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F5 Collaborates With Red Hat to Drive Kubernetes and AI Application Security Forward With Expanded Solutions Portfolio

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Enhanced security capabilities powered by certified Red Hat OpenShift Operators deliver enterprise-grade performance for Kubernetes, AI applications, and modernized IT operations

SEATTLE--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- F5 (NASDAQ: FFIV), the global leader in delivering and securing every app and API, announced significant milestones in its **ongoing collaboration** with Red Hat, unveiling a suite of innovative solutions designed to address the critical needs of Kubernetes-native application protection, AI-powered application security, and IT modernization. United by a shared commitment to open standards, enterprise security, and scalable architectures, F5's new offerings deliver robust and repeatable security capabilities tailored to today's most pressing challenges in application delivery and lifecycle management.

Leading with Kubernetes transformation: F5 WAF for NGINX and NGINX Gateway Fabric

The first announcement is the debut of **F5 WAF for NGINX** on **NGINX Gateway Fabric**, bringing enterprise-grade Layer 7 protection to Kubernetes-native workflows and extending the capabilities of the **F5 Application Delivery and Security Platform** (ADSP) in Red Hat OpenShift environments. Now available via **certified Red Hat OpenShift Operator**, F5 WAF for NGINX delivers container-native app and API protection on NGINX Gateway Fabric, bringing OWASP Top 10 coverage and modern API security to Red Hat OpenShift through declarative, DevOps-ready security-as-code workflows while preserving open standards.

“Kubernetes and AI are reshaping application security, and F5 is meeting these challenges head-on. F5 WAF for NGINX supported by NGINX Gateway Fabric delivers enterprise-grade protection for Kubernetes-native workflows. Collaborations with Red Hat OpenShift AI accelerate secure AI innovation with pre-validated blueprints for solutions like **F5 AI Guardrails**. Together with Red Hat, F5 is driving the future of application security to align seamlessly with the needs of Kubernetes and AI-powered workflows, creating stronger, safer, and more scalable digital experiences,” said John Maddison, Chief Marketing Officer at F5.

Accelerating AI security: AI quickstart for F5 AI Guardrails and F5 AI Red Team

With AI revolutionizing how applications are developed, deployed, and secured, F5 has collaborated with Red Hat to introduce an **AI quickstart tailored for Red Hat OpenShift AI**. This **approach** focuses on equipping teams with pre-built, deployable blueprints that allow organizations to stand up and explore AI workflows on Red Hat OpenShift AI without starting from scratch. By leveraging the strength of Red Hat OpenShift AI, the collaboration empowers teams to accelerate AI initiatives with greater confidence.

To help organizations fast-track adoption, F5 is delivering AI quickstarts via Red Hat’s established framework, enabling enterprises to deploy validated chatbot architectures that address real-world risks across industries handling sensitive data.

Supporting materials

- Blog: **F5 AI Guardrails quickstart: Answering the hard questions**
- Blog: **F5 enhances security across Red Hat OpenShift environments**
- Catalog: **Secure model inference with F5 AI Guardrails**

About F5

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