



# Configuring WLAN Security

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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.

Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform support and Cisco software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to <http://www.cisco.com/go/cfn>. An account on Cisco.com is not required.

## Prerequisites for Layer 2 Security

WLANs with the same SSID must have unique Layer 2 security policies so that clients can make a WLAN selection based on information advertised in beacon and probe responses. The available Layer 2 security policies are as follows:

- None (open WLAN)
- Static WEP or 802.1X



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**Note**

- Because static WEP and 802.1X are both advertised by the same bit in beacon and probe responses, they cannot be differentiated by clients. Therefore, they cannot both be used by multiple WLANs with the same SSID.
  - WLAN WEP is not supported in 1810w Access Point.
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- WPA/WPA2


**Note**

- Although WPA and WPA2 cannot be used by multiple WLANs with the same SSID, you can configure two WLANs with the same SSID with WPA/TKIP with PSK and Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA )/Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP) with 802.1X, or with WPA/TKIP with 802.1X or WPA/AES with 802.1X.
- A WLAN that is configured with TKIP support will not be enabled on an RM3000AC module.

**Related Topics**

- [Configuring Static WEP + 802.1X Layer 2 Security Parameters \(CLI\)](#), on page 2
- [Configuring Static WEP Layer 2 Security Parameters \(CLI\)](#), on page 3
- [Configuring WPA + WPA2 Layer 2 Security Parameters \(CLI\)](#), on page 4
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## Information About AAA Override

The AAA Override option of a WLAN enables you to configure the WLAN for identity networking. It enables you to apply VLAN tagging, Quality of Service (QoS), and Access Control Lists (ACLs) to individual clients based on the returned RADIUS attributes from the AAA server.

**Related Topics**

- [Configuring Advanced WLAN Properties \(CLI\)](#)
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## How to Configure WLAN Security

### Configuring Static WEP + 802.1X Layer 2 Security Parameters (CLI)

**Before you begin**

You must have administrator privileges.

**Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	configure terminal Example:	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device# <code>configure terminal</code>	
<b>Step 2</b>	<p><code>wlan profile-name</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <p>Device# <code>wlan test4</code></p>	Enters the WLAN configuration submenu. The <i>profile-name</i> is the profile name of the configured WLAN.
<b>Step 3</b>	<p><code>security static-wep-key { authentication { open   sharedkey }   encryption { 104   40 } [ ascii   hex ] { 0   8 } } wep-key wep-key-index1-4</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <p>Device(config-wlan)# <code>security static-wep-key encryption 40 hex 0 test 2</code></p>	<p>Configures static WEP security on a WLAN. The keywords and arguments are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>authentication</b>—Configures 802.11 authentication.</li> <li>• <b>encryption</b>—Sets the static WEP keys and indices.</li> <li>• <b>open</b>—Configures open system authentication.</li> <li>• <b>sharedkey</b>—Configures shared key authentication.</li> <li>• <b>104, 40</b>—Specifies the WEP key size.</li> <li>• <b>hex, ascii</b>—Specifies the input format of the key.</li> <li>• <i>wep-key-index</i> , <i>wep-key-index1-4</i>—Type of password that follows. A value of 0 indicates that an unencrypted password follows. A value of 8 indicates that an AES encrypted follows.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<p><code>end</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <p>Device(config)# <code>end</code></p>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode. Alternatively, you can also press <b>Ctrl-Z</b> to exit global configuration mode.

**Related Topics**

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## Configuring Static WEP Layer 2 Security Parameters (CLI)

**Before you begin**

You must have administrator privileges.

## Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>configure terminal</b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <code>configure terminal</code>	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>wlan <i>profile-name</i></b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <code>wlan test4</code>	Enters the WLAN configuration submode. The <i>profile-name</i> is the profile name of the configured WLAN.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>security static-wep-key [authentication {open   shared}   encryption {104   40} {ascii   hex} [0   8]]</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config-wlan)# <code>security static-wep-key authentication open</code>	The keywords are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>static-wep-key</b>—Configures Static WEP Key authentication.</li> <li>• <b>authentication</b>—Specifies the authentication type you can set. The values are open and shared.</li> <li>• <b>encryption</b>—Specifies the encryption type that you can set. The valid values are 104 and 40. 40-bit keys must contain 5 ASCII text characters or 10 hexadecimal characters. 104-bit keys must contain 13 ASCII text characters or 26 hexadecimal characters</li> <li>• <b>ascii</b>—Specifies the key format as ASCII.</li> <li>• <b>hex</b>—Specifies the key format as HEX.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>end</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <code>end</code>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode. Alternatively, you can also press <b>Ctrl-Z</b> to exit global configuration mode.

## Related Topics

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## Configuring WPA + WPA2 Layer 2 Security Parameters (CLI)



**Note** The default security policy is WPA2.

### Before you begin

You must have administrator privileges.

## Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>configure terminal</b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <code>configure terminal</code>	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>wlan profile-name</b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <code>wlan test4</code>	Enters the WLAN configuration submenu. The <i>profile-name</i> is the profile name of the configured WLAN.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>security wpa</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config-wlan) # <code>security wpa</code>	Enables WPA.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>security wpa wpa1</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config-wlan) # <code>security wpa wpa1</code>	Enables WPA1.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>security wpa wpa1 ciphers [aes   tkip]</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config-wlan) # <code>security wpa wpa1 ciphers aes</code>	Specifies the WPA1 cipher. Choose one of the following encryption types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>aes</b>—Specifies WPA/AES support.</li> <li>• <b>tkip</b>—Specifies WPA/TKIP support.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>security wpa wpa2</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config-wlan) # <code>security wpa</code>	Enables WPA 2.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>security wpa wpa2 ciphers [aes   tkip]</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config-wlan) # <code>security wpa wpa2 ciphers tkip</code>	Configure WPA2 cipher. Choose one of the following encryption types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>aes</b>—Specifies WPA/AES support.</li> <li>• <b>tkip</b>—Specifies WPA/TKIP support.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 8</b>	<b>end</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config) # <code>end</code>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode. Alternatively, you can also press <b>Ctrl-Z</b> to exit global configuration mode.

## Related Topics

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## Configuring 802.1X Layer 2 Security Parameters (CLI)

### Before you begin

You must have administrator privileges.

### Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>configure terminal</b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <b>configure terminal</b>	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>wlan profile-name</b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <b>wlan test4</b>	Enters the WLAN configuration submenu. The <i>profile-name</i> is the profile name of the configured WLAN.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>security dot1x</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config-wlan)# <b>security dot1x</b>	Specifies 802.1X security.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>security [authentication-list auth-list-name   encryption {0   104   40}]</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config-wlan)# <b>security encryption 104</b>	The keywords and arguments are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>authentication-list</b>—Specifies the authentication list for IEEE 802.1X.</li> <li>• <b>encryption</b>—Specifies the length of the CKIP encryption key. The valid values are 0, 40, and 104. Zero (0) signifies no encryption. This is the default.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> All keys within a WLAN must be of the same size.</p>
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>end</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>end</b>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode. Alternatively, you can also press <b>Ctrl-Z</b> to exit global configuration mode.

### Related Topics

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## Additional References

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
WLAN command reference	<i>WLAN Command Reference, Cisco IOS XE Release 3SE (Catalyst 3650 Switches)</i>
Security configuration guide	<i>Security Configuration Guide (Catalyst 3650 Switches)</i>

### Error Message Decoder

Description	Link
To help you research and resolve system error messages in this release, use the Error Message Decoder tool.	<a href="https://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Support/Errordecoder/index.cgi">https://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Support/Errordecoder/index.cgi</a>

### MIBs

MIB	MIBs Link
All supported MIBs for this release.	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>

### Technical Assistance

Description	Link
<p>The Cisco Support website provides extensive online resources, including documentation and tools for troubleshooting and resolving technical issues with Cisco products and technologies.</p> <p>To receive security and technical information about your products, you can subscribe to various services, such as the Product Alert Tool (accessed from Field Notices), the Cisco Technical Services Newsletter, and Really Simple Syndication (RSS) Feeds.</p> <p>Access to most tools on the Cisco Support website requires a Cisco.com user ID and password.</p>	<a href="http://www.cisco.com/support">http://www.cisco.com/support</a>

## Feature Information about WLAN Layer 2 Security

This table lists the features in this module and provides links to specific configuration information.

Feature Name	Release	Feature Information
WLAN Security functionality	Cisco IOS XE 3.3SE Cisco IOS XE 3.3SE	This feature was introduced.