

Licensing Cisco NX-OS Software Features

This chapter contains information related to feature and module-based licensing for Cisco Nexus switches that run Cisco NX-OS software.



Note

Cisco Data Center Network Manager (DCNM) is a GUI that you can use to manage your data center infrastructure. See the Cisco DCNM Installation and Licensing Guide for details about installing and licensing Cisco DCNM.

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Information About Licensing

Licensing allows you to access specified premium features on your device after you install the appropriate license for that feature.

The following table compares licensing support between Cisco Nexus 5000/7000 Series switches and Cisco Nexus 3000/9000 Series switches.

Table 1: Licensing Support for Cisco NX-OS Switches

Licensing Feature	Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switches	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series Switches	Cisco Nexus 3000 and 9000 Series Switches
Enforcement	Enforced	Enforced, on Cisco NX-OS Release 8.3(2) and earlier 8.3(x) releases. From Cisco NX-OS Release 8.4(1), Honor-based licensing is introduced on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches.	Honor-based ¹
		Enforced, on Cisco NX-OS Release 8.2(3) and earlier 8.x releases. From Cisco NX-OS Release 8.2(4), Honor-based licensing is introduced on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches.	
Perpetual	Supported	Supported	Supported
Term			
Subscription	Not supported	From Cisco NX-OS Release 8.2(1), subscription-based licensing is available on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches.	Supported
Evaluation ²	Supported	Supported	Not supported

Licensing Feature	Cisco Nexus 5000 Series	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series	Cisco Nexus 3000 and
	Switches	Switches	9000 Series Switches
Grace period	Supported	Supported, on Cisco NX-OS Release 8.3(2) and earlier 8.3(x) releases. From Cisco NX-OS Release 8.4(1), Grace period is not supported on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches. Supported, on Cisco NX-OS Release 8.2(3) and earlier 8.x releases. From Cisco NX-OS Release 8.2(4), Grace period is not supported on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches.	Not applicable

- The following warning might display when installing the honor-based license. Please ignore this warning and continue with the install. !!!!!! WARNING: 'LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG' LICENSE NOT FOUND ON THE SYSTEM !!!!!!. You have tried to enable a licensed feature [ospf] without installing the 'LAN ENTERPRISE SERVICES PKG' license, which has not been found on the system.
- ² Temporary licenses with an expiry date are available for evaluation and lab use purposes. They are strictly not allowed to be used in production. Please use a permanent or subscription license that has been purchased through Cisco for production purposes. Evaluation license is supported with Smart Software License but not with Traditional license in Cisco Nexus 9000 series switches.

Tier-Based Licenses

Tier-based licensing is available for some Cisco Nexus 3000 and 9000 Series switches. This licensing model applies to both Cisco Application Centric Infrastructure (ACI) and NX-OS standalone architectures where these switches can be deployed. For Cisco Nexus platforms that do not support tier-based licensing, we offer only the NX-OS standalone feature-based licenses. For these switches, see Feature-Based Licenses, on page 14.



Note

The Release History for Licensing, on page 52 section lists the platforms that support tier-based licensing and the release in which support was introduced.

Tier-based licensing offers the following benefits:

- Consistency across ACI and NX-OS licensing (for Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches).
- The simplicity of being able to purchase a group of feature licenses as packages: Essentials, Advantage, Premier.
- Subscription-based or perpetual licenses

• A subscription-based license enables you to purchase a license for a specific period of time based on your requirement. A subscription-based license is offered as an Essentials, Advantage, or Premier license package.

Purchasing a subscription-based license gives you the opportunity to adjust/upgrade the terms of the license (such as moving from Advantage to Premier) at the time of license renewal.

• A perpetual license enables you to make a one-time purchase of a license that does not expire. A perpetual license is offered as an Essentials or Advantage license package but is not available as a Premium license.



Note

Several add-on licenses are also available, which can be added to either tier or purchased independently.

Along with the infographic below, the Cisco Nexus 9000 and 3000 Series NX-OS Switch License Navigator (https://www.cisco.com/c/dam/en/us/td/docs/Website/datacenter/license/index.html) is available to help you select the appropriate license for your needs.

Figure 1: Cisco Nexus 9000 and 3000 Series NX-OS Switch License Navigator Infographic

For the best value, Cisco recommends option #1, which supports ACI + NX-OS + Day 2 Ops.

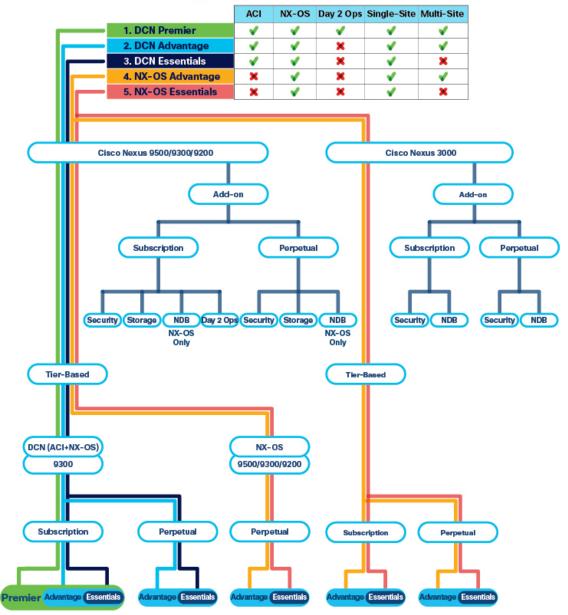


Table 2: NX-OS License Package features Included in Tier-Based Licenses for Cisco Nexus 9000 and 3000 Series Switches

License Package	Features Included*	
Essentials	• Fabric management features (DCNM LAN ³ and PTP)	
	• Fabric services features (iCAM, ITD, IP fabric for media non-blocking multicast, and smart channel)	
	• Routing and switching features (BGP, EIGRP, GRE, IS-IS, MSDP, OSPF, PBR, PIM, SSM, VRF, VXLAN BGP EVPN, SRv6 (no EVPN), and SR-MPLS (no EVPN))	
	• Telemetry features (NetFlow, FT, FTE, SSX)	
Advantage	All features included in the Essentials package plus the following features:	
	Advanced fabric features (Pervasive Load Balancing and Tenant Routed Multicast)	
	• DCI overlay features (Inter AS option B, segment routing SR-MPLS, Layer 3 EVPN over segment routing SRv6, MPLS Layer 3 VPN, and VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site)	
	• Fabric services features (Enhanced PBR (EPBR))	
	RTP Flow Monitoring (Media Flow Analytics), PTP Monitoring, Multicast NAT	
Premier	All features included in the Essentials and Advantage packages plus support for the Cisco Network Insights Advisor, Cisco Network Insights for Resources, and Cisco Network Assurance Engine.	

³ DCNM LAN Adv license enabled on the Nexus device through DCNM server or via hidden cli (license dcnm-lan enable) is not persistent across ASCII reload on device. DCNM server has to do a rediscovery to enable the license again.

Table 3: NX-OS License Package features Included in Add-On Licenses for Cisco Nexus 9000 and 3000 Series Switches

Security add-on license	MACsec, Secure VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site using CloudSec ⁴
Storage add-on license	FCoE, FC, and DCNM SAN
SyncE add-on license	Synchronous Ethernet (SyncE) support
NDB add-on license	Nexus Data Broker

⁴ Beginning with Cisco Nexus Release 9.3(5), Secure VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site using CloudSec is supported only on Cisco Nexus 9300-FX2 platform switches,



Feature support varies by platform and release. See the Nexus Switch Platform Support Matrix to determine which features are supported for your platform.

The following options are available when you order an Essentials or Advantage package:

- Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches
 - Cisco ONE subscription license for DCN (ACI+NX-OS) for 3, 5, or 7 years
 - Non-Cisco ONE perpetual license for DCN (ACI+NX-OS)
 - Non-Cisco ONE perpetual license for NX-OS
 - NX-OS upgrade licenses
- Cisco Nexus 3000 Series switches
 - Cisco ONE subscription license for NX-OS for 3, 5, or 7 years
 - Non-Cisco ONE perpetual license for NX-OS

If you install a subscription-based license, you will be notified 90 days before your licensing contract expires.



Note

If the Essentials license expires after the Advantage license is installed, the following message appears: "LIC_LICENSE_EXPIRED: License expired for feature NXOS_ESSENTIALS_XF. Feature will run in honor mode." You can ignore this message because the license is no longer in use.

Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Tier-Based Licenses

The DCN (ACI+NX-OS) Essentials, Advantage, and add-on licenses are supported for Cisco Nexus 9300 platform switches beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 9.2(3). Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I7(7) and 9.3(2), the ACI Premier licenses are supported for Cisco Nexus 9300 platform switches. These licenses support license migration from Cisco NX-OS to ACI. Any attempt to install these licenses for a prior release will fail.

When you downgrade from Cisco NX-OS Release 9.2(3) to an earlier release, the features that use the DCN (ACI+NX-OS) Essentials, Advantage, and add-on licenses continue to work in honor mode in the downgraded version. In addition, the output of the **show license usage** command continues to include entries for these unsupported licenses.

The -XM licenses apply to modular switches; the -GF licenses apply to switches with less than 3.6 Tbps; the -XF licenses apply to switches with more than 3.6 Tbps and less than 6.4 Tbps; and the -XF2 licenses apply to switches with more than 6.4 Tbps.

Table 4: License Categories and Associated Supported Platforms (Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Switches)

1G Fixed Platform (GF) License	10G/25G/40G/100G Fixed Platform (XF) License	10G/25G/40G/100G Fixed Platform (XF2) License	4-Slot Modular Platform License	8-Slot, 16-Slot Modular Platform License
N9K-C9348GC-FXP	N9K-C93180YC-EX	N9K-C9364C	N9K-C9504	N9K-C9508
	N9K-C93108TC-EX	N9K-C9316D-GX		N9K-C9516
	N9K-C93180LC-EX	N9K-C93600CD-GX		
	N9K-C93180YC-FX	N9K-C9364C-GX		
	N9K-C93108TC-FX			
	N9K-C93240YC-FX2			
	N9K-C93216TC-FX2			
	N9K-C93360YC-FX2			
	N9K-C9336C-FX2			
	N9K-C93180YC-EX-24			
	N9K-C93108TC-EX-24			
	N9K-C93180YC-FX-24			
	N9K-C93108TC-FX-24			

Table 5: PIDs for Cisco ONE Subscription Tier-Based Licenses for DCN (ACI+NX-OS) (Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Switches - Fixed Platforms)

License	1G Fixed Platforms (GF)	10G/25G/40G/100G Fixed Platforms (XF)	Cisco Nexus 9364C and 9300-GX Platforms (XF2)
Essentials package	C1E1TN9300GF-3Y	C1E1TN9300XF-3Y	C1E1TN9300XF2-3Y
	C1E1TN9300GF-5Y	C1E1TN9300XF-5Y	C1E1TN9300XF2-5Y
	C1E1TN9300GF-7Y	C1E1TN9300XF-7Y	C1E1TN9300XF2-7Y
Advantage package	C1A1TN9300GF-3Y	C1A1TN9300XF-3Y	C1A1TN9300XF2-3Y
	C1A1TN9300GF-5Y	C1A1TN9300XF-5Y	C1A1TN9300XF2-5Y
	C1A1TN9300GF-7Y	C1A1TN9300XF-7Y	C1A1TN9300XF2-7Y
Premier package ⁵	C1P1TN9300GF-3Y	C1P1TN9300XF-3Y	C1P1TN9300XF2-3Y
	C1P1TN9300GF-5Y	C1P1TN9300XF-5Y	C1P1TN9300XF2-5Y
	C1P1TN9300GF-7Y	C1P1TN9300XF-7Y	C1P1TN9300XF2-7Y
Add-On Licenses			

License	1G Fixed Platforms (GF)	10G/25G/40G/100G Fixed Platforms (XF)	Cisco Nexus 9364C and 9300-GX Platforms (XF2)
NDB	C1-N9K-NDB-3Y	C1-N9K-NDB-3Y	C1-N9K-NDB-3Y
	C1-N9K-NDB-5Y	C1-N9K-NDB-5Y	C1-N9K-NDB-5Y
	C1-N9K-NDB-7Y	C1-N9K-NDB-7Y	<u>6</u>
			C1-N9K-NDB-7Y
Security	C1-N9K-SEC-XF-3Y	C1-N9K-SEC-XF-3Y	C1-N9K-SEC-XF-3Y
	C1-N9K-SEC-XF-5Y	C1-N9K-SEC-XF-5Y	C1-N9K-SEC-XF-5Y
	C1-N9K-SEC-XF-7Y	C1-N9K-SEC-XF-7Y	C1-N9K-SEC-XF-7Y
Storage	Not supported	C1-N9K-STRG-XF-3Y	Not supported
		C1-N9K-STRG-XF-5Y	
		C1-N9K-STRG-XF-7Y	

The ACI Premier license package includes the ACI Essentials and ACI Advantage license packages.
 The Cisco Nexus 9300-GX switches do not support NDB.

Table 6: PIDs for Cisco ONE Subscription Tier-Based Licenses for DCN (ACI+NX-OS) (Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Switches - Modular Platforms)

License	4-Slot Modular Platforms	8- to 16-Slot Modular Platforms
Essentials package	C1E1TN9500M4-3Y	C1E1TN9500M816-3Y
	C1E1TN9500M4-5Y	C1E1TN9500M816-5Y
	C1E1TN9500M4-7Y	C1E1TN9500M816-7Y
Advantage package	C1A1TN9500M4-3Y	C1A1TN9500M816-3Y
	C1A1TN9500M4-5Y	C1A1TN9500M816-5Y
	C1A1TN9500M4-7Y	C1A1TN9500M816-7Y
Premier package ⁷	C1P1TN9500M4-3Y	C1P1TN9500M816-3Y
	C1P1TN9500M4-5Y	C1P1TN9500M816-5Y
	8	2
	C1P1TN9500M4-7Y	C1P1TN9500M816-7Y
Add-On Licenses	,	,
NDB	C1-N9K-NDB-M4-3Y	C1-N9K-NDB-M816-3Y
	C1-N9K-NDB-M4-5Y	C1-N9K-NDB-M816-5Y
	C1-N9K-NDB-M4-7Y	C1-N9K-NDB-M816-7Y

License	4-Slot Modular Platforms	8- to 16-Slot Modular Platforms
Security	C1-N9K-SEC-M-3Y	C1-N9K-SEC-M-3Y
	C1-N9K-SEC-M-5Y	C1-N9K-SEC-M-5Y
	C1-N9K-SEC-M-7Y	C1-N9K-SEC-M-7Y
Storage	C1-N9K-STRG-M-3Y	C1-N9K-STRG-M-3Y
	C1-N9K-STRG-M-5Y	C1-N9K-STRG-M-5Y
	C1-N9K-STRG-M-7Y	C1-N9K-STRG-M-7Y

⁷ The ACI Premier license package includes the ACI Essentials and ACI Advantage license packages.

Table 7: PIDs for Non-Cisco ONE Perpetual Tier-Based Licenses for DCN (ACI+NX-OS) (Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Switches)

License	1G Fixed Platforms (GF)	10G/25G/40G/100G Fixed Platforms (XF)	Cisco Nexus 9364C and 9300-GX Platforms (XF2) ¹⁰¹¹
Essentials package	ACI-ES-GF	ACI-ES-XF	ACI-ES-XF2
Advantage package	ACI-AD-GF	ACI-AD-XF	ACI-AD-XF2
Add-On Licenses			
Security	Not supported	ACI-SEC-XF	ACI-SEC-XF2
Storage (FC NPV, FCoE NPV, and SAN switching)	Not supported	ACI-STRG	Not supported

The licenses for the Cisco Nexus 9364C switch are supported beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I7(6). The licenses for the Cisco Nexus 9300-GX switches are supported beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 9.3(3).

This license includes DCNM SAN Advanced and is available for Cisco Nexus 93180YC-FX and 93360YC-FX2 platform switches.



Cisco NX-OS Release 9.2(3) does not support ACI licenses for the Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2, 93108TC-FX, 93180YC-FX, and 93240YC-FX2 platform switches.

The NX-OS Essentials, Advantage, and add-on licenses are supported for Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I7(3).

⁸ NAE support available in future NX-OS releases.

⁹ NAE support available in future NX-OS releases.

Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Releases 7.0(3)I7(6) and 9.3(1), the -XF2 Essentials and Advantage licenses have priority over the -XF licenses. If an -XF license is installed and features are checked out from this license and then you later install the -XF2 license, the -XF license shows as unused (in the output of the **show license usage** command), and the features become checked out from the -XF2 license. The Advantage licenses continue to have priority over the Essentials licenses.

Table 8: PIDs for Non-Cisco ONE Perpetual Tier-Based Licenses for NX-OS (Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Switches - Fixed Platforms)

License	1G Fixed Platforms (GF)	10G/25G/40G/100G Fixed Platforms (XF)	Cisco Nexus 9364C and 9300-GX Platforms (XF2) ¹³¹⁴
Essentials package	NXOS-ES-GF	NXOS-ES-XF	NXOS-ES-XF2
Advantage package	NXOS-AD-GF	NXOS-AD-XF	NXOS-AD-XF2
Add-On Licenses			
NDB	NXOS-NDB	NXOS-NDB	NXOS-NDB ¹⁵
Security	ACI-SEC-XF	ACI-SEC-XF	ACI-SEC-XF
Storage	Not supported	ACI-STRG	Not supported

The licenses for the Cisco Nexus 9364C switch are supported beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 7.0(3)17(6). The licenses for the Cisco Nexus 9300-GX switches are supported beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 9.3(3).

Table 9: PIDs for Non-Cisco ONE Perpetual Tier-Based Licenses for NX-OS (Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Switches - Modular Platforms)

License	4-Slot Modular Platforms	8- to 16-Slot Modular Platforms
Essentials package	NXOS-ES-M4	NXOS-ES-M8-16
Advantage package	NXOS-AD-M4	NXOS-AD-M8-16
Add-On Licenses		
NDB	NDB-MODM-SWT-K9	NDB-NDB-MODL-SWT-K9
Security	NXOS-SEC-XM	NXOS-SEC-XM
Storage	NXOS-STRG-M	NXOS-STRG-M

You can use the following licenses to upgrade from an NX-OS LAN Enterprise Services license to an NX-OS Essentials or Advantage license.

Beginning with Cisco NX-OS Releases 7.0(3)I7(6) and 9.3(1), the -XF2 Essentials and Advantage licenses have priority over the -XF licenses. If an -XF license is installed and features are checked out from this license and then you later install the -XF2 license, the -XF license shows as unused (in the output of the **show license usage** command), and the features become checked out from the -XF2 license. The Advantage licenses continue to have priority over the Essentials licenses.

The Cisco Nexus 9300-GX switches do not support NDB.

¹⁶ ACI-SEC-XF is required only for supporting the uplink ports on the 1G Fixed Platforms.

ACI-SEC-XF replaces NXOS-SEC-XF. NXOS-SEC-XF is no longer orderable.

¹⁸ This license includes DCNM SAN Advanced. NXOS-STRG is no longer orderable.

Table 10: NX-OS Upgrade Licenses (Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Switches)

Upgrade License	Description
NXOS-UPG-L-ES-GF=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Essentials (1G platforms)
NXOS-UPG-L-AD-GF=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Advantage (1G platforms)
NXOS-UPG-ES-AD-GF=	NX-OS Upgrade License: Essentials to Advantage (1G platforms)
NXOS-UPG-L-ES-XF=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Essentials (10G+ platforms)
NXOS-UPG-L-AD-XF=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Advantage (10G+ platforms)
NXOS-UPG-ES-AD-XF=	NX-OS Upgrade License: Essentials to Advantage (10G+ platforms)
NXOS-UPG-L-ES-XF2=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Essentials (XF2 platforms)
NXOS-UPG-L-AD-XF2=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Advantage (XF2 platforms)
NXOS-UPG-ES-ADXF2=	NX-OS Upgrade License: Essentials to Advantage (XF2 platforms)
NXOS-UPG-L-ES-M4=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Essentials (modular 4-slot)
NXOS-UPG-L-AD-M4=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Advantage (modular 4-slot)
NXOS-UPG-ES-AD-M4=	NX-OS Upgrade License: Essentials to Advantage (modular 4-slot)
NXOS-UPG-L-ES-M8=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Essentials (modular 8- to 16-slot)
NXOS-UPG-L-AD-M8=	NX-OS Upgrade License: LAN to Advantage (modular 8- to 16-slot)
NXOS-UPG-ES-AD-M8=	NX-OS Upgrade License: Essentials to Advantage (modular 8- to 16-slot)

Cisco Nexus 3000 Series Tier-Based Licenses

The NX-OS Essentials, Advantage, and add-on licenses are supported for some Cisco Nexus 3000 Series switches.



Note

The Release History for Licensing, on page 52 section lists the platforms that support tier-based licensing and the release in which support was introduced.

The -XM licenses apply to modular switches, the -XF licenses apply to switches with less than 6.4 Tbps, and the -XF2 licenses apply to switches with more than 6.4 Tbps.

The -XF2 Essentials and Advantage licenses have priority over the -XF licenses. If an -XF license is installed and features are checked out from this license and then you later install the -XF2 license, the -XF license shows as unused (in the output of the **show license usage** command), and the features become checked out from the -XF2 license. The Advantage licenses to have priority over the Essentials licenses.

Table 11: PIDs for Cisco ONE Subscription Tier-Based Licenses for NX-OS (Cisco Nexus 3000 Series Switches)

License	PID
Essentials package ¹⁹	N3K-ES-XF-3Y
	N3K-ES-XF-5Y
	N3K-ES-XF-7Y
	N3K-ES-XF2-3Y
	N3K-ES-XF2-5Y
	N3K-ES-XF2-7Y
	N3K-ES-XM-3Y
	N3K-ES-XM-5Y
	N3K-ES-XM-7Y
Advantage package	N3K-AD-XF-3Y
	N3K-AD-XF-5Y
	N3K-AD-XF-7Y
Add-On Licenses	
NDB	N3K-NDB-3Y
	N3K-NDB-5Y
	N3K-NDB-7Y
Security	N3K-SEC-3Y
	N3K-SEC-5Y
	N3K-SEC-7Y

¹⁹ License support for Cisco Nexus 3400-S switches:

- N3K-C3408-S: N3K-ES-XM-3Y, N3K-ES-XM-5Y, and N3K-ES-XM-7Y
- N3K-C3432D-S: N3K-ES-XF2-3Y, N3K-ES-XF2-5Y, and N3K-ES-XF2-7Y

Table 12: PIDs for Non-Cisco ONE Perpetual Tier-Based Licenses for NX-OS (Cisco Nexus 3000 Series Switches)

License	PID
Essentials package	N3K-ES-XF
	N3K-ES-XF2
	N3K-ES-XM
Advantage package	N3K-AD-XF
	N3K-AD-XF2

License	PID
Add-On Licenses	
NDB	N3K-NDB
Security	N3K-SEC

Feature-Based Licenses

Feature-based licenses make features available to the entire physical device. Therefore, you only require one copy of the license for a device. A license only supports the listed features. Licenses may be specific to a particular hardware platform.

Any feature that is not included in a license package is bundled with the Cisco NX-OS software and is provided at no extra charge to you.



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For specific implementation of features, see the Release Notes document and configuration guides for the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches.



Note

The Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches support static routes, switch virtual interfaces (SVIs), Hot Standby Router Protocol (HSRP), and Routing Information Protocol (RIP) by default (without any license).

The licenses are independent of each other. If you want to use features that are covered by different licenses, you must install all the appropriate licenses.

The following table lists the feature-based license packages for the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series (which includes Cisco Nexus 9200, 9300, 9300-EX, 9300-FX/FX2/FX3/FXP, and 9500 switches) in Cisco NX-OS mode.

Note In the CCW tool, these licenses are described as legacy NX-OS software licenses.

Table 13: Feature-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series in Cisco NX-OS Mode

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG	N95-LAN1K9 (for Cisco Nexus 9500 Series switches) N93-1G-LAN1K9 (for the Cisco Nexus N9K-C9348GC-FXP switch) N93-LAN1K9 (for Cisco Nexus 9200, 9300, 9300-EX, and 9300-FX/FX2 Series switches, except the Cisco Nexus N9K-C9348GC-FXP switch) N93-LAN1K9-XF2 (for the Cisco Nexus 9364C and 9300-GX switches)	Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) Protocol Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) Intermediate System (IS-IS) Protocol (Layer 3 only) Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM), which includes sparse mode, bidirectional mode, and Source Specific Multicast (SSM) mode Multicast Source Discovery Protocol (MSDP) Policy-Based Routing Generic Routing Encapsulation (GRE) Tunnels Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP) VXLAN BGP EVPN Non-blocking multicast (NBM) for the IP fabric for media solution. Note The IP fabric for media solution also requires the N93-LAN1K9 or

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
VPN Fabric License	N95-FAB1K9	InterAS option B
	N93-FAB1K9	Layer 3 EVPN over segment routing MPLS
		• MPLS Layer 3 VPN
		Pervasive Load Balancing (PLB)
		Tenant Routed Multicast
		VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site
		• Enhanced PBR (EPBR)
Network Services Package	N95-SERVICES1K9	• iCAM
NETWORK_SERVICES_PKG	N93-SERVICES1K9	Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD)
		Non-blocking multicast (NBM) - for the IP fabric for media solution.
		Note The IP fabric for media solution also requires the N93-LAN1K9 or N95-LAN1K9 license for multicast.
		Smart channel
		Note Beginning with Cisco Nexus NX-OS 9.3(5), Catena is no longer available. However, Catena is available with the Essentials license package of earlier releaes.
FCoE NPV Package	N95-FNPV1K9	FCoE NPV
FCOE_NPV_PKG	N93-FNPV1K9	Note The N93-16Y-SSK9 and N93-48Y-SSK9 licenses also support FCoE NPV. If you install one of these licenses (rather than N95-FNPV1K9 or N93-FNPV1K9), the show license command does not show FCoE NPV in the output. For more information, see the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS FC-NPV and FCoE-NPV Configuration Guide.

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
SAN Switching Package SAN_ENTERPRISE_PKG and FC Port Package FC_PORT_ACTIVATION_PKG	N93-16Y-SSK9 (up to 16 ports) N93-48Y-SSK9 (all 48 ports)	SAN switching, FC NPV, or FCoE NPV Note SAN switching, FC NPV, and FCoE NPV require both the FC_PORT_ACTIVATION_PK and SAN_ENTERPRISE_PKO licenses. For more information see the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS SAN Switching Configuration Guide and the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OFC-NPV and FCoE-NPV Configuration Guide.
Security License	ACI-SEC-XM*** or ACI-SEC-XF**	Note Cisco Nexus 9000 Series ToR switches that support this feature require the ACI-SEC-XF** license, and Cisco Nexus 9000 Series EoR switches that support this feature require the ACI-SEC-XM*** license. Secure VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site using CloudSec Note Secure VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site using CloudSec licensing support is available with the ACI-SEC-XF license. Secure VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site using CloudSec licensing support is not available with the ACI-SEC-XM license.
24 Port License Upgrade Package* NEXUS_24PORTEX_UPGRADE	N9K-EX-24P-UPG=	24-port upgrade license for Cisco Nexus 93108TC-EX-24 and 93180YC-EX-24 switches.
24 Port License Upgrade Package* NEXUS_24PORTFX_UPGRADE	N9K-FX-24P-UPG=	24-port upgrade license for Cisco Nexus 93108TC-FX-24 and 93180YC-FX-24 switches.

The following table lists the feature-based license packages for the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, which includes Cisco Nexus 7000 switches and Cisco Nexus 7700 switches.

Table 14: Feature-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
Enterprise Services Package	N7K-LAN1K9	Open Shortest Path First (OSPF)
LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG	N77-LAN1K9	Protocol
		Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)
		Intermediate System-to-Intermediate System (IS-IS) Protocol (Layer 3 only)
		Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM), which includes sparse mode, bidirectional mode, and source-specific mode (SSM).
		Multicast Source Discovery Protocol (MSDP)
		Policy-Based Routing
		• Generic routing encapsulation (GRE) Tunnels
		Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP)
		• VXLAN
		BGP eVPN Control Plane over VXLAN
		ACI WAN Interconnect
		Locator/ID Separation Protocol (LISP)
Advanced Services Package LAN_ADVANCED_SERVICES_PKG	N7K-ADV1K9	Virtual Device Contexts (VDCs)

^{*}The 24-port licenses are hardware licenses. They are independent of any Cisco NX-OS or ACI software feature sets or software licenses.

^{**}ACI-SEC-XF replaces NXOS-SEC-XF. NXOS-SEC-XF is no longer orderable.

^{***}ACI-SEC-XM replaces NXOS-SEC-XM. NXOS-SEC-XM is no longer orderable.

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
VDC Licenses	N7K-VDC1K9	For Nexus 7000 Series, a single ADV
VDC_LICENSES	N77-VDC1K9	license provides five non-admin VDCs and one admin VDC. If you require an additional VDC, buy another license (N7K-VDC1K9) which in turn, provides another four VDCs.
		• For Nexus 7700 Series, a single ADV license provides five non-admin VDCs and one admin VDC. If you require an additional VDC, buy another license (N77-VDC1K9) which in turn, provides another four VDCs.
Transport Services Package	N7K-TRS1K9	Overlay Transport Virtualization (OTV)
LAN_TRANSPORT_SERVICES_PKG	N77-TRS1K9	
Scalable Services Package	N7K-C7004-XL	A single license per system enables all
SCALABLE_SERVICES_PKG	N7K-C7009-XL	XL-capable I/O modules to operate in XL mode. The license increases the performance
	N7K-C7010-XL	of the following features:
	N7K-C7018-XL	• IPv4 routes
		• IPv6 routes
		• ACL entries
Enhanced Layer 2 Package	N7K-EL21K9	FabricPath support on the F Series
ENHANCED_LAYER2_PKG	N77-EL21K9	module
		Remote Integrated Service Engine (RISE)
		Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD)
		Intelligent CAM Analytics and Machine Learning (iCAM)
MPLS Services Package	N7K-MPLS1K9	Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)
MPLS_PKG	N77-MPLS1K9	Layer 3 Virtual Private Network (VPN)
		• Layer 2 Ethernet over MPLS (EoMPLS)
		Layer 2 Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS)
		ACI WAN Interconnect

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
Storage Enterprise Package STORAGE-ENT	N7K-SAN1K9 N77-SAN1K9	Inter-VSAN routing (IVR) over Fibre Channel and FCoE IVR Network Address Translation (NAT) over Fibre Channel VSAN-based Access Control Fabric Binding for Open Systems



From Cisco NX-OS Release 6.1, Cisco TrustSec (CTS) does not require a feature license. CTS is included with the Cisco NX-OS software.

The following table lists the feature-based license packages for the Cisco Nexus 6000 Series switches.

Table 15: Feature-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 6000 Series

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
FabricPath Services Package	N6001-EL2-SSK9	FabricPath
ENHANCED_LAYER2_PKG	N6004-EL2-SSK9	
FCoE NPV Package	N6K-FNPV-SSK9	FCoE NPV
FCOE_NPV_PKG		
Layer 3 Base Services Package LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG	N6K-BAS1K9	Unlimited static routes and a maximum of 256 dynamic routes.
20 21		• Static routes
		• RIPv2
		• OSPFv2 and OSPFv3
		• EIGRP Stub
		• HSRP
		22
		• VRRP
		<u>23</u>
		• IGMP v2/v3
		• PIMv2 (sparse mode)
		• VRF Lite
		• Routed ACL
		• NAT

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG 24 25	N6001-LAN1K9 N6004-LAN1K9	N6001-LAN1K9 / N6004-LAN1K9 (includes the following features in addition to the ones under N6K-BAS1K9 license). • BGP • PBR • Full EIGRP • PIMv2 (all modes) • L3 IS-IS ²⁶ • uRPF • MSDP • Sampled NetFlow • Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD)
Network Services Package NETWORK_SERVICES_PKG	N6K-SERVICES1K9 ²⁷	Remote Integrated Services Engine (RISE) Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD)
Storage Protocols Services Package	N6001-16P-SSK9	Native Fibre Channel
FC_FEATURES_PKG	N6004-4Q-SSK9	• FCoE
ENTERPRISE_PKG	N6004-12Q-SSK9	• FC NPV
	N6K-16P-SSK9 ²⁸ N6K-20P-SSK9 ²⁹ N6001-64P-SSK9 N6004-96Q-SSK9	 FC Port Security Fabric Binding Fibre Channel Security Protocol (FC-SP) Authentication
VM-FEX Package	N6K-VMFEXK9	VM-FEX

The LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG gives unlimited static routes and a maximum of 256 dynamic routes across all the protocols.

21 Routes above 256 for all protocols are included in the LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG license.

Although this feature can be enabled and configured in the CLI without this license, it will not function until the license is installed.

Although this feature can be enabled and configured in the CLI without this license, it will not function until the license is installed. When you configure HSRP in a virtual port channel (vPC) on the Cisco Nexus 6000 platform without installing the LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG license, it sends an HSRP hello message to the link-local multicast address and enables the Active-Active state.

²⁵ Routes above 256 for all the protocols included in the LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG license.

²⁶ L3 IS-IS will be available starting with the Cisco NX-OS Release 7.0(1)N1(1).

- N6K-SERVICES1K9 is available from Cisco NX-OS Release 7.2(0)N1(1). To use RISE and ITD features with Cisco NX-OS Release 7.1(1)N1(1), use the ENHANCED LAYER2 PKG license.
- These licenses are applicable to Cisco Nexus 6004 20 UP LEM only.
- These licenses are applicable to Cisco Nexus 6004 20 UP LEM only.

The following table lists the feature-based license packages for the Cisco Nexus 5600 Series switches.

Table 16: Feature-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 5600 Series

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
FabricPath Services Package	N5672-EL2-SSK9	FabricPath
ENHANCED_LAYER2_PKG	N56128-EL2-SSK9	
	N5696-EL2-SSK9	
	N5624Q-EL2-SSK9	
	N5648Q-EL2-SSK9	
FCoE NPV Package	N56-FNPV-SSK9	FCoE NPV
FCOE_NPV_PKG		
Layer 3 Base Services Package	N56-BAS1K9	Layer 3 Base Services Package
LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG 30		Unlimited static routes and maximum of 256 dynamic routes
		Static Routes
		• RIPv2
		OSPFv2 and OSPFv3
		• EIGRP Stub
		• HSRP <u>31</u>
		• VRRP ³²
		• IGMP v2/v3
		• PIMv2 (sparse mode)
		• VRF Lite
		• Routed ACL
		• NAT

The LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG license should be installed in order to use the LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG license.

Feature License	Product ID	Feature Name
Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package	N56-LAN1K9	Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package
LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG3334		The N56-LAN1K9 license includes the following features in addition to the ones under the N56-BAS1K9 license.
		• BGP
		• PBR
		• Full EIGRP
		• PIMv2 (all modes)
		• L3 IS-IS ³⁵
		• uRPF
		• MSDP
		Sampled NetFlow
		• VxLAN Flood and Learn ³⁶
		• VxLAN EVPN ³⁷
		Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD)
Network Services Package NETWORK SERVICES PKG	N56-SERVICES1K9 ³⁸	Remote Integrated Services Engine (RISE)
NETWORK_SERVICES_TRO		Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD)
Storage Protocols Services Package	N56-16p-SSK9	Native Fibre Channel
FC_FEATURES_PKG	N56-12P-SSK9 ³⁹	• FCoE
ENTERPRISE_PKG	N5672-72P-SSK9	• NPV
	N56128-128P-SSK9	• FC Port Security
	N56-20P-SSK9 ⁴⁰	Fabric Binding
	N56-12Q-SSK9	Fibre Channel Security
	N56-4Q-SSK9	Protocol (FC-SP) Authentication
	N56-48Q-SSK9	Aumentication
VM-FEX Package	N56-VMFEX9	VM-FEX

 $^{^{30}~{\}rm The~LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG}$ gives unlimited static routes and a maximum of 256 dynamic routes across all the protocols.

Although this feature can be enabled and configured in the CLI without this license, it will not function until the license is installed.

- ³² Although this feature can be enabled and configured in the CLI without this license, it will not function until the license is installed.
- The LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG license should be installed in order to use the LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG license.
- Routes above 256 for all the protocols included in the LAN ENTERPRISE SERVICES PKG license.
- ³⁵ L3 IS-IS will be available starting with the Cisco NX-OS Release 7.0(1)N1(1).
- VXLAN Flood and Learn is supported from Cisco NX-OS Release 7.1(0)N1(1) and requires the LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG license and the ENHANCED_LAYER2_PKG license. From Cisco NX-OS Release 7.2(1)N1(1), VXLAN Flood and Learn will require the LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG license and the LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG license only.
- VXLAN EVPN is supported from Cisco NX-OS Release 7.3(0)N1(1) and will require the LAN BASE SERVICES PKG license and the LAN ENTERPRISE SERVICES PKG license.
- N56-SERVICES1K9 is available from Cisco NX-OS Release 7.2(0)N1(1). To use RISE and ITD features with Cisco NX-OS Release 7.1(1)N1(1), use the ENHANCED LAYER2 PKG license.
- This license is applicable to Cisco Nexus 5672UP-16G only.
- ⁴⁰ This license is applicable to Cisco Nexus 5696 20 Port UP LEM only.

The prefix of the Product ID number indicates the platform for which the license applies. For example, N5548 indicates that the license is for the Cisco Nexus 5548 switch only, and N5K indicates that the license is for all Cisco Nexus 5000 Series switches.

The following table lists the feature-based license packages for the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series and Cisco 5500 Series Platform.

Table 17: Feature-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 5000 and Nexus 5500 Series

Feature License	Product ID	Features
FabricPath Services Package	N5548-EL2-SSK9	FabricPath
ENHANCED_LAYER2_PKG	N5596-EL2-SSK9	
FCoE NPV Package	N5010-FNPV-SSK9	FCoE NPV
FCOE_NPV_PKG	N5020-FNPV-SSK9	
	N5548-FNPVSSK9	
	N5596-FNPV-SSK9	

Feature License	Product ID	Features
Layer 3 Base Services Package LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG	N55-BAS1K9	Layer 3 Base Services Package
4 <u>1</u>		Unlimited static routes and a maximum of 256 dynamic routes
		Static Routes
		• RIPv2
		OSPFv2 and OSPFv3
		• EIGRP Stub
		• HSRP ⁴²
		• VRRP <u>43</u>
		• IGMP v2/v3
		• PIMv2 (sparse mode)
		• VRF Lite
		• Routed ACL
Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG	N55-LAN1K9	Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package
4445		N55-LAN1K9 includes the following features in addition to the ones under the N55-BAS1K9 license.
		• BGP
		• PBR
		• PIMv2 (all modes)
		• Full EIGRP
		• uRPF
		• MSDP
		• Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD)
Network Services Package	N55-SERVICES1K9 ⁴⁶	Remote Integrated Services
NETWORK_SERVICES_PKG		Engine (RISE) Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD) ⁴⁷

Feature License	Product ID	Features
Storage Protocols Services Package	N5010-SSK9	Native Fibre Channel
FC_FEATURES_PKG	N5020-SSK9	• FCoE
ENTERPRISE_PKG	N55-8P-SSK9	• NPV
	N55-48P-SSK9	• FC Port Security
		Fabric Binding
		• Fibre Channel Security Protocol (FC-SP) Authentication
VM-FEX Package	N55-VMFEXK9	VM-FEX

⁴¹ The LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG gives unlimited static routes and a maximum of 256 dynamic routes across all the protocols.

The following table lists the feature-based license packages for the Cisco Nexus 4000 Series.

Table 18: Feature-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 4000 Series

Feature License	Product ID	Features
Basic Storage Services Package	N4K-4005I-SSK9	FIP Snooping
BASIC_STORAGE_SERVICES_PKG		

⁴² Although this feature can be enabled and configured in the CLI without this license, it will not function until the license is installed.

Although this feature can be enabled and configured in the CLI without this license, it will not function until the license is installed.

The LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG license should be installed to use the LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG license.

⁴⁵ Routes above 256 for all the protocols are included in the LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG license.

N55-SERVICES1K9 is available from Cisco NX-OS Release 7.2(0)N1(1). To use RISE and ITD features with the Cisco NX-OS Release 7.1(1)N1(1), use the LAN ENTERPRISE SERVICES PKG license.

Starting NXOS 7.2(0)N1(1), LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG package does not contain ITD license. You need to install NETWORK SERVICES PKG package for ITD.

The following table lists the feature-based license packages for the Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switches.

Table 19: Feature-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 3600 Platform Switches

Feature License	Product ID	Features
Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package	N3K-LAN1K9	• BGP
LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG		• EIGRP
		• IS-IS
		• OSPFv2 and OSPFv3
		• PIM
		• VRF-lite
		• VXLAN
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VPN Fabric License	N3K-FAB1K9	• InterAS option B
		• MPLS Layer 3 VPN

The following table lists the feature-based license packages for the Cisco Nexus 3500 Series switches.

Table 20: Feature-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 3500 Series Switches

Feature License	Product ID	Features
24 Port License Package 24P_LIC_PKG	N3548-24P-LIC	24-port license for the Cisco Nexus 3548 Series switch.
24 Port Upgrade License Package 24P_UPG_PKG	N3548-24P-UPG	24-port upgrade license for the Cisco Nexus 3548 Series switch.
Cisco Nexus 3500 Algo Boost License ALGO_BOOST_SERVICES_PKG	N3548-ALGK9	Cisco Nexus 3500 Algo Boost License • Warp Mode • Warp SPAN • NAT
Layer 3 Base Services Package LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG	N3548-BAS1K9	Layer 3 Base Services Package • EIGRP stub • OSPFv2 (limited routes) • PIMv2 (sparse mode)

Feature License	Product ID	Features
Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package LAN1K9_ENT_SERVICES_PKG 48	N3524-LAN1K9	Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package for Cisco Nexus 3524 Series switches • BGP • PBR • VRF-Lite (IP-VPN) This license requires the Base Services Package.
Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG 49	N3548-LAN1K9	Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package for Cisco Nexus 3548 Series switches • BGP • PBR • VRF-Lite (IP-VPN) This license requires the Base Services Package.

⁴⁸ For Cisco NX-OS releases prior to 9.3(3), the BGP feature is checked out from the LAN1K9_ENT_SERVICES_PKG for both Cisco Nexus 3524 and 3548 platform switches.

For Cisco NX-OS releases prior to 9.3(3), the PBR feature is checked out from the LAN ENTERPRISE SERVICES PKG for both Cisco Nexus 3524 and 3548 platform switches.



After upgrading to Cisco NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I7(7), the **show license usage** command might display license mismatches that do not apply to Cisco Nexus 3500 Series switches. A "License Missing" warning in the comments section may also be displayed. Issue the **clear license sprom** command to recover from this state.

The following table lists the feature-based license packages for the Cisco Nexus 3000 Series.

Table 21: Feature-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 3000 Series

Feature License	Product ID	Features
16 Port License Upgrade Package 16P_UPG_PKG	N3K-16T-UPG	16-port upgrade license for Cisco Nexus 3172TQ switches. This is the upgrade license to enable 16 ports, and it can only be applied to N3K-C3172TQ-32T.
32 Port License Package 32P_LIC_PKG	N3K-32X-LIC	Default 32-port license for the Cisco Nexus 3172TQ switches.

Feature License	Product ID	Features
16 Port License Upgrade Package 16P_UPG_PKG	N3064T-16T-UPG	16-port upgrade license for Cisco Nexus 3164T switch.
32 Port License Package 32P_LIC_PKG	N3064T-32T-LIC	32-port license for Cisco Nexus 3164T switch.
Layer 3 Base Services Package LAN_BASE_SERVICES_PKG	N3K-BAS1K9	• EIGRP stub • OSPFv2 (limited routes) • PIMv2 (sparse mode) Note Only the Cisco Nexus 3016, 3048, 3064, 3132Q, 3132Q-XL, and 3172 switches require the Layer 3 Base Services Package. The Cisco Nexus 3132C-Z, 3164Q, 31128PQ, 3100-V, 32xx, and 34xx switches require the Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package (rather than the Layer 3 Base Services Package) to support these routing protocols.
Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG	N3K-LAN1K9 N3K-LAN2K9 (for Cisco Nexus 3264C-E, 3408-S, 3432D-S, and 3464C switches)	BGP Policy-Based Routing Generic routing encapsulation (GRE) tunnels

Feature License	Product ID	Features
Hardware Streaming Telemetry Package HW_STREAMING_TELEMETRY_PKG	N3K-STR1K9 (for Cisco Nexus 34180YC switches) N3K-STR2K9 (for the Cisco Nexus 3464C, 3408-S, and 3432D-S switches)	Note This license is available beginning with Cisco NX-OS Release 9.2(3). Any attempt to install this license for a prior release will fail. When you downgrade from Cisco NX-OS Release 9.2(3) to an earlier release, the features that use the hardware streaming telemetry license continue to work in honor mode in the downgraded version. In addition, the output of the show license usage command continues to include entries for these unsupported licenses.

Module-based Licenses

Module-based licenses make features available to one module on the physical device, so you need one copy of the license for each module that you want to enable the features on. Each license only supports the listed features. Licenses may be specific to a particular hardware platform or module.



Note

Any feature not included in a license package is bundled with the Cisco NX-OS software and is provided at no extra charge to you.

This table lists the module license packages for the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, which includes Cisco Nexus 7000 switches and Cisco Nexus 7700 switches.

Table 22: Module-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series

Module License	Product ID	Features
FCoE Services Package (FCOE_PKG)	N7K-FCOE-F132XP=	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) Note You do not need the Advanced Services Package to enable the storage VDC required for FCoE.

Module License	Product ID	Features
FCoE F2-Series (FCoE_F2)	N7K-FCOE-F248XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7000 48-port 10G SFP+ (F2)
	N77-FCOE-F248XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7700 Enhanced F2E Series 48 Port 10G (SFP+)
FCoE F3-Series (FCoE_F3)	N7K-FCOE-F312FQ	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7000 F3 Series 12-port 40-Gigabit Ethernet QSFP+ module
	N7K-FCOE-F348XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7000 F3 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ module
	N77-FCOE-F324FQ	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7700 F3 Series 24-port 40-Gigabit Ethernet QSFP+ module
	N77-FCOE-F348XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7700 F3 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ module



The licenses are independent of each other. If you want to use features that are covered by different licenses, you must install all appropriate licenses. For example, if you want to use EIGRP and VDCs on the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, you must install both the Enterprise Services Package license and the Advanced Services Package license.

Related Topics

Associating a License with a Module, on page 50

Bundle/Chassis-based Licenses

Bundle/Chassis-based licensing makes the Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) feature available for all supported line card modules such as F2 and F3 for that particular chassis with max counts supported by that chassis.



Note

Bundle/Chassis-based licensing is not supported for the Cisco Nexus 7000 series.

This table lists the bundle/chassis-based licenses for the Cisco Nexus 7700 Series.

Table 23: Bundle/Chassis-Based Licenses for the Cisco Nexus 7700 Series

Bundle/Chassis	Product ID	Features
N7706-FCOE-10G=	N77-FCOE-F248XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7706 F2 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 4 modules)
	N77-FCOE-F348XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7706 F3 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 4 modules)
N7710-FCOE-10G=	N77-FCOE-F248XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7710 F2 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 8 modules)
	N77-FCOE-F348XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7710 F3 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 8 modules)
N7718-FCOE-10G=	N77-FCOE-F248XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7718 F2 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 16 modules)
	N77-FCOE-F348XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7718 F3 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 16 modules)
N7706-FCOE-40G=	N77-FCOE-F248XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7706 F2 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 4 modules)
	N77-FCOE-F348XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7706 F3 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 4 modules)
	N77-FCOE-F324FQ	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7706 F3 Series 24-port 40-Gigabit Ethernet QSFP+ Module (Maximum of 4 modules)
N7710-FCOE-40G=	N77-FCOE-F248XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7710 F2 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 8 modules)
	N77-FCOE-F348XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7710 F3 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 8 modules)
	N77-FCOE-F324FQ	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7710 F3 Series 24-port 40-Gigabit Ethernet QSFP+ Module (Maximum of 8 modules)

Bundle/Chassis	Product ID	Features
N7718-FCOE-40G=	N77-FCOE-F248XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7718 F2 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 16 modules)
	N77-FCOE-F348XP	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7718 F3 Series 48-port 10-Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ Module (Maximum of 16 modules)
	N77-FCOE-F324FQ	Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE) for Cisco Nexus 7718 F3 Series 24-port 40-Gigabit Ethernet QSFP+ Module (Maximum of 16 modules)

Honor Mode Licensing

Starting from Cisco NX-OS Releases 8.2(4) and 8.4(1), Honor Mode Licensing is supported on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches. Honor mode licensing allows you to enable or continue using a feature without having a valid license for that feature. In such a scenario, a syslog is generated once every 7 days until you acquire the required license. An example of such a syslog is given below.

%LICMGR-2-LOG_LIC_MISSING_WARNING: A feature that requires LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG license is not installed. System supports honor based licensing so feature will continue to be fully functional. Use 'show license usage <package-name>' to find features using missing license.

Licensing Terminology

The following terms are used in this document:

Licensed feature

Permission to use a particular feature through a license file, a hardware object, or a legal contract. This permission is limited to the number of users, number of instances, time span, and the implemented device.

Licensed application

A software feature that requires a license to be used.

License enforcement

A mechanism that prevents a feature from being used without first obtaining a license.

Node-locked license

A license that can only be used on a particular device using the device's unique host ID.

Host IDs

A unique chassis serial number that is specific to each device.

Software license claim certificate

A document entitling its rightful owner to use licensed features on one device as described in that document.

Product Authorization Key (PAK)

The PAK allows you to obtain a license key from one of the sites listed in the software license claim certificate document. After registering at the specified website, you will receive your license key file and installation instructions through e-mail.

License key file

A device-specific unique file that specifies the licensed features. Each file contains digital signatures to prevent tampering and modification. License keys are required to use a licensed feature. License keys are enforced within a specified time span.

Missing license

Once a license is installed, the license file can be deleted from bootflash as the license is copied to the internal file system. If the internal file system becomes corrupted or a supervisor module is replaced after you have installed a license, the license shows as missing although the feature continues to work. In this case, copy the license file (.lic) into bootflash and reinstall it as soon as possible.

Evaluation license

A temporary license. Evaluation licenses are time bound (valid for a specified number of days) and are tied to a host ID (device serial number).



Note

Temporary licenses with an expiry date are available for evaluation and lab use purposes. They are strictly not allowed to be used in production. Please use a permanent or subscription license that has been purchased through Cisco for production purposes.

Permanent license

A license that is not time bound is called a permanent license.

Grace period

The amount of time the features in a license package can continue functioning without a license.

Support

If you purchased Cisco support through a Cisco reseller, contact the reseller directly. If you purchased support directly from Cisco, contact Cisco Technical Support at this URL: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/support/tsd_cisco_worldwide_contacts.html

Licensing Virtualization Support

On the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, you install and manage licenses on the physical device in the default virtual device context (VDC 1). Licenses apply to features in all VDCs and Virtual Routing and Forwarding instances (VRFs) on the physical device. You do not need to obtain a separate license for each VDC or VRF. For more information on VDCs, see the *Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS Virtual Device Context Configuration Guide*.

Licensing High Availability

As with other Cisco NX-OS features, the licensing feature also maintains the following high-availability standards:

- Installing any license in the device is a nondisruptive process.
- Installing a license automatically saves a copy of permanent licenses to the chassis.
- If you have enabled the grace period feature, enabling a licensed feature that does not have a license key starts a counter on the grace period. You then have 120 days to install the appropriate license keys, disable the use of that feature, or disable the grace period feature. If at the end of the 120-day grace period the device does not have a valid license key for the feature, the Cisco NX-OS software automatically disables the feature and removes the configuration from the device.



The Cisco Nexus 9000 Series and Cisco Nexus 3000 Series do not support the grace period feature.



Note

The Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches support grace period on Cisco NX-OS Release 8.2(3) and earlier 8.x releases. From Cisco NX-OS Releases 8.2(4) and 8.4(1), Grace period is not supported on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches.



Note

Some licenses, for example Cisco TrustSec for the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series or Layer 3 Enterprise Services for the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series, do not have a grace period.

Devices with dual supervisors have the following additional high-availability features:

- The license software runs on both supervisor modules and provides failover protection.
- The license key file is mirrored on both supervisor modules. Even if both supervisor modules fail, the license file continues to function from the version that is available on the chassis.

License Installation

You can either obtain a factory-installed license (only applies to new device orders) or perform a manual license installation of the license (applies to existing devices in your network).



Note

Only users with the network-admin role can install licenses on Cisco NX-OS devices. For information on user accounts and roles, see the *Security Configuration Guide* for your platform.

Obtaining a Factory-Installed License

You can obtain factory-installed licenses for a new Cisco NX-OS device.

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. Contact your reseller or Cisco representative and request this service.
- 2. Start using the device and the licensed features.

DETAILED STEPS

Step 1 Contact your reseller or Cisco representative and request this service.

Note

If you purchased Cisco support through a Cisco reseller, contact the reseller directly. If you purchased support directly from Cisco, contact Cisco Technical Support at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/support/tsd_cisco_worldwide_contacts.html.

Your device is shipped with the required licenses installed in the system.

Step 2 Start using the device and the licensed features.

Performing a Manual Installation

If you have existing devices or if you wish to install the licenses on your own, you must first obtain the license key file and then install that file in the device.

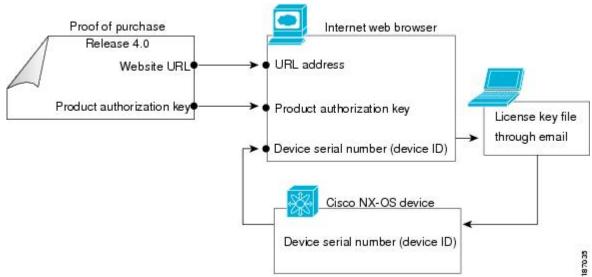


Note

All licenses for the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series and the Cisco Nexus 4000 Series are factory-installed. Manual installation is not required.

Figure 2: Obtaining a License Key File

This figure shows how to obtain a license key file.



Obtaining the License Key File

You can obtain new or updated license key files.

SUMMARY STEPS

- **1.** Obtain the serial number for your device by entering the **show license host-id** command. The host ID is also referred to as the device serial number.
- 2. Obtain your software license claim certificate document. If you cannot locate your software license claim certificate, contact Cisco Technical Support at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/support/tsd_cisco_worldwide_contacts.html.
- 3. Locate the product authorization key (PAK) from the software license claim certificate document.
- **4.** Locate the website URL from the software license claim certificate document. You can access the Product License Registration website https://tools.cisco.com/SWIFT/LicensingUI/Home.
- **5.** Follow the instructions on the Product License Registration website to register the license for your device.
- **6.** For the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches, Cisco Nexus 3164Q switches, and Cisco Nexus 31128PQ switches, use the **copy licenses** command to save your license file to one of three locations—the bootflash: directory, the usb1: device, or the usb2: device. For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, use the **copy licenses** command from the default VDC to save your license file to one of four locations—the bootflash: directory, the slot0: device, the usb1: device, or the usb2: device. For all other platforms, use the **copy licenses** command to save your license file to one of two locations—the bootflash: directory or the volatile: directory.

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	Obtain the serial number for your device by entering the show license host-id command. The host ID is also referred to as the device serial number.	switch# show license host-id License hostid: VDH=FOX064317SQ
		Use the entire ID that appears after the equal sign (=). In this example, the host ID is FOX064317SQ.
Step 2	Obtain your software license claim certificate document. If you cannot locate your software license claim certificate, contact Cisco Technical Support at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/support/tsd_cisco_worldwide_contacts.html.	
Step 3	Locate the product authorization key (PAK) from the software license claim certificate document.	
Step 4	Locate the website URL from the software license claim certificate document. You can access the Product License Registration website https://tools.cisco.com/SWIFT/LicensingUI/Home.	
Step 5	Follow the instructions on the Product License Registration website to register the license for your device.	The license key file is sent to you by e-mail and is digitally signed to only authorize use on the requested device. The requested features are also enabled once the Cisco NX-OS software on the specified device accesses the license key file.
		Caution Do not make any modifications to the license key file. It will alter the digital signature and render the license invalid.

	Command or Action	Purpose		
			A license is permanent. If you do not have a license, the grace period for using a feature starts from the first time you start using a feature offered by a license.	
		Note	Cisco TrustSec for the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series and Layer 3 Enterprise for the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series do not have a grace period. You must obtain an Advanced Services license to use Cisco TrustSec.	
Step 6	For the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches, Cisco Nexus 3164Q switches, and Cisco Nexus 31128PQ switches, use the copy licenses command to save your license file to one of three locations—the bootflash: directory, the usb1: device, or the usb2: device. For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, use the copy licenses command from the default VDC to save your license file to one of four locations—the bootflash: directory, the slot0: device, the usb1: device, or the usb2: device. For all other platforms, use the copy licenses command to save your license file to one of two locations—the bootflash: directory or the volatile: directory.		Only users with the network-admin role can copy licenses on Cisco NX-OS devices. For information on user accounts and roles, see the <i>Security Configuration Guide</i> for your platform.	

Related Topics

Backing Up Licenses, on page 40
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Installing the License Key File

You can install the license to enable features on your device. For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, the license must be installed in the default VDC or admin VDC. A license applies to features in all VDCs and VRFs on the physical device.



Tip

If you need to install multiple licenses in any device, be sure to provide unique filenames for each license key file.



Note

If you have a single supervisor module on your Cisco NX-OS device and you replace the supervisor module, you must reinstall the license key file.

If you are currently running with a grace period license to avoid service disruptions when you install your permanent license, do not disable the grace period by using the **no license grace-period** command. Instead, just install your new license. The license manager will automatically transition from grace licensing to the installed license.

SUMMARY STEPS

- 1. Log into the device through the console port of the active supervisor.
- **2.** Perform the installation by using the **install license** command on the active supervisor module from the device console.
- **3.** (Optional) Back up the license key file.
- **4.** Exit the device console and open a new terminal session to view all license files installed on the device using the **show license** command.
- **5.** (Optional) Enable licensed features, if necessary, by using the **feature** *feature-name* command in global configuration mode. For example, you can enable the BGP feature as follows:

DETAILED STEPS

Step 1 Log into the device through the console port of the active supervisor.

Note Only users with the network-admin role can install licenses on Cisco NX-OS devices. For information on user accounts and roles, see the *Security Configuration Guide* for your platform.

Step 2 Perform the installation by using the **install license** command on the active supervisor module from the device console.

```
switch# install license bootflash:license_file.lic
Installing license ..done
```

Note If you provide a target name for the license key file, the file is installed with the specified name. Otherwise, the filename specified in the license key file is used to install the license.

- **Step 3** (Optional) Back up the license key file.
- **Step 4** Exit the device console and open a new terminal session to view all license files installed on the device using the **show** license command.

Note If the license meets all guidelines when the **install license** command is used, all features and modules continue functioning as configured.

You can use the **show license brief** command to display a list of license files installed on the device.

```
switch# show license brief
Enterprise.lic
```

You can use the **show license file** command to display information about a specific license file installed on the device.

Step 5 (Optional) Enable licensed features, if necessary, by using the **feature** *feature-name* command in global configuration mode. For example, you can enable the BGP feature as follows:

```
swtich# configure terminal
switch(config)# feature bgp
```

Related Topics

Feature-Based Licenses, on page 14
Module-based Licenses, on page 30
Backing Up Licenses, on page 40
Backing Up the License Key File, on page 41
Backing Up an Installed License, on page 41

Backing Up Licenses

If the configuration or bootflash memory on your device becomes corrupted, you might need to reinstall your license. You can do a reinstallation from a backed-up copy of the license key file. If you do not have a license key file, you can create a copy of the license key file from your installed license.



Note

If you have a single supervisor module on your Cisco NX-OS device and you replace the supervisor module, you must reinstall the license key file. You cannot reinstall the license key file from the backed-up copy.



Caution

If you erase any existing licenses installed on your device, you can reinstall them only by using the **install license** command using the license key file.



Note

Only users with the network-admin role can back up licenses on Cisco NX-OS devices. On the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, licenses must be backed up from the default VDC (VDC 1). For information on user accounts and roles, see the *Security Configuration Guide* for your platform.

Backing Up the License Key File

You can back up your license key file to a remote server or to an external device by using the **copy** command.

This example shows how to save a license key file to a remote server:

```
switch# copy bootflash:license file.lic tftp://10.10.1.1//license file.lic
```

Some Cisco NX-OS platforms support external flash devices. This example shows how to save a license key file to an external Flash device:

```
switch# copy bootflash: license file.lic slot0: license file.lic
```

Backing Up an Installed License

You can back up your license key file to a remote server or to an external device by using the **copy** command.

This example saves all licenses installed on your device to a .tar file and copies it to a remote UNIX-based server:

```
switch# copy licenses bootflash:Enterprise.tar
Backing up license done
switch# copy bootflash:Enterprise.tar tftp://10.10.1.1//Enterprise.tar
```

You can uncompress the .tar file on the remote UNIX-based server to create one or more backup license key files, depending on how many licenses you have installed. You can also extract the license files on your Cisco NX-OS device by using the **tar extract** command.

This example shows how to extract license files from a .tar file:

```
switch# tar extract bootflash:Enterprise.tar
```

Enabling Licensed Features

You might have to enable a licensed feature to configure it. To enable a licensed feature, use the **feature** *feature-name* command in global configuration mode. For example, you can enable the BGP feature as follows:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# feature bgp
```

Identifying License Features in Use

Use the **show license usage** [package-name] command to identify all of the active features.

switch# show license usage			
Feature	Ins Lic Count	Status Expiry	Date Comments
LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG	Yes -	In use Never	-
switch# show license usage L Application	AN_ENTERPRI	SE_SERVICES_PK	3
bgp msdp ospf			



Licenses are disabled if the system clock is reset. The show license usage command shows that the licensed feature is not enabled. To work around this behavior, reboot the device.

For Cisco Nexus 3000, 3500, 3600, and 9000 Series switches, the Comments field displays the time elapsed (in minutes and seconds) from when honor mode is enabled for a license package. This field is populated when a feature is enabled but the corresponding license is not installed.

switch# show license usage Feature	Ins	Lic Count		Expiry Date	Comments
FC_PORT_ACTIVATION_PKG LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG	No No	0 –	Unused In use		- Honor Start 0M 33S

For Cisco Nexus 7000 or 9000 Series switches, if "license missing" appears in the output of the **show license** usage command, the license file for your device is either not installed on the internal directory of the device or contains incorrect information. Complete these steps to resolve the issue:

Validate that the license host ID and file match the chassis serial number.



Note If these do not match and you see the log on two devices, the license files are most likely swapped between the chassis. Compare the host ID and serial numbers between each chassis and move the appropriate file to the correct chassis.

- **2.** Update the license file (.lic) with the file from the bootflash.
- 3. If these steps do not work, clear the license SPROM with the clear license sprom command and reinstall the license.

For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, use the show license usage vdc-all license-name command to identify the features active in a VDC for a specific license.

switch# show license usage vdc-all LAN ADVANCED SERVICES PKG

Application
----bgp
ospf
bgp@2
ospf@2



Note

The "@2" after the feature name in the **show license usage vdc-all** command output indicates that the feature is enabled in VDC 2.

For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, use the **show license usage vdc-all** command from the default VDC to identify all of the active features in all VDCs.

switch# show license usage vdc-all

Uninstalling Licenses

You can only uninstall a permanent license that is not in use. If you try to delete a permanent license that is currently being used, the software rejects the request and issues an error message.

When you enable a Cisco NX-OS software feature, it can activate a license grace period. Uninstalling an unused license causes the grace period to come into effect. The grace period is counted from the first use of the feature without a license and is reset when a valid license file is installed.

For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, you can uninstall a license only from the default VDC (VDC 1).



Note

Only users with the network-admin role can uninstall licenses on Cisco NX-OS devices. For information on user accounts and roles, see the *Security Configuration Guide* for your platform.



Note

Permanent licenses cannot be uninstalled if they are currently being used. Features turned on by permanent licenses must be disabled before that license is uninstalled.



Tip

If you are using an evaluation license and would like to install a new permanent license, you can do so without service disruption and before the evaluation license expires. Removing an evaluation license immediately triggers a grace period without service disruption.



Caution

You must disable the features that are related to the feature before uninstalling a license. The delete procedure fails if the license is in use.

Step 1 Save your running configuration to a remote server by using the **copy** command.

```
switch# copy running-config tftp://server/path/filename
```

Step 2 Display a list of all installed license key files and identify the file to be uninstalled by using the **show license brief** command. In this example, the file to be uninstalled is the Enterprise.lic file.

```
switch# show license brief
Enterprise.lic
```

Step 3 Disable the features provided by the license to be uninstalled. Use the **show license usage vdc-all** *package-name* command to view the enabled features for a specified package.

```
switch# show license usage vdc-all LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG
Application
-----
bgp
ospf
bgp@2
ospf@2
```

Note

For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, if the feature names in the **show license usage vdc-all** command output are followed by "@" and a number, that means that the feature is enabled in a nondefault VDC and must be disabled from that VDC. The number after the feature name is the nondefault VDC identifier number. Use the **show vdc** command and **switchto vdc** command to reach the nondefault VDC where you can disable the features.

Step 4 Uninstall the Enterprise lic file by using the **clear license** *filename* command, where *filename* is the name of the installed license key file.

```
switch# clear license Enterprise.lic
Clearing license Enterprise.lic:
SERVER this_host ANY
VENDOR cisco
```

Step 5 Continue uninstalling the license by entering y for yes.

```
Do you want to continue? (y/n) \boldsymbol{y} Clearing license ..done
```

The Enterprise.lic license key file is now uninstalled.

Updating Licenses

If your license is time bound, you must obtain and install an updated license. Contact technical support to request an updated license.

For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, you can update the license only from the default VDC (VDC 1).



Note

If you purchased Cisco support through a Cisco reseller, contact the reseller directly. If you purchased support directly from Cisco, contact Cisco Technical Support at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/support/tsd_cisco_worldwide_contacts.html.



Note

Only users with the network-admin role can update licenses on Cisco NX-OS devices. For information on user accounts and roles, see the *Security Configuration Guide* for your platform.

SUMMARY STEPS

- **1.** Obtain the updated license file.
- **2.** Save your running configuration to a remote server by using the **copy** command.
- 3. Verify the name of the file to be updated by using the **show license brief** command.
- **4.** Update the license file by using the **update license** {**bootflash:** | **slot0:** | **usb0:** | **usb1:**} *new-license-filename old-license-filename* command.
- **5.** Continue with the license update by entering \mathbf{y} (yes is the default).
- **6.** (Optional) Enable licensed features, if necessary, by using the **feature** *feature-name* command in global configuration mode. For example, you can enable the BGP feature as follows:

DETAILED STEPS

- **Step 1** Obtain the updated license file.
- **Step 2** Save your running configuration to a remote server by using the **copy** command.
- **Step 3** Verify the name of the file to be updated by using the **show license brief** command.

```
switch# show license brief
Enterprise1.lic
```

Step 4 Update the license file by using the **update license** {**bootflash:** | **slot0:** | **usb0:** | **usb1:**} *new-license-filename old-license-filename* command.

```
switch# update license bootflash:Enterprise2.lic Enterprise1.lic
```

Note Make sure to use the **install** command to install a new license and the **update** command to update a license.

Step 5 Continue with the license update by entering **y** (yes is the default).

```
Do you want to continue? (y/n) {\bf y} Updating license ..done switch#
```

The Enterprise 1.lic license key file is now updated.

Step 6

(Optional) Enable licensed features, if necessary, by using the **feature** *feature-name* command in global configuration mode. For example, you can enable the BGP feature as follows:

switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# feature bgp
switch#

Related Topics

Feature-Based Licenses, on page 14 Module-based Licenses, on page 30 Obtaining the License Key File, on page 36

Configuring the Grace Period Feature

The grace period feature allows you to use licensed features that do not have a license key. By default, the license period feature is disabled. While the grace period feature is disabled, users cannot accidentally enable licensed features.



Note

The Cisco Nexus 9000 Series and Cisco Nexus 3000 Series do not support the grace period feature.

For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, you can enable and disable the grace period only from the default VDC (VDC 1).

On a Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switch, the grace period gets automatically started for features that do not have a license key installed (even when the **no license grace-period** command is enabled).



Note

Starting from Cisco NX-OS Releases 8.2(4) and 8.4(1), Grace period is not supported on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches.

For the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series, the license grace-period command is enabled by default.



Note

Only users with the network-admin role can enable the grace period on Cisco NX-OS devices. For information on user accounts and roles, see the *Security Configuration Guide* for your platform.

Grace Period Alerts

The Cisco NX-OS software gives you a 120-day grace period. This grace period starts or continues when you are evaluating a feature for which you have not installed a license. For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, the grace period applies to all VDCs on the physical device. If you start the grace period by enabling a licensed feature in one VDC, the grace period starts for all VDCs.

The grace period stops if you disable a feature that you are evaluating, but if you enable that feature again without a valid license, the grace period countdown continues where it left off.



Note

Starting from Cisco NX-OS Releases 8.2(4) and 8.4(1), Grace period is not supported on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches.



Note

To avoid service disruptions when you install the permanent license, do not disable the grace period by using the **no license grace-period** command. Instead, just install your new license. The license manager will automatically transition from grace licensing to the installed license.

Once the license manager is using your installed license, the grace period alerts will cease.

The grace period operates across all features in a license package. License packages can contain several features. If you disable a feature during the grace period and there are other features in that license package that are still enabled, the countdown does not stop for that license package. To suspend the grace period countdown for a license package, you must disable every feature in that license package. For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, you must disable the licensed features in all VDCs on the physical device. Use the **show license usage vdc-all** *license-name* command in the default VDC to determine which features to disable.

```
switch# show license usage vdc-all LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG
Application
-----
bgp
ospf
bgp@2
ospf@2
```



Note

For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, if a feature name in the **show license usage vdc-all** command output is followed by "@" and a number, that means that the feature is enabled in a nondefault VDC and you must disable it from that VDC. The number after the feature name is the nondefault VDC identifier number. Use the **show vdc** command and **switchto vdc** command to reach the nondefault VDC where you can disable the feature.



Note

When you disable a feature or when the license grace period expires, the Cisco NX-OS software generates a checkpoint containing the feature configuration that you can use to reconfigure the feature when you reenable the license after you install the license or resume the grace period countdown. For more information on checkpoints, see the *System Management Configuration Guide* for your platform.

The Cisco NX-OS license counter keeps track of all licenses on a device. If you are evaluating a feature and the grace period has started, you will receive console messages, SNMP traps, system messages, and Call Home messages on a daily basis. The frequency of the messages becomes hourly during the last seven days of the grace period.

In addition to the grace period alerts, Cisco NX-OS will display a banner at login in the last 15 days of the grace period:

NOTICE: NX-OS LICENSED FEATURES NEED ATTENTION

Feature Ins Lic Status Expiry Date Comments
Count

LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG No - In use Grace 14D 6H

**** WARNING: License(s) about to expire. When license(s) expire,
all licensed conditional features will be disabled ****

During the last seven days of the grace period, the banner will include a prompt which you must dismiss before you can complete login:

NOTICE: NX-OS LICENSED FEATURES NEED ATTENTION

Feature Ins Lic Status Expiry Date Comments
Count

LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG No - In use Grace 3D 23H

***** WARNING: License(s) about to expire. When license(s) expire,
all licensed conditional features will be disabled ****

CISCO TAC must be contacted asap for required licenses to prevent imminent
downtime/service disruption.
Please press Enter to confirm you understand this risk and wish to continue: [ENTER]

For example, if you enabled a licensed feature on January 30, you will receive grace period ending messages as follows:

- Daily alerts from January 30 to May 21. Starting from May 15, Cisco NX-OS would display the banner at login.
- Hourly alerts from May 22 to May 30. The login banner would require you to dismiss its prompt before you can complete login.

On May 31, the grace period ends, and the licensed feature is automatically disabled. You will not be allowed to use the licensed feature until you purchase a valid license.



Note

You cannot modify the frequency of the grace period messages.



Caution

After the final seven days of the grace period, the feature is turned off and your network traffic may be disrupted. Any future upgrade to Cisco NX-OS will enforce license requirements and the 120-day grace period.

Use the **show license usage** command to display grace period information for a device.

```
switch# show license usage
Feature Ins Lic Status Expiry Date Comments
Count

LAN_ADVANCED_SERVICES_PKG Yes - In use Never -
LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG No - In use Grace 119D 22H
```

Enabling the License Grace Period

Enable the grace period feeture by using the license grace period command

Enable the grace period feature by using the **license grace-period** command:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# license grace-period
```

For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, you can only enable the grace period feature from the default VDC.

Related Topics

```
Feature-Based Licenses, on page 14 Module-based Licenses, on page 30
```

Disabling the License Grace Period

To disable the grace period, you must disable all features that use the license grace period. Otherwise, the Cisco NX-OS software rejects the request and issues an error message.



Note

To avoid service disruptions, you should not disable the grace period before you install a permanent license.

SUMMARY STEPS

- **1.** Display the licenses using the grace period by using the **show license usage** command. For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, you must work in the default VDC.
- 2. Disable the features provided by the license using the grace period. Display the enabled features for a specified package by using the **show license usage** *package-name* command. For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, use the **show license usagevdc-all** *package_name* in the default VDC to view the enabled features in all VDCs.
- **3.** Disable the grace period.

DETAILED STEPS

Step 1 Display the licenses using the grace period by using the **show license usage** command. For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, you must work in the default VDC.

```
Switch# show license usage

Feature Ins Lic Status Expiry Date Comments

Count

LAN_ADVANCED_SERVICES_PKG Yes - In use Never -
LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG No - In use Grace 119D 22H
```

Step 2 Disable the features provided by the license using the grace period. Display the enabled features for a specified package by using the **show license usage** package-name command. For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, use the **show license usagevdc-all** package_name in the default VDC to view the enabled features in all VDCs.

```
switch# show license usage vdc-all LAN_ENTERPRISE_SERVICES_PKG
Application
------
bgp
ospf
bgp@2
ospf@2
```

Note

For the Cisco Nexus 7000 Series, if a feature name in the **show license usage vdc-all** command output is followed by "@" and a number, that means that the feature is enabled in a nondefault VDC and you must disable it from that VDC. The number after the feature name is the nondefault VDC identifier number. Use the **show vdc** command and **switchto vdc** command to reach the nondefault VDC where you can disable the feature.

When you disable a feature or when the license grace period expires, the Cisco NX-OS software generates a checkpoint containing the feature configuration that you can use to reconfigure the feature when you reenable the license after you install the license or reenable the grace period. For more information on checkpoints, see the *System Management Configuration Guide* for your platform.

Step 3 Disable the grace period.

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# no license grace-period
```

Associating a License with a Module

You must associate a module-based license with a module to enable the licensed features on that module.

Before you begin

- Ensure you have installed the correct license.
- Ensure you are in the correct VDC.
- Ensure you have met all required prerequisites for the feature. See the appropriate feature documentation for details.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. license fcoe module module-number

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	license fcoe module module-number	Associates the module-based license with the module.
	Example:	
	switch(config)# license fcoe module 2	

License Transfers Between Devices

A license is specific to the physical device for which it is issued and is not valid on any other physical device. If you need to transfer a license from one physical device to another, contact your customer service representative.



Note

If you have a single supervisor module on your Cisco NX-OS device and you replace the supervisor module, you must reinstall the license key file.

If you are evaluating a license when you replace the supervisor module, the grace period of the license is usually set to 120 days. On a dual supervisor system, the grace period of the license will be overwritten from the existing active supervisor module to the new standby supervisor module.



Note

If you purchased Cisco support through a Cisco reseller, contact the reseller directly. If you purchased support directly from Cisco, contact Cisco Technical Support at this URL: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/support/tsd_cisco_worldwide_contacts.html

Verifying the License Configuration

To display the license configuration information, perform one of the following tasks:

Command	Purpose	
show license [brief]		s information for all license files.
show license feature package mapping	1 -	s information about features e in installed license s.
	Note	The Cisco Nexus 9000 Series and the Cisco Nexus 3164Q switches do not support this command.

Command	Purpose
show license file	Displays information for a specific license file.
show license host-id	Displays the host ID for the physical device.
show license usage [license-package]	Displays the usage information for installed licenses.

Additional References

This section includes additional information related to licensing the Cisco NX-OS software.

Table 24: Applicable MIBs

MIBs	MIBs Link
CISCO-LICENSE_MGR-MIB	To locate and download MIBs, go to ftp://ftp.cisco.com/pub/mibs/supportlists/

Release History for Licensing

This table lists the release history for this feature.

Table 25: Release History for Licensing

License	Release	Notes		
Synchronous Ethernet (SyncE) add-on license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 10.1(2)	Support for the SyncE add-on license.		
C1P1TN9500M4-3Y C1P1TN9500M4-5Y C1P1TN9500M816-3Y C1P1TN9500M816-5Y (not ACI)	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(5)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 9500 Series switches.		
SyncE add-on license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(5)	Introduced Synchronous Ethernet (SyncE) add-on license for the Cisco Nexus 93180YC-FX3S platform switch.		

License	Release	Notes		
ACI-SEC-XF license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(5)	Added support for Secure VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site using CloudSec licensing.		
		Note Secure VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site using CloudSec licensing support is available with the ACI-SEC-XF license.		
		Note For Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(5), Secure VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site using CloudSec is supported only on Cisco Nexus 9300-FX2 platform switches,		
ACI-STRG, C1-N9K-STRG-XF-3Y, and C1-N9K-STRG-XF-5Y licenses	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(3)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 93180YC-FX platform switch.		
N3K-STR2K9 license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(3)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3408-S and 3432D-S switches.		
N93-LAN1K9-XF2 license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(3)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 9300-GX switches.		
NX-OS Advantage license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(3)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3132Q (excluding the 3132Q-40GE), 3172, 3172PQ, 3172TQ, 31128PQ, 3100-V, 3232C, 3264Q, and 3500 switches.		
		Note The Cisco Nexus 3132Q, 3172, 3172PQ, and 3172TQ platform switches support the NX-OS Advantage license only when running in N9K mode. You can view the switch mode using the show system switch-mode command.		
NXOS-ES-XF2 and NXOS-AD-XF2 licenses	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(3)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 9300-GX switches.		

License	Release	Notes
NXOS-SEC-XF license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(3)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 93216TC-FX2 and 93360YC-FX2 platform switches.
C1P1TN9300GF-3Y	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(2)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 9300
C1P1TN9300GF-5Y		Series switches.
C1P1TN9300XF-3Y		
C1P1TN9300XF-5Y		
C1P1TN9300XF2-3Y		
C1P1TN9300XF2-5Y		
Honor mode syslog in the output of the show license usage command	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(1)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 3000, 3500, 3600, and 9000 Series switches.
NX-OS Advantage license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(1)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 3132C-Z, 3264C-E, 3636C-R, and 36180YC-R switches.
NX-OS Essentials license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(1)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 3132C-Z, 3132Q (excluding the 3132Q-40GE), 3172, 3172PQ, 3172TQ, 31128PQ, 3100-V, 3232C, 3264C-E, 3264Q, 3464C, 34180YC, 3500, 3636C-R, and 36180YC-R switches.
NX-OS Essentials and Advantage licenses	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(1)	Recommended that the -XF2 licenses be purchased for Cisco Nexus 3000 Series switches and Cisco Nexus 9364C switches.
NXOS-SEC-XF license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.3(1)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 9332C, 9348C-FXP, and 9364C platform switches.
DCN (ACI+NX-OS) Essentials and Advantage license packages and add-on licenses	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.2(3)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 9300 platform switches.
N3K-LAN2K9 license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.2(3)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3264C-E and 3464C switches.
N3K-STR1K9 license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.2(3)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 34180YC switch.
N3K-STR2K9 license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.2(3)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3464C switch.

License	Release	Notes
N9K-LIC1-24P, N9K-EX-24P-UPG=, and N9K-FX-24P-UPG= licenses	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.2(3)	Added these 24-port licenses for the Cisco Nexus 93108TC-EX, 93108TC-FX, 93180YC-EX, and 93180YC-FX switches.
N3K-LAN2K9 license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.2(2v)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3432D-S switch.
N3K-LAN2K9 license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.2(2t)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3408-S switch.
NXOS-SEC-XF license	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 9.2(1)	Added this license for Cisco Nexus 9000 Series ToR switches that support MACsec.
Honor Mode Licensing	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 8.4(1)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 7000
	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 8.2(4)	Series switches.
ENHANCED_LAYER2_PKG license	Cisco NX-OS Release 8.2(1)	iCAM feature is available under the ENHANCED_LAYER2_PKG license on Cisco Nexus 7000 Series switches.
N95-FAB1K9 and N3K-FAB1K9 licenses	Cisco NX-OS Release 7.0(3)F3(3)	Added support for the InterAS option B and MPLS Layer 3 VPN features.
N3K-LAN1K9 license	Cisco NX-OS Release 7.0(3)F3(1)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3600 platform switches.
ACI Premier license packages	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I7(7)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 9300 Series switches.
NX-OS Essentials and Advantage licenses	Cisco Nexus NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I7(7)	The -XF2 licenses now have priority over the -XF licenses for Cisco Nexus 3000 and 3600 Series switches and Cisco Nexus 9364C switches.
NXOS-ES-XF2, NXOS-AD-XF2, and NXOS-NDB licenses	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I7(6)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 9364C switch.
N93-LAN1K9-XF2 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)17(6)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 9364C switch.
NX-OS Essentials and Advantage license packages and NX-OS upgrade licenses	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)17(3)	Introduced for the Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches.
NXOS-SEC-XM license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)17(2)	Added support for the MACsec feature for Cisco EoR switches.

License	Release	Notes
FC NPV and FCoE NPV licenses	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)17(2)	Added support for FC and FCoE NPV.
N95-FAB1K9 and N93-FAB1K9 licenses	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I7(1)	Added support for the Pervasive Load Balancing, Tenant Routed Multicast, and VXLAN EVPN Multi-Site features.
N93-1G-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I7(1)	Introduced this license for the Cisco Nexus N9K-C9348GC-FXP switch.
N95-SERVICES1K9 and N93-SERVICES1K9	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)17(1)	Added support for the iCAM feature.
N3K-FAB1K9, N95-FAB1K9, and N93-FAB1K9 licenses	Cisco Nexus 3000 and 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I6(1)	Added support for the Layer 3 EVPN over segment routing MPLS feature.
N95-SERVICES1K9 and N93-SERVICES1K9 licenses	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I6(1)	Added support for the catena and smart channel features.
N93-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I4(2)	Added support for the non-blocking multicast (NMB) feature on Cisco Nexus 9236C, 9272Q, and 92160YC-X switches.
N3K-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I4(1)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3100-V switches.
N95-FNPV1K9 license and N93-FNPV1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I3(1)	Added these licenses to support FCoE NPV on Cisco Nexus 9500 and 9300 Series switches.
N93-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I3(1)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 9200 Series switches.
N3K-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 3232C and 3264Q NX-OS Release 7.0(3)IX1(2)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3232C and 3264Q switches.
N3172T-32T-LIC, N3172T-16T-UPG	Cisco Nexus 3000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I2(1)	N3172T-32T-LIC is the default 32-port license for Cisco Nexus 3172TQ switches. N3172T-16T-UPG is the 16-port upgrade license for Cisco Nexus 3172TQ switches. This is the upgrade license to enable 16 ports and it can only be applied to N3K-C3172TQ-32T.
N3K-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 3000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I2(1)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 31128PQ switch and the Cisco Nexus 3100 Series switches in N9K mode.

License	Release	Notes
N95-LAN1K9 and N93-LAN1K9 licenses	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I2(1)	Added support for PIM bidirectional mode and Source-Specific Multicast (SSM) mode.
N6K-SERVICES1K9, N56-SERVICES1K9, and N55-SERVICES1K9	Cisco Nexus 5500, 5600, and 6000 Series NX-OS Release 7.2(0)N1(1)	Added these licenses to support the Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD) and Remote Integrated Services Engine (RISE) on the Cisco Nexus 5500, 5600 and 6000 Series switches.
N95-SERVICES1K9 license and N93-SERVICES1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I1(2)	Added these licenses to support the Intelligent Traffic Director (ITD) on the Cisco Nexus 9500 and 9300 Series switches.
N95-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I1(2)	Added VXLAN and BGP eVPN control plane support for the Cisco Nexus 9500 Series switches.
FCoE F3 Series	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS Release 7.2(0)D1(1)	Added licenses for FCoE on F3 Series modules.
MPLS	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS Release 7.2(0)D1(1)	Added license for MPLS on Cisco Nexus 7700 switches.
N93-LAN1K9 license and N3K-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 7.0(3)I1(1)	Added support for the BGP eVPN control plane for the Cisco Nexus 9300 Series switches and the Cisco Nexus 3164Q switch.
N95-LAN1K9 license, N93-LAN1K9 license, and N3K-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 6.1(2)I3(1)	Added support for policy-based routing.
N3K-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 6.1(2)I2(2a)	Added support for the Cisco Nexus 3164Q switch.
N93-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 6.1(2)I2(1)	Added the license for the Cisco Nexus 9300 Series switches.
N95-LAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release 6.1(2)I1(1)	Added the license for the Cisco Nexus 9500 Series switches.
N77-LAN1K9 license N77-VDC1K9 license N77-EL21K9 license N77-SAN1K9 license	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS Release 6.2(2)	Added licenses for the Cisco Nexus 7718 switch and the Cisco Nexus 7710 switch.
Layer 3 Base Services Package	Cisco Nexus 3548 Switch NX-OS Release 5.0(3)A1(1)	Added the Cisco Nexus 3548 Layer 3 Base License.

License	Release	Notes
Layer 3 Enterprise Services Package	Cisco Nexus 3548 Switch NX-OS Release 5.0(3)A1(1)	Added the Cisco Nexus 3548 Layer 3 Enterprise License.
NAT, Warp Mode, Warp SPAN	Cisco Nexus 3548 Switch NX-OS Release 5.0(3)A1(1)	Added the new 3500 Algo Boost License.
N7K-C7004-XL license	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS Release 6.1(2)	Added the Cisco Nexus 7004 Scalable Feature License.
VDC and FCoE F2 Series	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS Release 6.1(1)	Added licenses for VDCs and FCoE on F2 Series modules. Removed Cisco TrustSec from the
		Advanced Services Package.
MPLS, LISP, and FCoE	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS Release 5.2(1)	Added licenses for the MPLS, LISP, and FCoE features.
Grace period	Cisco Nexus 7000 Series NX-OS Release 4.2(1)	Automatic checkpoints are created for configured licensed features when the grace period expires.