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## Audience

This publication is for network administrators who configure and maintain Cisco Nexus devices and Cisco Nexus 2000 Series Fabric Extenders.

## Document Conventions



### Note

As part of our constant endeavor to remodel our documents to meet our customers' requirements, we have modified the manner in which we document configuration tasks. As a result of this, you may find a deviation in the style used to describe these tasks, with the newly included sections of the document following the new format.

Command descriptions use the following conventions:

Convention	Description
<b>bold</b>	Bold text indicates the commands and keywords that you enter literally as shown.
<i>Italic</i>	Italic text indicates arguments for which the user supplies the values.
[x]	Square brackets enclose an optional element (keyword or argument).

Convention	Description
[x   y]	Square brackets enclosing keywords or arguments separated by a vertical bar indicate an optional choice.
{x   y}	Braces enclosing keywords or arguments separated by a vertical bar indicate a required choice.
[x {y   z}]	Nested set of square brackets or braces indicate optional or required choices within optional or required elements. Braces and a vertical bar within square brackets indicate a required choice within an optional element.
<i>variable</i>	Indicates a variable for which you supply values, in context where italics cannot be used.
string	A nonquoted set of characters. Do not use quotation marks around the string or the string will include the quotation marks.

Examples use the following conventions:

Convention	Description
<code>screen font</code>	Terminal sessions and information the switch displays are in screen font.
<b>boldface screen font</b>	Information you must enter is in boldface screen font.
<i>italic screen font</i>	Arguments for which you supply values are in italic screen font.
<>	Nonprinting characters, such as passwords, are in angle brackets.
[ ]	Default responses to system prompts are in square brackets.
!, #	An exclamation point (!) or a pound sign (#) at the beginning of a line of code indicates a comment line.

This document uses the following conventions:



**Note**

Means *reader take note*. Notes contain helpful suggestions or references to material not covered in the manual.



**Caution**

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

# Related Documentation for Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Software

The entire Cisco NX-OS 5500 Series documentation set is available at the following URL:

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/switches/nexus-5000-series-switches/tsd-products-support-series-home.html>

## Release Notes

The release notes are available at the following URL:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/prod\\_release\\_notes\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/prod_release_notes_list.html)

## Configuration Guides

These guides are available at the following URL:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/products\\_installation\\_and\\_configuration\\_guides\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/products_installation_and_configuration_guides_list.html)

The documents in this category include:

- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Adapter-FEX Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS FabricPath Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS FCoE Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Fundamentals Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Interfaces Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Layer 2 Switching Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Multicast Routing Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Quality of Service Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS SAN Switching Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Security Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS System Management Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Unicast Routing Configuration Guide*

## Installation and Upgrade Guides

These guides are available at the following URL:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/prod\\_installation\\_guides\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/prod_installation_guides_list.html)

The document in this category include:

- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Software Upgrade and Downgrade Guides*

### Licensing Guide

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### Command References

These guides are available at the following URL:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/prod\\_command\\_reference\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/prod_command_reference_list.html)

The documents in this category include:

- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Fabric Extender Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS FabricPath Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Fundamentals Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Interfaces Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Layer 2 Interfaces Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Multicast Routing Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Quality of Service Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Security Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS System Management Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS TrustSec Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Unicast Routing Command Reference*
- *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Virtual Port Channel Command Reference*

### Technical References

The *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS MIB Reference* is available at [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/switches/datacenter/nexus5500/sw/mib/reference/NX5500\\_MIBRef.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/switches/datacenter/nexus5500/sw/mib/reference/NX5500_MIBRef.html).

### Error and System Messages

The *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS System Message Guide* is available at [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/switches/datacenter/nexus5500/sw/system\\_messages/reference/sl\\_nxos\\_book.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/switches/datacenter/nexus5500/sw/system_messages/reference/sl_nxos_book.html).

### Troubleshooting Guide

The *Cisco Nexus 5500 Series NX-OS Troubleshooting Guide* is available at [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/switches/datacenter/nexus5500/sw/troubleshooting/guide/N5K\\_Troubleshooting\\_Guide.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/switches/datacenter/nexus5500/sw/troubleshooting/guide/N5K_Troubleshooting_Guide.html).

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