



## Per VRF for TACACS Servers

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The Per VRF for TACACS+ Servers feature allows per virtual route forwarding (per VRF) to be configured for authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) on TACACS+ servers.

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## Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest feature information and caveats, see the release notes for your platform and software release. To find information about the features documented in this module, and to see a list of the releases in which each feature is supported, see the Feature Information Table at the end of this document.

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## Prerequisites for Per VRF for TACACS Servers

- TACACS+ server access is required.
- Experience configuring TACACS+, AAA and per VRF AAA, and group servers is necessary.

## Restrictions for Per VRF for TACACS Servers

- The VRF instance must be specified before per VRF for a TACACS+ server is configured.

## Information About Per VRF for TACACS Servers

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## Per VRF for TACACS Servers Overview

The Per VRF for TACACS+ Servers feature allows per VRF AAA to be configured on TACACS+ servers. Prior to Cisco IOS Release 12.3(7)T, this functionality was available only on RADIUS servers.

## How to Configure Per VRF for TACACS Servers

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## Configuring Per VRF on a TACACS Server

The initial steps in this procedure are used to configure AAA and a server group, create a VRF routing table, and configure an interface. Steps 10 through 13 are used to configure the per VRF on a TACACS+ server feature:

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip vrf vrf-name**
4. **rd route-distinguisher**
5. **exit**
6. **interface interface-name**
7. **ip vrf forwarding vrf-name**
8. **ip address ip-address mask [secondary]**
9. **exit**
10. **aaa group server tacacs+ group-name**
11. **server-private {ip-address | name} [nat] [single-connection] [port port-number] [timeout seconds] [key [0 | 7] string]**
12. **ip vrf forwarding vrf-name**
13. **ip tacacs source-interface subinterface-name**
14. **exit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<p><b>enable</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router&gt; enable</pre>	<p>Enables privileged EXEC mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<p><b>configure terminal</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	<p>Enters global configuration mode.</p>
Step 3	<p><b>ip vrf <i>vrf-name</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config)# ip vrf cisco</pre>	<p>Configures a VRF table and enters VRF configuration mode.</p>
Step 4	<p><b>rd <i>route-distinguisher</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config-vrf)# rd 100:1</pre>	<p>Creates routing and forwarding tables for a VRF instance.</p>
Step 5	<p><b>exit</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config-vrf)# exit</pre>	<p>Exits VRF configuration mode.</p>
Step 6	<p><b>interface <i>interface-name</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config)# interface Loopback0</pre>	<p>Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.</p>
Step 7	<p><b>ip vrf forwarding <i>vrf-name</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config-if)# ip vrf forwarding cisco</pre>	<p>Configures a VRF for the interface.</p>

Command or Action	Purpose
<p><b>Step 8</b> <code>ip address <i>ip-address mask</i> [secondary]</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config-if)# ip address 10.0.0.2 255.0.0.0</pre>	Sets a primary or secondary IP address for an interface.
<p><b>Step 9</b> <code>exit</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config-if)# exit</pre>	Exits interface configuration mode.
<p><b>Step 10</b> <code>aaa group server tacacs+ <i>group-name</i></code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config)# aaa group server tacacs+ tacacs1</pre>	Groups different TACACS+ server hosts into distinct lists and distinct methods and enters server-group configuration mode.
<p><b>Step 11</b> <code>server-private {<i>ip-address   name</i>} [nat] [single-connection] [port <i>port-number</i>] [timeout <i>seconds</i>] [key [0   7] <i>string</i>]</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config-sg-tacacs+)# server-private 10.1.1.1 port 19 key cisco</pre>	Configures the IP address of the private TACACS+ server for the group server.
<p><b>Step 12</b> <code>ip vrf forwarding <i>vrf-name</i></code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config-sg-tacacs+)# ip vrf forwarding cisco</pre>	Configures the VRF reference of a AAA TACACS+ server group.
<p><b>Step 13</b> <code>ip tacacs source-interface <i>subinterface-name</i></code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config-sg-tacacs+)# ip tacacs source-interface Loopback0</pre>	Uses the IP address of a specified interface for all outgoing TACACS+ packets.
<p><b>Step 14</b> <code>exit</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router (config-sg-tacacs)# exit</pre>	Exits server-group configuration mode.

## Verifying Per VRF for TACACS Servers

To verify the per VRF TACACS+ configuration, perform the following steps:



### Note

The **debug** commands may be used in any order.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **debug tacacs authentication**
3. **debug tacacs authorization**
4. **debug tacacs accounting**
5. **debug tacacs packets**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>debug tacacs authentication</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# debug tacacs authentication	Displays information about AAA/TACACS+ authentication.
Step 3	<b>debug tacacs authorization</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# debug tacacs authorization	Displays information about AAA/TACACS+ authorization.
Step 4	<b>debug tacacs accounting</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# debug tacacs accounting	Displays information about accountable events as they occur.

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<b>Step 5</b> <code>debug tacacs packets</code>  <b>Example:</b>  Router# <code>debug tacacs packets</code>	Displays information about TACACS+ packets.

## Configuration Examples for Per VRF for TACACS Servers

- [Configuring Per VRF for TACACS Servers Example, page 6](#)

### Configuring Per VRF for TACACS Servers Example

The following output example shows that the group server `tacacs1` is configured for per VRF AAA services:

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aaa group server tacacs+ tacacs1
  server-private 10.1.1.1 port 19 key cisco
  ip vrf forwarding cisco
  ip tacacs source-interface Loopback0
ip vrf cisco
rd 100:1
interface Loopback0
  ip address 10.0.0.2 255.0.0.0
  ip vrf forwarding cisco

```

## Additional References

The following sections provide references related to Per VRF for TACACS+ Servers..

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Configuring TACACS+	Configuring TACACS+ module.
Per VRF AAA	Per VRF AAA module.
Security commands	<i>Cisco IOS Security Command Reference</i>

### Standards

Standard	Title
No new or modified standards are supported by this	--
feature, and support for existing standards has not	
been modified by this feature.	

**MIBs**

MIB	MIBs Link
No new or modified MIBs are supported by this feature, and support for existing MIBs has not been modified by this feature.	To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL: <a href="http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs">http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs</a>

**RFCs**

RFC	Title
No new or modified RFCs are supported by this feature, and support for existing RFCs has not been modified by this feature.	--

**Technical Assistance**

Description	Link
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## Feature Information for Per VRF for TACACS Servers

The following table provides release information about the feature or features described in this module. This table lists only the software release that introduced support for a given feature in a given software release train. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that software release train also support that feature.

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**Table 1**      **Feature Information for Per VRF for TACACS+ Servers**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Per VRF for TACACS+ Servers	12.3(7)T 12.2(33)SRA1 12.2(33)SXI 12.2(33)SXH4 12.2(54)SG	<p>The Per VRF for TACACS+ Servers feature allows per virtual route forwarding (per VRF) to be configured for authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) on TACACS+ servers.</p> <p>This feature was introduced in Cisco IOS Release 12.3(7)T.</p> <p>This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRA1.</p> <p>This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SXI.</p> <p>This feature was integrated into Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SXH4.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>ip tacacs source-interface</b>, <b>ip vrf forwarding (server-group)</b>, <b>server-private (TACACS+)</b>.</p>

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