



## **IP Addressing: DHCP Configuration Guide, Cisco IOS Release 15SY**

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## CHAPTER

# 1

## DHCP Overview

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The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) is based on the Bootstrap Protocol (BOOTP), which provides the framework for passing configuration information to hosts on a TCP/IP network. DHCP adds the capability to automatically allocate reusable network addresses and configuration options to Internet hosts. DHCP consists of two components: a protocol for delivering host-specific configuration parameters from a DHCP server to a host and a mechanism for allocating network addresses to hosts. DHCP is built on a client/server model, where designated DHCP server hosts allocate network addresses and deliver configuration parameters to dynamically configured hosts.

This module describes the concepts needed to understand Cisco IOS XE DHCP.

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- [Glossary, page 8](#)

## Information About DHCP

### DHCP Overview

Cisco routers running Cisco IOS XE software include Dynamic Host Control Protocol (DHCP) server and relay agent software. The Cisco IOS XE DHCP server is a full DHCP server implementation that assigns and manages IP addresses from specified address pools within the router to DHCP clients. These address pools can also be configured to supply additional information to the requesting client such as the IP address of the DNS server, the default router, and other configuration parameters. If the Cisco IOS XE DHCP server cannot satisfy a DHCP request from its own database, it can forward the request to one or more secondary DHCP servers defined by the network administrator.

DHCP supports three mechanisms for IP address allocation:

- Automatic allocation—DHCP assigns a permanent IP address to a client.
- Dynamic allocation—DHCP assigns an IP address to a client for a limited period of time, which is called a lease (or until the client explicitly relinquishes the address). DHCP also supports on-demand address pools (ODAPs), which is a feature in which pools of IP addresses can be dynamically increased or

reduced in size depending on the address utilization level. ODAPs support address assignment for customers using private addresses.

- Manual allocation—The network administrator assigns an IP address to a client and DHCP is used simply to convey the assigned address to the client.

The format of DHCP messages is based on the format of BOOTP messages, which ensures support for BOOTP relay agent functionality and interoperability between BOOTP clients and DHCP servers. BOOTP relay agents eliminate the need for deploying a DHCP server on each physical network segment. BOOTP is explained in RFC 951, *Bootstrap Protocol (BOOTP)*, and RFC 1542, *Clarifications and Extensions for the Bootstrap Protocol*.

The main advantage of DHCP compared to BOOTP is that DHCP does not require that the DHCP server be configured with all MAC addresses of all clients. DHCP defines a process by which the DHCP server knows the IP subnet in which the DHCP client resides, and it can assign an IP address from a pool of valid IP addresses in that subnet. Most of the other information that DHCP might supply, such as the default router IP address, is the same for all hosts in the subnet so DHCP servers can usually configure information per subnet rather than per host. This functionality reduces network administration tasks compared to BOOTP.

## Benefits of Using Cisco IOS DHCP

The Cisco IOS DHCP implementation offers the following benefits:

- Reduced Internet access costs

Using automatic IP address assignment at each remote site substantially reduces Internet access costs. Static IP addresses are considerably more expensive to purchase than are automatically allocated IP addresses.

- Reduced client configuration tasks and costs

Because DHCP is easy to configure, it minimizes operational overhead and costs associated with device configuration tasks and eases deployment by nontechnical users.

- Centralized management

Because the DHCP server maintains configurations for several subnets, an administrator only needs to update a single, central server when configuration parameters change.

## DHCP Server Relay Agent and Client Operation

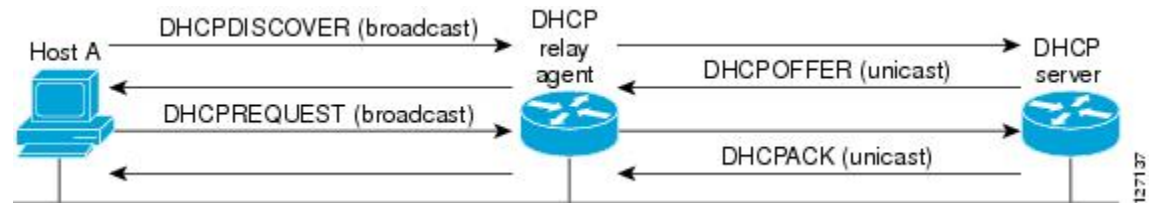
Dynamic Host Control Protocol (DHCP) provides a framework for passing configuration information dynamically to hosts on a TCP/IP network. A DHCP client is a host that uses DHCP to obtain configuration parameters such as an IP address.

A DHCP relay agent is any host that forwards DHCP packets between clients and servers. Relay agents are used to forward requests and replies between clients and servers when they are not on the same physical subnet. Relay agent forwarding is distinct from the normal forwarding of an IP router, where IP datagrams are switched between networks somewhat transparently. By contrast, relay agents receive DHCP messages and then generate a new DHCP message to send on another interface.

The figure below shows the basic steps that occur when a DHCP client requests an IP address from a DHCP server. The client, Host A, sends a DHCPDISCOVER broadcast message to locate a DHCP server. A relay agent forwards the packets between the DHCP client and server. A DHCP server offers configuration parameters

(such as an IP address, a MAC address, a domain name, and a lease for the IP address) to the client in a DHCP OFFER unicast message.

**Figure 1: DHCP Request for an IP Address from a DHCP Server**



A DHCP client may receive offers from multiple DHCP servers and can accept any one of the offers; however, the client usually accepts the first offer it receives. Additionally, the offer from the DHCP server is not a guarantee that the IP address will be allocated to the client; however, the server usually reserves the address until the client has had a chance to formally request the address.

The client returns a formal request for the offered IP address to the DHCP server in a DHCPREQUEST broadcast message. The DHCP server confirms that the IP address has been allocated to the client by returning a DHCPACK unicast message to the client.

The formal request for the offered IP address (the DHCPREQUEST message) that is sent by the client is broadcast so that all other DHCP servers that received the DHCPDISCOVER broadcast message from the client can reclaim the IP addresses that they offered to the client.

If the configuration parameters sent to the client in the DHCP OFFER unicast message by the DHCP server are invalid (a misconfiguration error exists), the client returns a DHCPDECLINE broadcast message to the DHCP server.

The DHCP server will send to the client a DHCPNAK denial broadcast message, which means the offered configuration parameters have not been assigned, if an error has occurred during the negotiation of the parameters or the client has been slow in responding to the DHCP OFFER message (the DHCP server assigned the parameters to another client) of the DHCP server.

## DHCP Database

DHCP address pools are stored in non-volatile RAM (NVRAM). There is no limit on the number of address pools. An address binding is the mapping between the client's IP and hardware addresses. The client's IP address can be configured by the administrator (manual address allocation) or assigned from a pool by the DHCP server.

Manual bindings are stored in NVRAM. Manual bindings are just special address pools configured by a network administrator. There is no limit on the number of manual bindings.

Automatic bindings are IP addresses that have been automatically mapped to the MAC addresses of hosts that are found in the DHCP database. Automatic bindings are stored on a remote host called the database agent. A DHCP database agent is any host--for example, an FTP, TFTP, or RCP server--that stores the DHCP bindings database. The bindings are saved as text records for easy maintenance.

You can configure multiple DHCP database agents and you can configure the interval between database updates and transfers for each agent.

## DHCP Attribute Inheritance

The DHCP server database is organized as a tree. The root of the tree is the address pool for natural networks, branches are subnetwork address pools, and leaves are manual bindings to clients. Subnetworks inherit network parameters and clients inherit subnetwork parameters. Therefore, common parameters (for example, the domain name) should be configured at the highest (network or subnetwork) level of the tree.

Inherited parameters can be overridden. For example, if a parameter is defined in both the natural network and a subnetwork, the definition of the subnetwork is used.

Address leases are not inherited. If a lease is not specified for an IP address, by default, the DHCP server assigns a one-day lease for the address.

## DHCP Options and Suboptions

Configuration parameters and other control information are carried in tagged data items that are stored in the options field of the DHCP message. Options provide a method of appending additional information. Vendors that want to provide additional information to their client not designed into the protocol can use options.

The Cisco IOS XE DHCP implementation also allows most DHCP server options to be customized. For example, the TFTP server, which stores the Cisco IOS XE image, can be customized with option 150 to support intelligent IP phones.

Virtual Private Networks (VPNs) allow the possibility that two pools in separate networks can have the same address space, with private network addresses, served by the same DHCP server. Cisco IOS XE software supports VPN-related options and suboptions such as the relay agent information option and VPN identification suboption. A relay agent can recognize these VPN-related options and suboptions and forward the client-originated DHCP packets to a DHCP server. The DHCP server can use this information to assign IP addresses and other parameters, distinguished by a VPN identifier, to help select the VPN to which the client belongs.

For more information on DHCP options and suboptions, see the “DHCP Options Reference” appendix in the *Network Registrar User’s Guide*, Release 6.3.

During lease negotiation, the DHCP server sends the options shown in the table below to the client.

**Table 1: Default DHCP Server Options**

DHCP Option Name	DHCP Option Code	Description
Subnet mask option	1	Specifies the client’s subnet mask per RFC 950.
Router option	3	Specifies a list of IP addresses for routers on the client’s subnet, usually listed in order of preference.
Domain name server option	6	Specifies a list of DNS name servers available to the client, usually listed in order of preference.

DHCP Option Name	DHCP Option Code	Description
Hostname option	12	Specifies the name of the client. The name may or may not be qualified with the local domain name.
Domain name option	15	Specifies the domain name that the client should use when resolving hostnames via the Domain Name System.
NetBIOS over TCP/IP name server option	44	Specifies a list of RFC 1001/1002 NetBIOS name servers listed in order or preference.
NetBIOS over TCP/IP node type option	46	Enables NetBIOS over TCP/IP clients that are configurable to be configured as described in RFC 1001/1002.
IP address lease time option	51	Allows the client to request a lease for the IP address.
DHCP message type option	53	Conveys the type of the DHCP message.
Server identifier option	54	Identifies the IP address of the selected DHCP server.
Renewal (T1) time option	58	Specifies the time interval from address assignment until the client transitions to the renewing state.
Rebinding (T2) time option	59	Specifies the time interval from address assignment until the client transitions to the rebinding state.

## DHCP Server On-Demand Address Pool Management Overview

The Cisco IOS DHCP server on-demand address pool (ODAP) manager is used to centralize the management of large pools of addresses and simplify the configuration of large networks. ODAP provides a central management point for the allocation and assignment of IP addresses. When a router is configured as an ODAP manager, pools of IP addresses are dynamically increased or reduced in size depending on the address utilization level.

ODAPs support address assignment using DHCP for customers using private addresses. Each ODAP is configured and associated with a particular Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) VPN. Cisco IOS software also provides ODAP support for non-MPLS VPN address pools by adding pool name support to the **peer default ip address dhcp-pool *pool name*** command.

DHCP server subnet allocation is a way of offering entire subnets (ranges of addresses) to relay agents so that remote access devices can provision IP addresses to DHCP clients. This functionality can occur along with or instead of managing individual client addresses. Subnet allocation can improve IP address provisioning,

aggregation, characterization, and distribution by relying on the DHCP infrastructure to dynamically manage subnets.

This capability allows the DHCP server to be configured with a pool of subnets for lease to ODAP clients. Subnet pools can be configured for global ODAP clients or MPLS VPN ODAP clients on a per-client basis. The DHCP subnet allocation server creates bindings for the subnet leases and stores these leases in the DHCP database.

## DHCP Services for Accounting and Security Overview

Cisco IOS software supports several new capabilities that enhance DHCP accounting, reliability, and security in Public Wireless LANs (PWLANS). This functionality can also be used in other network implementations.

DHCP accounting provides authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) and Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service (RADIUS) support for DHCP. The AAA and RADIUS support improves security by sending secure START and STOP accounting messages. The configuration of DHCP accounting adds a layer of security that allows DHCP lease assignment and termination to be triggered for the appropriate RADIUS START and STOP accounting records so that the session state is properly maintained by upstream devices such as a Service Selection Gateway (SSG). This additional security can help to prevent unauthorized clients or hackers from gaining illegal entry to the network by spoofing authorized DHCP leases.

Three other features have been designed and implemented to address the security concerns in PWLANS. The first feature secures ARP table entries to DHCP leases in the DHCP database. The secure ARP functionality prevents IP spoofing by synchronizing the database of the DHCP server with the ARP table to avoid address hijacking. Secure ARP adds an entry to the ARP table for a client when an address is allocated that can be deleted by the DHCP server only when a binding expires.

The second feature is DHCP authorized ARP. This functionality provides a complete solution by addressing the need for DHCP to explicitly know when a user logs out. Before the introduction of DHCP authorized ARP, there was no mechanism to inform the DHCP server if a user had left the system ungracefully, which could result in excessive billing for a customer that had logged out but the system had not detected the log out. To prevent this problem, DHCP authorized ARP sends periodic ARP messages on a per-minute basis to determine if a user is still logged in. Only authorized users can respond to the ARP request. ARP responses from unauthorized users are blocked at the DHCP server providing an extra level of security.

In addition, DHCP authorized ARP disables dynamic ARP learning on an interface. The address mapping can be installed only by the authorized component specified by the **arp authorized** interface configuration command. DHCP is the only authorized component currently allowed to install ARP entries.

The third feature is ARP autologoff, which adds finer control for probing when authorized users log out. The **arp probe interval** command specifies when to start a probe (the timeout), how frequent a peer is probed (the interval), and the maximum number of retries (the count).

## Additional References

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS Commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>



Related Topic	Document Title
DHCP commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Command Reference</a>
DHCP conceptual information	“DHCP Overview” module
DHCP relay agent configuration	“Configuring the Cisco IOS XE DHCP Relay Agent” module
DHCP client configuration	“Configuring the Cisco IOS XE DHCP Client” module
DHCP On-Demand Address Pool Manager	“Configuring the DHCP On-Demand Address Pool Manager” module

### Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFC 951	<i>Bootstrap Protocol (BOOTP)</i>
RFC 1542	<i>Clarifications and Extensions for the Bootstrap Protocol</i>
RFC 2131	<i>Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol</i>
RFC 2132	<i>DHCP Options and BOOTP Vendor Extensions</i>

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# Glossary

**CPE** --customer premises equipment. Terminating equipment, such as terminals, telephones, and modems, supplied by the service provider, installed at customer sites, and connected to the network.

**DSLAM** --digital subscriber line access multiplexer. A device that connects many digital subscriber lines to a network by multiplexing the DSL traffic onto one or more network trunk lines.

**ISSU** --In Service Software Upgrade. ISSU is a process that allows Cisco IOS software to be updated or otherwise modified while packet forwarding continues.

**ODAP** --On-Demand Address Pool. ODAPs enable pools of IP addresses to be dynamically increased or reduced in size depending on the address utilization level. Once configured, the ODAP is populated with one or more subnets leased from a source server and is ready to serve address requests from DHCP clients or from PPP sessions.

**RP** --Route Processor. A generic term for the centralized control unit in a chassis.

**SSO** --Stateful Switchover. SSO refers to the implementation of Cisco IOS software that allows applications and features to maintain a defined state between an active and standby RP. When a switching occurs, forwarding and sessions are maintained. SSO makes an RP failure undetectable to the network.



## Configuring the Cisco IOS DHCP Server

Cisco devices running Cisco software include Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server and the relay agent software. The Cisco IOS DHCP server is a full DHCP server implementation that assigns and manages IP addresses from specified address pools within the device to DHCP clients. The DHCP server can be configured to assign additional parameters such as the IP address of the Domain Name System (DNS) server and the default device.

This module describes the concepts and the tasks needed to configure the Cisco IOS DHCP server.

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### Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and 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.

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

### Prerequisites for Configuring the DHCP Server

- Before you configure a Cisco Dynamic Host Control Protocol (DHCP) server, you must understand the concepts documented in the [Overview of the DHCP Server](#) section.

- The Cisco DHCP server and the relay agent services are enabled by default. Use the **no service dhcp** command to disable the Cisco DHCP server and the relay agent and the **service dhcp** command to reenables the functionality.
- Port 67 (the DHCP server port) is closed in the Cisco DHCP/BOOTP default configuration. There are two logical parts to the **service dhcp** command: service enabled and service running. The DHCP service is enabled by default, but port 67 does not open until the DHCP service is running. If the DHCP service is running, the **show ip sockets details** or the **show sockets detail** command displays port 67 as open.
- The Cisco DHCP relay agent is enabled on an interface only when you configure the **ip helper-address** command. This command enables a DHCP broadcast to be forwarded to the configured DHCP server.

## Information About the Cisco IOS DHCP Server

### Overview of the DHCP Server

The Cisco DHCP server accepts address assignment requests and renewals from the client and assigns the addresses from predefined groups of addresses within DHCP address pools. These address pools can also be configured to supply additional information to the requesting client such as the IP address of the Domain Name System (DNS) server, the default device, and other configuration parameters. The Cisco DHCP server can accept broadcasts from locally attached LAN segments or from DHCP requests that have been forwarded by other DHCP relay agents within the network.

### DHCP Attribute Inheritance

The DHCP server database is organized as a tree. The root of the tree is the address pool for natural networks, branches are subnetwork address pools, and leaves are manual bindings to clients. Subnetworks inherit network parameters and clients inherit subnetwork parameters. Therefore, common parameters (for example, the domain name) should be configured at the highest (network or subnetwork) level of the tree.

Inherited parameters can be overridden. For example, if a parameter is defined in both the natural network and a subnetwork, the definition of the subnetwork is used.

Address leases are not inherited. If a lease is not specified for an IP address, by default, the DHCP server assigns a one-day lease for the address.

### DHCP Server Address Allocation Using Option 82

The Cisco IOS DHCP server can allocate dynamic IP addresses based on the relay information option (option 82) sent by the relay agent.

DHCP provides a framework for passing configuration information to hosts on a TCP/IP network. Configuration parameters and other control information are carried in tagged data items that are stored in the options field of the DHCP message. The data items are also called options. Option 82 is organized as a single DHCP option that contains information known by the relay agent.

Automatic DHCP address allocation is based on an IP address. This IP address can either be the gateway address (giaddr field of the DHCP packet) or the IP address of an incoming interface. In some networks, it is necessary to use additional information to further determine which IP addresses to allocate. By using option

82, the Cisco IOS DHCP relay agent can include additional information about itself when forwarding client-originated DHCP packets to a DHCP server. The Cisco IOS DHCP server can also use option 82 to provide additional information to properly allocate IP addresses to DHCP clients. The information sent via option 82 is used to identify the port where the DHCP request arrives. Automatic DHCP address allocation does not parse out the individual suboptions contained in option 82. Rather, the address allocation is done by matching a configured pattern byte by byte.

This feature introduces a new DHCP class capability, which is a method to group DHCP clients based on some shared characteristics other than the subnet in which the clients reside.

For example, DHCP clients are connected to two ports of a single switch. Each port can be configured to be a part of two VLANs: VLAN1 and VLAN2. DHCP clients belong to either VLAN1 or VLAN2 and the switch can differentiate the VLAN that a particular DHCP Discover message belongs to (possibly through Layer 2 encapsulation). Each VLAN has its own subnet and all DHCP messages from the same VLAN (same switch) have the giaddr field set to the same value indicating the subnet of the VLAN.

Problems can occur while allocating IP addresses to DHCP clients that are connected to different ports of the same VLAN. These IP addresses must be part of the same subnet but the range of IP addresses must be different. In the preceding example, when a DHCP client that is connected to a port of VLAN1 must be allocated an IP address from a range of IP addresses within the VLAN's subnet, whereas a DHCP client connecting to port 2 of VLAN1 must be allocated an IP address from another range of IP addresses. The two range of IP addresses are part of the same subnet (and have the same subnet mask). Generally, during DHCP address allocation, the DHCP server refers only to the giaddr field and is unable to differentiate between the two ranges.

To solve this problem, a relay agent residing at the switch inserts the relay information option (option 82), which carries information specific to the port, and the DHCP server inspects both the giaddr field and the inserted option 82 during the address selection process.

When you enable option 82 on a device, the following sequence of events occurs:

- 1 The host (DHCP client) generates a DHCP request and broadcasts it on the network.
- 2 When the device receives the DHCP request, it adds the option 82 information in the packet. The option 82 information contains the device MAC address (the remote ID suboption) and the port identifier, vlan-mod-port, from which the packet is received (the circuit ID suboption).
- 3 The device adds the IP address of the relay agent to the DHCP packet.
- 4 The device forwards the DHCP request that includes the option 82 field to the DHCP server.
- 5 The DHCP server receives the packet. If the server is option 82 capable, it uses the remote ID, the circuit ID, or both to assign IP addresses and implement policies, such as restricting the number of IP addresses that can be assigned to a single remote ID or circuit ID. The DHCP server echoes the option 82 field in the DHCP reply.
- 6 The DHCP server unicasts the reply to the device if the request is relayed to the server by the device. The device verifies that it originally inserted the option 82 data by inspecting remote ID and possibly circuit ID fields. The device removes the option 82 field and forwards the packet to the interface that connects to the DHCP client that sent the DHCP request.

The Cisco software refers to a pool of IP addresses (giaddr or incoming interface IP address) and matches the request to a class or classes configured in the pool in the order the classes are specified in the DHCP pool configuration.

When a DHCP address pool is configured with one or more DHCP classes, the pool becomes a restricted access pool, which means that no addresses are allocated from the pool unless one or more classes in the pool matches. This design allows DHCP classes to be used either for access control (no default class is configured on the pool) or to provide further address range partitions within the subnet of the pool.

Multiple pools can be configured with the same class, eliminating the need to configure the same pattern in multiple pools.

The following capabilities are supported for DHCP class-based address allocation:

- Specifying the full relay agent information option value as a raw hexadecimal string by using the **relay-information hex** command in new relay agent information configuration mode.
- Support for bit-masking the raw relay information hexadecimal value.
- Support for a wildcard at the end of a hexadecimal string specified by the **relay-information hex** command.

If the relay agent inserts option 82 but does not set the giaddr field in the DHCP packet, the DHCP server interface must be configured as a trusted interface by using the **ip dhcp relay information trusted** command. This configuration prevents the server from dropping the DHCP message.

## How to Configure the Cisco IOS DHCP Server

### Configuring a DHCP Database Agent or Disabling Conflict Logging

A DHCP database agent is any host (for example, an FTP, a TFTP, or a remote copy protocol [RCP] server) or storage media on a DHCP server (for example, disk0) that stores the DHCP bindings database. You can configure multiple DHCP database agents, and the interval between database updates and transfers for each agent.

Automatic bindings are IP addresses that are automatically mapped to the MAC addresses of hosts that are found in the DHCP database. Automatic binding information (such as lease expiration date and time, interface index, and VPN routing and forwarding [VRF] name) is stored in a database agent. The bindings are saved as text records for easy maintenance.

An address conflict occurs when two hosts use the same IP address. During address assignment, DHCP checks for conflicts by using ping and gratuitous Address Resolution Protocol (ARP). If a conflict is detected, the address is removed from the pool. The address is not assigned until the administrator resolves the conflict.



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**Note**

We strongly recommend using database agents. However, the Cisco DHCP server can run without database agents. If you choose not to configure a DHCP database agent, disable the recording of DHCP address conflicts on the DHCP server by using the **no ip dhcp conflict logging** command in global configuration mode. If there is a conflict logging but no database agent is configured, bindings during a switchover are lost when a device reboots. Possible false conflicts can occur causing the address to be removed from the address pool.

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## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. Do one of the following:
  - **ip dhcp database url [timeout seconds | write-delay seconds]**
  - **no ip dhcp conflict logging**
4. **end**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  • Enter your password if prompted.
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ip dhcp database url [timeout seconds   write-delay seconds]</b></li> <li>• <b>no ip dhcp conflict logging</b></li> </ul> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp database ftp://user:password@172.16.1.1/router-dhcp timeout 80  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# no ip dhcp conflict logging	Configures a DHCP server to save automatic bindings on a remote host called a database agent. or Disables DHCP address conflict logging.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# end	Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Excluding IP Addresses

The IP address configured on a device interface is automatically excluded from the DHCP address pool. The DHCP server assumes that all other IP addresses in a DHCP address pool subnet are available for assigning to DHCP clients.

You must exclude addresses from the pool if the DHCP server does not allocate those IP addresses to DHCP clients. Consider a scenario where two DHCP servers are set up for the same network segment (subnet) for redundancy. If DHCP servers do not coordinate their services with each other using a protocol such as DHCP failover, each DHCP server must be configured to allocate addresses from a nonoverlapping set of addresses in the shared subnet. See the [Configuring Manual Bindings](#) section for a configuration example.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp excluded-address** *low-address* [*high-address*]
4. **end**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp excluded-address</b> <i>low-address</i> [ <i>high-address</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp excluded-address 172.16.1.100 172.16.1.103	Specifies IP addresses that the DHCP server should not assign to DHCP clients.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# end	Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.



# Configuring DHCP Address Pools

## Configuring a DHCP Address Pool

On a per-address pool basis, specify DHCP options for the client as necessary.

You can configure a DHCP address pool with a name that is a string (such as “engineering”) or an integer (such as 0). Configuring a DHCP address pool also puts the device into DHCP pool configuration mode—identified by the (dhcp-config)# prompt—from which you can configure pool parameters (for example, the IP subnet number and default device list).

DHCP defines a process by which the DHCP server knows the IP subnet in which the DHCP client resides, and it can assign an IP address from a pool of valid IP addresses in that subnet. The process by which the DHCP server identifies the DHCP address pool to use for a client request is described in the [Configuring Manual Bindings](#) section.

The DHCP server identifies and uses DHCP address pools for a client request, in the following manner:

- If the client is not directly connected to the DHCP server (the giaddr field of the DHCPDISCOVER broadcast message is nonzero), the server matches the DHCPDISCOVER with the DHCP pool that has the subnet that contains the IP address in the giaddr field.
- If the client is directly connected to the DHCP server (the giaddr field is zero), the DHCP server matches the DHCPDISCOVER with DHCP pools that contain the subnets configured on the receiving interface. If the interface has secondary IP addresses, subnets associated with the secondary IP addresses are examined for possible allocation only after the subnet associated with the primary IP address (on the interface) is exhausted.

Cisco DHCP server software supports advanced capabilities for IP address allocation. See the [Configuring DHCP Address Allocation Using Option 82](#) section for more information.

### Before You Begin

Before you configure the DHCP address pool, you must:

- Identify DHCP options for devices where necessary, including the following:
  - Default boot image name
  - Default devices
  - Domain Name System (DNS) servers
  - Network Basic Input/Output System (NetBIOS) name server
  - Primary subnet
  - Secondary subnets and subnet-specific default device lists (see [Configuring a DHCP Address Pool with Secondary Subnets](#) for information on secondary subnets).
- Decide on a NetBIOS node type (b, p, m, or h).
- Decide on a DNS domain name.

**Note**

You cannot configure manual bindings within the same pool that is configured with the **network** DHCP pool configuration command. To configure manual bindings, see the [Configuring Manual Bindings](#) section.

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp pool** *name*
4. **utilization mark high** *percentage-number* [**log**]
5. **utilization mark low** *percentage-number* [**log**]
6. **network** *network-number* [*mask* | *prefix-length*] [**secondary**]
7. **domain-name** *domain*
8. **dns-server** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
9. **bootfile** *filename*
10. **next-server** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
11. **netbios-name-server** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
12. **netbios-node-type** *type*
13. **default-router** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
14. **option** *code* [*instance number*] {**ascii** *string* | **hex** *string* | *ip-address*}
15. **lease** {*days* [*hours* [*minutes*]] | **infinite**}
16. **end**

**DETAILED STEPS**

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp pool</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp pool 1	Creates a name for the DHCP server address pool and enters DHCP pool configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b>	<p><b>utilization mark high</b> <i>percentage-number</i> [log]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# utilization mark high 80 log</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures the high utilization mark of the current address pool size.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>log</b> keyword enables the logging of a system message. A system message will be generated for a DHCP pool when the pool utilization exceeds the configured high utilization threshold.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 5</b>	<p><b>utilization mark low</b> <i>percentage-number</i> [log]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# utilization mark low 70 log</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures the low utilization mark of the current address pool size.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>log</b> keyword enables the logging of a system message. A system message will be generated for a DHCP pool when the pool utilization falls below the configured low utilization threshold.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 6</b>	<p><b>network</b> <i>network-number</i> [mask   /<i>prefix-length</i>] [secondary]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# network 172.16.0.0 /16</pre>	Specifies the subnet network number and mask of the DHCP address pool.
<b>Step 7</b>	<p><b>domain-name</b> <i>domain</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# domain-name cisco.com</pre>	Specifies the domain name for the client.
<b>Step 8</b>	<p><b>dns-server</b> <i>address</i> [<i>address2</i> ... <i>address8</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# dns server 172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103</pre>	<p>Specifies the IP address of a DNS server that is available to a DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One IP address is required; however, you can specify up to eight IP addresses in one command.</li> <li>Servers should be listed in order of preference.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 9</b>	<p><b>bootfile</b> <i>filename</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# bootfile xllboot</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the name of the default boot image for a DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The boot file is used to store the boot image for the client. The boot image is generally the operating system that the client uses to load.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 10</b>	<p><b>next-server</b> <i>address</i> [<i>address2</i> ... <i>address8</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# next-server 172.17.1.103 172.17.2.103</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures the next server in the boot process of a DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One address is required; however, you can specify up to eight addresses in one command line.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If multiple servers are specified, DHCP assigns them to clients in a round-robin order. The first client gets address 1, the next client gets address 2, and so on.</li> <li>If this command is not configured, DHCP uses the server specified by the <b>ip helper address</b> command as the boot server.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 11</b>	<p><b>netbios-name-server</b> <i>address</i> [<i>address2</i> ... <i>address8</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# netbios-name-server 172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the NetBIOS WINS server that is available to a Microsoft DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One address is required; however, you can specify up to eight addresses in one command line.</li> <li>Servers should be listed in order of preference.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 12</b>	<p><b>netbios-node-type</b> <i>type</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# netbios-node-type h-node</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the NetBIOS node type for a Microsoft DHCP client.</p>
<b>Step 13</b>	<p><b>default-router</b> <i>address</i> [<i>address2</i> ... <i>address8</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# default-router 172.16.1.100 172.16.1.101</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the IP address of the default device for a DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The IP address should be on the same subnet as the client.</li> <li>One IP address is required; however, you can specify up to eight IP addresses in one command line. These default devices are listed in order of preference; that is, <i>address</i> is the most preferred device, <i>address2</i> is the next most preferred device, and so on.</li> <li>When a DHCP client requests an IP address, the device—acting as a DHCP server—accesses the default device list to select another device that the DHCP client will use as the first hop for forwarding messages. After a DHCP client has booted, the client begins sending packets to its default device.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 14</b>	<p><b>option</b> <i>code</i> [<i>instance number</i>] {<i>ascii string</i>   <i>hex string</i>   <i>ip-address</i>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# option 19 hex 01</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures DHCP server options.</p>
<b>Step 15</b>	<p><b>lease</b> {<i>days</i> [<i>hours</i> [<i>minutes</i>]]   <b>infinite</b>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# lease 30</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the duration of the lease.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The default is a one-day lease.</li> <li>The <b>infinite</b> keyword specifies that the duration of the lease is unlimited.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 16</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device (dhcp-config) # end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring a DHCP Address Pool with Secondary Subnets

For any DHCP pool, you can configure a primary subnet and any number of secondary subnets. Each subnet is a range of IP addresses that the device uses to allocate an IP address to a DHCP client. The DHCP server multiple subnet functionality enables a Cisco DHCP server address pool to manage additional IP addresses by adding the addresses to a secondary subnet of an existing DHCP address pool (instead of using a separate address pool).

Configuring a secondary DHCP subnetwork places the device in DHCP pool secondary subnet configuration mode—identified by the (config-dhcp-subnet-secondary)# prompt—where you can configure a default address list that is specific to the secondary subnet. You can also specify the utilization rate of the secondary subnet, which allows pools of IP addresses to dynamically increase or reduce in size depending on the address utilization level. This setting overrides the global utilization rate.

If the DHCP server selects an address pool that contains multiple subnets, the DHCP server allocates an IP address from the subnets as follows:

- When the DHCP server receives an address assignment request, it looks for an available IP address in the primary subnet.
- When the primary subnet is exhausted, the DHCP server automatically looks for an available IP address in any of the secondary subnets maintained by the DHCP server (even though the giaddr does not necessarily match the secondary subnet). The server inspects the subnets for address availability in the order of subnets that were added to the pool.
- If the giaddr matches a secondary subnet in the pool, the DHCP server allocates an IP address from that particular secondary subnet (even if IP addresses are available in the primary subnet and irrespective of the order of secondary subnets that were added).

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp pool** *name*
4. **utilization mark high** *percentage-number* [**log**]
5. **utilization mark low** *percentage-number* [**log**]
6. **network** *network-number* [*mask* | *prefix-length*]
7. **domain-name** *domain*
8. **dns-server** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
9. **bootfile** *filename*
10. **next-server** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
11. **netbios-name-server** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
12. **netbios-node-type** *type*
13. **default-router** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
14. **option** *code* [*instance number*] {*ascii string* | *hex string* | *ip-address*}
15. **lease** {*days* [*hours*] [*minutes*] | **infinite**}
16. **network** *network-number* [*mask* | *prefix-length*] [**secondary**]
17. **override default-router** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
18. **override utilization high** *percentage-number*
19. **override utilization low** *percentage-number*
20. **end**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ip dhcp pool</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp pool 1	Creates a name for the DHCP server address pool and enters DHCP pool configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b>	<p><b>utilization mark high</b> <i>percentage-number</i> [log]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# utilization mark high 80 log</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures the high utilization mark of the current address pool size.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>log</b> keyword enables logging of a system message. A system message is generated for a DHCP pool when the pool utilization exceeds the configured high utilization threshold.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 5</b>	<p><b>utilization mark low</b> <i>percentage-number</i> [log]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# utilization mark low 70 log</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures the low utilization mark of the current address pool size.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>log</b> keyword enables logging of a system message. A system message is generated for a DHCP pool when the pool utilization falls below the configured low utilization threshold.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 6</b>	<p><b>network</b> <i>network-number</i> [<i>mask</i>   <i>/prefix-length</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# network 172.16.0.0 /16</pre>	<p>Specifies the subnet network number and mask of the primary DHCP address pool.</p>
<b>Step 7</b>	<p><b>domain-name</b> <i>domain</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# domain-name cisco.com</pre>	<p>Specifies the domain name for the client.</p>
<b>Step 8</b>	<p><b>dns-server</b> <i>address</i> [<i>address2 ... address8</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# dns server 172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103</pre>	<p>Specifies the IP address of a DNS server that is available to a DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One IP address is required; however, you can specify up to eight IP addresses in one command.</li> <li>Servers should be listed in the order of preference.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 9</b>	<p><b>bootfile</b> <i>filename</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# bootfile xllboot</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the name of the default boot image for a DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The boot file is used to store the boot image for the client. The boot image is generally the operating system image that the client loads.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 10</b>	<p><b>next-server</b> <i>address</i> [<i>address2 ... address8</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# next-server 172.17.1.103 172.17.2.103</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures the next server in the boot process of a DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One IP address is required; however, you can specify up to eight IP addresses in one command line.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If multiple servers are specified, DHCP assigns the servers to clients in a round-robin order. The first client gets address 1, the next client gets address 2, and so on.</li> <li>If this command is not configured, DHCP uses the server specified by the <b>ip helper address</b> command as the boot server.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 11</b>	<p><b>netbios-name-server</b> <i>address</i> [<i>address2</i> ... <i>address8</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# netbios-name-server 172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the NetBIOS Windows Internet Naming Service (WINS) server that is available to a Microsoft DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One address is required; however, you can specify up to eight addresses in one command line.</li> <li>Servers should be listed in order of preference.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 12</b>	<p><b>netbios-node-type</b> <i>type</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# netbios-node-type h-node</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the NetBIOS node type for a Microsoft DHCP client.</p>
<b>Step 13</b>	<p><b>default-router</b> <i>address</i> [<i>address2</i> ... <i>address8</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# default-router 172.16.1.100 172.16.1.101</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the IP address of the default device for a DHCP client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The IP address should be on the same subnet as the client.</li> <li>One IP address is required; however, you can specify a up to eight IP addresses in one command line. These default devices are listed in order of preference; that is, <i>address</i> is the most preferred device, <i>address2</i> is the next most preferred device, and so on.</li> <li>When a DHCP client requests for an IP address, the device—acting as a DHCP server—accesses the default device list to select another device that the DHCP client uses as the first hop for forwarding messages. After a DHCP client has booted, the client begins sending packets to its default device.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 14</b>	<p><b>option</b> <i>code</i> [<i>instance number</i>] {<i>ascii string</i>   <i>hex string</i>   <i>ip-address</i>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# option 19 hex 01</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures DHCP server options.</p>
<b>Step 15</b>	<p><b>lease</b> {<i>days</i> [<i>hours</i>] [<i>minutes</i>]   <b>infinite</b>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# lease 30</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the duration of the lease.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The default is a one-day lease.</li> <li>The <b>infinite</b> keyword specifies that the duration of the lease is unlimited.</li> </ul>



	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 16</b>	<p><b>network</b> <i>network-number</i> [<i>mask</i>   <i>/prefix-length</i>] [<b>secondary</b>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# network 10.10.0.0 255.255.0.0 secondary</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the network number and mask of a secondary DHCP server address pool.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any number of secondary subnets can be added to a DHCP server address pool.</li> <li>During execution of this command, the configuration mode changes to DHCP pool secondary subnet configuration mode, which is identified by (config-dhcp-subnet-secondary)# prompt. In this mode, the administrator can configure a default device list that is specific to the subnet.</li> <li>See <a href="#">Troubleshooting Tips</a> section if you are using secondary IP addresses under a loopback interface with DHCP secondary subnets.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 17</b>	<p><b>override default-router</b> <i>address</i> [<i>address2</i> ... <i>address8</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcp-subnet-secondary)# override default-router 10.10.0.100 10.10.0.101</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the default device list that is used when an IP address is assigned to a DHCP client from a particular secondary subnet.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the subnet-specific override value is configured, this override value is used when assigning an IP address from the subnet; the network-wide default device list is used only to set the gateway device for the primary subnet.</li> <li>If this subnet-specific override value is not configured, the network-wide default device list is used when assigning an IP address from the subnet.</li> <li>See <a href="#">Example: Configuring a DHCP Address Pool with Multiple Disjoint Subnets</a> section for a sample configuration.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 18</b>	<p><b>override utilization high</b> <i>percentage-number</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcp-subnet-secondary)# override utilization high 60</pre>	<p>(Optional) Sets the high utilization mark of the subnet size.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This command overrides the global default setting specified by the <b>utilization mark high</b> command.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 19</b>	<p><b>override utilization low</b> <i>percentage-number</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcp-subnet-secondary)# override utilization low 40</pre>	<p>(Optional) Sets the low utilization mark of the subnet size.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This command overrides the global default setting specified by the <b>utilization mark low</b> command.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 20</b>	<p><b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcp-subnet-secondary)# end</pre>	<p>Returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>

## Troubleshooting Tips

If you are using secondary IP addresses under a single loopback interface and using secondary subnets under a DHCP pool, use one DHCP pool to configure networks for all the secondary subnets instead of using one pool per secondary subnet. The **network** *network-number* [*mask* | *prefix-length*] [**secondary**] command must be configured under a single DHCP address pool rather than multiple DHCP address pools.

The following is the correct configuration:

```
!
ip dhcp pool dhcp_1
 network 172.16.1.0 255.255.255.0
 network 172.16.2.0 255.255.255.0 secondary
 network 172.16.3.0 255.255.255.0 secondary
 network 172.16.4.0 255.255.255.0 secondary
!
interface Loopback111
 ip address 172.16.1.1 255.255.255.255 secondary
 ip address 172.16.2.1 255.255.255.255 secondary
 ip address 172.16.3.1 255.255.255.255 secondary
 ip address 172.16.4.1 255.255.255.255 secondary
```

The following is the incorrect configuration:

```
!
ip dhcp pool dhcp_1
 network 172.16.1.0 255.255.255.0
 lease 1 20 30
 accounting default
!
ip dhcp pool dhcp_2
 network 172.16.2.0 255.255.255.0
 lease 1 20 30
 accounting default
!
ip dhcp pool dhcp_3
 network 172.16.3.0 255.255.255.0
 lease 1 20 30
 accounting default
!
ip dhcp pool dhcp_4
 network 172.16.4.0 255.255.255.0
 lease 1 20 30
 accounting default
!
interface Loopback111
 ip address 172.16.1.1 255.255.255.255 secondary
 ip address 172.16.2.1 255.255.255.255 secondary
 ip address 172.16.3.1 255.255.255.255 secondary
 ip address 172.16.4.1 255.255.255.255 secondary
```

## Verifying the DHCP Address Pool Configuration

The following configuration commands are optional. You can enter the **show** commands in any order.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **show ip dhcp pool** [*name*]
3. **show ip dhcp binding** [*address*]
4. **show ip dhcp conflict** [*address*]
5. **show ip dhcp database** [*url*]
6. **show ip dhcp server statistics** [*type-number*]

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>show ip dhcp pool</b> [ <i>name</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip dhcp pool	(Optional) Displays information about DHCP address pools.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>show ip dhcp binding</b> [ <i>address</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip dhcp binding	(Optional) Displays a list of all bindings created on a specific DHCP server. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the <b>show ip dhcp binding</b> command to display the IP addresses that have already been assigned. Verify that the address pool is not exhausted. If necessary, recreate the pool to create a larger pool of addresses.</li> <li>• Use the <b>show ip dhcp binding</b> command to display the lease expiration date and time of the IP address of the host.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>show ip dhcp conflict</b> [ <i>address</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip dhcp conflict	(Optional) Displays a list of all IP address conflicts.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>show ip dhcp database</b> [ <i>url</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip dhcp database	(Optional) Displays recent activity on the DHCP database.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>show ip dhcp server statistics</b> [ <i>type-number</i> ]  <b>Example:</b>  Device# show ip dhcp server statistics	(Optional) Displays count information about server statistics and messages sent and received.

## Configuring Manual Bindings

An address binding is a mapping between the IP address and MAC address of a client. The IP address of a client can be assigned manually by an administrator or assigned automatically from a pool by a DHCP server.

Manual bindings are IP addresses that are manually mapped to MAC addresses of hosts that are found in the DHCP database. Manual bindings are stored in the NVRAM of the DHCP server. Manual bindings are just special address pools. There is no limit to the number of manual bindings, but you can configure only one manual binding per host pool.

Automatic bindings are IP addresses that have been automatically mapped to MAC addresses of hosts that are found in the DHCP database. Because the bindings are stored in the volatile memory of the DHCP server, binding information is lost in the event of power failures or on device reloads. To prevent the loss of automatic binding information, a copy of the automatic binding information is stored on a remote host called the DHCP database agent. The bindings are periodically written to the database agent. When the device reloads, the bindings are read from the database agent to the DHCP database in the DHCP server.



### Note

We strongly recommend that you use database agents. However, Cisco DHCP server can function even without database agents.

Some DHCP clients send a client identifier (DHCP option 61) in the DHCP packet. To configure manual bindings for such clients, you must enter the **client-identifier** command with the hexadecimal values that identify the DHCP client. To configure manual bindings for clients that do not send a client identifier option, you must enter the **hardware-address** DHCP pool configuration command with the hexadecimal hardware address of the client.

Depending on your release, the DHCP server sends infinite lease time to the clients for which manual bindings are configured.

Depending on your release, the DHCP server sends lease time that is configured using the **lease** command to clients for which manual bindings are configured.



### Note

You cannot configure manual bindings within the same pool that is configured with the **network** command in DHCP pool configuration mode. See the [Configuring DHCP Address Pools](#) section for information about DHCP address pools and the **network** command.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp pool** *pool-name*
4. **host** *address* [*mask* | *prefix-length*]
5. **client-identifier** *unique-identifier*
6. **hardware-address** *hardware-address* [*protocol-type* | *hardware-number*]
7. **client-name** *name*
8. **end**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ip dhcp pool</b> <i>pool-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp pool pool1	Creates a name for the DHCP server address pool and enters DHCP pool configuration mode.
Step 4	<b>host</b> <i>address</i> [ <i>mask</i>   <i>prefix-length</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# host 172.16.0.1	Specifies the IP address and subnet mask of the client. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is no limit to the number of manual bindings you can configure. However, you can configure only one manual binding per host pool.</li> </ul>
Step 5	<b>client-identifier</b> <i>unique-identifier</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# client-identifier 01b7.0813.8811.66	Specifies the unique identifier for DHCP clients. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This command is used for DHCP requests.</li> <li>• DHCP clients require client identifiers. You can specify the unique identifier for the client in either of the following ways:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 7-byte dotted hexadecimal notation. For example, 01b7.0813.8811.66, where 01 represents the Ethernet media type and the remaining bytes represent the MAC address of the DHCP client.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A 27-byte dotted hexadecimal notation. For example, 7665.6e64.6f72.2d30.3032.342e.3937.6230.2e33.3734.312d.4661.302f.31. The equivalent ASCII string for this hexadecimal value is vendor-0024.97b0.3741-fa0/1, where vendor represents the vendor, 0024.97b0.3741 represents the MAC address of the source interface, and fa0/1 represents the source interface of the DHCP client.</li> <li>See the Troubleshooting section for information about how to determine the client identifier of the DHCP client.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> The identifier specified here is considered for a DHCP client that sends a client identifier in the packet.</p>
<b>Step 6</b>	<p><b>hardware-address</b> <i>hardware-address</i> [<i>protocol-type</i>   <i>hardware-number</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# hardware-address b708.1388.f166 ethernet</pre>	<p>Specifies a hardware address for the client.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This command is used for BOOTP requests.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> The hardware address specified here is considered for a DHCP client that does not send a client identifier in the packet.</p>
<b>Step 7</b>	<p><b>client-name</b> <i>name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# client-name client1</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies the name of the client using any standard ASCII character.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The client name should not include the domain name. For example, the name client1 should not be specified as client1.cisco.com.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 8</b>	<p><b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-config)# end</pre>	<p>Returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>

## Troubleshooting Tips

You can determine the client identifier by using the **debug ip dhcp server packet** command. In the following sample output, the client is identified by the value 0b07.1134.a029:

```
Device# debug ip dhcp server packet

DHCPD:DHCPDISCOVER received from client 0b07.1134.a029 through relay 10.1.0.253.
DHCPD:assigned IP address 10.1.0.3 to client 0b07.1134.a029.
.
.
.
```

## Configuring DHCP Static Mapping

The DHCP Static Mapping feature enables the assignment of static IP addresses (without creating numerous host pools with manual bindings) by using a customer-created text file that the DHCP server reads. The benefit of this feature is that it eliminates the need for a long configuration file and reduces the space required in NVRAM to maintain address pools.

A DHCP database contains the mappings between a client IP address and the hardware address, which is referred to as a binding. There are two types of bindings: manual bindings that map a single hardware address to a single IP address, and automatic bindings that dynamically map a hardware address to an IP address from a pool of IP addresses. Manual (also known as static) bindings can be configured individually directly on the device or by using the DHCP Static Mapping feature. These static bindings can be read from a separate static mapping text file. The static mapping text files are read when a device reloads or the DHCP service restarts. These files are read-only.

The read static bindings are treated just like the manual bindings, in that they are:

- Retained across DHCPRELEASEs from the clients.
- Not timed out.
- Deleted only upon deletion of the pool.
- Provided appropriate exclusions for the contained addresses, which are created at the time of the read.

Just like automatic bindings, manual (or static) bindings from the static mapping text file are also displayed by using the **show ip dhcp binding** command.

Perform this task to create the static mapping text file. You will input your addresses in the text file, which is stored in the DHCP database for the DHCP server to read. There is no limit to the number of addresses that can be stored in the file. The file format has the following elements:

- Database version number
- End-of-file designator
- Hardware type
- Hardware address
- IP address
- Lease expiration
- Time the file was created

See the following table for more details about the format of the text file.

The following is a sample static mapping text file:

```
*time* Jan 21 2005 03:52 PM
*version* 2
!IP address      Type      Hardware address      Lease expiration
10.0.0.4 /24     1         0090.bff6.081e        Infinite
10.0.0.5 /28     id        00b7.0813.88f1.66     Infinite
10.0.0.2 /21     1         0090.bff6.081d        Infinite
*end*
```

**Table 2: Static Mapping Text File Field Descriptions**

Field	Description
*time*	Specifies the time the file was created. This field allows DHCP to differentiate between the new and old database versions when multiple agents are configured. The valid format of the time is mm dd yyyy hh:mm AM/PM.
*version* 2	Specifies the database version number.
IP address	Specifies the static IP address. If the subnet mask is not specified, a mask is automatically assigned depending on the IP address. The IP address and the mask is separated by a space.
Type	Specifies the hardware type. For example, type "1" indicates Ethernet. The type "id" indicates that the field is a DHCP client identifier. Legal values can be found online at <a href="http://www.iana.org/assignments/arp-parameters">http://www.iana.org/assignments/arp-parameters</a> in the "Number Hardware Type" list.
Hardware address	Specifies the hardware address.  When the type is numeric, the type refers to the hardware media. Legal values can be found online at <a href="http://www.iana.org/assignments/arp-parameters">http://www.iana.org/assignments/arp-parameters</a> in the "Number Hardware Type" list.  When the type is "id," the type refers to a match on the client identifier.  For more information about the client identifier, see RFC 2132, <i>DHCP Options and BOOTP Vendor Extensions</i> , section 9.14, located at <a href="http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2132.txt">http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2132.txt</a> , or the <b>client-identifier</b> command.  If you are unsure about the client identifier to match with the hardware type, use the <b>debug dhcp detail</b> command to display the client identifier being sent to the DHCP server from the client.
Lease expiration	Specifies the expiration of the lease. "Infinite" specifies that the duration of the lease is unlimited.
*end*	End of file. DHCP uses the *end* designator to detect file truncation.

## Configuring the DHCP Server to Read a Static Mapping Text File

### Before You Begin

The administrator must create the static mapping text file in the correct format and configure the address pools before performing this task.

Before editing the file, you must disable the DHCP server using the **no service dhcp** command.





**Note** The static bindings must not be deleted when a DHCPRELEASE is received or must not be timed out by the DHCP timer. The static bindings should be created by using the **ip dhcp pool** command.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp pool** *name*
4. **end**
5. **show ip dhcp binding** [*address*]

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp pool</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp pool pool1	Assigns a name to a DHCP pool and enters DHCP configuration mode. <p><b>Note</b> If you have already configured the IP DHCP pool name using the <b>ip dhcp pool</b> command and the static file URL using the <b>origin file</b> command, you must perform a fresh read using the <b>no service dhcp</b> command and the <b>service dhcp</b> command.</p>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>show ip dhcp binding</b> [ <i>address</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip dhcp binding	(Optional) Displays a list of all bindings created on a specific DHCP server.

## Examples

The following sample output from the **show ip dhcp binding** command displays address bindings that are configured:

```
Device# show ip dhcp binding
```

```
00:05:14:%SYS-5-CONFIG_I: Configured from console by console
Bindings from all pools not associated with VRF:
IP address Client-ID/          Ls expir  Type   Hw address      User name
10.9.9.4/8 0063.7363.2d30.3036.  Infinite  Static  302e.3762.2e39.3634.  632d.4574.8892.
10.9.9.1/24 0063.6973.636f.2d30.  Infinite  Static  3036.302e.3437.3165.  2e64.6462.342d.
```

The following sample output displays each entry in the static mapping text file:

```
*time* Jan 21 2005 22:52 PM
!IP address      Type      Hardware address      Lease expiration
10.19.9.1 /24    id        0063.6973.636f.2d30.3036.302e.3437
10.9.9.4         id        0063.7363.2d30.3036.302e.3762.2e39.3634.632d  Infinite
*end*
```

The following sample debug output shows the reading of the static mapping text file from the TFTP server:

```
Device# debug ip dhcp server
```

```
Loading abc/static_pool from 10.19.192.33 (via Ethernet0):
[OK - 333 bytes]
*May 26 23:14:21.259: DHCPD: contacting agent tftp://10.19.192.33/abc/static_pool (attempt
0)
*May 26 23:14:21.467: DHCPD: agent tftp://10.19.192.33/abc/static_pool is responding.
*May 26 23:14:21.467: DHCPD: IFS is ready.
*May 26 23:14:21.467: DHCPD: reading bindings from tftp://10.19.192.33/abc/static_pool.
*May 26 23:14:21.707: DHCPD: read 333 / 1024 bytes.
*May 26 23:14:21.707: DHCPD: parsing text line
*time* Apr 22 2002 11:31 AM
*May 26 23:14:21.707: DHCPD: parsing text line ""
*May 26 23:14:21.707: DHCPD: parsing text line
!IP address Type Hardware address Lease expiration
*May 26 23:14:21.707: DHCPD: parsing text line
"10.9.9.1 /24 id 0063.6973.636f.2d30.3036.302e.3437"
*May 26 23:14:21.707: DHCPD: creating binding for 10.9.9.1
*May 26 23:14:21.707: DHCPD: Adding binding to radix tree (10.9.9.1)
*May 26 23:14:21.707: DHCPD: Adding binding to hash tree
*May 26 23:14:21.707: DHCPD: parsing text line
"10.9.9.4 id 0063.7363.2d30.3036.302e.3762.2e39.3634.632d"
*May 26 23:14:21.711: DHCPD: creating binding for 10.9.9.4
*May 26 23:14:21.711: DHCPD: Adding binding to radix tree (10.9.9.4)
*May 26 23:14:21.711: DHCPD: Adding binding to hash tree
*May 26 23:14:21.711: DHCPD: parsing text line "Infinite"
*May 26 23:14:21.711: DHCPD: parsing text line ""
*May 26 23:14:21.711: DHCPD: parsing text line
!IP address Interface-index Lease expiration VRF
*May 26 23:14:21.711: DHCPD: parsing text line "*end*"
*May 26 23:14:21.711: DHCPD: read static bindings from tftp://10.19.192.33/abcemp/static_pool.
```

## Customizing DHCP Server Operation

By default, the DHCP server pings a pool address twice before assigning a particular address to a requesting client. If the ping is unanswered, the DHCP server assumes (with a high probability) that the address is not in use and assigns the address to the requesting client.

By default, the DHCP server waits for 2 seconds before timing out a ping packet.

You can configure the DHCP server to ignore and not reply to any BOOTP requests that the server receives. This functionality is beneficial when there is a mix of BOOTP and DHCP clients in a network segment and there is a BOOTP server and a Cisco DHCP server servicing the network segment. The BOOTP server is

configured with static bindings for the BOOTP clients and the BOOTP clients must obtain their addresses from the BOOTP server. However, DHCP servers can also respond to BOOTP requests and the DHCP server may offer an address that causes the BOOTP clients to boot with the address from the DHCP server, instead of the address from the BOOTP server. Configuring the DHCP server to ignore BOOTP requests ensures that the BOOTP clients will receive address information from the BOOTP server and will not accept an address from a DHCP server.

Cisco software can forward these ignored BOOTP request packets to another DHCP server if the **ip helper-address** command is configured on the incoming interface.



**Note** It is not recommended to use DHCP ping checks on Cisco Catalyst switches implemented in switch stack or VSS.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp ping packets** *number*
4. **ip dhcp ping timeout** *milliseconds*
5. **ip dhcp bootp ignore**
6. **end**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp ping packets</b> <i>number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp ping packets 5	(Optional) Specifies the number of ping packets the DHCP server sends to a pool address before assigning the address to a requesting client. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The default is two packets. Setting the <i>number</i> argument to a value of 0 disables the DHCP server ping operation.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ip dhcp ping timeout</b> <i>milliseconds</i>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config)# ip dhcp ping timeout 850</pre>	(Optional) Specifies the duration the DHCP server waits for a ping reply from an address pool.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>ip dhcp bootp ignore</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config)# ip dhcp bootp ignore</pre>	(Optional) Allows the DHCP server to selectively ignore and not reply to received BOOTP requests. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>ip dhcp bootp ignore</b> command applies to all DHCP pools configured on the device. BOOTP requests cannot be selectively ignored on a per-DHCP pool basis.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring a Remote Device to Import DHCP Server Options from a Central DHCP Server

The Cisco DHCP server can dynamically configure options such as the Domain Name System (DNS) and Windows Internet Name Service (WINS) addresses to respond to DHCP requests from local clients behind the customer premises equipment (CPE). Earlier, network administrators configured the Cisco DHCP server on each device manually. Now, the Cisco DHCP server is enhanced to allow configuration information to be updated automatically. Network administrators can configure one or more centralized DHCP servers to update specific DHCP options within the DHCP pools. The remote servers can request or “import” these option parameters from centralized servers.

This section contains the following tasks:

### Configuring the Central DHCP Server to Update DHCP Options

Perform the following task to configure the Central DHCP Server to update DHCP options:

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp pool** *name*
4. **network** *network-number* [*mask* | */prefix-length*]
5. **dns-server** *address* [*address2* ... *address8*]
6. **end**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  • Enter your password if prompted.
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp pool</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp pool 1	Creates a name for the DHCP server address pool and enters DHCP pool configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>network</b> <i>network-number</i> [ <i>mask</i>   <i>/prefix-length</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# network 172.16.0.0 /16	Specifies the subnet number and mask of the DHCP address pool.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>dns-server</b> <i>address</i> [ <i>address2</i> ... <i>address8</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# dns server 172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103	(Optional) Specifies the IP address of a DNS server that is available to a DHCP client.  • One IP address is required; however, you can specify up to eight IP addresses in one command line.  • Servers should be listed in the order of preference.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring the Remote Device to Import DHCP Options

Perform the following task to configure the remote device to import DHCP options:



### Note

When two servers provide DHCP addresses to a single device configured with **ip address dhcp** on two different interfaces, the imported information is merged and, for those options that take a single value, the last known option value will be used.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp pool** *pool-name*
4. **network** *network-number* [*mask* | */prefix-length*]
5. **import all**
6. **exit**
7. **interface** *type number*
8. **ip address dhcp**
9. **end**
10. **show ip dhcp import**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp pool</b> <i>pool-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp pool pool1	Creates a name for the DHCP server address pool and enters DHCP pool configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>network</b> <i>network-number</i> [ <i>mask</i>   <i>/prefix-length</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# network 172.30.0.0 /16	Specifies the subnet network number and mask of the DHCP address pool.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>import all</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# import all	Imports DHCP option parameters into the DHCP server database.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# exit	Exits DHCP pool configuration mode and enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>interface</b> <i>type number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface FastEthernet 0/0	Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 8</b>	<b>ip address dhcp</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ip address dhcp	Specifies that the interface acquires an IP address through DHCP.
<b>Step 9</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
<b>Step 10</b>	<b>show ip dhcp import</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip dhcp import	Displays the options that are imported from the central DHCP server.

## Configuring DHCP Address Allocation Using Option 82

### Enabling Option 82 for DHCP Address Allocation

By default, the Cisco DHCP server uses information provided by option 82 to allocate IP addresses. If the DHCP address allocation is disabled, perform the task described in this section to reenable this capability.

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp use class**
4. **end**

#### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp use class</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp use class	Controls DHCP classes that are used for address allocation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This functionality is enabled by default.</li> <li>• Use the <b>no</b> form of this command to disable this functionality without deleting the DHCP class configuration.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.



## Troubleshooting Tips

If DHCP classes are configured in the pool, but the DHCP server does not use the classes, verify if the **no ip dhcp use class** command was configured.

## Defining the DHCP Class and Relay Agent Information Patterns

### Before You Begin

You must know the hexadecimal value of each byte location in option 82 to configure the **relay-information hex** command. The option 82 format may vary from product to product. Contact the relay agent vendor for this information.

Perform this task to define the DHCP class and relay agent information patterns:

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp class *class-name***
4. **relay agent information**
5. **relay-information hex *pattern* [\*] [bitmask *mask*]**
6. Repeat Steps 3 through 5 for each DHCP class you need to configure.
7. **end**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ip dhcp class <i>class-name</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp class CLASS1	Defines a DHCP class and enters DHCP class configuration mode.
Step 4	<b>relay agent information</b>	Enters relay agent information option configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-class)# relay agent information</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If you omit this step, the DHCP class matches any relay agent information option, whether the relay agent information option value is available or not.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 5</b>	<p><b>relay-information hex <i>pattern</i> [*] [bitmask mask]</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-class-relayinfo)# relay-information hex 01030a0b0c02050000000123</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies a hexadecimal value for full relay information option.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <i>pattern</i> argument creates a pattern that is used to match the DHCP class.</li> <li>If you omit this step, no pattern is configured and it is considered a match to any relay agent information option value, but the relay information option must be available in the DHCP packet.</li> <li>You can configure multiple <b>relay-information hex</b> commands in a DHCP class.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 6</b>	Repeat Steps 3 through 5 for each DHCP class you need to configure.	
<b>Step 7</b>	<p><b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-class-relayinfo)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Troubleshooting Tips

Use the **debug ip dhcp server class** command to display the class matching results.

## Defining the DHCP Address Pool

Perform this task to define the DHCP address pool:

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp pool *name***
4. **network *network-number* [*mask* | */prefix-length*]**
5. **class *class-name***
6. **address range *start-ip end-ip***
7. Repeat Steps 5 and 6 for each DHCP class you need to associate with the DHCP pool.
8. **end**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ip dhcp pool <i>name</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# ip dhcp pool ABC	Configures a DHCP address pool on a Cisco IOS DHCP server and enters DHCP pool configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Multiple pools can be configured with the same class, eliminating the need to configure the same pattern in multiple pools.</li> </ul>
Step 4	<b>network <i>network-number</i> [<i>mask</i>   <i>/prefix-length</i>]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# network 10.0.20.0	Configures the subnet and mask for a DHCP address pool on a Cisco IOS DHCP server.
Step 5	<b>class <i>class-name</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# class CLASS1	Associates a class with a pool and enters DHCP pool class configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This command also creates a DHCP class if the DHCP class is not yet defined.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 6</b>	<p><b>address range</b> <i>start-ip end-ip</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-pool-class)# address range 10.0.20.1 10.0.20.100</pre>	<p>(Optional) Sets an address range for the DHCP class in a DHCP server address pool.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If this command is not configured for a class, the default value is the entire subnet of the pool. Each class in the DHCP pool is examined for a match in the order configured.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 7</b>	Repeat Steps 5 and 6 for each DHCP class you need to associate with the DHCP pool.	
<b>Step 8</b>	<p><b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(dhcp-pool-class)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring a Static Route with the Next-Hop Dynamically Obtained Through DHCP

This task enables static routes to be assigned using a DHCP default gateway as the next-hop device. This behavior was not possible before the introduction of this feature because the gateway IP address is not known until after the DHCP address assignment. You cannot configure a static route with the CLI without knowing that DHCP-supplied address.

The static routes are updated in the routing table when the default gateway is assigned by the DHCP server. The routes remain in the routing table until the DHCP lease expires and then the routes are removed.

When a DHCP client releases an address, the corresponding static route (the route configured using the **ip route** command) is automatically removed from the routing table. If the DHCP router option (option 3 of the DHCP packet) changes during the client renewal, the DHCP default gateway changes to the new IP address supplied after the renewal.

This feature is particularly useful for VPN deployments such as Dynamic Multipoint VPNs (DMVPNs). This feature is useful when a nonphysical interface, such as a multipoint generic routing encapsulation (mGRE) tunnel, is configured on a device and certain traffic must be excluded from entering the tunnel interface.

### Before You Begin

Verify all DHCP client and server configuration steps. Ensure that the DHCP client and server are properly defined to supply a DHCP device option 3 of the DHCP packet.

**Note**

- If the DHCP client is not able to obtain an IP address or the default device IP address, the static route is not installed in the routing table.
- If the lease has expired and the DHCP client cannot renew the address, the DHCP IP address assigned to the client is released and any associated static routes are removed from the routing table.

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip route** *prefix mask {ip-address | interface-type interface-number [ip-address]}* **dhcp** [*distance*]
4. **end**
5. **show ip route**

**DETAILED STEPS**

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip route</b> <i>prefix mask {ip-address   interface-type interface-number [ip-address]}</i> <b>dhcp</b> [ <i>distance</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip route 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.255 192.168.2.2 dhcp	Assigns a static route for the default next-hop device when the DHCP server is accessed for an IP address. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If more than one interface is configured to obtain an IP address from a DHCP server, use the <b>ip route</b> <i>prefix mask interface-type interface-number dhcp</i> command for each interface. If the interface is not specified, the route is added to the routing table as soon as any of the interfaces obtain an IP address and a default device.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>show ip route</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip route	(Optional) Displays the current state of the routing table.

## Clearing DHCP Server Variables

Perform this task to clear DHCP server variables:

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. clear ip dhcp binding {address | \*}
3. clear ip dhcp conflict {address | \*}
4. clear ip dhcp server statistics

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>clear ip dhcp binding {address   *}</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# clear ip dhcp binding *	Deletes an automatic address binding from the DHCP database. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specifying the <i>address</i> argument clears the automatic binding for a specific (client) IP address, whereas specifying an asterisk (*) clears all automatic bindings.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>clear ip dhcp conflict {address   *}</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# clear ip dhcp conflict 172.16.1.103	Clears an address conflict from the DHCP database. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specifying the <i>address</i> argument clears the conflict for a specific IP address, whereas specifying an asterisk (*) clears conflicts for all addresses.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>clear ip dhcp server statistics</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# clear ip dhcp server statistics	Resets all DHCP server counters to 0.

# Configuration Examples for the Cisco IOS DHCP Server

## Example: Configuring the DHCP Database Agent

The following example shows how to store bindings on host 172.16.4.253. The file transfer protocol is FTP. The server waits for 2 minutes (120 seconds) before performing database changes.

```
ip dhcp database ftp://user:password@172.16.4.253/router-dhcp write-delay 120
```

## Example: Excluding IP Addresses

In the following example, server A and server B service the subnet 10.0.20.0/24. If the subnet is split equally between the two servers, server A is configured to allocate IP addresses 10.0.20.1 to 10.0.20.125 and server B is configured to allocate IP addresses 10.0.20.126 to 10.0.20.254.

### Server A

```
ip dhcp excluded-address 10.0.20.126 10.0.20.255
!
ip dhcp pool A
 network 10.0.20.0 255.255.255.0
```

### Server B

```
ip dhcp excluded-address 10.0.20.0 10.0.20.125
!
ip dhcp pool B
 network 10.0.20.0 255.255.255.0
```

## Example: Configuring DHCP Address Pools

In the following example, three DHCP address pools are created: one in network 172.16.0.0, one in subnetwork 172.16.1.0, and one in subnetwork 172.16.2.0. Attributes from network 172.16.0.0—such as the domain name, Domain Name System (DNS) server, (Network Basic Input/Output System) NetBIOS name server, and NetBIOS node type—are inherited in subnetworks 172.16.1.0 and 172.16.2.0. In each pool, clients are granted 30-day leases and all addresses in each subnetwork, except the excluded addresses, are available to the DHCP server for assigning to clients. The table below lists the IP addresses for the devices in three DHCP address pools.

**Table 3: DHCP Address Pool Configuration**

Pool 0 (Network 172.16.0.0)	Pool 1 (Subnetwork 172.16.1.0)	Pool 2 (Subnetwork 172.16.2.0)			
Device	IP Address	Device	IP Address	Device	IP Address

## Example: Configuring a DHCP Address Pool with Multiple Disjoint Subnets

Pool 0 (Network 172.16.0.0)	Pool 1 (Subnetwork 172.16.1.0)	Pool 2 (Subnetwork 172.16.2.0)			
Default devices	—	Default devices	172.16.1.100 172.16.1.101	Default devices	172.16.2.100 172.16.2.101
DNS server	172.16.1.102 172.16.2.102	—	—	—	—
NetBIOS name server	172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103	—	—	—	—
NetBIOS node type	h-node	—	—	—	—

```

ip dhcp database ftp://user:password@172.16.4.253/router-dhcp write-delay 120
ip dhcp excluded-address 172.16.1.100 172.16.1.103
ip dhcp excluded-address 172.16.2.100 172.16.2.103
!
ip dhcp pool 0
 network 172.16.0.0 /16
 domain-name cisco.com
 dns-server 172.16.1.102 172.16.2.102
 netbios-name-server 172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103
 netbios-node-type h-node
!
ip dhcp pool 1
 network 172.16.1.0 /24
 default-router 172.16.1.100 172.16.1.101
 lease 30
!
ip dhcp pool 2
 network 172.16.2.0 /24
 default-router 172.16.2.100 172.16.2.101
 lease 30

```

## Example: Configuring a DHCP Address Pool with Multiple Disjoint Subnets

Multiple disjoint subnets in a DHCP pool can be used in any of the following network topologies:

- IP address pooling—The DHCP client and server reside on the same subnet.
- DHCP relay—The DHCP client and DHCP server communicate through a DHCP relay agent where the relay interface is configured with secondary IP addresses.
- Hierarchical DHCP—The DHCP server is configured as the DHCP subnet allocation server. The DHCP client and DHCP subnet allocation server communicate through an on-demand address pool (ODAP) router.

In the following example, one DHCP address pool named pool3 is created; the primary subnet is 172.16.0.0/16, one secondary subnet is 172.16.1.0/24, and the other secondary subnet is 172.16.2.0/24.

- When IP addresses in the primary subnet are exhausted, the DHCP server inspects the secondary subnets in the order in which the subnets were added to the pool.



- When the DHCP server allocates an IP address from the secondary subnet 172.16.1.0/24, the server uses the subnet-specific default device list that consists of IP addresses 172.16.1.100 and 172.16.1.101. However, when the DHCP server allocates an IP address from the subnet 172.16.2.0/24, the server uses the pool-wide list that consists of the four IP addresses from 172.16.0.100 to 172.16.0.103.
- Other attributes from the primary subnet 172.16.0.0/16—such as the domain name, DNS server, NetBIOS name server, and NetBIOS node type—are inherited in both the secondary subnets.
- DHCP clients are granted 30-day leases on IP addresses in the pool. All addresses in each subnet, except the excluded addresses, are available to the DHCP server for assigning to clients.

The table below lists the IP addresses for the devices in the DHCP address pool that consists of three disjoint subnets.

**Table 4: DHCP Address Pool Configuration with Multiple Disjoint Subnets**

Primary Subnet (172.16.0.0/16)	First Secondary Subnet (172.16.1.0/24)	Second Secondary Subnet (172.16.2.0/24)			
Device	IP Address	Device	IP Address	Device	IP Address
Default devices	172.16.0.100 172.16.0.101 172.16.0.102 172.16.0.103	Default devices	172.16.1.100 172.16.1.101	Default devices	172.16.0.100 172.16.0.101 172.16.0.102 172.16.0.103
DNS server	172.16.1.102 172.16.2.102	—	—	—	—
NetBIOS name server	172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103	—	—	—	—
NetBIOS node type	h-node	—	—	—	—

```
ip dhcp database ftp://user:password@172.16.4.253/router-dhcp write-delay 120
ip dhcp excluded-address 172.16.0.100 172.16.1.103
ip dhcp excluded-address 172.16.1.100 172.16.1.101
!
ip dhcp pool pool3
 network 172.16.0.0 /16
 default-router 172.16.0.100 172.16.2.101 172.16.0.102 172.16.0.103
 domain-name cisco.com
 dns-server 172.16.1.102 172.16.2.102
 netbios-name-server 172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103
 netbios-node-type h-node
 lease 30
!
 network 172.16.1.0 /24 secondary
  override default-router 172.16.1.100 172.16.1.101
 end
!
 network 172.16.2.0 /24 secondary
```

## Example: Configuring Manual Bindings

The following example shows how to create a manual binding for a client named example1.abc.com that sends a client identifier in the DHCP packet. The MAC address of the client is 02c7.f800.0422 and the IP address of the client is 172.16.2.254.

```
ip dhcp pool pool1
 host 172.16.2.254
 client-identifier 01b7.0813.8811.66
 client-name example1
```

The following example shows how to create a manual binding for a client named example2.abc.com that does not send a client identifier in the DHCP packet. The MAC address of the client is 02c7.f800.0422 and the IP address of the client is 172.16.2.253.

```
ip dhcp pool pool2
 host 172.16.2.253
 hardware-address 02c7.f800.0422 ethernet
 client-name example1
```

Because attributes are inherited, the two preceding configurations are equivalent to the following:

```
ip dhcp pool pool1
 host 172.16.2.254 255.255.255.0
 hardware-address 02c7.f800.0422 ieee802
 client-name client1
 default-router 172.16.2.100 172.16.2.101
 domain-name abc.com
 dns-server 172.16.1.102 172.16.2.102
 netbios-name-server 172.16.1.103 172.16.2.103
 netbios-node-type h-node
```

## Example: Configuring Static Mapping

The following example shows how to restart the DHCP server, configure the pool, and specify the URL where the static mapping text file is stored:

```
no service dhcp
 service dhcp
 ip dhcp pool abcpool
```

## Example: Configuring the Option to Ignore all BOOTP Requests

The following example shows two DHCP pools that are configured on the device and that the device's DHCP server is configured to ignore all received BOOTP requests. If a BOOTP request is received from subnet 10.0.18.0/24, the request will be dropped by the device (because the **ip helper-address** command is not configured). If there is a BOOTP request from subnet 192.168.1.0/24, the request will be forwarded to 172.16.1.1 via the **ip helper-address** command.

```
version 12.2
 service timestamps debug uptime
 service timestamps log uptime
 no service password-encryption
 !
 hostname Router
 !
 ip subnet-zero
 !
```

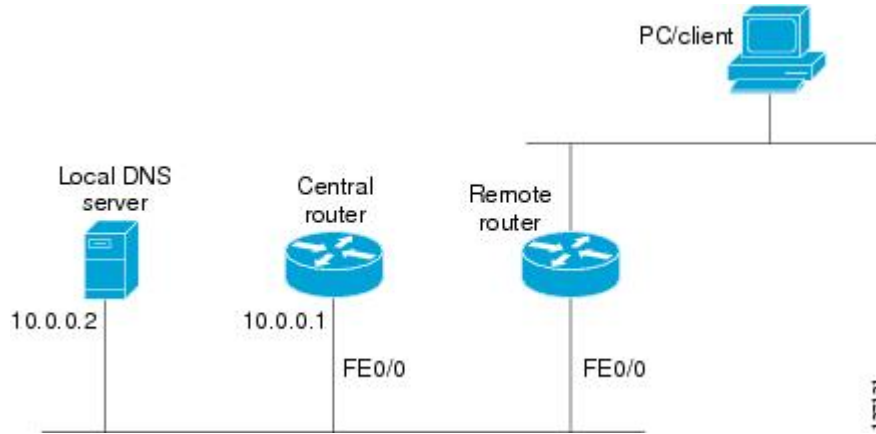
```
ip dhcp bootp ignore
!
ip dhcp pool ABC
  network 192.168.1.0 255.255.255.0
  default-router 192.168.1.3
  lease 2
!
ip dhcp pool DEF
  network 10.0.18.0 255.255.255.0
!
ip cef
!
interface FastEthernet0/0
  no ip address
  shutdown
  duplex half
!
interface Ethernet1/0
  ip address 10.0.18.68 255.255.255.0
  duplex half
!
interface Ethernet1/1
  ip address 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.0
  ip helper-address 172.16.1.1
  duplex half
!
interface Ethernet1/2
  shutdown
  duplex half
!
interface Ethernet1/3
  no ip address
  shutdown
  duplex half
!
interface FastEthernet2/0
  no ip address
  shutdown
  duplex half
!
ip route 172.16.1.1 255.255.255.255 e1/0
no ip http server
no ip pim bidir-enable
!
call rsvp-sync
!
mgcp profile default
!
dial-peer cor custom
!
gatekeeper
  shutdown
!
line con 0
line aux 0
line vty 0 4
!
end
```

## Example: Importing DHCP Options

The following example shows how to configure a remote and central server to support the importing of DHCP options. The central server is configured to automatically update DHCP options, such as DNS and WINS addresses, within the DHCP pools. In response to a DHCP request from a local client behind CPE equipment,

the remote server can request or “import” these option parameters from the centralized server. See the figure below for a diagram of the network topology.

**Figure 2: DHCP Example Network Topology**



### Central Device

```
!do not assign this range to DHCP clients
ip dhcp-excluded address 10.0.0.1 10.0.0.5
!
ip dhcp pool central
! Specifies network number and mask for DHCP clients
network 10.0.0.0 255.255.255.0
! Specifies the domain name for the client
domain-name central
! Specifies DNS server that will respond to DHCP clients when they need to correlate host
! name to ip address
dns-server 10.0.0.2
! Specifies the NETBIOS WINS server
netbios-name-server 10.0.0.2
!
interface FastEthernet0/0
ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.0
duplex auto
speed auto
```

### Remote Device

```
ip dhcp pool client
! Imports DHCP option parameters into DHCP server database
import all
network 172.16.2.254 255.255.255.0
!
interface FastEthernet0/0
ip address dhcp
duplex auto
speed auto
```

## Example: Configuring DHCP Address Allocation Using Option 82

This example shows how to configure two DHCP classes. CLASS1 defines the group of DHCP clients whose address requests contain the relay agent information option with the specified hexadecimal values. CLASS2

defines the group of DHCP clients whose address requests contain the configured relay agent information suboptions. CLASS3 has no pattern configured and is treated as a “match to any” class. This type of class is useful for specifying a “default” class.

The subnet of pool ABC has been divided into three ranges without further subnetting the 10.0.20.0/24 subnet. If there is a DHCP Discover message from the 10.0.20.0/24 subnet with option 82 matching that of class CLASS1, an available address in the range from 10.0.20.1 to 10.0.20.100 will be allocated. If there is no free address in CLASS1’s address range, the DHCP Discover message will be matched against CLASS2, and so on.

Therefore, each class in the DHCP pool will be examined for a match in the order configured by the user. In pool ABC, the order of matching is CLASS1, CLASS2, and finally CLASS3. In pool DEF, class CLASS2 does not have any address range configured. By default, the address range for a particular class is the pool’s entire subnets. Therefore, clients matching CLASS2 may be allocated addresses from 10.0.20.1 to 10.0.20.254.

Multiple pools can be configured with the same class, eliminating the need to configure the same patterns in multiple pools. For example, there may be a need to specify that one or more pools must be used only to service a particular class of devices (for example, cable modems and IP phones).

```
! Defines the DHCP classes and relay information patterns
ip dhcp class CLASS1
  relay agent information
    relay-information hex 01030a0b0c020500000000123
    relay-information hex 01030a0b0c02*
    relay-information hex 01030a0b0c02050000000000 bitmask 0000000000000000000000FF
ip dhcp class CLASS2
  relay agent information
    relay-information hex 01040102030402020102
    relay-information hex 01040101030402020102
ip dhcp class CLASS3
  relay agent information
! Associates the DHCP pool with DHCP classes
ip dhcp pool ABC
  network 10.0.20.0 255.255.255.0
  class CLASS1
    address range 10.0.20.1 10.0.20.100
  class CLASS2
    address range 10.0.20.101 10.0.20.200
  class CLASS3
    address range 10.0.20.201 10.0.20.254
ip dhcp pool DEF
  network 172.64.2.2 255.255.255.0
  class CLASS1
    address range 172.64.2.3 172.64.2.10
  class CLASS2
```

## Example: Configuring a Static Route with the Next-Hop Dynamically Obtained Through DHCP

The following example shows how to configure two Ethernet interfaces to obtain the next-hop device IP address from the DHCP server:

```
ip route 10.10.10.0 255.255.255.0 dhcp 200
ip route 10.10.20.1 255.255.255.255 ethernet 1 dhcp
```

## Additional References for Cisco IOS DHCP Server

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>
DHCP commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Command Reference</a>
DHCP conceptual information	“DHCP Overview” module
DHCP relay agent configuration	“Configuring the Cisco IOS DHCP Relay Agent” module
DHCP server on-demand address pools	“Configuring the DHCP Server On-Demand Address Pool Manager” module
DHCP client configuration	“Configuring the Cisco IOS DHCP Client” module
DHCP advanced features	“Configuring DHCP Services for Accounting and Security” module
DHCP enhancements for edge-session management	“Configuring DHCP Enhancements for Edge-Session Management” module
DHCP options	“DHCP Options” appendix in the <i>Network Registrar User’s Guide</i> , Release 6.1.1

### RFCs

RFCs	Title
RFC 951	<i>Bootstrap Protocol (BOOTP)</i>
RFC 1542	<i>Clarifications and Extensions for the Bootstrap Protocol</i>
RFC 2131	<i>Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol</i>
RFC 2132	<i>DHCP Options and BOOTP Vendor Extensions</i>

**Technical Assistance**

Description	Link
The Cisco Support and Documentation website provides online resources to download documentation, software, and tools. Use these resources to install and configure the software and to troubleshoot and resolve technical issues with Cisco products and technologies. Access to most tools on the Cisco Support and Documentation website requires a Cisco.com user ID and password.	<a href="http://www.cisco.com/cisco/web/support/index.html">http://www.cisco.com/cisco/web/support/index.html</a>

## Feature Information for the Cisco IOS DHCP Server

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.

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

**Table 5: Feature Information for the Cisco IOS DHCP Server**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Configuration Information
DHCP Server Import All Enhancement	Cisco IOS XE Release 3.2SE	The DHCP Server Import All Enhancement feature is an enhancement to the <b>import all</b> command. Prior to this feature, the options imported through the <b>import all</b> command were overwritten by those imported by another subsystem. Through this feature, options imported by multiple subsystems can coexist in the DHCP address pool. When the session is terminated or the lease is released, the imported options are cleared.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Configuration Information
DHCP Server Multiple Subnet	Cisco IOS XE Release 3.2SE	<p>The DHCP Server Multiple Subnet feature enables multiple subnets to be configured under the same DHCP address pool.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>network(DHCP)</b>, <b>override default-router</b>.</p>
DHCP Server Option to Ignore all BOOTP Requests	Cisco IOS XE Release 3.2SE	<p>The DHCP Server Option to Ignore all BOOTP Requests feature allows the Cisco IOS DHCP server to selectively ignore and not reply to received Bootstrap Protocol (BOOTP) request packets.</p> <p>The following command was introduced or modified: <b>ip dhcp bootp ignore</b>.</p>





## Configuring the Cisco IOS DHCP Relay Agent

All Cisco devices that run Cisco software include a DHCP server and the relay agent software. A DHCP relay agent is any host or IP device that forwards DHCP packets between clients and servers. This module describes the concepts and tasks needed to configure the Cisco IOS DHCP relay agent.

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- [Feature Information for the Cisco IOS DHCP Relay Agent, page 79](#)
- [Glossary, page 80](#)

### Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and 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.

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### Prerequisites for Configuring the Cisco IOS DHCP Relay Agent

- Before you configure the DHCP relay agent, you should understand the concepts documented in the “DHCP Overview” module.

- The Cisco IOS DHCP server and relay agent are enabled by default. You can verify whether they have been disabled by checking your configuration file. If they have been disabled, the **no service dhcp** command will appear in the configuration file. Use the **service dhcp** command to reenable the functionality if necessary.
- The Cisco IOS DHCP relay agent will be enabled on an interface only when the **ip helper-address** command is configured. This command enables the DHCP broadcast to be forwarded to the configured DHCP server.

## Information About the DHCP Relay Agent

### DHCP Relay Agent Overview

A DHCP relay agent is any host that forwards DHCP packets between clients and servers. Relay agents are used to forward requests and replies between clients and servers when they are not on the same physical subnet. Relay agent forwarding is distinct from the normal forwarding of an IP device, where IP datagrams are switched between networks somewhat transparently. By contrast, relay agents receive DHCP messages and then generate a new DHCP message to send out on another interface. The relay agent sets the gateway IP address (giaddr field of the DHCP packet) and, if configured, adds the relay agent information option (option82) in the packet and forwards it to the DHCP server. The reply from the server is forwarded back to the client after removing option 82.

The DHCP relay agent supports the use of unnumbered interfaces. An unnumbered interface can “borrow” the IP address of another interface already configured on the device, which conserves network and address space. For DHCP clients connected through the unnumbered interfaces, the DHCP relay agent automatically adds a static host route once the DHCP client obtains an address, specifying the unnumbered interface as the outbound interface. The route is automatically removed once the lease time expires or when the client releases the address.

## How to Configure the DHCP Relay Agent

### Specifying the Packet Forwarding Address

Perform this task to configure the DHCP relay agent to forward packets to a DHCP server.

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ip helper-address** *address*

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>interface <i>type number</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0	Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 4	<b>ip helper-address <i>address</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ip helper-address 172.16.1.2	Forwards UPD broadcasts, including BOOTP and DHCP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <i>address</i> argument can be a specific DHCP server address, or it can be the network address if other DHCP servers are on the destination network segment. Using the network address enables other servers to respond to DHCP requests.</li> <li>• If you have multiple servers, you can configure one helper address for each server.</li> </ul>

## Configuring Support for the Relay Agent Information Option

Automatic DHCP address allocation is typically based on an IP address, which may be either the gateway IP address (giaddr field of the DHCP packet) or the incoming interface IP address. In some networks, additional information may be required to further determine the IP addresses that need to be allocated. By using the relay agent information option (option 82), the Cisco IOS relay agent can include additional information about itself when forwarding client-originated DHCP packets to a DHCP server. Cisco software supports this functionality by using the **ip dhcp relay information option** command. The relay agent will automatically add the circuit identifier suboption and the remote ID suboption to the relay agent information option and forward them to the DHCP server.

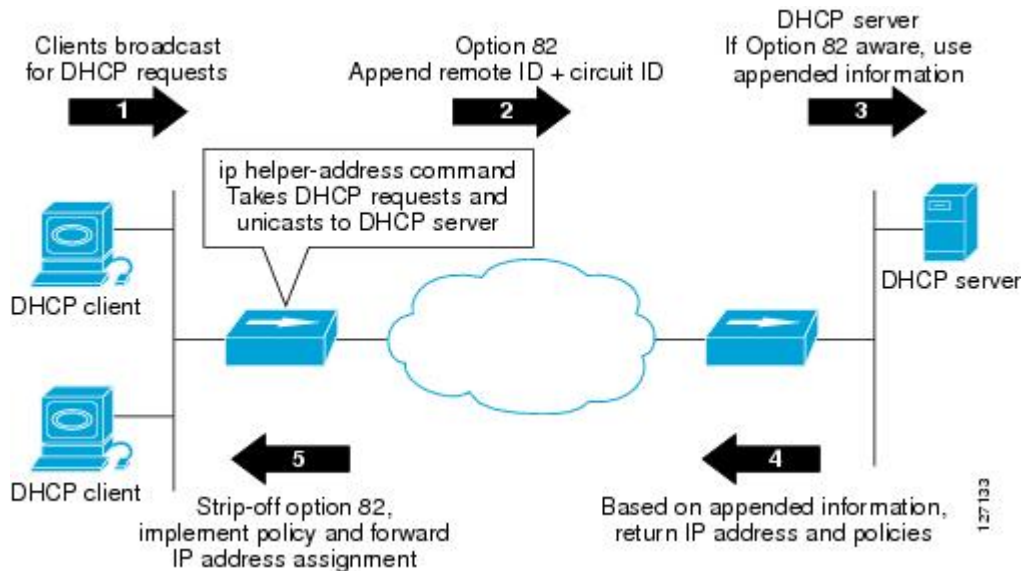
The DHCP server can use this information to assign IP addresses, perform access control, and set quality of service (QoS) and security policies (or other parameter-assignment policies) for each subscriber of a service provider network.

The figure below shows how the relay agent information option is inserted into the DHCP packet as follows:

- 1 The DHCP client generates a DHCP request and broadcasts it on the network.

- 2 The DHCP relay agent intercepts the broadcast DHCP request packet and inserts the relay agent information option (option 82) into the packet. The relay agent information option contains related suboptions.
- 3 The DHCP relay agent unicasts the DHCP packet to the DHCP server.
- 4 The DHCP server receives the packet, uses the suboptions to assign IP addresses and other configuration parameters to the packet, and forwards the packet back to the client.
- 5 The suboption fields are stripped off of the packet by the relay agent while forwarding the packet to the client.

**Figure 3: Operation of the Relay Agent Information Option**



A DHCP relay agent may receive a message from another DHCP relay agent that already contains relay information. By default, the relay information from the previous relay agent is replaced. If this behavior is not suitable for your network, you can use the **ip dhcp relay information policy {drop | keep | replace}** global configuration command to change it.

To ensure the correct operation of the reforwarding policy, disable the relay agent information check by using the **no ip dhcp relay information check** global configuration command.

### Before You Begin

It is important to understand how DHCP options work. See the “DHCP Overview” module for more information.



**Note**

- If the **ip dhcp relay information** command is configured in global configuration mode but not configured in interface configuration mode, the global configuration is applied to all interfaces.
- If the **ip dhcp relay information** command is configured in both global configuration mode and interface configuration mode, the interface configuration command takes precedence over the global configuration command. However, the global configuration is applied to interfaces without the interface configuration.
- If the **ip dhcp relay information** command is not configured in global configuration mode but is configured in interface configuration mode, only the interface with the configuration option applied is affected. All other interfaces are not impacted by the configuration.

See the “Configuring Relay Agent Information Option Support per Interface” section for more information on per-interface support for the relay agent information option.

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp relay information option**
4. **ip dhcp relay information check**
5. **ip dhcp relay information policy {drop | keep | replace}**
6. **ip dhcp relay information trust-all**
7. **end**
8. **show ip dhcp relay information trusted-sources**

**DETAILED STEPS**

	<b>Command or Action</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  • Enter your password if prompted.
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information option</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp relay information option	Enables the system to insert the DHCP relay agent information option (option-82 field) in BOOTREQUEST messages forwarded to a DHCP server.  • This function is disabled by default.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b>	<p><b>ip dhcp relay information check</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config)# ip dhcp relay information check</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures DHCP to check whether the relay agent information option in forwarded BOOTREPLY messages is valid.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>By default, DHCP verifies whether the option-82 field in DHCP reply packets that it receives from the DHCP server is valid. If an invalid message is received, the relay agent drops the packet. If a valid message is received, the relay agent removes the option-82 field and forwards the packet. Use the <b>ip dhcp relay information check</b> command to reenable this functionality if it has been disabled.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 5</b>	<p><b>ip dhcp relay information policy {drop   keep   replace}</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config)# ip dhcp relay information policy replace</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures the reforwarding policy (that specifies what a relay agent should do if a message already contains relay information) for a DHCP relay agent.</p>
<b>Step 6</b>	<p><b>ip dhcp relay information trust-all</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config)# ip dhcp relay information trust-all</pre>	<p>(Optional) Configures all interfaces on a device as trusted sources of the DHCP relay information option.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>By default, if the gateway address is set to all zeros in the DHCP packet and the relay agent information option is already present in the packet, the DHCP relay agent will discard the packet. Use the <b>ip dhcp relay information trust-all</b> command to override this behavior and accept the packets.</li> <li>This command is useful if there is a switch placed between the client and the relay agent that may insert option 82. Use this command to ensure that these packets do not get dropped.</li> <li>You can configure an individual interface as a trusted source of the DHCP relay information option by using the <b>ip dhcp relay information trusted</b> interface configuration mode command.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 7</b>	<p><b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config)# end</pre>	<p>Returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>
<b>Step 8</b>	<p><b>show ip dhcp relay information trusted-sources</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device# show ip dhcp relay information trusted-sources</pre>	<p>(Optional) Displays all interfaces that are configured to be a trusted source for the DHCP relay information option.</p>

## Configuring Per-Interface Support for the Relay Agent Information Option

The interface configuration allows a Cisco device to reach subscribers with different DHCP option 82 requirements on different interfaces.

### Before You Begin

It is important to understand how DHCP options work. See the “DHCP Overview” module for more information.



#### Note

- If the **ip dhcp relay information** command is configured in global configuration mode but not configured in interface configuration mode, the global configuration is applied to all interfaces.
- If the **ip dhcp relay information** command is configured in both global configuration mode and interface configuration mode, the interface configuration command takes precedence over the global configuration command. However, the global configuration is applied to interfaces without the interface configuration.
- If the **ip dhcp relay information** command is not configured in global configuration mode but is configured in interface configuration mode, only the interface on which the configuration option is applied is affected. All other interfaces are not impacted by the configuration.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ip dhcp relay information option-insert** [none]
5. **ip dhcp relay information check-reply** [none]
6. **ip dhcp relay information policy-action** {drop | keep | replace}
7. **exit**
8. Repeat Steps 3 through 7 to configure relay agent information settings on different interfaces.

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>interface</b> <i>type number</i>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config)# interface FastEthernet0/0</pre>	Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information option-insert</b> <b>[none]</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-if)# ip dhcp relay information option-insert</pre>	<p>Enables the system to insert the DHCP relay agent information option (option-82 field) in forwarded BOOTREQUEST messages to a DHCP server.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This function is disabled by default. However, if support for the relay agent information option is configured in global configuration mode, but not configured in interface configuration mode, the interface inherits the global configuration.</li> <li>• The <b>ip dhcp relay information option-insert none</b> interface configuration command is saved in the running configuration. This command takes precedence over any global relay agent information configuration.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information check-reply</b> <b>[none]</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-if)# ip dhcp relay information check-reply</pre>	<p>Configures a DHCP server to validate the relay information option in forwarded BOOTREPLY messages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• By default, DHCP verifies whether the option-82 field in the DHCP reply packets that it receives from the DHCP server is valid. If an invalid message is received, the relay agent drops the packet. If a valid message is received, the relay agent removes the option-82 field and forwards the packet. Use the <b>ip dhcp relay information check-reply</b> command to reenble this functionality if it has been disabled.</li> <li>• The <b>ip dhcp relay information check-reply none</b> interface configuration command option is saved in the running configuration. This command takes precedence over any global relay agent information configuration.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information policy-action</b> <b>{drop   keep   replace}</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-if)# ip dhcp relay information policy-action replace</pre>	Configures the information reforwarding policy (that specifies what a relay agent should do if a message already contains relay information) for a DHCP relay agent.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-if)# exit</pre>	Exits interface configuration mode.



	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	Repeat Steps 3 through 7 to configure relay agent information settings on different interfaces.	—

## Configuring the Subscriber Identifier Suboption of the Relay Agent Information Option

Perform this task to enable an Internet service provider (ISP) to add a unique identifier to the subscriber-identifier suboption of the relay agent information option.

The unique identifier enables an ISP to identify a subscriber, to assign specific actions to that subscriber (for example, assignment of host IP address, subnet mask, and domain name system DNS), and to trigger accounting.

Before the introduction of this feature, if a subscriber moved, each ISP had to be informed of the change and all ISPs had to reconfigure the DHCP settings for the affected customers at the same time. Even if the service was not changed, every move involved administrative changes in the ISP environment. With the introduction of this feature, if a subscriber moves from one Network Access Server to another, there is no need for a change in the configuration on the part of the DHCP server or ISP.

### Before You Begin

You should configure the unique identifier for each subscriber.

The new configurable subscriber-identifier option should be configured on the interface connected to the client. When a subscriber moves from one interface to the other, the interface configuration should also be changed.

The server should be able to recognize the new suboption.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp relay information option**
4. **interface** *type number*
5. **ip dhcp relay information option subscriber-id** *string*

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information option</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp relay information option	Enables the system to insert the DHCP relay agent information option (option-82 field) in forwarded BOOTREQUEST messages to a DHCP server. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This function is disabled by default.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>interface type number</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface atm4/0/0	Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information option subscriber-id string</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ip dhcp relay information option subscriber-id newsubscriber123	Specifies that a DHCP relay agent add a subscriber identifier suboption to the relay information option. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <i>string</i> argument can be up to a maximum of 50 characters and can be alphanumeric.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> If more than 50 characters are configured, the string is truncated.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The <b>ip dhcp relay information option subscriber-id</b> command is disabled by default to ensure backward capability.</p>

## Configuring DHCP Relay Class Support for Client Identification

DHCP relay class support for client identification allows the Cisco relay agent to forward client-generated DHCP messages to different DHCP servers based on the content of the following four options:

- Option 60: vendor class identifier
- Option 77: user class
- Option 124: vendor-identifying vendor class
- Option 125: vendor-identifying vendor-specific information

Each option identifies the type of client that is sending the DHCP message.

Relay pools provide a method to define DHCP pools that are not used for address allocation. These relay pools can specify that DHCP messages from clients on a specific subnet should be forwarded to a specific DHCP server. These relay pools can be configured with relay classes inside the pool that help determine the forwarding behavior.

For example, after receiving the option in a DHCP DISCOVER message, the relay agent will match and identify the relay class from the relay pool and then direct the DHCP DISCOVER message to the DHCP server associated with that identified relay class.

In an example application, a Cisco device acting as a DHCP relay agent receives DHCP requests from two VoIP services (H.323 and the Session Initiation Protocol [SIP]). The requesting devices are identified by option 60.

Both VoIP services have a different back-office infrastructure, so they cannot be serviced by the same DHCP server. Requests for H.323 devices must be forwarded to the H.323 server, and requests from SIP devices must be forwarded to the SIP server. The solution is to configure the relay agent with relay classes that are configured to match option 60 values sent by the client devices. Based on the option value, the relay agent will match and identify the relay class, and forward the DHCP DISCOVER message to the DHCP server associated with the identified relay class.

The Cisco IOS DHCP server examines the relay classes that are applicable to a pool and then uses the exact match class regardless of the configuration order. If the exact match is not found, the DHCP server uses the first default match found.

### Before You Begin

It is important to understand how DHCP options work. See the “DHCP Overview” module for more information.

You must know the hexadecimal value of each byte location in the options to be able to configure the **option hex** command. The format may vary from product to product. Contact the relay agent vendor for this information.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp class** *class-name*
4. **option** *code* **hex** *hex-pattern* [\*][**mask** *bit-mask-pattern*]
5. **exit**
6. Repeat Steps 3 through 5 for each DHCP class that you need to configure.
7. **ip dhcp pool** *name*
8. **relay source** *ip-address subnet-mask*
9. **class** *class-name*
10. **relay target** [*vrf vrf-name* | **global**] *ip-address*
11. **exit**
12. Repeat Steps 9 through 11 for each DHCP class that you need to configure.

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp class class-name</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp class SIP	Defines a DHCP class and enters DHCP class configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>option code hex hex-pattern [*][mask bit-mask-pattern]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-class)# option 60 hex 010203	Enables the relay agent to make forwarding decisions based on DHCP options inserted in the DHCP message.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-class)# exit	Exits DHCP class configuration mode.
<b>Step 6</b>	Repeat Steps 3 through 5 for each DHCP class that you need to configure.	—
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>ip dhcp pool name</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp pool ABC	Configures a DHCP pool on a DHCP server and enters DHCP pool configuration mode.
<b>Step 8</b>	<b>relay source ip-address subnet-mask</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# relay source 10.2.0.0 255.0.0.0	Configures the relay source. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This command is similar to the <b>network</b> command in a normal DHCP network pool, because it restricts the use of the address pool to packets arriving on the interface whose configured IP address and mask match the relay source configuration.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 9</b>	<b>class class-name</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(dhcp-config)# class SIP	Associates a class with a DHCP pool and enters DHCP pool class configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 10</b>	<b>relay target</b> [ <i>vrf vrf-name</i>   <b>global</b> ] <i>ip-address</i>  <b>Example:</b>  Device(config-dhcp-pool-class)# relay target 10.21.3.1	Configures an IP address for a DHCP server to which packets are forwarded.
<b>Step 11</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b>  Device(config-dhcp-pool-class)# exit	Exits DHCP pool class configuration mode.
<b>Step 12</b>	Repeat Steps 9 through 11 for each DHCP class that you need to configure.	—

## Configuring DHCP Relay Agent Support for MPLS VPNs

Perform this task to configure DHCP relay agent support for MPLS VPNs.

### Before You Begin

Before configuring DHCP relay support for MPLS VPNs, you must configure standard MPLS VPNs.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp relay information option vpn**
4. **interface** *type number*
5. **ip helper-address vrf** *name* [**global**] *address*

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b>  Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 2	<p><b>configure terminal</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device# configure terminal</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<p><b>ip dhcp relay information option vpn</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config)# ip dhcp relay information option vpn</pre>	<p>Enables the system to insert VPN suboptions into the DHCP relay agent information option in forwarded BOOTREQUEST messages to a DHCP server and sets the gateway address to the outgoing interface toward the DHCP server.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The VPN suboptions are also added to the BOOTP broadcast packets when the command is configured.</li> </ul>
Step 4	<p><b>interface type number</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0</pre>	Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 5	<p><b>ip helper-address vrf name [global] address</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-if)# ip helper-address vrf blue 172.27.180.232</pre>	<p>Forwards UDP broadcasts, including BOOTP, received on an interface.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the DHCP server resides in a different VPN or global space that is different from the VPN, then the <b>vrf name</b> or <b>global</b> options allow you to specify the name of the VRF or global space in which the DHCP server resides.</li> </ul>

## Configuring Support for Relay Agent Information Option Encapsulation

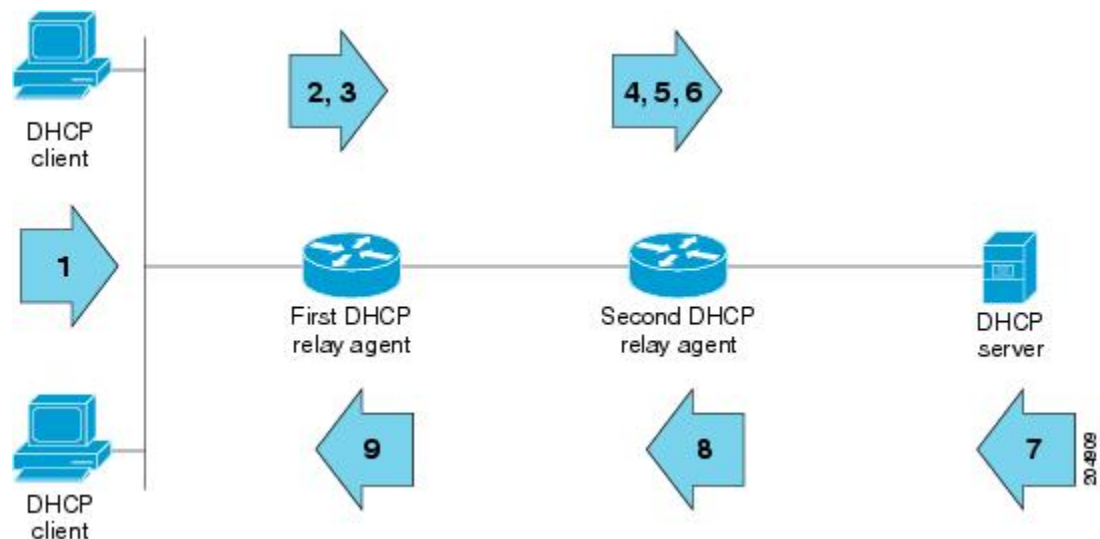
When two relay agents are relaying messages between the DHCP client and the DHCP server, the relay agent closer to the server, by default, replaces the first option 82 information with its own option 82. The remote ID and circuit ID information from the first relay agent is lost. In some deployment scenarios, it is necessary to maintain the initial option 82 from the first relay agent, in addition to the option 82 from the second relay agent, for example, in a situation where an Intelligent Services Gateway (ISG) acting as a second relay agent is connected to a Layer 2 device. The Layer 2 device connects to the household and identifies the household with its own option 82.

The DHCP Relay Option 82 Encapsulation feature allows the second relay agent to encapsulate option 82 information in a received message from the first relay agent if the second relay agent is configured to add its own option 82 information. This configuration allows the DHCP server to use option 82 information from both relay agents. The DHCP server can use the VPN information from the second relay agent, along with the option 82 information from the first relay agent, to send correct address assignments and other configuration parameters for the client devices based on the VRF, option 60, and encapsulated option 82. The reply message from the DHCP server to the DHCP client traverses the same path as the request messages through the two relay agents to the DHCP client.

The figure below shows the processing that occurs on the two relay agents and the DHCP server when this feature is configured:

- 1 The DHCP client generates a DHCP message (including option 60) and broadcasts it on the network.
- 2 The first DHCP relay agent intercepts the broadcast DHCP request packet and inserts its own option 82 in the packet.
- 3 The relay agent automatically adds the circuit ID suboption and the remote ID suboption to option 82 and forwards them to the second relay agent.
- 4 The second relay agent encapsulates the first relay agent's option 82 and inserts its own option 82.
- 5 The gateway IP address (giaddr) is set to the incoming interface on the second relay agent and the original giaddr from the first relay agent is encapsulated.
- 6 The second DHCP relay agent unicasts the DHCP packet to the DHCP server.
- 7 The DHCP server receives the packet and uses the VPN suboption information from the second relay agent, along with the option 82 information from the first relay agent, to assign IP addresses and other configuration parameters and forwards the packet back to the second relay agent.
- 8 When the second relay agent receives the reply message from the server, it restores the encapsulated option 82 and prior giaddr from the first relay agent. The reply message is then sent to the prior giaddr.
- 9 The first relay agent strips option 82 off from the packet before forwarding the packet to the client.

**Figure 4: Processing DHCP Relay Agent Information Option Encapsulation Support**



## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp relay information option**
4. **ip dhcp relay information option vpn**
5. **ip dhcp relay information policy encapsulate**
6. **interface *type number***
7. **ip dhcp relay information policy-action encapsulate**
8. **end**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information option</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp relay information option	Enables the system to insert the DHCP relay agent information option (option-82 field) in forwarded BOOTREQUEST messages to a DHCP server. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This function is disabled by default.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information option vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp relay information option vpn	(Optional) Enables the system to insert VPN suboptions into the DHCP relay agent information option in forwarded BOOTREQUEST messages to a DHCP server and sets the gateway address to the outgoing interface toward the DHCP server. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The VPN suboptions are also added to the BOOTP broadcast packets when the command is configured.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information policy encapsulate</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp relay information policy encapsulate	Enables the system to encapsulate the DHCP relay agent information option (option-82 field) received from a prior relay agent in forwarded BOOTREQUEST messages to a DHCP server. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Option 82 information from both relay agents will be forwarded to the DHCP server.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>interface <i>type number</i></b>	(Optional) Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.



	Command or Action	Purpose
	<p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config)# interface FastEthernet0/0</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If you configure the global configuration command, there is no need to configure the interface configuration command unless you want to apply a different configuration on a specific interface.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 7</b>	<p><b>ip dhcp relay information policy-action encapsulate</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-if)# ip dhcp relay information policy-action encapsulate</pre>	<p>(Optional) Enables the system to encapsulate the DHCP relay agent information option (option-82 field) received on an interface from a prior relay agent in forwarded BOOTREQUEST messages to a DHCP server on an interface.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This function is disabled by default. This command has precedence over the global configuration command. However, if the relay agent information option encapsulation support is configured in global configuration mode, but not in interface configuration mode, the interface inherits the global configuration.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 8</b>	<p><b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-if)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Setting the Gateway Address of the DHCP Broadcast to a Secondary Address Using Smart Relay Agent Forwarding

You only need to configure helper addresses on the interface where the UDP broadcasts that you want to forward to the DHCP server are being received. You only need to configure the **ip dhcp smart-relay** command if you have secondary addresses on that interface and you want the device to step through each IP network when forwarding DHCP requests. If smart relay agent forwarding is not configured, all requests are forwarded using the primary IP address on the interface.

If the **ip dhcp smart-relay** command is configured, the relay agent counts the number of times that the client retries sending a request to the DHCP server when there is no DHCPOFFER message from the DHCP server. After three retries, the relay agent sets the gateway address to the secondary address. If the DHCP server still does not respond after three more retries, then the next secondary address is used as the gateway address.

This functionality is useful when the DHCP server cannot be configured to use secondary pools.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp smart-relay**
4. **exit**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ip dhcp smart-relay</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp smart-relay	Allows the DHCP relay agent to switch the gateway address (giaddr field of a DHCP packet) to a secondary address when there is no DHCPOFFER message from a DHCP server.
Step 4	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# exit	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring Support for Private and Standard Suboption Numbers

Some features that are not standardized will use the private Cisco relay agent suboption numbers. After the features are standardized, the relay agent suboptions are assigned the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) numbers. Cisco software supports both private and IANA numbers for these suboptions.

Perform this task to configure the DHCP client to use private or IANA standard relay agent suboption numbers.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. ip dhcp compatibility suboption link-selection {cisco | standard}
4. exit

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<b>Example:</b> Device> enable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp compatibility suboption link-selection {cisco   standard}</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp compatibility suboption link-selection standard	Configures the DHCP client to use private or IANA standard relay agent suboption numbers.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# exit	(Optional) Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Troubleshooting the DHCP Relay Agent

Perform this task to troubleshoot the DHCP relay agent.

The **show ip route dhcp** command is useful to help you understand any problems with the DHCP relay agent adding routes to clients from unnumbered interfaces. All routes added to the routing table by the DHCP server and relay agent are displayed.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. show ip route dhcp
3. show ip route dhcp *ip-address*
4. show ip route vrf *vrf-name* dhcp
5. clear ip route [*vrf vrf-name*] dhcp [*ip-address*]

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>show ip route dhcp</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip route dhcp	Displays all routes added by the DHCP server and relay agent.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>show ip route dhcp <i>ip-address</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip route dhcp 172.16.1.3	Displays all routes added by the DHCP server and relay agent associated with an IP address.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>show ip route vrf <i>vrf-name</i> dhcp</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ip route vrf red dhcp	Displays all routes added by the DHCP server and relay agent associated with the named VRF.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>clear ip route [<i>vrf vrf-name</i>] dhcp [<i>ip-address</i>]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# clear ip route dhcp	Removes routes from the routing table added by the DHCP server and relay agent for the DHCP clients on unnumbered interfaces.

## Configuring Route Addition for Relay and Server

To enable route addition by DHCPv6 relay and server for the delegated prefix, use the **ipv6 dhcp iapd-route-add** command in global configuration mode.

DHCPv6 relay inserts a route for the delegated prefix without additional configuration (i.e., the default is **ipv6 dhcp iapd-route-add**, which of course isn't NVGEN'ed.) If you want to disable this insertion, you must configure **no ipv6 dhcp iapd-route-add**.

The relay tracks valid and preferred lifetimes for the delegated prefix. When the prefix reaches the end of the valid lifetime, the route is automatically removed from the routing table.

To add routes for individually assigned IPv6 addresses on the relay or server, use the **ipv6 dhcp iana-route-add** command in global configuration mode.

# Configuration Examples for the Cisco IOS DHCP Relay Agent

## Example: Configuring Support for the Relay Agent Information Option

The following example shows how to enable the DHCP server, the relay agent, and the insertion and removal of the DHCP relay information option (option 82). Note that the Cisco IOS DHCP server is enabled by default. In this example, the DHCP server is disabled:

```
! Reenables the DHCP server.
service dhcp
ip dhcp relay information option
!
interface ethernet0/0
 ip address 192.168.100.1 255.255.255.0
 ip helper-address 10.55.11.3
```

## Example: Configuring Per-Interface Support for the Relay Agent Information Option

The following example shows that for subscribers who are being serviced by the same aggregation device, the relay agent information option for ATM subscribers must be processed differently from that for Ethernet digital subscribers. For ATM subscribers, the relay agent information option is configured to be removed from the packet by the relay agent before forwarding the packet to the client. For Ethernet subscribers, the connected device provides the relay agent information option, and the option is configured to remain in the packet and be forwarded to the client.

```
ip dhcp relay information trust-all
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.16.0.1 255.255.255.0
!
interface ATM3/0
 no ip address
!
interface ATM3/0.1
 ip helper-address 10.16.1.2
 ip unnumbered loopback0
 ip dhcp relay information option-insert
!
interface Loopback1
 ip address 10.18.0.1 255.255.255.0
!
interface Ethernet4
 no ip address
!
interface Ethernet4/0.1
 encapsulation dot1q 123
 ip unnumbered loopback1
 ip helper-address 10.18.1.2
 ip dhcp relay information policy-action keep
```

## Example: Configuring the Subscriber Identifier Suboption of the Relay Agent Information Option

The following example shows how to add a unique identifier to the subscriber-identifier suboption of the relay agent information option:

```
ip dhcp relay information option
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.1.1.129 255.255.255.192
!
interface ATM4/0
 no ip address
!
interface ATM4/0.1 point-to-point
 ip helper-address 10.16.1.2
 ip unnumbered Loopback0
 ip dhcp relay information option subscriber-id newperson123
 atm route-bridged ip
 pvc 88/800
 encapsulation aal5snap
```

## Example: Configuring DHCP Relay Class Support for Client Identification

In the following example, DHCP messages are received from DHCP clients on subnet 10.2.2.0. The relay agent will match and identify the relay class from the relay pool and forward the DHCP message to the appropriate DHCP server identified by the **relay target** command.

```
!
ip dhcp class H323
 option 60 hex 010203
!
ip dhcp class SIP
 option 60 hex 040506
!
! The following is the relay pool:
ip dhcp pool pool1
 relay source 10.2.2.0 255.255.255.0
 class H323
  relay target 192.168.2.1
  relay target 192.168.3.1
!
class SIP
 relay target 192.168.4.1
```

## Example: Configuring DHCP Relay Agent Support for MPLS VPNs

In the following example, the DHCP relay agent receives a DHCP request on Ethernet interface 0/1 and sends the request to the DHCP server located at IP helper address 10.44.23.7, which is associated with the VRF named vrf1:

```
ip dhcp relay information option vpn
!
interface ethernet 0/1
 ip helper-address vrf vrf1 10.44.23.7
!
```

## Example: Configuring Support for Relay Agent Information Option Encapsulation

In the following example, DHCP relay agent 1 is configured globally to insert the relay agent information option into the DHCP packet. DHCP relay agent 2 is configured to add its own relay agent information option, including the VPN information, and to encapsulate the relay agent information option received from DHCP relay agent 1. The DHCP server receives the relay agent information options from both the relay agents, uses this information to assign IP addresses and other configuration parameters, and forwards them back to the client.

### DHCP Relay Agent 1

```
ip dhcp relay information option
```

### DHCP Relay Agent 2

```
ip dhcp relay information option
ip dhcp relay information option vpn
ip dhcp relay information option encapsulation
```

## Example: Setting the Gateway Address of the DHCP Broadcast to a Secondary Address Using Smart Relay Agent Forwarding

In the following example, the device will forward the DHCP broadcast received on Ethernet interface 0/0 to the DHCP server (10.55.11.3), by inserting 192.168.100.1 in the giaddr field of the DHCP packet. If the DHCP server has a scope or pool configured for the 192.168.100.0/24 network, the server will respond; otherwise, it will not respond.

Because the `ip dhcp smart-relay` global configuration command is configured, if the device sends three requests using 192.168.100.1 in the giaddr field and does not get a response, the device will move on and start using 172.16.31.254 in the giaddr field instead. Without the smart relay functionality, the device uses only 192.168.100.1 in the giaddr field.

```
ip dhcp smart-relay
!
interface ethernet0/0
 ip address 192.168.100.1 255.255.255.0
 ip address 172.16.31.254 255.255.255.0
 ip helper-address 10.55.11.3
!
```

## Additional References for DHCP Overview

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>

Related Topic	Document Title
DHCP commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Command Reference</a>
IPv6 commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IPv6 Command Reference</a>
IPv6 addressing and connectivity	<i>IPv6 Configuration Guide</i>
Cisco IOS IPv6 features	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IPv6 Feature Mapping</a>

### Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFC 951	<i>Bootstrap Protocol (BOOTP)</i>
RFC 1542	<i>Clarifications and Extensions for the Bootstrap Protocol</i>
RFCs for IPv6	<i>IPv6 RFCs</i>

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## Feature Information for the Cisco IOS DHCP Relay Agent

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.

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

**Table 6: Feature Information for the Cisco IOS DHCP Relay Agent**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
DHCPv6-Relay chaining for Prefix Delegation	15.0(1)SY	<p>This feature allows DHCPv6 messages to be relayed through multiple relay agents.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified by this feature:</p> <p><b>clear ipv6 dhcp relay binding, clear ipv6 dhcp route , ipv6 dhcp iana-route-add , ipv6 dhcp iapd-route-add , show ipv6 dhcp relay binding, show ipv6 dhcp route .</b></p>
VRF aware DHCPv4 Relay	15.2(1)SY	<p>The VRF aware DHCPv4 Relay feature ensures that the DHCP relay involved in forwarding IP addresses is VRF aware.</p>

# Glossary

**client** --A host trying to configure its interface (obtain an IP address) using DHCP or BOOTP protocols.

**DHCP** --Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol.

**giaddr** --Gateway IP address. The giaddr field of the DHCP message provides the DHCP server with information about the IP address subnet on which the client is to reside. It also provides the DHCP server with an IP address where the response messages are to be sent.

**MPLS** --Multiprotocol Label Switching. Emerging industry standard upon which tag switching is based.

**relay agent** --A device that forwards DHCP and BOOTP messages between a server and a client on different subnets.

**server** --DHCP or BOOTP server.

**VPN** --Virtual Private Network. Enables IP traffic to use tunneling to travel securely over a public TCP/IP network.

**VRF** --VPN routing and forwarding instance. A VRF consists of an IP routing table, a derived forwarding table, a set of interfaces that use the forwarding table, and a set of rules and routing protocols that determine what goes into the forwarding table. In general, a VRF includes the routing information that defines a customer VPN site that is attached to a PE device. Each VPN instantiated on the PE device has its own VRF.



## DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions

The DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions feature enables the relay agent to be part of all Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) message exchanges by supporting the use of two suboptions of the relay agent information option (option 82). This design allows DHCPv4 to operate in networks where direct communication between the client and server is not possible or desired. These two suboptions used together enable the deployment of an architecture where having all DHCP traffic flow through the relay agent is desirable, allowing for greater control of DHCP communications.

This feature also introduces the capability to manually configure the interface for the relay agent to use as the source IP address for messages relayed to the DHCP server. This configuration allows the network administrator to specify a stable, hardware-independent IP address (such as a loopback interface).

- [Finding Feature Information, page 81](#)
- [Restrictions for DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions, page 82](#)
- [Information About DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions, page 82](#)
- [How to Configure Support for the DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Suboptions, page 84](#)
- [Configuration Examples for DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions, page 86](#)
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## Restrictions for DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions

If the DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions feature and the DHCP Relay MPLS VPN Support feature are both configured, the DHCP Relay MPLS VPN Support feature takes precedence.

## Information About DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions

### Server ID Override Suboption

The server identifier (ID) override suboption allows the DHCP relay agent to specify a new value for the server ID option, which is inserted by the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server in the reply packet. This suboption allows the DHCP relay agent to act as the actual DHCP server such that the renew requests will come to the relay agent rather than the DHCP server directly. The server ID override suboption contains the incoming interface IP address, which is the IP address on the relay agent that is accessible from the client. The DHCP client uses this information to send all renew and release request packets to the relay agent. The relay agent adds all of the appropriate suboptions and then forwards the renew and release request packets to the original DHCP server.

### Link Selection Suboption

The link selection suboption provides a mechanism to separate the subnet/link on which the DHCP client resides from the gateway address (giaddr), which can be used to communicate with the relay agent by the DHCP server. The relay agent will set the suboption to the correct subscriber subnet and the DHCP server will use that value to assign an IP address rather than the giaddr value. The relay agent will set the giaddr to its own IP address so that DHCP messages are routable over the network.

## DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions Feature Design

The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) IPv4 deployment model assumes a single routing domain between the DHCP client and DHCP server. In some network designs, the DHCP server cannot directly communicate with DHCP clients. Customers may choose this design to make critical infrastructure servers inaccessible and to protect the DHCP server from client attacks.

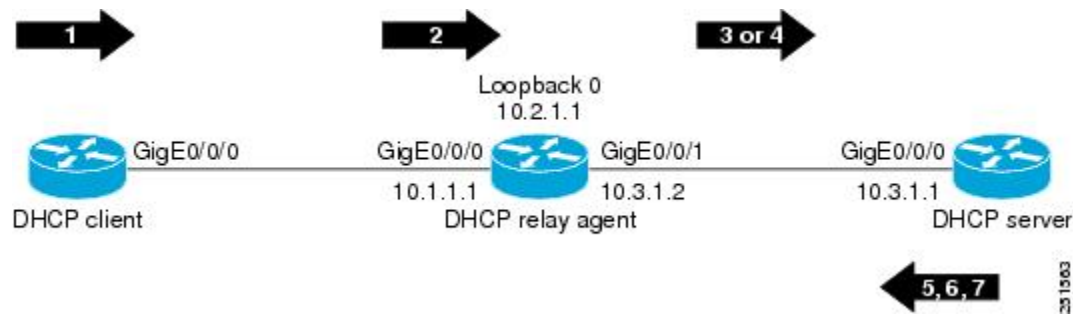
Relay agents are used to forward requests and replies between clients and servers when they are not on the same physical subnet. In all cases, the DHCP relay agent must be able to communicate directly with both the DHCP server and DHCP client. By using the relay agent information option (option 82), the DHCP relay agent can include additional information about itself when forwarding client-originated DHCP packets to a DHCP server.

The DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions feature enables the relay agent to be part of all DHCP message exchanges by supporting the use of two suboptions of option 82: server ID override and link selection. This design results in all DHCP messages flowing through the relay agent, allowing for greater control of DHCP communications.

Communication from the DHCP server through the relay agent can be an issue. If the server needs to reach the client, it must do so through the relay agent. The IP address of the relay agent might not be ideal. For example, if the network is renumbered or if the interface at the relay agent is down for some reason, the server may not be able to reach the client. This feature introduces the capability to manually configure the interface for the relay agent to use as the source IP address for messages relayed to the DHCP server. This configuration allows the network administrator to specify a stable, hardware-independent IP address (such as a loopback interface).

The figure and the numbered list that follows it shows the processing that occurs on the DHCP relay agent and DHCP server when this feature is configured.

**Figure 5: DHCP Relay Agent and DHCP Server Processing of Option 82 Suboptions**



- 1 The DHCP client generates a DHCP request and broadcasts it on the network.
- 2 The DHCP relay agent intercepts the broadcast DHCP request packet and inserts a server ID override suboption and link selection suboption to its relay agent information option in the DHCP packet. The server ID override and link selection suboptions contain the incoming interface IP address, which is the IP address on the relay agent that is accessible from the client (10.1.1.1 in this case).
- 3 The relay agent sets the gateway IP address (giaddr) to the IP address of an interface that is reachable by the DHCP server (typically the server-facing interface that will be used to transmit the message, 10.3.1.2 in this case).
- 4 If the source interface is explicitly configured on a loopback interface (using the **ip dhcp-relay source-interface** command), the relay agent will use that address as the source IP address (giaddr) for messages relayed to the DHCP server (10.2.1.1 in this case).

The following processing occurs on the DHCP server after receiving the forwarded packets from the relay agent:

- 1 The DHCP server uses the link selection suboption to locate the correct address pools for the DHCP client.

- 2 The DHCP server sets the server ID option to the value specified by the server ID override suboption of the DHCP packet.
- 3 The DHCP server sends the reply message to the IP address specified in the giaddr.

The DHCP client will see the relay agent address as the server ID and use that address when unicasting RENEW messages.

## How to Configure Support for the DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Suboptions

### Configuring the DHCP Relay Agent to Insert the DHCP Server ID Override and Link Selection Suboptions into Option 82



#### Note

If the DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions feature and the DHCP Relay MPLS VPN Support feature are both configured, the DHCP Relay MPLS VPN Support feature takes precedence.

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp-relay information option server-override**
4. **ip dhcp-relay source-interface *type number***
5. **interface *type number***
6. **ip dhcp relay information option server-id-override**
7. **ip dhcp relay source-interface *type number***
8. **end**

#### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  • Enter your password if prompted.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp-relay information option server-override</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp-relay information option server-override	Enables the system to globally insert the server ID override and link selection suboptions into the DHCP relay agent information option in forwarded BOOTREQUEST messages to a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the <b>ip dhcp relay information option server-id-override</b> command is configured on an interface, it overrides the global configuration on that interface only.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ip dhcp-relay source-interface type number</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ip dhcp-relay source-interface loopback 0	(Optional) Globally configures the source interface for the relay agent to use as the source IP address for relayed messages. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This command allows the network administrator to specify a stable, hardware-independent IP address (such as a loopback interface).</li> <li>• If the <b>ip dhcp relay source-interface</b> command is configured on an interface, it overrides the global configuration on that interface only.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>interface type number</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0	(Optional) Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay information option server-id-override</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ip dhcp relay information option server-id-override	(Optional) Enables the system to insert the server ID override and link selection suboptions on a specific interface into the DHCP relay agent information option in forwarded BOOTREQUEST messages to a DHCP server.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>ip dhcp relay source-interface type number</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ip dhcp relay source-interface loopback 2	(Optional) Configures the source interface for the relay agent to use as the source IP address for relayed messages.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 8	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Exits interface configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuration Examples for DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions

### Example: DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions

In the following example, the IP address of the loopback interface is used as the source IP address for relayed messages. The client initiates IP address negotiation from GigabitEthernet interface 0/0/0. The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) relay agent is configured globally to insert the server ID override suboption and link selection suboption into the relay agent information option of the DHCP packet. The relay agent uses the server ID override suboption to force the DHCP server to use that value as the server ID in the DHCP message. The DHCP server uses the link selection suboption to determine from which subnet to assign an IP address.

#### DHCP Client

```
interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
 ip address dhcp
```

#### DHCP Relay Agent

```
ip dhcp-relay information option server-override
ip dhcp-relay source-interface loopback 0
!
interface Loopback0
 ip address 10.2.1.1 255.255.255.0
!
interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
 ip address 10.1.1.1 255.255.255.0
 ip helper-address 10.3.1.1
!
interface GigabitEthernet 1/0/0
 ip address 10.3.1.2 255.255.255.0
```

#### DHCP Server

```
ip dhcp excluded-address 10.3.0.1
ip dhcp pool pool1
 network 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
```



```

lease 0 0 1
!
interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
ip address 10.3.1.1 255.255.255.0

```

## Additional References for DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>
IP addressing commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Command Reference</a>
DHCP conceptual information	<i>DHCP Overview</i>
DHCP server configuration tasks, examples, and conceptual information	<i>Configuring the Cisco IOS DHCP Server</i>
DHCP relay agent configuration tasks, examples, and conceptual information	<i>Configuring the Cisco IOS DHCP Relay Agent</i>

### Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFC 3527	<i>Link Selection Suboption</i>
RFC 5107	<i>DHCP Server Identifier Override Suboption</i>

### Technical Assistance

Description	Link
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**Table 7: Feature Information for DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Configuration Information
DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions	15.1(1)SY	<p>The DHCP Relay Server ID Override and Link Selection Option 82 Suboptions feature enables the relay agent to be part of all Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) message exchanges by supporting the use of two suboptions of the relay agent information option (option 82). This design allows DHCPv4 to operate in networks where direct communication between the client and server is not possible or desired. These two suboptions used together enable the deployment of an architecture where having all DHCP traffic flow through the relay agent is desirable, allowing for greater control of DHCP communications.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>ip dhcp relay information option server-id-override</b>, <b>ip dhcp relay source-interface</b>, <b>ip dhcp-relay information option server-override</b>, <b>ip dhcp-relay source-interface</b>.</p>

## Glossary

**client**—A host trying to configure its interface (obtain an IP address) using DHCP or BOOTP protocols.

**DHCP**—Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol.

**DHCP options and suboptions**—Configuration parameters and other control information are carried in tagged data items that are stored in the options field of the DHCP message. Options provide a method of appending additional information. Vendors that want to provide additional information to their client not designed into the protocol can use options.

**giaddr**—Gateway IP address field of the DHCP packet. The giaddr provides the DHCP server with information about the IP address subnet in which the client resides. The giaddr also provides the DHCP server with an IP address where the DHCP response messages can be sent.

**relay agent**—A router that forwards DHCP and BOOTP messages between a server and a client on different subnets.





## CHAPTER

# 5

## DHCP Client

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The Cisco Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) Client feature allows a Cisco device to act as a host requesting configuration parameters, such as an IP address, from a DHCP server.

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- [Information About the DHCP Client, page 92](#)
- [DHCP Client Overview, page 92](#)
- [How to Configure the DHCP Client, page 93](#)
- [Configuration Examples for the DHCP Client, page 95](#)
- [Additional References, page 95](#)
- [Feature Information for the DHCP Client, page 96](#)

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## Restrictions for the DHCP Client

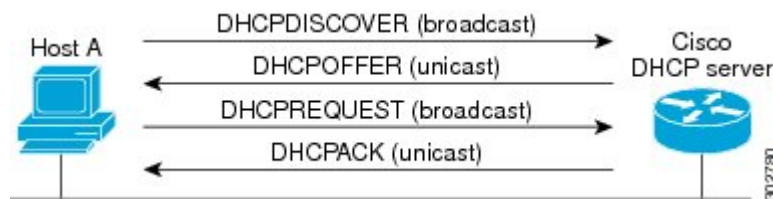
The DHCP client can be configured on Ethernet interfaces.

# Information About the DHCP Client

## DHCP Client Operation

The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) provides a framework for passing configuration information to hosts on a TCP/IP network. A DHCP client is an Internet host using DHCP to obtain configuration parameters such as an IP address. The figure below shows the basic steps that occur when a DHCP client requests an IP address from a DHCP server. The client, Host A, sends a DHCPDISCOVER broadcast message to locate a DHCP server. A DHCP server offers configuration parameters (such as an IP address, a MAC address, a domain name, and a lease for the IP address) to the client in a DHCPOFFER unicast message. The client then sends a DHCPREQUEST broadcast message to the server. Finally, the server sends a DHCPACK unicast message to the client.

**Figure 6: DHCP Request for an IP Address from a DHCP Server**



A DHCP client may receive offers from multiple DHCP servers and can accept any one of the offers; however, the client usually accepts the first offer it receives. The offer from the DHCP server is not a guarantee that the IP address will be allocated to the client; however, the server usually reserves the address until the client has had a chance to formally request the address.

The client returns a formal request for the offered IP address to the DHCP server in a DHCPREQUEST broadcast message. The DHCP server confirms that the IP address has been allocated to the client by returning a DHCPACK unicast message to the client.

## DHCP Client Overview

The configurable dynamic host configuration protocol client functionality allows a DHCP client to use a user-specified client identifier, class identifier, or suggested lease time when requesting an address from a DHCP server.

Configuration parameters and other control information are carried in tagged data items that are stored in the options field of the DHCP message. The DHCP client provides flexibility by allowing the following options to be configured for a DHCP client:

- Option 12—This option specifies the name of the client. The name may or may not be qualified with the local domain.
- Option 51—This option is used in a client request (DHCPDISCOVER or DHCPREQUEST) to allow the client to request a lease time for the IP address.
- Option 55—This option allows the DHCP client to request certain options from the DHCP server. The **ip dhcp client request** command allows the system administrator to turn off some of the requested options, thus removing them from the request list.

- Option 60—This option allows the user to configure the vendor class identifier string to use in the DHCP interaction.
- Option 61—This option is used by DHCP clients to specify their unique identifier. DHCP servers use this value to index their database of address bindings. This value is expected to be unique for all clients in an administrative domain.
- Option 120—This option is used to specify a 32-bit (binary) IPv4 address to be used by the Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) client to locate a SIP server.
- Option 121—This option is used to configure classless static routes by specifying classless network destinations; that is, each routing table entry includes a subnet mask. Upto ten classless static routes are supported using option 121 on the DHCP client.

**Note**

If a request includes both static routes and classless static routes, the client uses only the classless static routes. If the DHCP server returns both a classless static route option and a router option, the DHCP client ignores the router option.

- Option 125—This option is used by DHCP clients and servers to exchange vendor-specific information.

# How to Configure the DHCP Client

## Configuring the DHCP Client

Cisco devices running Cisco software include the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server and relay agent software, which are enabled by default. Your device can act as both the DHCP client and the DHCP server. Use the **ip address dhcp** command to obtain IP address information for the configured interface.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ip address dhcp**
5. **end**
6. **debug dhcp detail**
7. **debug ip dhcp server packets**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<b>Example:</b> Device> enable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>interface <i>type number</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/1	Configures an interface type and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ip address dhcp</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ip address dhcp	Acquires an IP address on an interface from DHCP.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>debug dhcp detail</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# debug dhcp detail	Displays the DHCP packets that were sent and received.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>debug ip dhcp server packets</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# debug ip dhcp server packets	Displays the server side of the DHCP interaction.



# Configuration Examples for the DHCP Client

## Example: Configuring the DHCP Client

The figure below shows a simple network diagram of a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) client on an Ethernet LAN.

**Figure 7: Topology Showing a DHCP Client with a Gigabit Ethernet Interface**



On the DHCP server, the configuration is as follows:

```
ip dhcp pool 1
 network 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
 lease 1 6
```

On the DHCP client, the configuration is as follows on interface E2:

```
interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
 ip address dhcp
```

This configuration allows the DHCP client to acquire an IP address from the DHCP server through Gigabit Ethernet interface 0/0/0.

## Additional References

### Related Documents

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Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>
DHCP commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Command Reference</a>
DHCP conceptual information	“DHCP Overview” module in the <i>IP Addressing: DHCP Configuration Guide</i>

**RFCs**

<b>RFCs</b>	<b>Title</b>
RFC 2131	<i>Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol</i>
RFC 2132	<i>DHCP Options and BOOTP Vendor Extensions</i>

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**Table 8: Feature Information for the DHCP Client**

<b>Feature Name</b>	<b>Releases</b>	<b>Feature Information</b>
DHCP Client	12.2(33)SXH 12.2(50)SY	The DHCP client is defined as an Internet host using DHCP to obtain configuration parameters such as an IP address.



## DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation

The DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation feature provides port-based address allocation support on the Cisco IOS Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server for the Ethernet platform. The DHCP server provides address assignment support based on the point of attachment of the client network.

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### Restrictions for DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation

The DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation feature does not support Virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) and virtual private network (VPNs).

# Information About DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation

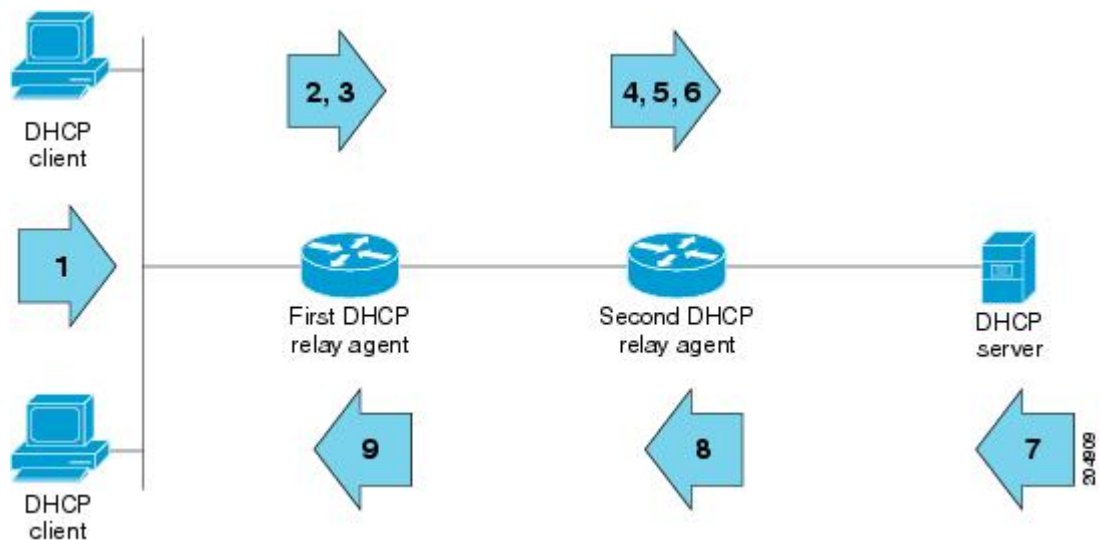
## DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation Feature Design

When Cisco industrial Ethernet switches are deployed on the factory floor, they offer connectivity to the directly connected manufacturing devices. A failure manufacturing device must be repaired immediately in the existing network or replaced by a new device. The DHCP protocol recognizes DHCP clients by the client identifier (ID) option in the DHCP packet. Clients who do not include the client ID option are identified by the client hardware address. The DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation feature introduces the capability to ensure that the same IP address is always offered to the replacement device as the device being replaced. This IP address is always offered to the same connected port even as the client ID or client hardware address (chaddr) changes in the DHCP messages received on that port.

If this feature is configured, the port name of the interface overrides the information the client sends and the actual point of connection. Then a port on the switch becomes the client ID.

In all cases, if you connect the Ethernet cable to the same port, the same IP address is allocated through the DHCP to the attached device. The figure below shows an industrial Ethernet switch using DHCP to assign one IP address per port to directly connected manufacturing devices.

**Figure 8: DHCP Server Port-Based Address Assignment to Directly Connected Manufacturing Devices**



# How to Configure DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation

## Automatically Generating a Subscriber Identifier for a DHCP Message Received on a Port

Perform this task to automatically generate a unique ID, called a subscriber ID for a DHCP message received on a port.

If the DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation feature is configured, the subscriber ID value is used in place of the client ID to provide stable IP address assignment. The subscriber ID value is based on the short name of the port to which the directly connected device is attached. If this device is removed and replaced with a new device, the new device maintains the same subscriber ID.

The subscriber ID is used at the same point where the client ID or the client MAC address is currently captured during the DHCP IP address assignment process.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp use subscriber-id client-id**
4. **interface type number**
5. **ip dhcp server use subscriber-id client-id**

### 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>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ip dhcp use subscriber-id client-id</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# ip dhcp use subscriber-id client-id	Configures the DHCP server to globally use the subscriber ID as the client ID on all incoming DHCP messages. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DHCP uses the subscriber ID configured on the interface to generate the client ID. If no subscriber ID is configured then the client ID is automatically generated based on the short name of the interface. The client ID already present in the message is ignored.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For port based address allocation, do not configure any subscriber ID on the interface. It must be generated automatically from interface name.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>interface type number</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config)# interface Ethernet 0/0</pre>	(Optional) Configures an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>ip dhcp server use subscriber-id client-id</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Router(config-if)# ip dhcp server use subscriber-id client-id</pre>	(Optional) Configures the DHCP server to use the subscriber ID as the client ID on all incoming DHCP messages on the interface.

## Troubleshooting Tips

Use the following command to debug any errors that you may encounter when you configure DHCP to automatically generate a unique ID:

- **debug ip dhcp server packets**

## Preassigning IP Addresses and Associating Them to a Client

Perform this task to preassign an IP address and associate it to a client identified by a client ID or MAC address.

For port-based address assignment, you must perform the task in the [Automatically Generating a Subscriber Identifier for a DHCP Message Received on a Port, on page 99](#) task to associate the client ID with the subscriber ID. The subscriber ID value is based on the short name of the port to which the directly connected device is attached.

Configure a normal DHCP pool by supplying any DHCP options and lease time. Preassigned addresses are automatically excluded from normal dynamic IP address assignment. Preassigned addresses cannot be used in host pools, but there can be multiple preassigned addresses per DHCP address pool.



### Note

- Only one IP address can be assigned per port.
- Preassigned addresses (also called reserved addresses) cannot be cleared by using the **clear ip dhcp binding** command.

>

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp pool** *name*
4. **network** *network-number* [*mask* | / *prefix-length*]
5. **address** *ip-address* **client-id** *string* [**ascii**]
6. **address** *ip-address* **hardware-address** *mac-address* [*hardware-number*]
7. **end**
8. **show ip dhcp pool** [*name*]
9. **show ip dhcp binding**

## 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>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ip dhcp pool</b> <i>name</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# ip dhcp pool pool1	Creates a name for the DHCP server address pool and enters DHCP pool configuration mode.
Step 4	<b>network</b> <i>network-number</i> [ <i>mask</i>   / <i>prefix-length</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Router(dhcp-config)# network 10.10.10.0 /24	Specifies the subnet network number and mask of the DHCP address pool.
Step 5	<b>address</b> <i>ip-address</i> <b>client-id</b> <i>string</i> [ <b>ascii</b> ]  <b>Example:</b> Router(dhcp-config)# address 10.10.10.2 client-id Et1/0 ascii	Reserves an IP address for a DHCP client identified by the client ID. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <i>string</i> argument can be an ASCII value or a hexadecimal value.</li> <li>• For port-based address allocation the <i>string</i> argument must be the name of the port and the <b>ascii</b> keyword must be specified.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 6</b>	<p><b>address</b> <i>ip-address</i> <b>hardware-address</b> <i>mac-address</i> [<i>hardware-number</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(dhcp-config)# address 10.10.10.3 hardware-address b708.1388.f166</pre>	<p>(Optional) Reserves an IP address for a client identified by the hardware address.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This command is used for clients identified by the hardware address included in the fixed-size header of the DHCP message.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 7</b>	<p><b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(dhcp-config)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
<b>Step 8</b>	<p><b>show ip dhcp pool</b> [<i>name</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router&gt; show ip dhcp pool</pre>	(Optional) Displays information about DHCP address pools.
<b>Step 9</b>	<p><b>show ip dhcp binding</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router&gt; show ip dhcp binding</pre> <p><b>Example:</b></p>	(Optional) Displays infinite binding for the configured addresses.

## Preassigning IP Addresses and Associating Them to a Client



**Note** Perform this task to restrict address assignments from the DHCP address pool only to preconfigured reservations.

When the DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation feature is configured on multiple switches, devices connected to one switch may also receive an IP address assignment from the neighboring switches rather than the local DHCP address pool switch. If you want the switch to serve only the client directly connected to the switch, you can configure a group of switches with pools that share a common IP subnet and ignore the requests from other clients (not connected to this switch).

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**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ip dhcp pool *name***
4. **reserved-only**

**DETAILED STEPS**

	<b>Command or Action</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>Step 1</b>	<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>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ip dhcp pool <i>name</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# ip dhcp pool pool1	Configures a DHCP address pool on a DHCP server and enters DHCP pool configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>reserved-only</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(dhcp-config)# reserved-only	Restricts address assignments from the DHCP address pool only to the preconfigured reservations.

## Configuration Examples for DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation

### DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation Example

In the following example, a subscriber ID will be automatically generated based on the short name of the interface (port) specified by the **address client-id** command. The DHCP server will ignore any client ID fields

in the DHCP messages and use this subscriber ID as the client ID. The DHCP client is preassigned IP address 10.1.1.7.

```
!
ip dhcp use subscriber-id client-id
ip dhcp subscriber-id interface-name
ip dhcp excluded-address 10.1.1.1 10.1.1.3
!
ip dhcp pool dhcpool
network 10.1.1.0 255.255.255.0
address 10.1.1.7 client-id Et1/0 ascii
```

The following example shows that the preassigned address was correctly reserved in the DHCP pool:

```
Router# show ip dhcp pool dhcpool
Pool test :
Current index      IP address range      Leased/Total
10.1.1.1          10.1.1.1 - 10.1.1.254 0 / 254
3 reserved addresses are currently in the pool :
Address           Client
10.1.1.07        Et1/0
10.1.1.20        xyz
10.1.1.30        aabb.cc00.1501
```

## Additional References

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
DHCP commands: complete command syntax, command mode, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services 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 standards are supported by this feature and support for existing standards has not been modified by this feature.	To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco software 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**

<b>RFC</b>	<b>Title</b>
No new or modified RFCs are supported by this feature.	--

**Technical Assistance**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Link</b>
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## Feature Information for DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation

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**Table 9: Feature Information for DHCP Port-Based Address Allocation**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation	12.2(33)SX14 15.1(1)SY	<p>The DHCP Server Port-Based Address Allocation feature provides port-based address allocation support on the Cisco IOS DHCP server for the industrial Ethernet platform. The DHCP server provides address assignment support based on the point of attachment of the client to the network.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>address client-id</b>, <b>address hardware-address</b>, <b>ip dhcp server use subscriber-id client-id</b>, <b>ip dhcp subscriber-id interface-name</b>, <b>ip dhcp use subscriber-id client-id</b>, <b>reserved-only</b>, and <b>show ip dhcp pool</b>.</p>



## IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent

A Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) relay agent, which may reside on the client's link, is used to relay messages between the client and the server.

- [Finding Feature Information, page 107](#)
- [Information About IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent, page 107](#)
- [How to Configure IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent, page 111](#)
- [Configuration Examples for IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent, page 112](#)
- [Additional References, page 112](#)
- [Feature Information for IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent, page 113](#)

### Finding Feature Information

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## Information About IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent

### DHCPv6 Relay Agent

A DHCPv6 relay agent, which may reside on the client's link, is used to relay messages between the client and the server. The DHCPv6 relay agent operation is transparent to the client. A DHCPv6 client locates a DHCPv6 server using a reserved, link-scoped multicast address. For direct communication between the DHCPv6 client and the DHCPv6 server, both of them must be attached to the same link. However, in some situations where ease of management, economy, or scalability is a concern, it is desirable to allow a DHCPv6

client to send a message to a DHCPv6 server that is not connected to the same link. IPv6 enable is required for IPv6 DHCP relay, although IPv6 address is configured.

### **DHCPv6 Relay Agent Notification for Prefix Delegation**

The DHCPv6 relay agent notification for prefix delegation allows the device working as a DHCPv6 relay agent to find prefix delegation options by reviewing the contents of a DHCPv6 RELAY-REPLY packet that is relayed by the relay agent to the client. When a prefix delegation option is found by the relay agent, the relay agent extracts the information about the prefix that is being delegated and inserts an IPv6 static route matching the prefix delegation information onto the relay agent. Future packets destined to that prefix via relay will be forwarded based on the information contained in the prefix delegation. The IPv6 static route is then left in the routing table until the prefix delegation lease time expires or the relay agent receives a release packet from the client releasing the prefix delegation.

No user configuration is required for this feature. Static route management is done automatically by the relay agent.

IPv6 routes are added when the relay agent relays a RELAY-REPLY packet, and IPv6 routes are deleted when the prefix delegation lease time expires or the relay agent receives a release message. An IPv6 static route in the routing table of the relay agent can be updated when the prefix delegation lease time is extended.

The DHCP—DHCPv6 Relay Agent Notification for Prefix Delegation feature leaves a static IPv6 route on the routing table of the relay agent. The registered IPv6 address allows unicast reverse packet forwarding (uRPF) to work by allowing the device doing the reverse lookup to confirm that the IPv6 address on the relay agent is not malformed or spoofed. The static route that remains in the routing table of the relay agent can be redistributed to other routing protocols to advertise the subnets to other nodes. Static routes will be removed when a DHCP\_DECLINE message is sent by the client.

### **DHCPv6 Relay Options: Remote-ID for Gigabit Ethernet and Fast Ethernet Interfaces**

The DHCPv6 Ethernet Remote ID Option feature adds the remote identification (remote-ID) option to relayed (RELAY-FORWARD) DHCPv6 packets.

The remote-ID option provides information to the DHCPv6 server, which includes port information, the system's DUID, and the VLAN ID. This information can be used to uniquely identify both the relay and the port on the relay through which the client packet arrived. The DHCPv6 server uses this information to select parameters specific to a particular user, host, or subscriber modem.

The addition of the remote-ID option to the RELAY-FORWARD packet occurs automatically and no user configuration is necessary.

The DHCPv6 server does not need to echo the remote-ID option in the RELAY-REPLY packet. The Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) has assigned the DHCPv6 option code 37 for the relay agent remote-ID option.

If the remote-ID option is included in the RELAY-REPLY packet, the option is removed from the packet before it is relayed to the client.

### **DHCPv6 Relay Options: Reload Persistent Interface ID**

The DHCPv6 Relay—Reload Persistent Interface ID Option feature makes the interface ID option persistent. The interface ID is used by relay agents to decide which interface should be used to forward a RELAY-REPLY packet. A persistent interface-ID option will not change if the device acting as a relay agent goes offline during a reload or a power outage. When the device acting as a relay agent returns online, it is possible that changes to the internal interface index of the relay agent may have occurred in certain scenarios (such as, when the relay agent reboots and the number of interfaces in the interface index changes, or when the relay agents boot

up and has more virtual interfaces than it did before the reboot). This feature prevents such scenarios from causing any problems.

This feature changes the DHCPv6 interface-ID option to be expressed as the short form of the interface name. The interface name as the DHCPv6 interface ID helps avoid potential problems that could arise due to physical or logical interfaces changing on the relay agent after a reload.

### DHCPv6 Relay Chaining

DHCPv6 messages can be relayed through multiple relay agents. This configuration is called *relay chaining*. A relay chaining configuration can be supported only when each relay agent adds information to DHCPv6 messages before relaying them. The information helps in relaying the DHCPv6 reply back to the DHCPv6 client through the same path.

The delegated IPv6 prefix must be routable in order to be useful. The actual DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation (PD) client may not be permitted to inject routes into the delegating network. In service provider (SP) networks, for example, an edge device typically acts as a DHCPv6 relay agent, and this edge device often has the responsibility to maintain routes within the SP network for clients' PD bindings. In the event that DHCPv6 requests and responses are relayed through a chain of DHCPv6 relays, there may be a need to introduce appropriate routes (particularly with DHCPv6 PD) in the Forwarding Information Base (FIB) so that routing is handled transparently.

## DHCPv6 Relay Agent Notification for Prefix Delegation

The DHCPv6 relay agent notification for prefix delegation allows the device working as a DHCPv6 relay agent to find prefix delegation options by reviewing the contents of a DHCPv6 RELAY-REPLY packet that is relayed by the relay agent to the client. When a prefix delegation option is found by the relay agent, the relay agent extracts the information about the prefix that is being delegated and inserts an IPv6 static route matching the prefix delegation information onto the relay agent. Future packets destined to that prefix via relay will be forwarded based on the information contained in the prefix delegation. The IPv6 static route is then left in the routing table until the prefix delegation lease time expires or the relay agent receives a release packet from the client releasing the prefix delegation.

No user configuration is required for this feature. Static route management is done automatically by the relay agent.

IPv6 routes are added when the relay agent relays a RELAY-REPLY packet, and IPv6 routes are deleted when the prefix delegation lease time expires or the relay agent receives a release message. An IPv6 static route in the routing table of the relay agent can be updated when the prefix delegation lease time is extended.

The DHCP—DHCPv6 Relay Agent Notification for Prefix Delegation feature leaves a static IPv6 route on the routing table of the relay agent. The registered IPv6 address allows unicast reverse packet forwarding (uRPF) to work by allowing the device doing the reverse lookup to confirm that the IPv6 address on the relay agent is not malformed or spoofed. The static route that remains in the routing table of the relay agent can be redistributed to other routing protocols to advertise the subnets to other nodes. Static routes will be removed when a DHCP\_DECLINE message is sent by the client.

## DHCPv6 Relay SSO and ISSU

In specific Cisco networking devices that support dual route processors (RPs), stateful switchover (SSO) takes advantage of RP redundancy to increase network availability. The feature establishes one of the RPs as the active processor while the other RP is designated as the standby processor, and then synchronizing critical

state information between them. Following an initial synchronization between the two processors, SSO dynamically maintains RP state information between them.

The Cisco in-service software upgrade (ISSU) process allows Cisco software to be updated or otherwise modified while packet forwarding continues. In most networks, planned software upgrades are a significant cause of downtime. ISSU allows the Cisco software to be modified while packet forwarding continues. This increases network availability and reduces downtime caused by planned software upgrades.

The SSO and the ISSU use redundant hardware, with the active and standby RP each running an instance of the DHCPv6 relay agent. Both instances exchange run-time state data.

## DHCPv6 Relay Options: Remote ID for Ethernet Interfaces

This feature adds the remote identification (remote-ID) option to relayed (RELAY-FORWARD) DHCPv6 packets.

The remote-ID option provides information to the DHCPv6 server, including port information, the system's DUID, and the VLAN ID. Collectively, this information can be used to uniquely identify both the relay and the port on the relay through which the client's packet arrived. The DHCPv6 server uses this information to select parameters specific to a particular user, host, or subscriber modem. This feature works only for Ethernet interfaces at this time.

This feature introduces no user configuration. Because the addition of the remote-ID option to the RELAY-FORWARD packet occurs automatically, no user configuration is necessary.

The DHCPv6 server does not need to echo the remote-ID option in the RELAY-REPLY packet. Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) has assigned the DHCPv6 option code 37 for the relay agent remote-ID option.

If the remote-ID option is included in the RELAY-REPLY packet, the option is stripped out of the packet before the packet is relayed to the client.

## DHCPv6 Relay Options: Reload Persistent Interface ID Option

This feature makes the interface-ID option, which is used by relay agents to decide which interface should be used when forwarding a RELAY-REPLY packet, persistent. A persistent interface-ID option will not change if the router acting as a relay agent goes offline (such as during a reload or a power outage). When the router acting as a relay agent returns online, it is possible that changes to the internal interface index of the relay agent may have occurred in certain scenarios (such as cases where the relay agent reboots and has a change in the number of interfaces in the interface index, or the relay agents boots up and has more virtual interfaces than it did before the reboot). This feature prevents this scenario from causing any problems.

This feature changes the DHCPv6 interface-ID option to be expressed as simply the short form of the interface name. This syntax helps avoid potential problems that could arise due to physical or logical interfaces changing on the relay agent after a reload.



# How to Configure IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent

## Configuring the DHCPv6 Relay Agent

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ipv6 enable**
5. **ipv6 dhcp relay destination** *ipv6-address [interface-type interface-number]*
6. **end**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>interface</b> <i>type number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface gigabitethernet 4/2/0	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ipv6 enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 enable	Enables IPv6 processing on an interface.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp relay destination</b> <i>ipv6-address [interface-type interface-number]</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if) ipv6 dhcp relay destination FE80::250:A2FF:FEBF:A056 gigabitethernet 4/3/0	Specifies a destination address to which client packets are forwarded and enables the DHCPv6 relay service on the interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 6	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuration Examples for IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent

### Example: Configuring the DHCPv6 Relay Agent

```

Device# show ipv6 dhcp interface

Ethernet1/0 is in relay mode
Relay destinations:
 3FFB:C00:C18:6:A8BB:CCFF:FE03:2701
Serial3/0 is in relay mode
Relay destinations:
 3FFB:C00:C18:6:A8BB:CCFF:FE03:2600
 FE80::A8BB:CCFF:FE03:2801 on Serial3/0
 FF05::1:3
  
```

## Additional References

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
IPv6 addressing and connectivity	<i>IPv6 Configuration Guide</i>
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>
IPv6 commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IPv6 Command Reference</a>
Cisco IOS IPv6 features	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IPv6 Feature Mapping</a>

**Standards and RFCs**

Standard/RFC	Title
RFCs for IPv6	<i>IPv6 RFCs</i>

**MIBs**

MIB	MIBs Link
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Description	Link
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## Feature Information for IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent

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**Table 10: Feature Information for IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Relay Agent	12.2(33)SXI	A DHCP relay agent, which may reside on the client's link, is used to relay messages between the client and server.  The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>ipv6 dhcp relay destination, show ipv6 dhcp interface.</b>
DHCPv6 Relay Agent Notification for Prefix Delegation	12.2(33)SXI	DHCPv6 relay agent notification for prefix delegation allows the device working as a DHCPv6 relay agent to find prefix delegation options by reviewing the contents of a DHCPv6 packet that is being relayed by the relay agent to the client.
DHCPv6 Relay: Reload Persistent Interface ID Option	12.2(33)SXI	This feature makes the interface-ID option, which is used by relay agents to decide which interface should be used when forwarding a RELAY-REPLY packet, persistent.
DHCPv6—Relay chaining in VRF	15.2(1)SY3	This feature is supported.



## IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6

The stateless Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) feature allows DHCPv6 to be used for configuring a node with parameters that do not require a server to maintain any dynamic state for the node.

- [Finding Feature Information](#), page 115
- [Information About IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6](#), page 115
- [How to Configure IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6](#), page 116
- [Configuration Examples for IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6](#), page 124
- [Additional References](#), page 125
- [Feature Information for IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6](#), page 126

### Finding Feature Information

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### Information About IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6

#### Information Refresh Server Option

The DHCPv6 information refresh option can specify an upper boundary for the length of time a client should wait before refreshing information retrieved from DHCPv6. This option is used with stateless DHCPv6, because there are no addresses or other entities with lifetimes that can tell the client when to contact the DHCPv6 server to refresh its configuration.

## SIP Server Options

Session initiation protocol (SIP) server options contain either a list of domain names or IPv6 addresses that can be mapped to one or more SIP outbound proxy servers. One option carries a list of domain names, and the other option carries a list of 128-bit IPv6 addresses.

SIP is an application-layer control protocol that can establish, modify and terminate multimedia sessions or calls. A SIP system has several logical components: user agents, proxy servers, redirect servers, and registrars. User agents may contain SIP clients; proxy servers always contain SIP clients.

## SNTP Server Option

The SNTP server option provides a list of one or more IPv6 addresses of SNTP servers available to the client for synchronization. The clients use these SNTP servers to synchronize their system time to that of the standard time servers. The server may list the SNTP servers in decreasing order of preference, but clients must treat the list of SNTP servers as an ordered list.

# How to Configure IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6

## Configuring the Stateless DHCPv6 Function

The server maintains no state related to clients; for example, no prefix pools and records of allocation are maintained. Therefore, this function is “stateless” DHCPv6.

### Configuring the Stateless DHCPv6 Server

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ipv6 dhcp pool *poolname***
4. **dns-server *ipv6-address***
5. **domain-name *domain***
6. **exit**
7. **interface *type number***
8. **ipv6 dhcp server *poolname* [**rapid-commit**] [**preference *value***] [**allow-hint**]**
9. **ipv6 nd other-config flag**
10. **end**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ipv6 dhcp pool <i>poolname</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp pool dhcp-pool	Configures a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) configuration information pool and enters DHCPv6 pool configuration mode.
Step 4	<b>dns-server <i>ipv6-address</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# dns-server 2001:DB8:3000:3000::42	Specifies the Domain Name System (DNS) IPv6 servers available to a DHCPv6 client.
Step 5	<b>domain-name <i>domain</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# domain-name example.com	Configures a domain name for a DHCPv6 client.
Step 6	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# exit	Exits DHCPv6 pool configuration mode, and returns the device to global configuration mode.
Step 7	<b>interface <i>type number</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface serial 3	Specifies an interface type and number, and places the device in interface configuration mode.
Step 8	<b>ipv6 dhcp server <i>poolname</i> [<b>rapid-commit</b>]            [<b>preference <i>value</i></b>] [<b>allow-hint</b>]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp server dhcp-pool	Enables DHCPv6 on an interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 9</b>	<b>ipv6 nd other-config flag</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 nd other-config flag	Sets the “other stateful configuration” flag in IPv6 router advertisements (RAs).
<b>Step 10</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring the Stateless DHCPv6 Client

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface *type number***
4. **ipv6 address autoconfig [default]**
5. **end**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>interface <i>type number</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface serial 3	Specifies an interface type and number, and places the device in interface configuration mode.



	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ipv6 address autoconfig [default]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 address autoconfig	Enables automatic configuration of IPv6 addresses using stateless autoconfiguration on an interface and enables IPv6 processing on the interface.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Enabling Processing of Packets with Source Routing Header Options

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. ipv6 source-route
4. end

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ipv6 source-route</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 source-route	Enables processing of the IPv6 type 0 routing header.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Importing Stateless DHCPv6 Server Options

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ipv6 dhcp pool** *poolname*
4. **import dns-server**
5. **import domain-name**
6. **end**

### 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>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ipv6 dhcp pool</b> <i>poolname</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# ipv6 dhcp pool pool1	Configures a DHCPv6 configuration information pool and enters DHCPv6 pool configuration mode.
Step 4	<b>import dns-server</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-dhcp)# import dns-server	Imports the DNS recursive name server option to a DHCPv6 client.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>import domain-name</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-dhcp)# import domain-name	Imports the domain search list option to a DHCPv6 client.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-dhcp)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

### Configuring the SNTP Server Option

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ipv6 dhcp pool** *poolname*
4. **sntp address** *ipv6-address*
5. **end**

#### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp pool</b> <i>poolname</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp pool pool1	Configures a DHCPv6 configuration information pool and enters DHCPv6 pool configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>sntp address</b> <i>ipv6-address</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# sntp address 2001:DB8:2000:2000::33	Specifies the SNTP server list to be sent to the client.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Importing SIP Server Information

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ipv6 dhcp pool** *poolname*
4. **import sip address**
5. **import sip domain-name**
6. **end**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<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>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp pool</b> <i>poolname</i>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config)# ipv6 dhcp pool pool1	Configures a DHCPv6 configuration information pool and enters DHCPv6 pool configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>import sip address</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-dhcp)# import sip address	Imports the SIP server IPv6 address list option to the outbound SIP proxy server.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>import sip domain-name</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-dhcp)# import sip domain-name	Imports a SIP server domain-name list option to the outbound SIP proxy server.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Router(config-dhcp)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

### Importing the SNTP Server Option

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ipv6 dhcp pool *poolname***
4. **import sntp address *ipv6-address***
5. **end**

#### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	<b>ipv6 dhcp pool</b> <i>poolname</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp pool pool1	Configures a DHCPv6 configuration information pool and enters DHCPv6 pool configuration mode.
Step 4	<b>import sntp address</b> <i>ipv6-address</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# import sntp address 2001:DB8:2000:2000::33	Imports the SNTP server option to a DHCPv6 client.
Step 5	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuration Examples for IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6

### Example: Configuring the Stateless DHCPv6 Function

The following example shows how to use the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) function to configure clients with information about the name lookup system. The server is configured with a DHCP pool, which contains the name lookup information that is to be passed to clients. It does not need to contain a prefix pool. This DHCP pool is attached to the access link to customers (Ethernet 0/0) when you enter the **ipv6 dhcp server** command. The access link also has the **ipv6 nd other-config-flag** command enabled. Router advertisement (RA) messages sent from this interface inform clients that they should use DHCPv6 for “other” (for example, nonaddress) configuration information.

```

ipv6 dhcp pool dhcp-pool
 dns-server 2001:DB8:A:B::1
 dns-server 2001:DB8:3000:3000::42
 domain-name example.com
!
interface Ethernet 0/0
 description Access link down to customers
 ipv6 address 2001:DB8:1234:42::1/64
 ipv6 nd other-config-flag
 ipv6 dhcp server dhcp-pool

```

The client has no obvious DHCPv6 configuration. However, the **ipv6 address autoconfig** command on the uplink to the service provider (Ethernet 0/0) causes the following two events:

- Addresses are autoconfigured on the interface, based on prefixes in RA messages received from the server.
- If received RA messages have the “other configuration” flag set, the interface attempts to acquire the other (for example, nonaddress) configuration from any DHCPv6 servers.

## Additional References

The following sections provide references related to configuring the DHCP ODAP manager.

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
DHCP commands: complete command syntax, command modes, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Command Reference</i>
DHCP conceptual information	“DHCP Overview” module
DHCP server configuration	“Configuring the Cisco IOS XE DHCP Server” module
DHCP client configuration	“Configuring the Cisco IOS XE DHCP Client” module
DHCP relay agent configuration	“Configuring the Cisco IOS XE DHCP Relay Agent” module
DHCP advanced features	“Configuring DHCP Services for Accounting and Security” module

### Standards

Standards	Title
No new or modified standards are supported by this functionality.	--

### MIBs

MIBs	MIBs Link
No new or modified MIBs are supported by this feature.	To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS XE software 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**

<b>RFCs</b>	<b>Title</b>
RFC 951	<i>Bootstrap Protocol (BOOTP)</i>
RFC 1542	<i>Clarifications and Extensions for the Bootstrap Protocol</i>
RFC 2131	<i>Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol</i>
RFC 2685	<i>Virtual Private Networks Identifier</i>
RFC 3046	<i>DHCP Relay Information Option</i>

**Technical Assistance**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Link</b>
<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/public/support/tac/home.shtml">http://www.cisco.com/public/support/tac/home.shtml</a>

## Feature Information for IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6

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 11: Feature Information for IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
IPv6 Access Services: Stateless DHCPv6	12.2(18)SXE 12.2(33)SXI 12.2(50)SY 15.0(1)SY	<p>Stateless DHCPv6 allows DHCPv6 to be used for configuring a node with parameters that do not require a server to maintain any dynamic state for the node.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified:</p> <p><b>dns-server, domain-name, import dns-server, import domain-name, import sip address, import sip domain-name, import sntp address, ipv6 address autoconfig, ipv6 dhcp pool, ipv6 dhcp server, ipv6 nd other-config-flag, ipv6 source-route, sntp address.</b></p>





## IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation

The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) prefix delegation feature can be used to manage link, subnet, and site addressing changes.

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### Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and 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.

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## Information About IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation

### DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation

The IPv6 Access Services—DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation feature can be used to manage link, subnet, and site addressing changes. Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) can be used in environments to deliver stateful and stateless information, which are defined as follows:

- Stateful prefix delegation—Address assignment is centrally managed and clients must obtain configuration information such as address autoconfiguration and neighbor discovery that is not available through protocols.
- Stateless prefix delegation—Stateless configuration parameters do not require a server to maintain any dynamic state for individual clients, such as Domain Name System (DNS) server addresses and domain search list options.

Extensions to DHCPv6 also enable prefix delegation, through which an ISP can automate the process of assigning prefixes to a customer for use within the customer's network. The prefix delegation occurs between a provider edge (PE) device and customer premises equipment (CPE) using the DHCPv6 prefix delegation option. Once the ISP has delegated prefixes to a customer, the customer may further subnet and assign prefixes to the links in the customer's network.

## Node Configuration Without Prefix Delegation

Stateless Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) allows the DHCPv6 to be used for configuring a node with parameters that do not require a server to maintain any dynamic state for the node. The use of stateless DHCPv6 is controlled by router advertisement (RA) messages that are multicast by devices. The DHCPv6 client invokes stateless DHCPv6 when it receives an RA. The DHCPv6 server responds to a stateless DHCPv6 request with configuration parameters, such as the Domain Name System (DNS) servers and domain search list options.

## Client and Server Identification

Each DHCPv6 client and server is identified by a DHCP unique identifier (DUID). The DUID is carried in client identifier and server identifier options. The DUID is unique across all DHCP clients and servers, and it is stable for any specific client or server. DHCPv6 uses DUIDs based on link-layer addresses for both the client and server identifier. The device uses the MAC address from the lowest-numbered interface to form the DUID. The network interface is assumed to be permanently attached to the device.

When a DHCPv6 client requests two prefixes with the same DUID but with different identity association identifiers (IAIDs) on two different interfaces, these prefixes are considered to be for two different clients, and the interface information is maintained for both.

## Rapid Commit

The DHCPv6 client can obtain configuration parameters from a server either through a rapid two-message exchange (solicit, reply) or through a four-message exchange (solicit, advertise, request, and reply). By default, the four-message exchange is used. When the rapid-commit option is enabled by both the client and the server, the two-message exchange is used.

## DHCPv6 Client, Server, and Relay Functions

The DHCPv6 client, server, and relay functions are mutually exclusive on an interface. When one of these functions is enabled and a user tries to configure a different function on the same interface, one of the following messages is displayed: "Interface is in DHCP client mode," "Interface is in DHCP server mode," or "Interface is in DHCP relay mode."

The following sections describe these functions:

## Client Function

The DHCPv6 client function can be enabled on individual IPv6-enabled interfaces.

**Note**

You need APPX license package to enable the DHCPv6 client function on the device.

The DHCPv6 client can request and accept those configuration parameters that do not require a server to maintain any dynamic state for individual clients, such as DNS server addresses and domain search list options.

The DHCPv6 client can also request the delegation of prefixes. The prefixes acquired from a delegating device will be stored in a local IPv6 general prefix pool. The prefixes in the general prefix pool can then be referred to from other applications; for example, the general prefix pool can be used to number device downstream interfaces.

### Server Selection

A DHCPv6 client builds a list of potential servers by sending a solicit message and by collecting advertise message replies from servers. These messages are ranked based on the preference value, and servers may add a preference option to their advertise messages explicitly stating their preference value. If the client needs to acquire prefixes from servers, only servers that have advertised prefixes are considered.

### IAPD and IAID

An Identity Association for Prefix Delegation (IAPD) is a collection of prefixes assigned to a requesting device. A requesting device may have more than one IAPD; for example, one for each of its interfaces.

Each IAPD is identified by an IAID. The IAID is chosen by the requesting device and is unique among the IAPD IAIDs on the requesting device. IAIDs are made consistent across reboots by using information from the associated network interface, which is assumed to be permanently attached to the device.

## Server Function

The DHCPv6 server function can be enabled on individual IPv6-enabled interfaces.

The DHCPv6 server can provide configuration parameters that do not require the server to maintain any dynamic state for individual clients, such as DNS server addresses and domain search list options. The DHCPv6 server may be configured to perform prefix delegation.

All the configuration parameters for clients are independently configured into DHCPv6 configuration pools, which are stored in the NVRAM. A configuration pool can be associated with a particular DHCPv6 server on an interface when it is started. Prefixes that are to be delegated to clients may be specified either as a list of preassigned prefixes for a particular client or as IPv6 local prefix pools that are also stored in the NVRAM. The list of manually configured prefixes or IPv6 local prefix pools can be referenced and used by DHCPv6 configuration pools.

The DHCPv6 server maintains an automatic binding table in memory to track the assignment of some configuration parameters, such as prefixes between the server and its clients. Automatic bindings can be stored permanently in the database agent, such as a remote TFTP server or a local NVRAM file system.

### Configuration Information Pool

A DHCPv6 configuration information pool is a named entity that includes information about available configuration parameters and policies that the control assignment of the parameters to clients from the pool. A pool is configured independently and is associated with the DHCPv6 service through the CLI.

Each configuration pool can contain the following configuration parameters and operational information:

- Prefix delegation information, which includes:
  - A prefix pool name and associated preferred and valid lifetimes
  - A list of available prefixes for a particular client and associated preferred and valid lifetimes
- A list of IPv6 addresses of DNS servers
- A domain search list, which is a string containing domain names for the DNS resolution

### DHCP for IPv6 Address Assignment

DHCPv6 enables DHCP servers to pass configuration parameters, such as IPv6 network addresses, to IPv6 clients. The DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment feature manages nonduplicate address assignment in the correct prefix based on the network where the host is connected. Assigned addresses can be from one or multiple prefix pools. Additional options, such as the default domain and DNS name-server address, can be passed back to the client. Address pools can be assigned for use on a specific interface or on multiple interfaces, or the server can automatically find the appropriate pool.

### Prefix Assignment

A prefix-delegating router (DHCPv6 server) selects prefixes to be assigned to a requesting router (DHCPv6 client) upon receiving a request from the client. The server can select prefixes for a requesting client by using static and dynamic assignment mechanisms. Administrators can manually configure a list of prefixes and associated preferred and valid lifetimes for an IAPD of a specific client that is identified by its DUID.

When the delegating router receives a request from a client, it checks if there is a static binding configured for the IAPD in the client's message. If a static binding is present, the prefixes in the binding are returned to the client. If no such binding is found, the server attempts to assign prefixes for the client from other sources.

The Cisco IOS XE DHCPv6 server can assign prefixes dynamically from an IPv6 local prefix pool. When the server receives a prefix request from a client, it attempts to obtain unassigned prefixes from the pool. After the client releases the previously assigned prefixes, the server returns them to the pool for reassignment.

An IPv6 prefix delegating router can also select prefixes for a requesting router based on an external authority such as a RADIUS server using the Framed-IPv6-Prefix attribute.

### Automatic Binding

Each DHCPv6 configuration pool has an associated binding table. The binding table contains records of all prefixes in the configuration pool that have been explicitly delegated to clients. Each entry in the binding table contains the following information:

- Client DUID.
- Client IPv6 address.
- A list of IAPDs associated with the client.
- A list of prefixes delegated to each IAPD.

- Preferred and valid lifetimes for each prefix.
- The configuration pool to which this binding table belongs.
- The network interface on which the server that is using the pool is running.

A binding table entry is automatically created whenever a prefix is delegated to a client from the configuration pool, and the entry is updated when the client renews, rebinds, or confirms the prefix delegation. A binding table entry is deleted when the client voluntarily releases all the prefixes in the binding, the valid lifetimes of all prefixes have expired, or administrators run the **clear ipv6 dhcp binding** command.

### Binding Database

Each permanent storage to which the binding database is saved is called the database agent. A database agent can be a remote host, such as an FTP server, or a local file system, such as the NVRAM.

Automatic bindings are maintained in the RAM and can be saved to some permanent storage so that information about configurations, such as prefixes assigned to clients, is not lost after a system reload. The bindings are stored as text records for easy maintenance. Each record contains the following information:

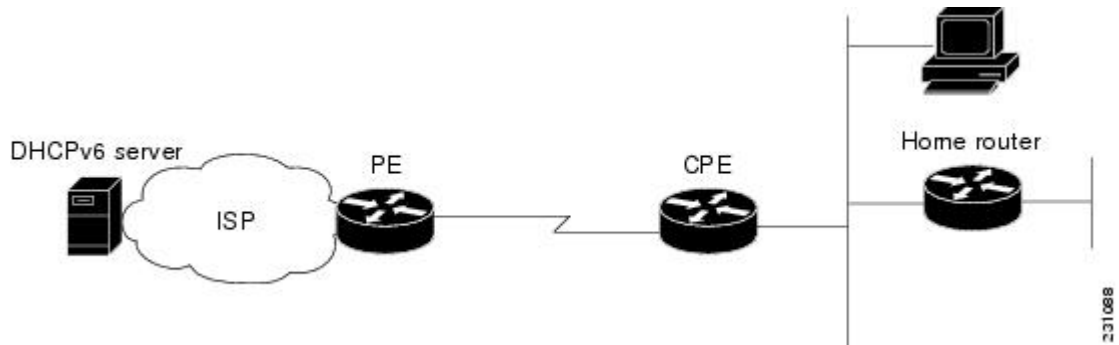
- DHCPv6 pool name from which the configuration was assigned to the client.
- Interface identifier from which the client requests were received.
- The client IPv6 address.
- The client DUID.
- IAID of the IAPD.
- Prefix delegated to the client.
- The prefix length.
- The prefix preferred lifetime in seconds.
- The prefix valid lifetime in seconds.
- The prefix expiration time stamp.
- Optional local prefix pool name from which the prefix was assigned.

### DHCPv6 Server Stateless Autoconfiguration

Hierarchical DHCPv6 for stateless configuration parameters allows a stateless or stateful DHCPv6 client to export configuration parameters (DHCPv6 options) to a local DHCPv6 server pool. The local DHCPv6 server can then provide the imported configuration parameters to other DHCPv6 clients.

The figure below shows a typical broadband deployment.

**Figure 9: Broadband Topology**



The CPE interface towards the PE can be a stateless or stateful DHCPv6 client. In either case, the ISP-side DHCPv6 server may provide configuration parameters such as DNS server addresses, domain names, and Simple Network Time Protocol (SNTP) servers to the DHCP client on the CPE. Such information can be specific to ISPs.

In addition to being a DHCPv6 client (for example, towards the ISP), the CPE may act as a DHCPv6 server to the home network. For example, neighbor discovery followed by a stateless or stateful DHCPv6 client can occur on the link between the CPE and the home devices (such as the home router or PC). In some cases, the information to be provided to the home network is the same as that obtained from the ISP-side DHCPv6 server. Because this information can be dynamically changed, it cannot be hard-configured in the CPE's configuration. Therefore, the DHCPv6 component on the CPE allows automatic importing of configuration parameters from the DHCPv6 client to the DHCPv6 server pool.

DHCPv6 supports the following options for IPv6 on the server:

#### Information Refresh Server Option

The DHCPv6 information refresh option can specify a maximum limit for the length of time a client should wait before refreshing the information retrieved from DHCPv6. This option is used with stateless DHCPv6 because there are no addresses or other entities with lifetimes that can tell the client when to contact the DHCPv6 server to refresh its configuration.

#### NIS- and NIS+-Related Server Options

Users can configure the network information service (NIS) or NIS plus (NIS+) address or domain name of a DHCPv6 server using NIS- and NIS+-related options, and then import that information to the DHCPv6 client.

#### SIP Server Options

Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) server options contain either a list of domain names or a list of IPv6 addresses that can be mapped to one or more SIP outbound proxy servers. One option carries a list of domain names, and the other option carries a list of 128-bit IPv6 addresses.

SIP is an application-layer control protocol that can establish, modify, and terminate multimedia sessions or calls. A SIP system has several logical components: user agents, proxy servers, redirect servers, and registrars. User agents may contain SIP clients; proxy servers always contain SIP clients.



### SNTP Server Option

The SNTP server option provides a list of one or more IPv6 addresses of SNTP servers available to the client for synchronization. Clients use these SNTP servers to synchronize their system time to that of the standard time servers. The DHCPv6 server may list the SNTP servers in decreasing order of preference, but clients treat the list of SNTP servers as an ordered list.

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## Configuring the DHCPv6 Server Function

### Configuring the DHCPv6 Configuration Pool

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ipv6 dhcp pool** *poolname*
4. **domain-name** *domain*
5. **dns-server** *ipv6-address*
6. **prefix-delegation** *ipv6-prefix / prefix-length client-duid [iaid iaaid] [lifetime]*
7. **prefix-delegation pool** *poolname [lifetime valid-lifetime preferred-lifetime]*
8. **exit**
9. **interface** *type number*
10. **ipv6 dhcp server** *poolname [rapid-commit] [preference value] [allow-hint]*
11. **end**

#### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp pool</b> <i>poolname</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp pool pool1	Configures a DHCPv6 configuration information pool and enters DHCPv6 pool configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>domain-name</b> <i>domain</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# domain-name example.com	Configures a domain name for a DHCPv6 client.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>dns-server</b> <i>ipv6-address</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# dns-server 2001:DB8:3000:3000::42	Specifies the DNS IPv6 servers available to a DHCPv6 client.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>prefix-delegation</b> <i>ipv6-prefix / prefix-length client-duid</i> <b>[iaid iaid] [lifetime]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# prefix-delegation 2001:DB8:1263::/48 0005000400F1A4D070D03	Specifies a manually configured numeric prefix to be delegated to a specified client's IAPD.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>prefix-delegation pool</b> <i>poolname</i> [ <b>lifetime</b> <i>valid-lifetime</i> <i>preferred-lifetime</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# prefix-delegation pool pool1 lifetime 1800 60	Specifies a named IPv6 local prefix pool from which prefixes are delegated to DHCPv6 clients.
<b>Step 8</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp)# exit	Exits DHCPv6 pool configuration mode, and returns the device to global configuration mode.
<b>Step 9</b>	<b>interface</b> <i>type number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface serial 3	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 10</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp server</b> <i>poolname</i> [ <b>rapid-commit</b> ] [ <b>preference</b> <i>value</i> ] [ <b>allow-hint</b> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp server pool1	

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 11</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring a Binding Database Agent for the Server Function

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. ipv6 dhcp database agent [write-delay seconds] [timeout seconds]
4. end

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp database agent [write-delay seconds] [timeout seconds]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp database tftp://10.0.0.1/dhcp-binding	Specifies DHCPv6 binding database agent parameters.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring the DHCPv6 Client Function

General prefixes can be defined dynamically from a prefix received by a DHCPv6 prefix delegation client. The delegated prefix is stored in a general prefix.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ipv6 dhcp client pd** {*prefix-name* | **hint** *ipv6-prefix*} [**rapid-commit**]
5. **end**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  • Enter your password if prompted.
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>interface</b> <i>type number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface fastethernet 0/0/0	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp client pd</b> { <i>prefix-name</i>   <b>hint</b> <i>ipv6-prefix</i> } [ <b>rapid-commit</b> ]  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp client pd dhcp-prefix	Enables the DHCPv6 client process and enables a request for prefix delegation through a specified interface.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Deleting Automatic Client Bindings from the DHCPv6 Binding Table

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. `enable`
2. `clear ipv6 dhcp binding [ipv6-address] [vrf vrf-name]`

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>clear ipv6 dhcp binding [ipv6-address] [vrf vrf-name]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# clear ipv6 dhcp binding	Deletes automatic client bindings from the DHCPv6 binding table.

## Configuration Examples for IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation

### Examples: Configuring the DHCPv6 Server Function

In the following example, Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) clients are connected to the DHCPv6 server on Ethernet interface 0/0. The server is configured to use parameters from the DHCP pool called `dhcp-pool`. This pool provides clients with the IPv6 address of a Domain Name System (DNS) server and the domain name to be used. It also specifies that prefixes can be delegated from the prefix pool called `client-prefix-pool1`. The prefixes delegated will have valid and preferred lifetimes of 1800 and 600 seconds, respectively. The prefix pool named `client-prefix-pool1` has a prefix of length /40 from which it will delegate (sub) prefixes of length /48.

```

ipv6 dhcp pool dhcp-pool
 prefix-delegation pool client-prefix-pool1 lifetime 1800 600
 dns-server 2001:DB8:3000:3000::42
 domain-name example.com
!
```

```
interface Ethernet 0/0
  description downlink to clients
  ipv6 address FEC0:240:104:2001::139/64
  ipv6 dhcp server dhcp-pool
!
ipv6 local pool client-prefix-pool1 2001:DB8:1200::/40 48
```

The following example from the **show ipv6 dhcp** command shows the DHCP unique identifier (DUID) of the device:

```
Device# show ipv6 dhcp
```

```
This device's DHCPv6 unique identifier(DUID): 000300010002FCA5DC1C
```

In the following example, the **show ipv6 dhcp binding** command shows information about two clients, including their DUIDs, IAPDs, prefixes, and preferred and valid lifetimes:

```
Device# show ipv6 dhcp binding
```

```
Client: FE80::202:FCFF:FEA5:DC39 (Ethernet2/1)
  DUID: 000300010002FCA5DC1C
  IA PD: IA ID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
    Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:11::/68
      preferred lifetime 180, valid lifetime 12345
      expires at Nov 08 2002 02:24 PM (12320 seconds)
Client: FE80::202:FCFF:FEA5:C039 (Ethernet2/1)
  DUID: 000300010002FCA5C01C
  IA PD: IA ID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
    Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:1::/72
      preferred lifetime 240, valid lifetime 54321
      expires at Nov 09 2002 02:02 AM (54246 seconds)
    Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:2::/72
      preferred lifetime 300, valid lifetime 54333
      expires at Nov 09 2002 02:03 AM (54258 seconds)
    Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:3::/72
      preferred lifetime 280, valid lifetime 51111
```

In the following example, the **show ipv6 dhcp database** command provides information on the binding database agents TFTP, NVRAM, and flash:

```
Device# show ipv6 dhcp database
```

```
Database agent tftp://172.19.216.133/db.tftp:
  write delay: 69 seconds, transfer timeout: 300 seconds
  last written at Jan 09 2003 01:54 PM,
    write timer expires in 56 seconds
  last read at Jan 06 2003 05:41 PM
  successful read times 1
  failed read times 0
  successful write times 3172
  failed write times 2
Database agent nvram:/dhcpv6-binding:
  write delay: 60 seconds, transfer timeout: 300 seconds
  last written at Jan 09 2003 01:54 PM,
    write timer expires in 37 seconds
  last read at never
  successful read times 0
  failed read times 0
  successful write times 3325
  failed write times 0
Database agent flash:/dhcpv6-db:
  write delay: 82 seconds, transfer timeout: 3 seconds
  last written at Jan 09 2003 01:54 PM,
    write timer expires in 50 seconds
  last read at never
  successful read times 0
  failed read times 0
  successful write times 2220
  failed write times 614
```

## Example: Configuring the DHCPv6 Configuration Pool

In the following example, the **show ipv6 dhcp pool** command provides information on the configuration pool named `svr-pl`, including the static bindings, prefix information, the DNS server, and the domain names found in the `svr-pl` pool:

```
Device# show ipv6 dhcp pool

DHCPv6 pool: svr-pl
  Static bindings:
    Binding for client 000300010002FCA5C01C
      IA PD: IA ID 00040002,
        Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:3::/72
          preferred lifetime 604800, valid lifetime 2592000
      IA PD: IA ID not specified; being used by 00040001
        Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:1::/72
          preferred lifetime 240, valid lifetime 54321
        Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:2::/72
          preferred lifetime 300, valid lifetime 54333
        Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:3::/72
          preferred lifetime 280, valid lifetime 51111
    Prefix from pool: local-pl, Valid lifetime 12345, Preferred lifetime 180
  DNS server: 2001:DB8:1001::1
  DNS server: 2001:DB8:1001::2
  Domain name: example1.net
  Domain name: example2.net
  Domain name: example3.net
Active clients: 2
Current configuration : 22324 bytes
!
! Last configuration change at 14:59:38 PST Tue Jan 16 2001
! NVRAM config last updated at 04:25:39 PST Tue Jan 16 2001 by bird
!
hostname Device
!
ip cef
ipv6 unicast-routing
ipv6 cef
ipv6 cef accounting prefix-length
!
!
interface Ethernet0
 ip address 10.4.9.11 255.0.0.0
 media-type 10BaseT
 ipv6 address 2001:DB8:C18:1::/64 eui-64
```

## Example: Configuring the DHCPv6 Client Function

In the following example, this Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) client has three interfaces. Ethernet interface `0/0` is the upstream link to a service provider, which has a DHCPv6 server function enabled. The Fast Ethernet interfaces `0/0` and `0/1` are links to local networks.

The upstream interface, Ethernet interface `0/0`, has the DHCPv6 client function enabled. Prefixes delegated by the provider are stored in the general prefix called `prefix-from-provider`.

The local networks, Fast Ethernet interfaces `0/0` and `0/1`, both assign interface addresses based on the general prefix called `prefix-from-provider`. The bits on the left of the addresses come from the general prefix, and the bits on the right of the addresses are specified statically.

```
interface Ethernet 0/0
 description uplink to provider DHCP IPv6 server
 ipv6 dhcp client pd prefix-from-provider
!
```

```

interface FastEthernet 0/0
description local network 0
ipv6 address prefix-from-provider ::5:0:0:0:100/64
!
interface FastEthernet 0/1
description local network 1
ipv6 address prefix-from-provider ::6:0:0:0:100/64

```

## Example: Configuring a Database Agent for the Server Function

The DHCPv6 server is configured to store table bindings to the file named dhcp-binding on the server at address 10.0.0.1 using the TFTP protocol. The bindings are saved every 120 seconds.

```
ipv6 dhcp database tftp://10.0.0.1/dhcp-binding write-delay 120
```

The following example shows how to specify DHCP for IPv6 binding database agent parameters and store binding entries in bootflash:

```
ipv6 dhcp database bootflash
```

## Example: Displaying DHCP Server and Client Information on the Interface

The following is sample output from the **show ipv6 dhcp interface** command. In the first example, the command is used on a device that has an interface acting as a DHCPv6 server. In the second example, the command is used on a device that has an interface acting as a DHCPv6 client:

```
Device1# show ipv6 dhcp interface
```

```

Ethernet2/1 is in server mode
Using pool: svr-pl
Preference value: 20
Rapid-Commit is disabled

```

```
Device2# show ipv6 dhcp interface
```

```

Ethernet2/1 is in client mode
State is OPEN (1)
List of known servers:
Address: FE80::202:FCFF:FEA1:7439, DUID 000300010002FCA17400
Preference: 20
IA PD: IA ID 0x00040001, T1 120, T2 192
Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:1::/72
preferred lifetime 240, valid lifetime 54321
expires at Nov 08 2002 09:10 AM (54319 seconds)
Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:2::/72
preferred lifetime 300, valid lifetime 54333
expires at Nov 08 2002 09:11 AM (54331 seconds)
Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:3::/72
preferred lifetime 280, valid lifetime 51111
expires at Nov 08 2002 08:17 AM (51109 seconds)
DNS server: 2001:DB8:1001::1
DNS server: 2001:DB8:1001::2
Domain name: example1.net
Domain name: example2.net
Domain name: example3.net
Prefix name is cli-pl
Rapid-Commit is enabled

```



# Additional References

## Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
IPv6 addressing and connectivity	<i>IPv6 Configuration Guide</i>
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>
IPv6 commands	<i>Cisco IOS IPv6 Command Reference</i>
Cisco IOS IPv6 features	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IPv6 Feature Mapping</a>

## Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFCs for IPv6	<i>IPv6 RFCs</i>

## MIBs

MIB	MIBs Link
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# Feature Information for IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation

*Table 12: Feature Information for IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation*

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
IPv6 Access Services: DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation	12.2(50)SY	<p>The DHCPv6 Prefix Delegation feature can be used to manage link, subnet, and site addressing changes. DHCPv6 can be used in environments to deliver stateful and stateless information.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>clear ipv6 dhcp binding, dns-server, domain-name, ipv6 dhcp client pd, ipv6 dhcp database, ipv6 dhcp pool, ipv6 dhcp server, prefix-delegation, prefix-delegation pool, show ipv6 dhcp, show ipv6 dhcp binding, show ipv6 dhcp interface, show ipv6 dhcp pool.</b></p>



## DHCP—DHCPv6 Guard

This module describes the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol version 6 (DHCPv6) Guard feature. This feature blocks DHCP reply and advertisement messages that originate from unauthorized DHCP servers and relay agents that forward DHCP packets from servers to clients. Client messages or messages sent by relay agents from clients to servers are not blocked. The filtering decision is determined by the device role assigned to the receiving switch port, trunk, or VLAN. In addition, to provide a finer level of filter granularity, messages can be filtered based on the address of the sending server or relay agent, or by the prefixes and addresses ranges listed in the reply message. This functionality helps to prevent traffic redirection or denial of service (DoS).

- [Finding Feature Information, page 145](#)
- [Restrictions for DHCPv6 Guard, page 145](#)
- [Information About DHCPv6 Guard, page 146](#)
- [How to Configure DHCPv6 Guard, page 147](#)
- [Configuration Examples for DHCPv6 Guard, page 150](#)
- [Additional References, page 151](#)
- [Feature Information for DHCP—DHCPv6 Guard, page 152](#)

### Finding Feature Information

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### Restrictions for DHCPv6 Guard

- The DHCPv6 guard feature is not supported on Etherchannel ports.

# Information About DHCPv6 Guard

## DHCPv6 Guard Overview

The DHCPv6 Guard feature blocks reply and advertisement messages that come from unauthorized DHCP servers and relay agents.

Packets are classified into one of the three DHCP type messages. All client messages are always switched regardless of device role. DHCP server messages are only processed further if the device role is set to server. Further processing of server messages includes DHCP server advertisements (for source validation and server preference) and DHCP server replies (for permitted prefixes).

If the device is configured as a DHCP server, all the messages need to be switched, regardless of the device role configuration.

# How to Configure DHCPv6 Guard

## Configuring DHCP—DHCPv6 Guard

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. ipv6 access-list *access-list-name*
4. permit host *address* any
5. exit
6. ipv6 prefix-list *list-name* permit *ipv6-prefix* 128
7. ipv6 dhcp guard policy *policy-name*
8. device-role {client | server}
9. match server access-list *ipv6-access-list-name*
10. match reply prefix-list *ipv6-prefix-list-name*
11. preference min *limit*
12. preference max *limit*
13. trusted-port
14. exit
15. interface *type number*
16. switchport
17. ipv6 dhcp guard [attach-policy *policy-name*]
18. exit
19. vlan configuration *vlan-id*
20. ipv6 dhcp guard [attach-policy *policy-name*]
21. exit
22. exit
23. show ipv6 dhcp guard policy [*policy-name*]

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable  <b>Example:</b>  Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ipv6 access-list <i>access-list-name</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 access-list acl1	Defines the IPv6 access list and enters IPv6 access list configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>permit host <i>address</i> any</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-ipv6-acl)# permit host FE80::A8BB:CCFF:FE01:F700 any	Sets the conditions in the named IP access list.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-ipv6-acl)# exit	Exits IPv6 access list configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>ipv6 prefix-list <i>list-name</i> permit <i>ipv6-prefix</i> 128</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 prefix-list abc permit 2001:0DB8::/64 le 128	Creates an entry in an IPv6 prefix list.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp guard policy <i>policy-name</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp guard policy poll	Defines the DHCPv6 guard policy name and enters DHCP guard configuration mode.
<b>Step 8</b>	<b>device-role {client   server}</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp-guard)# device-role server	Specifies the device role of the device attached to the target (interface or VLAN).
<b>Step 9</b>	<b>match server access-list <i>ipv6-access-list-name</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-dhcp-guard)# match server access-list acl1	(Optional) Enables verification of the advertised DHCP server and relay address in inspected messages from the configured authorized server access list. If not configured, this check will be bypassed. An empty access list is treated as a permit.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 10</b>	<b>match reply prefix-list</b> <i>ipv6-prefix-list-name</i>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-dhcp-guard)# match reply prefix-list abc</pre>	(Optional) Enables verification of the advertised prefixes in DHCP reply messages from the configured authorized prefix list. If not configured, this check will be bypassed. An empty prefix list is treated as a permit.
<b>Step 11</b>	<b>preference min</b> <i>limit</i>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-dhcp-guard)# preference min 0</pre>	(Optional) Enables verification that the advertised preference (in preference option) is greater than the specified limit. If not specified, this check will be bypassed.
<b>Step 12</b>	<b>preference max</b> <i>limit</i>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-dhcp-guard)# preference max 255</pre>	(Optional) Enables verification that the advertised preference (in preference option) is less than the specified limit. If not specified, this check will be bypassed.
<b>Step 13</b>	<b>trusted-port</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-dhcp-guard)# trusted-port</pre>	(Optional) Specifies that this policy is being applied to trusted ports. All DHCP guard policing will be disabled.
<b>Step 14</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-dhcp-guard)# exit</pre>	Exits DHCP guard configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
<b>Step 15</b>	<b>interface</b> <i>type number</i>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config)# interface GigabitEthernet 0/2/0</pre>	Specifies an interface and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 16</b>	<b>switchport</b>  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-if)# switchport</pre>	Puts an interface that is in Layer 3 mode into Layer 2 mode for Layer 2 configuration.
<b>Step 17</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp guard</b> [ <b>attach-policy</b> <i>policy-name</i> ]  <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp guard attach-policy poll</pre>	Attaches a DHCPv6 guard policy to an interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 18</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# exit	Exits interface configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
<b>Step 19</b>	<b>vlan configuration <i>vlan-id</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# vlan configuration 1	Specifies a VLAN and enters VLAN configuration mode.
<b>Step 20</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp guard [attach-policy <i>policy-name</i>]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-vlan-config)# ipv6 dhcp guard attach-policy poll	Attaches a DHCPv6 guard policy to a VLAN.
<b>Step 21</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-vlan-config)# exit	Exits VLAN configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
<b>Step 22</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# exit	Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
<b>Step 23</b>	<b>show ipv6 dhcp guard policy [<i>policy-name</i>]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ipv6 dhcp policy guard poll	(Optional) Displays the policy configuration as well as all the interfaces where the policy is applied.

## Configuration Examples for DHCPv6 Guard

### Example: Configuring DHCP—DHCPv6 Guard

The following example displays a sample configuration for DHCPv6 Guard:

```
enable
configure terminal
ipv6 access-list acl1
permit host FE80::A8BB:CCFF:FE01:F700 any
```



```

ipv6 prefix-list abc permit 2001:0DB8::/64 le 128
ipv6 dhcp guard policy poll
  device-role server
  match server access-list acl1
  match reply prefix-list abc
  preference min 0
  preference max 255
  trusted-port
interface GigabitEthernet 0/2/0
  switchport
  ipv6 dhcp guard attach-policy poll
  vlan configuration 1
  ipv6 dhcp guard attach-policy poll
show ipv6 dhcp guard policy poll

```

## Additional References

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Commands List, All Releases</a>
DHCP commands: complete command syntax, command modes, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Command Reference</i>
DHCP conceptual and configuration information	<i>Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Configuration Guide</i>

### Standards/RFCs

Standard	Title
No new or modified standards/RFCs are supported by this feature.	—

### MIBs

MIB	MIBs Link
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## Feature Information for DHCP—DHCPv6 Guard

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 13: Feature Information for DHCP—DHCPv6 Guard**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
DHCP—DHCPv6 Guard	15.2(1)SY	<p>The DHCP—DHCPv6 Guard feature blocks DHCP reply and advertisement messages that originate from unauthorized DHCP servers and relay agents that forward DHCP packets from servers to clients. Client messages or messages sent by relay agents from clients to servers are not blocked.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified:  <b>device-role , ipv6 dhcp guard attach-policy (DHCPv6 Guard), ipv6 dhcp guard policy, match reply prefix-list, match server access-list, preference (DHCPv6 Guard), show ipv6 dhcp guard policy, trusted-port (DHCPv6 Guard).</b></p>



## DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment

The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) Individual Address Assignment feature manages nonduplicate address assignment in the correct prefix based on the network where the host is connected.

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- [Prerequisites for Configuring DHCPv6 Address Assignment, page 153](#)
- [Information About DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment, page 154](#)
- [How to Configure DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment, page 154](#)
- [Configuration Examples for DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment, page 159](#)
- [Additional References, page 160](#)
- [Feature Information for DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment, page 161](#)

### Finding Feature Information

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### Prerequisites for Configuring DHCPv6 Address Assignment

By default, no Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) features are configured on the device.

When you configure DHCPv6 address assignment, remember that the specified interface must be one of these Layer 3 interfaces:

- Switch virtual interface (SVI): a VLAN interface created when you enter the **interface vlan *vlan-id*** command.

- EtherChannel port channel in Layer 3 mode: a port-channel logical interface created when you enter the **interface port-channel** *port-channel-number* command.

## Information About DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment

### DHCPv6 Address Assignment

Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) enables DHCP servers to pass configuration parameters, such as IPv6 network addresses, to IPv6 clients. The DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment feature manages nonduplicate address assignment in the correct prefix based on the network where the host is connected. Assigned addresses can be from one or multiple prefix pools. Additional options, such as the default domain and Domain Name System (DNS) name-server address, can be passed back to the client. Address pools can be assigned for use on a specific interface or on multiple interfaces, or the server can automatically find the appropriate pool.

## How to Configure DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment

### Enabling the DHCPv6 Server Function on an Interface

Perform this task to enable the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) server function on an interface. Note that to delete a DHCPv6 pool, you must use the **no ipv6 dhcp pool** *poolname* global configuration command. Use the **no** form of the DHCP pool configuration mode commands to change the DHCPv6 pool characteristics. To disable the DHCPv6 server function on an interface, use the **no ipv6 dhcp server** interface configuration command.

## SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ipv6 dhcp pool** *poolname*
4. **address prefix** *ipv6-prefix* [**lifetime** {*valid-lifetime preferred-lifetime* | **infinite**}]
5. **link-address** *ipv6-prefix*
6. **vendor-specific** *vendor-id*
7. **suboption** *number* {**address** *ipv6-address* | **ascii** *ascii-string* | **hex** *hex-string*}
8. **exit**
9. **exit**
10. **interface** *type number*
11. **ipv6 dhcp server** [*poolname* | **automatic**] [**rapid-commit**] [**preference** *value*] [**allow-hint**]
12. **end**
13. Do one of the following:
  - **show ipv6 dhcp pool**
  - **show ipv6 dhcp interface**
14. **copy running-config startup-config**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.  • Enter your password if prompted.
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp pool</b> <i>poolname</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp pool engineering	Enters DHCP for IPv6 pool configuration mode, and defines the name of the IPv6 DHCP pool.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>address prefix</b> <i>ipv6-prefix</i> [ <b>lifetime</b> { <i>valid-lifetime preferred-lifetime</i>   <b>infinite</b> }]	(Optional) Specifies an address prefix for address assignment.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcpv6)# address prefix 2001:1000::0/64 lifetime infinite</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This address must be in hexadecimal, using 16-bit values between colons.</li> <li><b>lifetime</b> <i>valid-lifetime preferred-lifetime</i>—Specifies a time interval (in seconds) that an IPv6 address prefix remains in the valid state.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 5</b>	<p><b>link-address</b> <i>ipv6-prefix</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcpv6)# link-address 2001:1001::0/64</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies a link-address IPv6 prefix.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When an address on the incoming interface or a link address in the packet matches the specified IPv6 prefix, the server uses the configuration information pool.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 6</b>	<p><b>vendor-specific</b> <i>vendor-id</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcpv6)# vendor-specific 9</pre>	<p>(Optional) Enters DHCPv6 vendor-specific configuration mode with the vendor-specific identification number.</p>
<b>Step 7</b>	<p><b>suboption</b> <i>number</i> {<b>address</b> <i>ipv6-address</i>   <b>ascii</b> <i>ascii-string</i>   <b>hex</b> <i>hex-string</i>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcpv6-vs)# suboption 1 address 1000:235D::1</pre>	<p>(Optional) Enters a vendor-specific suboption number.</p>
<b>Step 8</b>	<p><b>exit</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcpv6-vs)# exit</pre>	<p>Returns to DHCP pool configuration mode.</p>
<b>Step 9</b>	<p><b>exit</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-dhcpv6)# exit</pre>	<p>Returns to global configuration mode.</p>
<b>Step 10</b>	<p><b>interface</b> <i>type number</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config)# interface fastethernet 0/0</pre>	<p>Enters interface configuration mode, and specifies the interface to configure.</p>
<b>Step 11</b>	<p><b>ipv6 dhcp server</b> [<i>poolname</i>   <b>automatic</b>] [<b>rapid-commit</b>] [<b>preference</b> <i>value</i>] [<b>allow-hint</b>]</p>	<p>Enables the DHCPv6 server function on an interface.</p>

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp server rapid-commit</pre>	
<b>Step 12</b>	<p><b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-if)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
<b>Step 13</b>	<p>Do one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>show ipv6 dhcp pool</b></li> <li>• <b>show ipv6 dhcp interface</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device# show ipv6 dhcp pool</pre>	Verifies DHCPv6 pool configuration or verifies that the DHCPv6 server function is enabled on an interface.
<b>Step 14</b>	<p><b>copy running-config startup-config</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device# copy running-config startup-config</pre>	(Optional) Saves your entries in the configuration file.

## Enabling the DHCPv6 Client Function on an Interface

Perform this task to enable the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) client function on an interface. To disable the DHCPv6 client function, use the **no ipv6 address dhcp** interface configuration command. To remove the DHCPv6 client request, use the **no ipv6 address dhcp client request vendor** interface configuration command.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **ipv6 address dhcp** [**rapid-commit**]
5. **ipv6 address dhcp client request vendor**
6. **end**
7. **show ipv6 dhcp interface**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>interface <i>type number</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface fastethernet 0/0	Enters interface configuration mode, and specifies the interface to configure.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ipv6 address dhcp [rapid-commit]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 address dhcp rapid-commit	Enables the interface to acquire an IPv6 address from the DHCPv6 server.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>ipv6 address dhcp client request vendor</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 address dhcp client request vendor	(Optional) Enables the interface to request the vendor-specific option.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>show ipv6 dhcp interface</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# show ipv6 dhcp interface	Verifies that the DHCPv6 client is enabled on an interface.



# Configuration Examples for DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment

## Examples: Configuring the DHCPv6 Server Function

In the following example, Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) clients are connected to the DHCPv6 server on Ethernet interface 0/0. The server is configured to use parameters from the DHCP pool called `dhcp-pool`. This pool provides clients with the IPv6 address of a Domain Name System (DNS) server and the domain name to be used. It also specifies that prefixes can be delegated from the prefix pool called `client-prefix-pool1`. The prefixes delegated will have valid and preferred lifetimes of 1800 and 600 seconds, respectively. The prefix pool named `client-prefix-pool1` has a prefix of length /40 from which it will delegate (sub) prefixes of length /48.

```
ipv6 dhcp pool dhcp-pool
  prefix-delegation pool client-prefix-pool1 lifetime 1800 600
  dns-server 2001:DB8:3000:3000::42
  domain-name example.com
!
interface Ethernet 0/0
  description downlink to clients
  ipv6 address FEC0:240:104:2001::139/64
  ipv6 dhcp server dhcp-pool
!
ipv6 local pool client-prefix-pool1 2001:DB8:1200::/40 48
```

The following example from the **show ipv6 dhcp** command shows the DHCP unique identifier (DUID) of the device:

```
Device# show ipv6 dhcp
```

```
This device's DHCPv6 unique identifier(DUID): 000300010002FCA5DC1C
```

In the following example, the **show ipv6 dhcp binding** command shows information about two clients, including their DUIDs, IAPDs, prefixes, and preferred and valid lifetimes:

```
Device# show ipv6 dhcp binding
```

```
Client: FE80::202:FCFF:FEA5:DC39 (Ethernet2/1)
  DUID: 000300010002FCA5DC1C
  IA PD: IA ID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
  Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:11::/68
  preferred lifetime 180, valid lifetime 12345
  expires at Nov 08 2002 02:24 PM (12320 seconds)
Client: FE80::202:FCFF:FEA5:C039 (Ethernet2/1)
  DUID: 000300010002FCA5C01C
  IA PD: IA ID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
  Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:1::/72
  preferred lifetime 240, valid lifetime 54321
  expires at Nov 09 2002 02:02 AM (54246 seconds)
  Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:2::/72
  preferred lifetime 300, valid lifetime 54333
  expires at Nov 09 2002 02:03 AM (54258 seconds)
  Prefix: 3FFE:C00:C18:3::/72
  preferred lifetime 280, valid lifetime 51111
```

In the following example, the **show ipv6 dhcp database** command provides information on the binding database agents TFTP, NVRAM, and flash:

```
Device# show ipv6 dhcp database
```

```
Database agent tftp://172.19.216.133/db.tftp:
  write delay: 69 seconds, transfer timeout: 300 seconds
  last written at Jan 09 2003 01:54 PM,
```

```

    write timer expires in 56 seconds
    last read at Jan 06 2003 05:41 PM
    successful read times 1
    failed read times 0
    successful write times 3172
    failed write times 2
Database agent nvram:/dhcpv6-binding:
    write delay: 60 seconds, transfer timeout: 300 seconds
    last written at Jan 09 2003 01:54 PM,
        write timer expires in 37 seconds
    last read at never
    successful read times 0
    failed read times 0
    successful write times 3325
    failed write times 0
Database agent flash:/dhcpv6-db:
    write delay: 82 seconds, transfer timeout: 3 seconds
    last written at Jan 09 2003 01:54 PM,
        write timer expires in 50 seconds
    last read at never
    successful read times 0
    failed read times 0
    successful write times 2220
    failed write times 614

```

## Example: Configuring the DHCPv6 Client Function

In the following example, this Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6 (DHCPv6) client has three interfaces. Ethernet interface 0/0 is the upstream link to a service provider, which has a DHCPv6 server function enabled. The Fast Ethernet interfaces 0/0 and 0/1 are links to local networks.

The upstream interface, Ethernet interface 0/0, has the DHCPv6 client function enabled. Prefixes delegated by the provider are stored in the general prefix called `prefix-from-provider`.

The local networks, Fast Ethernet interfaces 0/0 and 0/1, both assign interface addresses based on the general prefix called `prefix-from-provider`. The bits on the left of the addresses come from the general prefix, and the bits on the right of the addresses are specified statically.

```

interface Ethernet 0/0
  description uplink to provider DHCP IPv6 server
  ipv6 dhcp client pd prefix-from-provider
!
interface FastEthernet 0/0
  description local network 0
  ipv6 address prefix-from-provider ::5:0:0:0:100/64
!
interface FastEthernet 0/1
  description local network 1
  ipv6 address prefix-from-provider ::6:0:0:0:100/64

```

## Additional References

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
IPv6 addressing and connectivity	<i>IPv6 Configuration Guide</i>
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>

Related Topic	Document Title
IPv6 commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IPv6 Command Reference</a>
Cisco IOS IPv6 features	<a href="#">IPv6 Feature Mapping</a>

### Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFCs for IPv6	<i>IPv6 RFCs</i>

### Technical Assistance

Description	Link
The Cisco Support and Documentation website provides online resources to download documentation, software, and tools. Use these resources to install and configure the software and to troubleshoot and resolve technical issues with Cisco products and technologies. Access to most tools on the Cisco Support and Documentation website requires a Cisco.com user ID and password.	<a href="http://www.cisco.com/cisco/web/support/index.html">http://www.cisco.com/cisco/web/support/index.html</a>

## Feature Information for DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment

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 14: Feature Information for DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment	15.2(1)SY	<p>The DHCPv6 Individual Address Assignment feature manages nonduplicate address assignment in the correct prefix based on the network where the host is connected.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>clear ipv6 dhcp bindings</b>, <b>debug ipv6 dhcp</b>, <b>ipv6 address dhcp</b>, <b>ipv6 dhcp pool</b>, <b>show ipv6 dhcp bindings</b>, <b>show ipv6 dhcp interface</b>, <b>show ipv6 dhcp pool</b>.</p>



## DHCPv6 Relay—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent

The DHCPv6 Relay—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent feature allows relay agent information to be inserted by an access node that performs a link-layer bridging (non-routing) function. Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent (LDRA) functionality can be implemented in existing access nodes, such as DSL access multiplexers (DSLAMs) and Ethernet switches, that do not support IPv6 control or routing functions. LDRA is used to insert relay-agent options in DHCP version 6 (DHCPv6) message exchanges primarily to identify client-facing interfaces. LDRA functionality can be enabled on an interface and on a VLAN.

An LDRA device or interface has the following features:

- Maintains interoperability with existing DHCPv6 relay agents and servers.
- Is functionally the equivalent of a Layer 2 relay agent, without routing capabilities.



**Note**

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LDRA is a device or interface on which LDRA functionality is configured.

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- [Glossary, page 175](#)

## Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and 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.

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## Prerequisites for DHCPv6 Relay—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent

- You must understand DHCP and the functions of DHCP version 6 (DHCPv6) relay agents.

## Restrictions for DHCPv6 Relay—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent

- An interface or port cannot be configured as both client facing and server facing at the same time.
- Access nodes implementing Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent (LDRA) do not support IPv6 control or routing.
- Unlike a DHCPv6 relay agent, an LDRA does not implement any IPv6 control functions (like Internet Control Message Protocol version 6 [ICMPv6] functions) nor does it have any routing capability in the node.

## Information About DHCPv6 Relay—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent

### Background

A variety of different link-layer network topologies exist for the aggregation of IPv6 nodes into one or more routers. In Layer 2 aggregation networks (IEEE 802.1D bridging or similar) that have many nodes on a single link, a DHCP version 6 (DHCPv6) server or DHCP relay agent normally does not recognize how a DHCP client is attached to a network. Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent (LDRA) allows relay-agent information, including the Interface-ID option, to be inserted by the access node so that the information may be used by the DHCPv6 server for client identification.

### Interoperability between DHCPv6 Relay Agents and LDRA

DHCP version 6 (DHCPv6) relay agents are used to forward DHCPv6 messages between a client and a server when the client and server are not on the same IPv6 link. A DHCPv6 relay agent also adds an interface identifier option in the upstream DHCPv6 message (from client to server) to identify the interface on which the client is connected. This information is used by the DHCPv6 relay agent while forwarding the downstream

DHCPv6 message to the DHCPv6 client. The DHCPv6 relay agent is implemented alongside the routing functionality on the common node.

To maintain interoperability with existing DHCP relays and servers, Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent (LDRA) implements the same message types (Relay-Forward and Relay-Reply) as a DHCPv6 relay agent.

LDRA allows relay-agent information to be inserted by an access node that performs a link-layer bridging (i.e., non-routing) function. The LDRA resides on the same IPv6 link as the client and a DHCPv6 relay agent or server.

## LDRA for VLANs and Interfaces

You can configure LDRA on VLANs and interfaces. LDRA is not enabled by default. You must enable it on the VLAN or interface first.

In a typical deployment, a majority of the interfaces or ports on a device are client facing. In such a scenario, you can configure Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent (LDRA) functionality on the VLAN. When you configure LDRA functionality on a VLAN, the functionality is configured on all the ports or interfaces within the VLAN. Instead of configuring LDRA functionality individually on the interfaces and ports within a VLAN, you can configure LDRA on the entire VLAN. As a result, all the ports or interfaces associated with the VLAN will be configured as client facing.

**Note**

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The LDRA configuration on a VLAN has to be configured as trusted or untrusted.

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You can also configure LDRA functionality on a specific interface or port. An interface or port can be configured as - client-facing trusted, client-facing untrusted, or server facing.

**Note**

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An LDRA must implement a configuration setting for all client-facing interfaces, marking them as trusted or as untrusted.

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By default, any interface that is configured as client facing will be configured as an untrusted interface. When a client-facing interface is deemed untrusted, LDRA will discard any message of type RELAY-FORWARD received from the client-facing interface.

# How to Configure a Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent

## Configuring LDRA Functionality on a VLAN

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. ipv6 dhcp-ldra {enable | disable | remote-id *remote-id*}
4. vlan configuration *vlan-number*
5. ipv6 dhcp ldra attach-policy {client-facing-trusted | client-facing-untrusted}
6. exit
7. interface *type number*
8. switchport
9. switchport access vlan *vlan-number*
10. ipv6 dhcp-ldra attach-policy {client-facing-trusted | client-facing-untrusted | client-facing-disable | server-facing}
11. exit
12. interface *type number*
13. switchport
14. switchport access vlan *vlan-number*
15. ipv6 dhcp-ldra attach-policy {client-facing-trusted | client-facing-untrusted | client-facing-disable | server-facing}
16. end

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ipv6 dhcp-ldra {enable   disable   remote-id <i>remote-id</i>}</b>	Enables LDRA functionality globally. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You need to enable LDRA functionality in global configuration mode before configuring it on an interface.</li> </ul>



	Command or Action	Purpose
	<p><b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp-ldra enable</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>ipv6 dhcp-ldra remote-id</b> command is optional. By default, a system-generated remote ID is used; however if the command is configured, it overrides the system-generated remote ID.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	<p><b>vlan configuration</b> <i>vlan-number</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b> Device(config)# vlan configuration 5</p>	Specifies a VLAN number and enters into VLAN configuration mode.
<b>Step 5</b>	<p><b>ipv6 dhcp ldra attach-policy</b> {<b>client-facing-trusted</b>   <b>client-facing-untrusted</b>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b> Device (config-vlan-config)# ipv6 dhcp ldra attach-policy client-facing-trusted</p>	<p>Enables LDRA functionality on a specified VLAN.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The <b>client-facing-trusted</b> keyword configures all the ports or interfaces associated with the VLAN as client facing, trusted ports. The <b>client-facing-untrusted</b> keyword configures all the ports or interfaces associated with the VLAN as client facing, untrusted ports.</p>
<b>Step 6</b>	<p><b>exit</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b> Device (config-vlan-config)# exit</p>	Exits VLAN configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.
<b>Step 7</b>	<p><b>interface</b> <i>type number</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface ethernet 0/0</p>	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 8</b>	<p><b>switchport</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# switchport</p>	Switches an interface that is in Layer 3 mode into Layer 2 mode for Layer 2 configuration.
<b>Step 9</b>	<p><b>switchport access vlan</b> <i>vlan-number</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# switchport access vlan 5</p>	Specifies that an interface operates in VLAN 5 instead of the default VLAN in the interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 10</b>	<p><b>ipv6 dhcp-ldra attach-policy</b> {<b>client-facing-trusted</b>   <b>client-facing-untrusted</b>   <b>client-facing-disable</b>   <b>server-facing</b>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp-ldra attach-policy client-facing-trusted</p>	<p>Enables LDRA functionality on a specified interface or port.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The <b>client-facing-trusted</b> keyword configures the specified port or interface as a client facing, trusted port. The <b>client-facing-disable</b> keyword disables LDRA functionality on an interface or port. The <b>server-facing</b> keyword specifies an interface or port as server facing.</p>
<b>Step 11</b>	<p><b>exit</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b> Device (config-if)# exit</p>	Exits interface configuration mode and returns to global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 12	<b>interface</b> <i>type number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface ethernet 1/0	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 13	<b>switchport</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# switchport	Switches an interface that is in Layer 3 mode into Layer 2 mode for Layer 2 configuration.
Step 14	<b>switchport access vlan</b> <i>vlan-number</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# switchport access vlan 5	Specifies that an interface operates in VLAN 5 instead of the default VLAN in the interface configuration mode.
Step 15	<b>ipv6 dhcp-ldra attach-policy</b> <b>{client-facing-trusted   client-facing-untrusted</b> <b>  client-facing-disable   server-facing}</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp-ldra attach-policy server-facing	Enables the LDRA functionality on the specified interface.  <b>Note</b> The <b>client-facing-trusted</b> keyword configures the specified port or interface as a client facing, trusted port. The <b>client-facing-disable</b> keyword disables LDRA functionality on an interface or port. The <b>server-facing</b> keyword specifies an interface or port as server facing.
Step 16	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Exits VLAN configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring LDRA Functionality on an Interface

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. ipv6 dhcp-ldra {enable | disable | remote-id *remote-id*}
4. interface *type number*
5. switchport
6. ipv6 dhcp ldra interface-id *interface-id*
7. end

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>ipv6 dhcp-ldra {enable   disable   remote-id remote-id}</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp-ldra enable	Enables LDRA functionality globally. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You need to enable LDRA functionality in global configuration mode before configuring it on an interface.</li> <li>• The <b>ipv6 dhcp-ldra remote-id</b> command is optional. By default, a system-generated remote ID is used. If the command is configured, it overrides the system-generated remote ID.</li> </ul>
Step 4	<b>interface type number</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface ethernet 0/0	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
Step 5	<b>switchport</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# switchport	Switches an interface that is in Layer 3 mode into Layer 2 mode for Layer 2 configuration.
Step 6	<b>ipv6 dhcp ldra interface-id interface-id</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp ldra interface-id 2	(Optional) Configures LDRA interface ID on a port or an interface. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <b>ipv6 dhcp ldra interface-id</b> command is optional. By default, a short name of the interface is used. For example, eth0/0 is used for Ethernet 0/0. If the command is configured, it overrides the default value.</li> </ul>
Step 7	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Exits interface configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Verifying and Troubleshooting LDRA

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. `show ipv6 dhcp-ldra`
2. `show ipv6 dhcp-ldra statistics`
3. `debug ipv6 dhcp-ldra all`

### DETAILED STEPS

#### Step 1 `show ipv6 dhcp-ldra`

This command displays LDRA configuration details. The fields in the example given below are self-explanatory.

**Example:**

```
Device # show ipv6 dhcp-ldra

DHCPv6 LDRA is Enabled.
DHCPv6 LDRA policy: client-facing-disable
Target: none
DHCPv6 LDRA policy: client-facing-trusted
Target: vlan 5
DHCPv6 LDRA policy: client-facing-untrusted
Target: none
DHCPv6 LDRA policy: server-facing
Target: Gil/0/7
```

#### Step 2 `show ipv6 dhcp-ldra statistics`

This command displays LDRA configuration statistics before and after initiating a DHCP session. The fields in the examples below are self-explanatory.

**Example:**

```
Device # show ipv6 dhcp-ldra statistics

          DHCPv6 LDRA client facing statistics.
Messages received 0
Messages sent 0
Messages discarded 0

          DHCPv6 LDRA server facing statistics.
Messages received 0
Messages sent 0
Messages discarded 0

Device # show ipv6 dhcp-ldra statistics

          DHCPv6 LDRA client facing statistics.
Messages received 2
Messages sent 2
Messages discarded 0
Messages Received
```

```

SOLICIT 1
REQUEST 1
Messages Sent
RELAY-FORWARD 2
    DHCPv6 LDRA server facingstatistics.
Messages received 2
Messages sent 2
Messages discarded 0
Messages Received
RELAY-REPLY 2
Messages Sent
ADVERTISE 1
REPLY 1

```

**Step 3** `debug ipv6 dhcp-ldra all`

This command enables all LDRA debugging flows. The fields in the example below are self-explanatory.

**Example:**

```
Device# debug ipv6 dhcp-ldra all
```

```

05:44:10: DHCPv6 LDRA API: Entered ipv6_dhcp_ldra_post_processor.
05:44:10: DHCPv6 LDRA EVENT: [Gi1/0/3 Vlan 5] Received SOLICIT from 2001:DB8:1::1
to FF02::1:2.
05:44:10:   type SOLICIT(1), xid 8035955
05:44:10:   option ELAPSED-TIME(8), len 2
05:44:10:     elapsed-time 0
05:44:10:   option CLIENTID(1), len 10
05:44:10:     000300010015F906981B
05:44:10:   option ORO(6), len 4
05:44:10:     DNS-SERVERS,DOMAIN-LIST
05:44:10:   option IA-NA(3), len 12
05:44:10:     IAID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
05:44:10: DHCPv6 LDRA API: Entered dhcpv6_ldra_client_facing_new_pak.
05:44:10: DHCPv6 LDRA EVENT: [Vlan 5] Sending RELAY-FORWARD from 2001:DB8:1::1
to FF02::1:2.
05:44:10:   type RELAY-FORWARD(12), hop 0
05:44:10:   link ::
05:44:10:   peer 2001:DB8:1::1
05:44:10:   option RELAY-MSG(9), len 48
05:44:10:     type SOLICIT(1), xid 8035955
05:44:10:     option ELAPSED-TIME(8), len 2
05:44:10:       elapsed-time 0
05:44:10:     option CLIENTID(1), len 10
05:44:10:       000300010015F906981B
05:44:10:     option ORO(6), len 4
05:44:10:       DNS-SERVERS,DOMAIN-LIST
05:44:10:     option IA-NA(3), len 12
05:44:10:       IAID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
05:44:10:     option INTERFACE-ID(18), len 7
05:44:10:       0x4769312F302F33
05:44:10:     option REMOTEID(37), len 22
05:44:10:       0x00000009020013000005000A00030001588D09F89A00
05:44:11: DHCPv6 LDRA API: Entered ipv6_dhcp_ldra_post_processor.
05:44:11: DHCPv6 LDRA EVENT: [Gi1/0/3 Vlan 5] Received SOLICIT from 2001:DB8:1::1
to FF02::1:2.
05:44:11:   type SOLICIT(1), xid 8035955

```

```

05:44:11: option ELAPSED-TIME(8), len 2
05:44:11:   elapsed-time 0
05:44:11: option CLIENTID(1), len 10
05:44:11:   000300010015F906981B
05:44:11: option ORO(6), len 4
05:44:11:   DNS-SERVERS,DOMAIN-LIST
05:44:11: option IA-NA(3), len 12
05:44:11:   IAID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
05:44:11: DHCPv6 LDRA API: Entered dhcpv6_ldra_client_facing_new_pak.
05:44:11: DHCPv6 LDRA EVENT: [Vlan 5] Sending RELAY-FORWARD from 2001:DB8:1::1
to FF02::1:2.
05:44:11: type RELAY-FORWARD(12), hop 0
05:44:11: link ::
05:44:11: peer 2001:DB8:1::1
05:44:11: option RELAY-MSG(9), len 48
05:44:11:   type SOLICIT(1), xid 8035955
05:44:11:   option ELAPSED-TIME(8), len 2
05:44:11:     elapsed-time 0
05:44:11:   option CLIENTID(1), len 10
05:44:11:     000300010015F906981B
05:44:11:   option ORO(6), len 4
05:44:11:     DNS-SERVERS,DOMAIN-LIST
05:44:11:   option IA-NA(3), len 12
05:44:11:     IAID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
05:44:11: option INTERFACE-ID(18), len 7
05:44:11:   0x4769312F302F33
05:44:11: option REMOTEID(37), len 22
05:44:11:   0x00000009020013000005000A00030001588D09F89A00
05:44:13: DHCPv6 LDRA API: Entered ipv6_dhcp_ldra_post_processor.
05:44:13: DHCPv6 LDRA EVENT: [Gi1/0/3 Vlan 5] Received SOLICIT from 2001:DB8:1::1
to FF02::1:2.
05:44:13: type SOLICIT(1), xid 8035955
05:44:13: option ELAPSED-TIME(8), len 2
05:44:13:   elapsed-time 0
05:44:13: option CLIENTID(1), len 10
05:44:13:   000300010015F906981B
05:44:13: option ORO(6), len 4
05:44:13:   DNS-SERVERS,DOMAIN-LIST
05:44:13: option IA-NA(3), len 12
05:44:13:   IAID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
05:44:13: DHCPv6 LDRA API: Entered dhcpv6_ldra_client_facing_new_pak.
05:44:13: DHCPv6 LDRA EVENT: [Vlan 5] Sending RELAY-FORWARD from 2001:DB8:1::1
to FF02::1:2.
05:44:13: type RELAY-FORWARD(12), hop 0
05:44:13: link ::
05:44:13: peer 2001:DB8:1::1
05:44:13: option RELAY-MSG(9), len 48
05:44:13:   type SOLICIT(1), xid 8035955
05:44:13:   option ELAPSED-TIME(8), len 2
05:44:13:     elapsed-time 0
05:44:13:   option CLIENTID(1), len 10
05:44:13:     000300010015F906981B
05:44:13:   option ORO(6), len 4
05:44:13:     DNS-SERVERS,DOMAIN-LIST
05:44:13:   option IA-NA(3), len 12
05:44:13:     IAID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
05:44:13: option INTERFACE-ID(18), len 7
05:44:13:   0x4769312F302F33
05:44:13: option REMOTEID(37), len 22
05:44:13:   0x00000009020013000005000A00030001588D09F89A00

```

```

05:44:17: DHCPv6 LDRA API: Entered ipv6_dhcp_ldra_post_processor.
05:44:17: DHCPv6 LDRA EVENT: [Gi1/0/3 Vlan 5] Received SOLICIT from 2001:DB8:1::1
to FF02::1:2.
05:44:17:   type SOLICIT(1), xid 8035955
05:44:17:   option ELAPSED-TIME(8), len 2
05:44:17:     elapsed-time 0
05:44:17:   option CLIENTID(1), len 10
05:44:17:     000300010015F906981B
05:44:17:   option ORO(6), len 4
05:44:17:     DNS-SERVERS,DOMAIN-LIST
05:44:17:   option IA-NA(3), len 12
05:44:17:     IAID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
05:44:17: DHCPv6 LDRA API: Entered dhcpv6_ldra_client_facing_new_pak.
05:44:17: DHCPv6 LDRA EVENT: [Vlan 5] Sending RELAY-FORWARD from 2001:DB8:1::1
to FF02::1:2.
05:44:17:   type RELAY-FORWARD(12), hop 0
05:44:17:   link ::
05:44:17:   peer 2001:DB8:1::1
05:44:17:   option RELAY-MSG(9), len 48
05:44:17:     type SOLICIT(1), xid 8035955
05:44:17:     option ELAPSED-TIME(8), len 2
05:44:17:       elapsed-time 0
05:44:17:     option CLIENTID(1), len 10
05:44:17:       000300010015F906981B
05:44:17:     option ORO(6), len 4
05:44:17:       DNS-SERVERS,DOMAIN-LIST
05:44:17:     option IA-NA(3), len 12
05:44:17:       IAID 0x00040001, T1 0, T2 0
05:44:17:     option INTERFACE-ID(18), len 7
05:44:17:       0x4769312F302F33
05:44:17:     option REMOTEID(37), len 22
05:44:17:       0x000000009020013000005000A00030001588D09F89A00

```

## Configuration Examples for a Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent

### Example: Configuring LDRA Functionality on a VLAN

The following example shows how to configure Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent (LDRA) on a VLAN numbered 5.

```

Device> enable
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp-ldra enable
Device(config)# vlan configuration 5
Device(config-vlan-config)# ipv6 dhcp ldra attach-policy client-facing-trusted
Device(config-vlan-config)# exit
Device(config)# interface ethernet 0/0
Device(config-if)# switchport
Device(config-if)# switchport access vlan 5
Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp-ldra attach-policy client-facing-trusted
Device(config-if)# exit
Device(config)# interface ethernet 1/0
Device(config-if)# switchport

```

```
Device(config-if)# switchport access vlan 5
Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp-ldra attach-policy server-facing
Device(config-if)# end
```

## Example: Configuring LDRA Functionality on an Interface

In the following example, LDRA is configured on the interface ethernet 0/0:

```
Device> enable
Device # configure terminal
Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp-ldra enable
Device(config)# interface ethernet 0/0
Device(config-if)# switchport
Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp-ldra interface-id 2
Device(config-if)# end
```

## Additional References for DHCPv6 Relay—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Configuring the DHCPv6 Relay Agent	<i>IP Addressing: DHCP Configuration Guide</i>
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>
DHCP commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IP Addressing Services Command Reference</a>
DHCP conceptual information	<i>DHCP Overview module in the IP Addressing: DHCP Configuration Guide</i>

### Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFC 6221	<i>Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent</i>



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Description	Link
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## Feature Information for DHCPv6 Relay—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent

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 15: Feature Information for Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
DHCPv6 Relay—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent	15.2(1)SY	<p>The DHCPv6 Relay—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent feature allows relay agent information to be inserted by an access node that performs a link-layer bridging function.</p> <p>The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>clear ipv6 dhcp-ldra statistics</b>, <b>debug ipv6 dhcp-ldra</b>, <b>ipv6 dhcp ldra attach-policy</b>, <b>ipv6 dhcp-ldra</b>, <b>ipv6 dhcp-ldra attach-policy</b>, <b>show ipv6 dhcp-ldra</b>.</p>

## Glossary

**Access Node** —A device that combines many interfaces onto one link. An access node is not IP-aware in a data path.

**Client facing**—An interface on an access node that carries traffic towards a DHCPv6 client.

**LDRA**—Lightweight DHCPv6 Relay Agent. An interface or device on which LDRA functionality is configured (or that supports LDRA functionality.)

**LDRA function**—A function on an access node that intercepts DHCP messages between clients and servers.

**Link**—A communication facility or medium over which nodes can communicate at the link layer.

**Link-local address**—An IP address having only local scope that can be used to reach neighboring nodes attached to the same link. Every interface has a link-local address, which is defined by the address prefix fe80::/10.

**Network-facing**—An interface on an access node that carries traffic towards a DHCPv6 server.

**Relay Agent**—A node that acts as an intermediary to deliver DHCP messages between clients and servers.



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### Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and 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.

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### Information About DHCPv6 Relay and Server - MPLS VPN Support

#### DHCPv6 Server and Relay—MPLS VPN Support

To facilitate managed central services in a Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)-based network, DHCPv6 must be made MPLS-aware so that a single resource can be used to serve multiple VPNs instead of dedicating a resource to a single VPN.

The DHCPv6 server implementation of MPLS VPN allows a per-pool configuration so that DHCPv6 pools can be associated with a VPN routing and forwarding (VRF) instance. The DHCPv6 server differentiates

clients from various VRFs and assigns an IPv6 prefix accordingly from the respective VRF pools. Meanwhile, the DHCPv6 bindings store the clients' VRF information.

The DHCPv6 relay implementation allows the configuration of the destination VRF instance to which the relay messages will be forwarded. The relay adds the client's VPN information while forwarding the client's DHCPv6 requests toward the server, and the relay agent then processes the client's VPN information in reply packets from the server.

The relay agent adds IPv6 static routes for delegated prefixes in corresponding clients' VRF, and the relay agent's high availability (HA) functionality synchronizes the VRF information while synchronizing static routes created by the relay process.

The DHCPv6 relay and server VRF-aware features are disabled by default.

# How to Configure DHCPv6 Relay and Server - MPLS VPN Support

## Configuring a VRF-Aware Relay and Server for MPLS VPN Support

### Configuring a VRF-Aware Relay



**Note**

You do not have to configure this feature on specified interfaces. If you want the feature to be enabled globally only on a device, perform steps 1, 2, and 3

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **ipv6 dhcp-relay option vpn**
4. **interface type number**
5. **ipv6 dhcp relay option vpn**
6. **ipv6 dhcp relay destination ipv6-address [interface-type interface-number | vrf vrf-name | global]**
7. **end**

#### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp-relay option vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# ipv6 dhcp-relay option vpn	Enables the DHCP for IPv6 relay VRF-aware feature globally.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>interface <i>type number</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface gigabitethernet 0/0/0	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp relay option vpn</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp relay option vpn	Enables the DHCP for IPv6 relay VRF-aware feature on the specified interface. Enabling this command supersedes the configuration that is enabled by using the <b>ipv6 dhcp-relay option vpn</b> command.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp relay destination <i>ipv6-address</i> [<i>interface-type interface-number</i>   <i>vrf vrf-name</i>   <b>global</b>]</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp relay destination FE80::250:A2FF:FEBF:A056 ethernet 0/0	Specifies a destination address to which client messages are forwarded.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

## Configuring a VRF-Aware Server

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface *type number***
4. **ipv6 dhcp server vrf enable**
5. **end**

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>interface <i>type number</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# interface gigabitethernet 0/0/0	Specifies an interface type and number, and enters interface configuration mode.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>ipv6 dhcp server vrf enable</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# ipv6 dhcp server vrf enable	Enables the DHCPv6 server VRF-aware feature on an interface.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>end</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config-if)# end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

# Configuration Examples for DHCPv6 Server - MPLS VPN Support

## Example: Configuring a VRF-Aware Relay

```
Device# show ipv6 dhcp relay binding

Relay Bindings associated with default vrf:
Prefix: 2001:DB8:0:1::/64 (Ethernet0/0)
  DUID: 00030001AABBCC006500
  IAID: 196609
  lifetime: 2592000
  expiration: 12:34:28 IST Oct 14 2010
Summary:
  Total number of Relay bindings = 1
  Total number of Relay bindings added by Bulk Lease = 0
RELAY#
```

## Example: Configuring a VRF-Aware Server

```
Device# show ipv6 dhcp binding

Client: FE80::A8BB:CCFF:FE00:6400
DUID: 00030001AABBCC006400
VRF : global
Interface : Ethernet0/0
IA PD: IA ID 0x00030001, T1 302400, T2 483840
  Prefix: 2001::1/64
    preferred lifetime 604800, valid lifetime 2592000
    expires at Oct 15 2010 03:18 PM (2591143 seconds)

Device# show ipv6 route static

IPv6 Routing Table - default - 4 entries
Codes: C - Connected, L - Local, S - Static, U - Per-user Static route
       B - BGP, R - RIP, I1 - ISIS L1, I2 - ISIS L2
       IA - ISIS interarea, IS - ISIS summary, D - EIGRP, EX - EIGRP external
       ND - Neighbor Discovery
       O - OSPF Intra, OI - OSPF Inter, OE1 - OSPF ext 1, OE2 - OSPF ext 2
       ON1 - OSPF NSSA ext 1, ON2 - OSPF NSSA ext 2
S   2001::/64 [1/0]
    via FE80::A8BB:CCFF:FE00:6400, Ethernet0/0
```

## Additional References

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
IPv6 addressing and connectivity	<i>IPv6 Configuration Guide</i>
Cisco IOS commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Command List, All Releases</a>

Related Topic	Document Title
IPv6 commands	<i>Cisco IOS IPv6 Command Reference</i>
Cisco IOS IPv6 features	<a href="#">Cisco IOS IPv6 Feature Mapping</a>

### Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFCs for IPv6	<i>IPv6 RFCs</i>

### MIBs

MIB	MIBs Link
	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>

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## Feature Information for DHCPv6 Relay and Server - MPLS VPN Support

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**Table 16: Feature Information for DHCPv6 Relay and Server - MPLS VPN Support**

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
VRF aware DHCPv6 relay	15.2(1)SY	The VRF aware DHCPv6 relay feature ensures that the DHCPv6 relay involved in forwarding IP addresses is VRF aware.

