About the Firepower Management Centers

A Firepower Management Center provides a centralized management point and event database for your Firepower System deployment. Firepower Management Centers aggregate and correlate intrusion, file, malware, discovery, connection, and performance data, assessing the impact of events on particular hosts and tagging hosts with indications of compromise. This allows you to monitor the information that your devices report in relation to one another, and to assess and control the overall activity that occurs on your network.

Key features of the Firepower Management Center include:

- device, license, and policy management
- display of event and contextual information using tables, graphs, and charts
- health and performance monitoring
- external notification and alerting
- correlation, indications of compromise, and remediation features for real-time threat response
- custom and template-based reporting

⚠️ **Warning** **Only trained and qualified personnel should install, replace, or service this equipment.** Statement 49

This installation guide provides information about deploying and installing Firepower Management Centers. It also contains hardware specifications and maintenance information.

Firepower Management Center Models

All Firepower Management Centers have similar capabilities, with the primary differences being capacity and speed. Firepower Management Center models vary in terms of how many devices they can manage, how many events they can store, and how many hosts and users they can monitor.

The MC4000 introduces Cisco's Unified Computing System (UCS) platform into the Firepower System. The MC4000 does not support Cisco functionality that uses tools on the baseboard management controller (BMC), such as the UCS Manager or the Cisco Integrated Management Controller (CIMC).

The following table lists the appliances that Cisco delivers with the Firepower System.

Table 1-1   Firepower Management Centers

Models	Series/Grouping	Type
MC750 (Rev. 1 and 2) MC1500 MC2000 MC3500 MC4000	Management Centers	Management Center