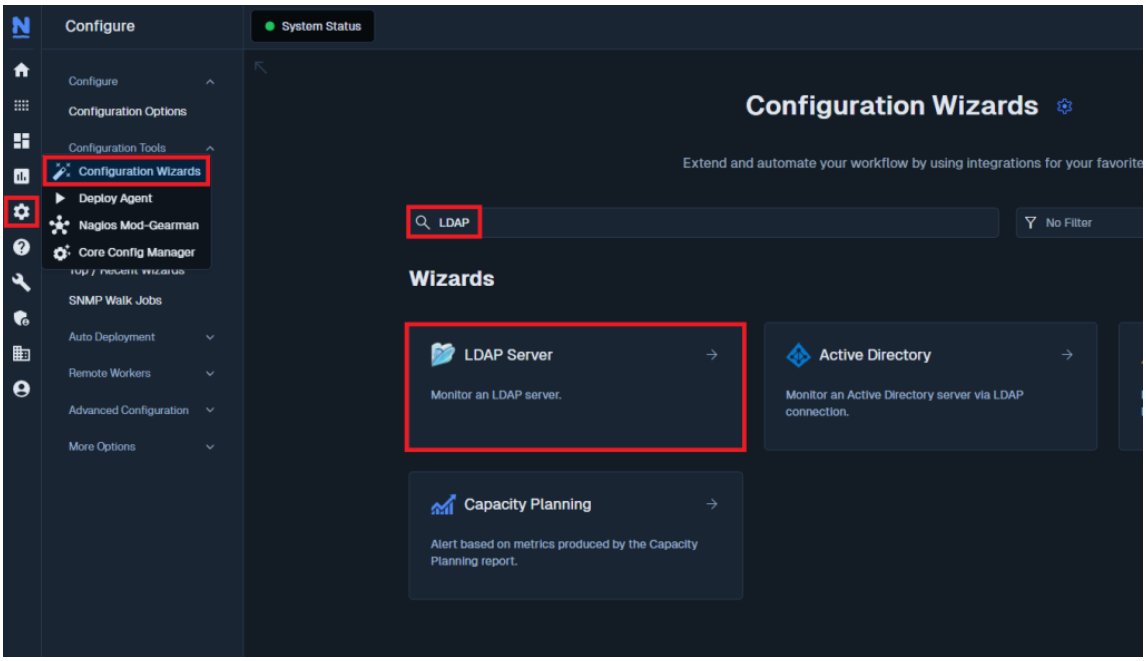
If you're using **Nagios XI 2024/2026**, please refer to the updated guide.

If you're actually looking for details on using LDAP for user authentication in Nagios XI you can find instructions here:

Authenticating and Importing Users with Active Directory in Nagios XI

Using the LDAP Server Wizard

To begin, start off by locating the LDAP Server Wizard. Navigate to **Configure > Configuration Wizards**. Search for 'LDAP' and click the **LDAP Server Wizard** .



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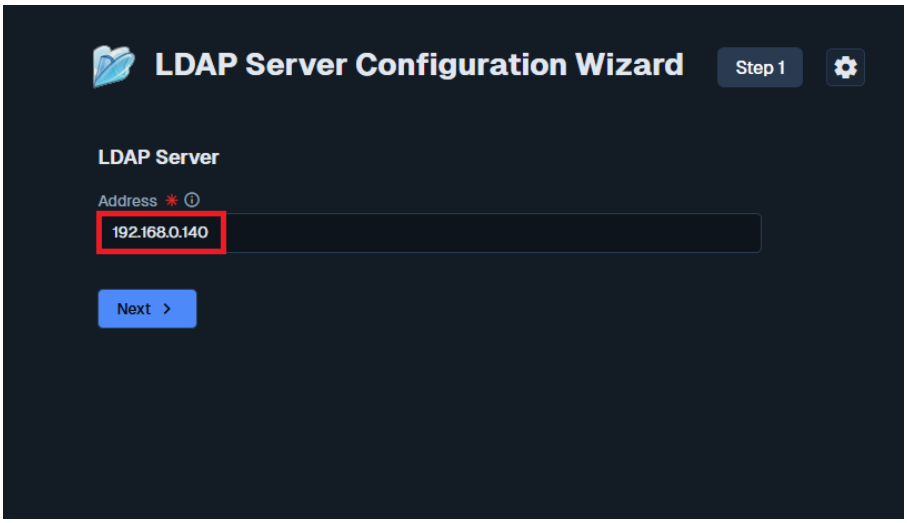
1. In **Step 1** of the wizard, enter the address of the LDAP Server. Click **Next**.



2. In **Step 2**, you will be prompted to put in various information regarding to your LDAP Server and how to connect:
    - **Address**(auto-filled) – The IP address of the LDAP server Nagios XI will connect to
    - **Host Name** – A descriptive name for the LDAP server to identify it within Nagios XI.
    - **LDAP Base** – The starting point in the LDAP directory tree for searches, usually in the format `dc=com`.
    - **Bind DN** – The distinguished name of the LDAP user that Nagios XI will use to authenticate and check the LDAP directory.
    - **Password** – The password associated with the Bind DN account.
    - **Version** – Specifies which version of the LDAP protocol to use (2 or 3).
    - **Security** – Determines the encryption method for LDAP connections:
        - **SSL** – Secure connection over TLS/SSL.
        - **STARTTLS** – Upgrades an unencrypted connection to TLS.
    - **Port Override** – The Port number that LDAP runs on. Defaults to 389 (unencrypted), or 636 (SSL).

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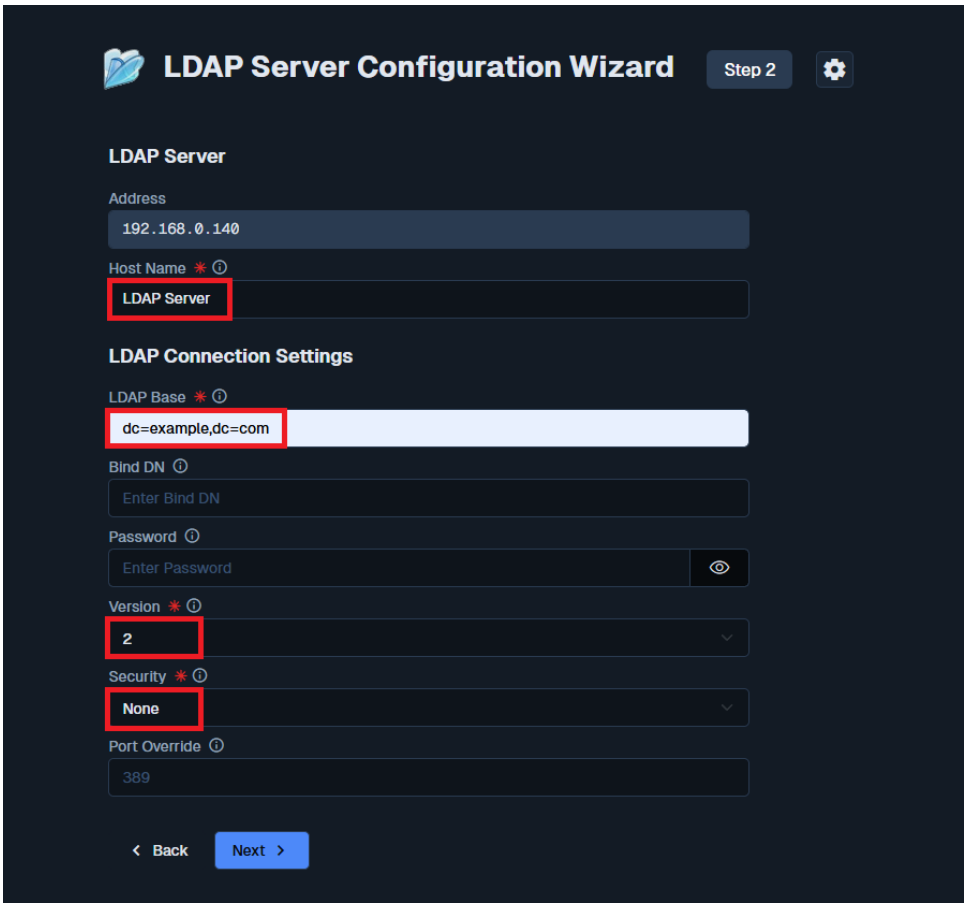

- When finished filling out this page, double check to ensure you have your desired settings then click **Next**.

3. Complete the wizard by choosing the required options in **Step 3 – Step 5**.

To finish up, click on **Finish** in the final step of the wizard. This will create the new host and services and begin monitoring.

Once the wizard applies the configuration, click **the View status details** for link to see the new service that was created.

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You can learn more about all of the wizard steps and settings here:

Understanding and Using Config Wizards in Nagios XI

Finishing Up

This completes the documentation on how to use the LDAP Server Wizard in Nagios XI. If you have additional questions or other support-related questions, please visit us at our Nagios Support Forum, Nagios Knowledge Base, or Nagios Library:

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