

SQUINT™

USER GUIDE



FIREFOX: VERSION 1.1.2.2 – APR 02, 2020

INTRODUCTION

SQUINT™ (Social See Something, Say Something) is a browser plugin and mobile app that enables rapid social media situational awareness for state and local officials through crowd-sourced reporting. When you click on the SQUINT owl icon in your browser or submit a screenshot using the mobile app, the information is analyzed, and a clear and concise report is provided to your organization's point of contact for action.

SQUINT is supported on the latest versions of **Mozilla Firefox** and **Google Chrome**. This user guide is for the **Firefox Extension**.

INSTALLATION

FIREFOX

If you do not already have Firefox installed:

1. Go to: <https://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/new> from any browser, such as Microsoft Internet Explorer or Safari.
2. Click **Download Now** for the installer.
If using WINDOWS, allow the computer to make changes to your computer.
3. Run the Firefox Installation Program to install Firefox.

DOWNLOAD SQUINT

1. Copy and paste https://squint.mitre.org/firefox_extension/squint-1.1.2.1-fx.xpi into your Firefox browser.
2. It should show that the extension is downloading.
3. A popup should appear, notifying you that certain permissions are required. Click **Add**.



Add SQUINT

It requires your permission to:

- Access your data for all websites

[Learn more about permissions](#)



Figure 1: Firefox browser window with **Add** button.

CLIENT CERTIFICATES

SQUINT is only for authorized officials or members of the election security or emergency response communities. You will need a provisioned client certificate to authenticate your requests. You will need your personalized credentials, downloaded according to the instructions in your welcome email from enrollment@squint.mitre.org. You will also need the four-word case sensitive password that was texted to your personal mobile number.

1. Navigate to **about:preferences** by entering the URL into your browser. Alternately, navigate there from the right-hand hamburger menu and select **Preferences**.
2. Select **Privacy and Security** from the left-hand corner.
3. Scroll down to the Certificates section. Click on **View Certificates** to open the Certificate Manager.

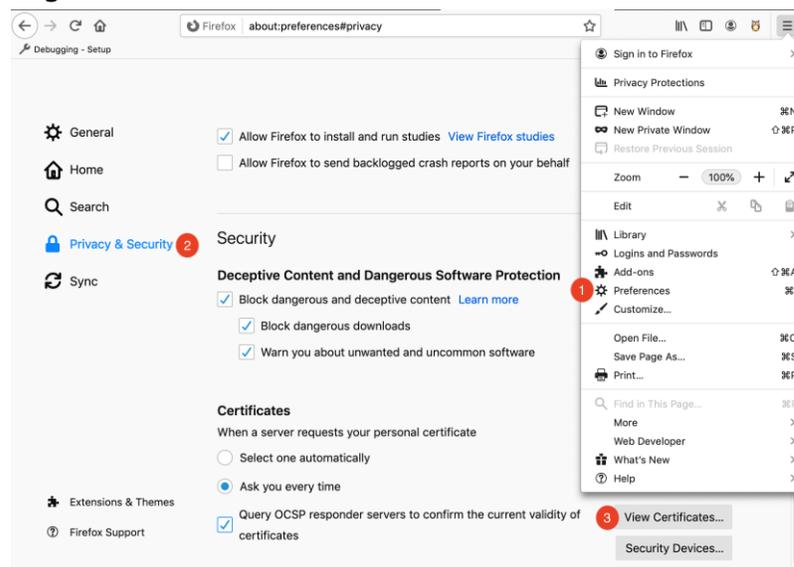


Figure 2: Steps 1-3 indicated by numbered red circles.

4. On the **Your Certificates** tab, click on **Import**. Use the file explorer to select your downloaded client certificate.

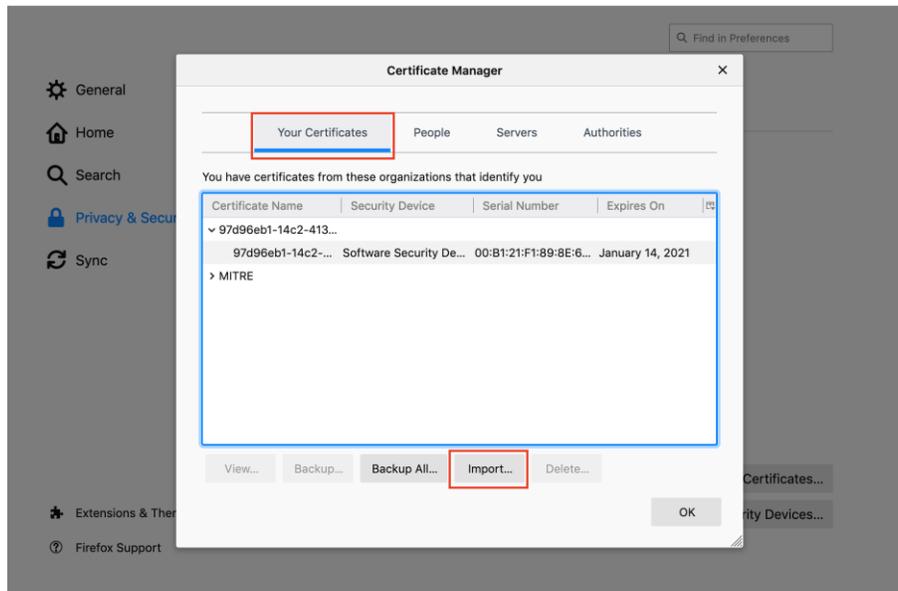


Figure 3: Firefox Certificate Manager. Your Certificates tab and Import button highlighted in red.

5. When prompted for a password, use the texted four-word case sensitive password.
6. Click **OK**.
7. Restart your browser.

SQUINTING WITH FIREFOX

Browse the internet as you normally would. When you see misinformation on a social media page that you want to report:

1. Click on the **Owl icon** (installed plugin) to open the menu.
2. Click **Capture** to make a report.
3. **Review** what was captured. Enter a short description if needed.
4. Click **Send Report**.

It's that easy! In response, you will receive a confirmation popup alert with a report ID, as well as a **Confirmation Report** from reports@squint.mitre.org.

The first time you are using the application, a pop-up will ask you to confirm the use of your client certificate.

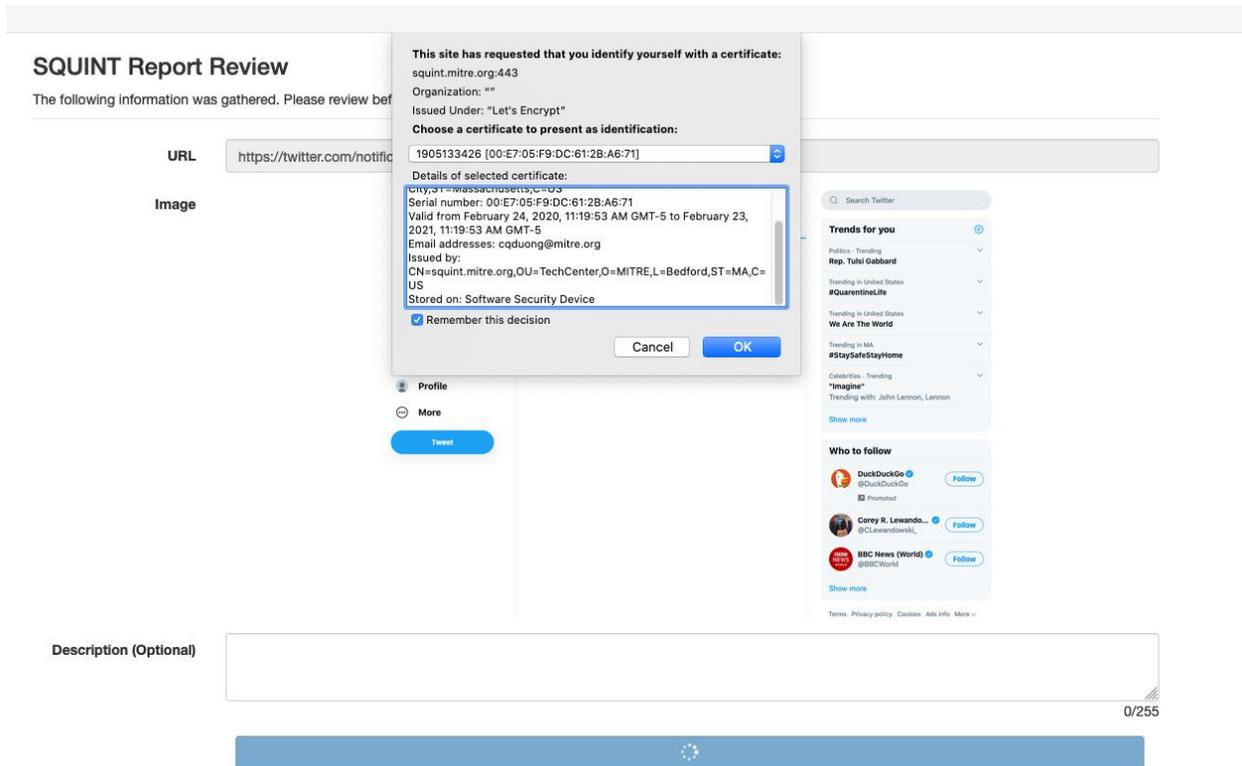


Figure 4: Using a client certificate.

Please email sqint@mitre.org for help or to provide feedback.

Start SQUINTing!