

UCC 5G UPF Release Notes, Release 2024.04.2

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Ultra Cloud Core User Plane Function

Introduction

This Release Notes identifies changes and issues related to this software release.

Release Lifecycle Milestones

Release Lifecycle Milestone	Milestone	Date
First Customer Ship	FCS	30-Oct-2024
End of Life	EoL	30-Oct-2024
End of Software Maintenance	EoSM	30-Apr-2026
End of Vulnerability and Security Support	EoVSS	30-Apr-2026
Last Date of Support	LDoS	30-Apr-2027

These milestones and the intervals between them are defined in the Cisco Ultra Cloud Core (UCC) Software Release Lifecycle Product Bulletin available on cisco.com.

Release Package Version Information

Software Packages	Version
companion-vpc-2024.04.2.zip.SPA.tar.gz	2024.04.2 (21.28.m32.96196)
qvpc-si-2024.04.2.bin.SPA.tar.gz	2024.04.2 (21.28.m32.96196)
qvpc-si-2024.04.2.qcow2.zip.SPA.tar.gz	2024.04.2 (21.28.m32.96196)
NED package	ncs-6.1.14-cisco-staros-5.54
NSO	6.1.14

Use this link to download the NED package associated with the software.

Descriptions for the various packages provided with this release are available in the Release Package Descriptions, on page 6 section.

Verified Compatibility

Products	Version
ADC Plugin	2.74.3.2488
RCM	2024.04.0
Ultra Cloud Core SMI	2024.04.1.14
Ultra Cloud Core SMF	2024.04.1

What's New in this Release

Features and Enhancements

There are no features introduced in this release.

Behavior Changes

There are no behavior changes introduced in this release.

Installation and Upgrade Notes

This Release Note does not contain general installation and upgrade instructions. Refer to the existing installation documentation for specific installation and upgrade considerations.

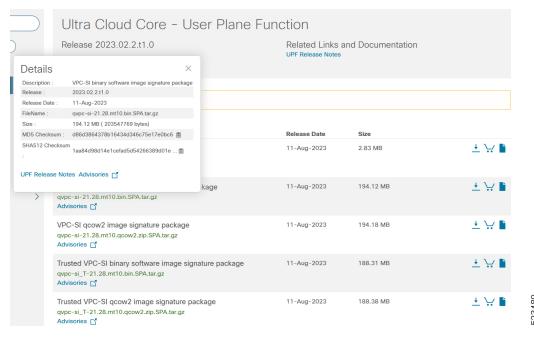
Software Integrity Verification

To verify the integrity of the software image you have from Cisco, you can validate the SHA512 checksum information against the checksum identified by Cisco for the software.

Image checksum information is available through **Cisco.com Software Download Details**. To find the checksum, hover the mouse pointer over the software image you have downloaded.

The following screenshot is an example of a UPF release posted in the Software Download page.

Figure 1:



At the bottom you find the SHA512 checksum, if you do not see the whole checksum you can expand it by pressing the "..." at the end.

To validate the information, calculate a SHA512 checksum using the information in Table 1 and verify that it matches either the one provided on the software download page.

To calculate a SHA512 checksum on your local desktop, refer to the following table.

Table 1: Checksum Calculations per Operating System

Operating System	SHA512 checksum calculation command examples	
Microsoft Windows	Open a command line window and type the following command:	
	> certutil.exe -hashfile filename.extension SHA512	
Apple MAC	Open a terminal window and type the following command:	
	\$ shasum -a 512 filename.extension	
Linux	Open a terminal window and type the following command:	
	\$ sha512sum filename.extension	
	OR	
	\$ shasum -a 512 filename.extension	
MOTEC.		

NOTES:

filename is the name of the file.

extension is the file extension (for example, .zip or .tgz).

If the SHA512 checksum matches, you can be sure that no one has tampered with the software image or the image has not been corrupted during download.

If the SHA512 checksum does not match, we advise you to not attempt upgrading any systems with the corrupted software image. Download the software again and verify the SHA512 checksum again. If there is a constant mismatch, please open a case with the Cisco Technical Assistance Center.

Certificate Validation

UPF software images are signed via x509 certificates. Please view the .README file packaged with the software for information and instructions on how to validate the certificates.

Open Bugs for this Release

The following table lists the open bugs in this specific software release.



Note

This software release may contain open bugs first identified in other releases. Additional information for all resolved bugs for this release are available in the Cisco Bug Search Tool.

Bug ID	Headline
CSCwn53437	sct restarted at xdr_sn_evlg_evt_trap_specific_info_t()

Resolved Bugs for this Release

The following table lists the resolved bugs in this specific software release.



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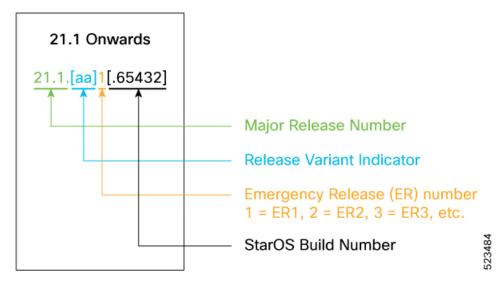
Bug ID	Headline	Behavior Change
CSCwn02384	Multiple sessmgr ,aaamgr, vpnmgr, hatsystem restarts with evlogd at 100% cpu leading to call loss	No
CSCwn49098	Incorrect reduction matrix sent when Overload factor value is 100	No

Operator Notes

StarOS Version Numbering System

The output of the **show version** command displays detailed information about the version of StarOS currently running on the ASR 5x00 or Cisco Virtualized Packet Core platform.

The Version Build Number for releases 21.1 and later include a major and emergency release number, for example, "21.1.1".



The appropriate version number field increments after a version has been released. The new version numbering format is a contiguous sequential number that represents incremental changes between releases. This format facilitates identifying the changes between releases when using Bug Search Tool to research software releases.



Note

The 5G UPF software is based on StarOS and implements the version numbering system described in this section. However, as a 5G network function (NF), it is posted to Cisco.com under the Cloud Native Product Numbering System as described in Cloud Native Product Version Numbering System, on page 5.

Cloud Native Product Version Numbering System

The show helm list command displays detailed information about the version of the cloud native product currently deployed.

Versioning: Format & Field Description

YYYY.RN.MN[.TTN] [.dN] [.MR][.iBN]

Where, YYYY → 4 Digit year. TTN → Throttle of Throttle Number. Mandatory Field. Optional Field, Starts with 1. Starts with 2020. Precedes with "t" which represents the word "throttle or throttle". Incremented after the last planned release of year. · Applicable only in "Throttle of Throttle" cases. RN → Major Release Number. Reset to 1 at the beginning of every major release Mandatory Field. for that release. Starts with 1. DN -> Dev branch Number Support preceding 0. Same as TTN except Used for DEV branches. Reset to 1 after the last planned release of a year(YYYY). Precedes with "d" which represents "dev branch". MN→ Maintenance Number. MR → Major Release for TOT and DEV branches Mandatory Field. Only applicable for TOT and DEV Branches. Starts with 0. Starts with 0 for every new TOT and DEV branch. Does not support preceding 0. Reset to 0 at the beginning of every major release for BN → Build Number that release. Incremented for every maintenance release. · Optional Field, Starts with 1. Preceded by "m" for bulbs from main branch. Precedes with "t" which represents the word "interim". Does not support preceding 0. Reset at the beginning of every major release for that release.

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Release Package Descriptions

The following table provides descriptions for the packages that are available with this release.

Software Packages	Description
companion-vpc- <staros_version>.zip.SPA.tar.gz</staros_version>	Contains files pertaining to VPC, including SNMP MIBs, RADIUS dictionaries, ORBEM clients, etc. These files pertain to both trusted and non-trusted build variants. The VPC companion package also includes the release signature file, a verification script, the x.509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvpc-si- <staros_version>.bin.SPA.tar.gz</staros_version>	The UPF release signature package. This package contains the VPC-SI deployment software for the UPF as well as the release signature, certificate, and verification information. Files within this package are nested under a top-level folder pertaining to the corresponding StarOS build.

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qvpc-si- <staros_version>.qcow2.zip.SPA.tar.gz</staros_version>	The UPF release signature package. This package contains the VPC-SI deployment software for the UPF as well as the release signature, certificate, and verification information. Files within this package are nested under a top-level folder pertaining to the corresponding StarOS build.
ncs- <nso_version>-cisco-staros-<version>.signed.bin</version></nso_version>	The NETCONF NED package. This package includes all the files that are used for NF configuration. Note that NSO is used for NED file creation.

Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request

For information on obtaining documentation, using the Cisco Bug Search Tool (BST), submitting a service request, and gathering additional information, refer to https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/index.html.

