

Re: Error 720 connecting to server via VPN

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In article <EA0A618B-4EF3-4335-8E82-0FCDB58DA631@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>, CraigHughes@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx says...

Port 1723 (PPTP) is allowed in my router for any WAN users to the server.

I've not got a rule for GRE (Port 43 I think) as I read it was a IP protocol rather than TCP or UDP. My router only allows TCP, UDP or TCP/UDP. Should I create a rule for port 43 as TCP/UDP?

My router is Netgear. I can't see any existing rule I can select for GRE or port 43.

GRE is not a port, you can't forward it.

Many home/residential routers, which are not real firewalls, don't support more than 2 PPTP sessions and some don't properly forward GRE.

720 is a common GRE error.

Some vendors have a "work around" of forwarding TCP 43 inbound, others forward UDP 43, still others forward TCP/UDP 43 inbound....

Since Netgear "Routers" are not firewalls, why not buy a firewall to properly protect your network and to PPTP into the firewall instead of the server.

Also, you mentioned that you allow HTTP (TCP 80) – why, that's a serious risk.

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Leythos

– Igitur qui desiderat pacem, praeparet bellum.

– Calling an illegal alien an "undocumented worker" is like calling a drug dealer an "unlicensed pharmacist"

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