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A lot of SSHv2 key may not be accepted by our devices.

Indeed its length must be of 1024 bits and in OpenSSH format.

Puttygen which is widely used to generate keys doesn't use these settings by default so just selecting ""SSH-2"" generating a key and saving it won't be enough.

So select the relevant size (1024) and export the generated key as an OpenSSH key (see screenshot).



Then the generated key can be uploaded and used by the devices.