



## Preface

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### Audience

This guide is for the networking professional managing the Catalyst switch, hereafter referred to as the *switch*. Before using this guide, you should have experience working with the Cisco IOS software and be familiar with the concepts and terminology of Ethernet and local area networking.

### Purpose

This guide provides procedures for using the commands that have been created or changed for use with the switch. It does not provide detailed information about these commands. For detailed information about these commands, see the *Catalyst Switch Command Reference* for this release. For information about the standard Cisco IOS Release 15.0 commands, see the Cisco IOS documentation set available on Cisco.com.

This guide does not provide detailed information on the graphical user interfaces (GUIs) for the embedded device manager or for Cisco Network Assistant (hereafter referred to as *Network Assistant*) that you can use to manage the switch. However, the concepts in this guide are applicable to the GUI user. For information about the device manager, see the switch online help. For information about Network Assistant, see *Getting Started with Cisco Network Assistant*, available on Cisco.com.

This guide does not describe system messages you might encounter or how to install your switch. For more information, see the appropriate system message guide and hardware installation guide.

For documentation updates, see the release notes for this release.

### Conventions

This publication uses these conventions to convey instructions and information:

Command descriptions use these conventions:

- Commands and keywords are in **boldface** text.
- Arguments for which you supply values are in *italic*.
- Square brackets ( [ ] ) mean optional elements.
- Braces ( { } ) group required choices, and vertical bars ( | ) separate the alternative elements.

- Braces and vertical bars within square brackets ({{ | }}) mean a required choice within an optional element.

Interactive examples use these conventions:

- Terminal sessions and system displays are in `screen` font.
- Information you enter is in **boldface screen** font.
- Nonprinting characters, such as passwords or tabs, are in angle brackets (<>).

Notes, cautions, and timesavers use these conventions and symbols:




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**Note**

Means *reader take note*. Notes contain helpful suggestions or references to materials not contained in this manual.

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**Caution**

Means *reader be careful*. In this situation, you might do something that could result in equipment damage or loss of data.

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## Related Publications




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**Note**

These documents provide complete information about the switch and are available from this Cisco.com site:

Before installing, configuring, or upgrading the switch, see these documents:

- For initial configuration information, see the “Using Express Setup” section in the getting started guide or the “Configuring the Switch with the CLI-Based Setup Program” appendix in the hardware installation guide.
  - For device manager requirements, see the “System Requirements” section in the release notes (not orderable but available on Cisco.com).
  - For Network Assistant requirements, see the *Getting Started with Cisco Network Assistant* (not orderable but available on Cisco.com).
  - For cluster requirements, see the *Release Notes for Cisco Network Assistant* (not orderable but available on Cisco.com).
  - For upgrading information, see the “Downloading Software” section in the release notes.
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See these documents for other information about the switch:

- *Release Notes for the Catalyst 3750, 3560, 3560-C, 2960, 2960-S, and 2960- C Switches*
- *Catalyst 3750, 3560, 2960, and 2960-S Switch System Message Guide*
- *Auto Smartports Configuration Guide*
- *Call Home Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco EnergyWise Configuration Guide*
- *Smart Install Configuration Guide*
- *Release Notes for Cisco Network Assistant*
- *Getting Started with Cisco Network Assistant*

- *Cisco CWDM GBIC and CWDM SFP Installation Note*
- *Cisco RPS 300 Redundant Power System Hardware Installation Guide*
- *Cisco RPS 675 Redundant Power System Hardware Installation Guide*
- *Cisco Redundant Power System 2300 Hardware Installation Guide*
- For information about the Network Admission Control (NAC) features, see the *Network Admission Control Software Configuration Guide*
- Information about Cisco SFP, SFP+, and GBIC modules is available from this Cisco.com site:  
[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/modules/ps5455/prod\\_installation\\_guides\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/modules/ps5455/prod_installation_guides_list.html)  
SFP compatibility matrix documents are available from this Cisco.com site:  
[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/modules/ps5455/products\\_device\\_support\\_tables\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/modules/ps5455/products_device_support_tables_list.html)

## Obtaining Documentation, Obtaining Support, and Security Guidelines

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