

# Configure file analysis


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File analysis enables you to specify files to be hashed with the SHA-256 hashing algorithm. File hashes that match a threat collection will generate a detection.


## Prerequisites

You must meet these requirements to view and configure file analysis on your ExtraHop system.

- The system must have a file analysis license key
- You must have [administration privileges](#) 

## Create a file filter

You can configure a file filter to specify which files are hashed on the system.

1. Log in to the ExtraHop system through `https://<extrahop-hostname-or-IP-address>`.
2. Click the System Settings icon  and then click **File Analysis**.
3. ...