



# ISAKMP Configuration Mode Commands

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Modification(s) to an existing ISAKMP policy configuration will not take effect until the related security association has been cleared. Refer to the **clear crypto security-association** command described in the *Exec Mode (A–C) Commands* chapter for more information.

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## Command Modes

The ISAKMP Configuration Mode is used to configure Internet Security Association Key Management Protocol (ISAKMP) policies that are used to define Internet Key Exchange (IKE) security associations (SAs).

Exec > Global Configuration > Context Configuration > ISAKMP Configuration

**configure** > **context** *context\_name* > **isakmp policy** *policy\_number*



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## Important

The commands or keywords/variables that are available are dependent on platform type, product version, and installed license(s).

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# authentication

Configures the ISAKMP policy authentication mode.

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## Syntax Description

**authentication preshared-key**  
[ **default** | **no** ] **authentication**

### **default authentication**

Restores the default setting of this parameter. This command is enabled by default.

### **no authentication**

Disables the preshared key authentication mode.

### **preshared-key**

Specifies that the policy will be authenticated through the use of the pre-shared key.

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## Usage Guidelines

When the system is configured to use ISAKMP-type crypto maps for establishing IPsec tunnels, this command is used to indicate that the policy will be authenticated through the use of the pre-shared key configured in the ISAKMP crypto map.

### **Example**

The following command sets policy authentication mode to use a pre-shared key:

```
authentication preshared-key
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# encryption

Configures the encryption protocol to use to protect subsequent IKE SA negotiations.

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## Syntax Description

**encryption** { **3des-cbc** | **aes-cbc-128** | **aes-cbc-256** | **des-cbc** }  
[ **default** | **no** ] **encryption**

### **default encryption**

Restores the default setting of this parameter.

### **no encryption**

Removes a previously configured encryption type.

### **3des-cbc**

Specifies that the encryption protocol is Triple Data Encryption Standard (3DES) in chain block (CBC) mode.

### **aes-cbc-128**

Specifies that the encryption protocol is Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) in CBC mode with a 128-bit key.

### **aes-cbc-256**

Specifies that the encryption protocol is Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) in CBC mode with a 256-bit key.

### **des-cbc**

Specifies that the encryption protocol is DES in CBC mode. This is the default setting.

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## Usage Guidelines

Once the D-H exchange between the system and the security gateway has been successfully completed, subsequent IKE SA negotiations will be protected using the protocol specified by this command.

### **Example**

The following command sets the IKE encryption method to 3des-cbc:

```
encryption 3des-cbc
```

# end

Exits the current configuration mode and returns to the Exec mode.

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**Syntax Description** **end**

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**Usage Guidelines** Use this command to return to the Exec mode.

# exit

Exits the current mode and returns to the parent configuration mode.

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**Syntax Description**

**exit**

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**Usage Guidelines**

Use this command to return to the parent configuration mode.

# group

Configures the Oakley group (also known as the Diffie-Hellman [D-H] group) in which the D-H exchange occurs.

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## Syntax Description

```
group { 1 | 2 | 5 }  
[ default | no ] group
```

### **default group**

Restores the default setting of this parameter.

### **no group**

Removes a previously configured group.

### **{ 1 | 2 | 5 }**

Default: **1**

Specifies the number of the Oakley group. The following groups are allowed:

- **1**: Enables Oakley Group 1 using a 768-bit modp as defined in RFC 2409.
- **2**: Enables Oakley Group 2, using a 1024-bit modp as defined in RFC 2409.
- **5**: Enables Oakley Group 5, using a 1536-bit modp as defined in RFC 3526.

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## Usage Guidelines

Specifies the Oakley group that determine the length of the base prime numbers that are used during the key exchange process.

## Example

The following command sets the group to 5 which specifies 1536-bit base prime numbers:

```
group 5
```

# hash

Configures the IKE hash protocol to use during IKE SA negotiations.

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**Syntax Description**

```
hash { md5 | sha1 }  
[ default | no ] hash
```

**default**

Restores the default setting of this parameter.

**no**

Removes a previously configured hash algorithm.

**md5**

Specifies that the hash protocol is Message Digest 5 truncated to 96 bits.

**sha1**

Specifies that the hash protocol is Secure Hash Algorithm-1 truncated to 96 bits. This is the default setting for this command.

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**Usage Guidelines**

Use this command to configure the hash algorithm used during key negotiation.

**Example**

Set the hash algorithm to Message-Digest 5 by entering the following command:

```
hash md5
```

# lifetime

Configures the lifetime of the IKE Security Association (SA).

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## Syntax Description

**lifetime** *seconds*  
**default lifetime**

### **default lifetime**

Restores the default setting of this parameter.

### **seconds**

Default: 86400

The number of seconds for the SA to live. *seconds* must be an integer from 60 to 86400.

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## Usage Guidelines

Use this command to set the time that an ISAKMP SA will be valid. The lifetime is negotiated with the peer and the lowest configured lifetime duration is used.

### **Example**

The following command sets the SA lifetime to 100 seconds:

```
lifetime 100
```