



Release Notes for the Catalyst 3750, 3550, 2970, 2955, 2950, and 2950 LRE Switches, Cisco IOS Release 12.1(14)EA1a

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Cisco IOS Release 12.1(14)EA1a runs on these switches:

- Catalyst 3750
- Catalyst 3550
- Catalyst 2970
- Catalyst 2955
- Catalyst 2950
- Catalyst 2950 LRE



Note

Use these release notes with the information in the Cisco IOS Release 12.1(14)EA1 release notes for these specific switch platforms.



Note

Cisco IOS Release 12.1(14)EA1a is compatible with Catalyst 3750 switch stacks containing stack members running Cisco IOS Release 12.1(14)EA1. We recommend upgrading the entire switch stack to Cisco IOS Release 12.1(14)EA1a if at least one stack member is running this release.

These release notes include important information about this release and any caveats that apply to it. See the [“Related Documentation” section on page 4](#) for links to the switch documentation on Cisco.com.



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Resolved Caveat Common to All Switches Supporting this Release

- CSCeb81446
The switches can now authenticate 802.1X clients running the Open 1x supplicant on Linux or the Meetinghouse supplicant on the MacOS.

Resolved Caveats Specific to the Catalyst 3750 and 2970 Switches for this Release

- CSCeb73685
Jumbo frames, when enabled by using the `system mtu jumbo size` global configuration command, no longer halt the switch CPU.
- CSCeb77723
The switch no longer drops small IP packets (less than 46 bytes in size, including the IP header and payload) that are routed through Cisco Express Forwarding (CEF).

Resolved Caveats Specific to the Catalyst 3750 Switches for this Release

- CSCeb77693
Virtual Terminal Protocol (VTP) pruning works properly even when the switch stack is the Spanning Tree Protocol (STP) root.
- CSCec06476
After the switch stack reloads, VLAN access control list (ACL) configurations are retained on the correct VLANs.

Which Software Files to Download from Cisco.com

New software releases are posted on Cisco.com and are also available through authorized resellers. These tables list the software filenames for this software release:

- [Table 1](#) (Catalyst 3750)
- [Table 2](#) (Catalyst 3550)
- [Table 3](#) (Catalyst 2970)
- [Table 4](#) (Catalyst 2955)
- [Table 5](#) (Catalyst 2950)
- [Table 6](#) (Catalyst 2950 LRE)



Note

We recommend that you download the combined .tar file that contains the image file and the HTML files. For instructions on how to upgrade your switch, refer to the Cisco IOS Release 12.1(14)EA1 release notes for your switch platform.



Caution

The Catalyst 3550, 2955, 2950, and 2950LRE crypto images include a bootloader upgrade. The bootloader can take up to 30 seconds to upgrade. Do not power cycle the switch while you are copying this image to the switch. If a power failure occurs when you are copying this image to the switch, call Cisco Systems immediately.

Table 1 Cisco IOS Software Image Files for Catalyst 3750 Switches

Filename	Description
c3750-i9-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 3750 SMI image file
c3750-i9-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 3750 SMI image file and CMS files
c3750-i5-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 3750 EMI image file
c3750-i5-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 3750 EMI image file and CMS files
c3750-i9k2-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 3750 SMI crypto image file
c3750-i9k2-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 3750 SMI crypto image file and CMS files
c3750-i5k2-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 3750 EMI crypto image file
c3750-i5k2-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 3750 EMI crypto image file and CMS files

Table 2 Cisco IOS Software Image Files for Catalyst 3550 Switches

Filename	Description
c3550-i9q3l2-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 3550 SMI image file
c3550-i9q3l2-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 3550 SMI image file and CMS files
c3550-i5q3l2-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 3550 EMI image file
c3550-i5q3l2-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 3550 EMI image file and CMS files
c3550-i9k2l2q3-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 3550 SMI crypto image file
c3550-i9k2l2q3-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 3550 SMI crypto image file and CMS files
c3550-i5k2l2q3-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 3550 EMI crypto image file
c3550-i5k2l2q3-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 3550 EMI crypto image file and CMS files

Table 3 Cisco IOS Software Image Files for Catalyst 2970 Switches

Filename	Description
c2970-i612-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 2970 image file
c2970-i612-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 2970 image file and CMS files
c2970-i6k212-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 2970 crypto image file
c2970-i6k212-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 2970 crypto image file and CMS files

Table 4 Cisco IOS Software Image Files for Catalyst 2955 Switches

Filename	Description
c2955-i6q4l2-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 2955 SI and EI image files
c2955-i6q4l2-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 2955 SI and EI image files and CMS files
c2955-i6k2l2q4-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 2955 SI and EI crypto image files
c2955-i6k2l2q4-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 2955 SI and EI crypto image files and CMS files

Table 5 Cisco IOS Software Image Files for Catalyst 2950 Switches

Filename	Description
c2950-i6q4l2-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 2950 SI and EI image files
c2950-i6q4l2-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 2950 SI and EI image files and CMS files
c2950-i6k2l2q4-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 2950 SI and EI crypto image files
c2950-i6k2l2q4-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 2950 SI and EI crypto image files and CMS files

Table 6 Cisco IOS Software Image Files for Catalyst 2950 LRE Switches

Filename	Description
c2950lre-i6l2q4-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 2950 LRE image file
c2950lre-i6l2q4-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 2950 LRE image file and CMS files
c2950lre-i6k2l2q4-mz.121-14.EA1a.bin	Catalyst 2950 LRE crypto image file
c2950lre-i6k2l2q4-tar.121-14.EA1a.tar	Catalyst 2950 LRE crypto image file and CMS files

Related Documentation

These documents provide complete information about the switches and are available at Cisco.com:

- For Catalyst 3750: <http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/lan/cat3750/index.htm>
- For Catalyst 3550: <http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/lan/c3550/index.htm>
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