



Configuring Local Authentication and Authorization

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Configuring the Switch for Local Authentication and Authorization

You can configure AAA to operate without a server by setting the switch to implement AAA in local mode. The switch then handles authentication and authorization. No accounting is available in this configuration.



Note To secure the switch for HTTP access by using AAA methods, you must configure the switch with the **ip http authentication aaa** global configuration command. Configuring AAA authentication does not secure the switch for HTTP access by using AAA methods.

Follow these steps to configure AAA to operate without a server by setting the switch to implement AAA in local mode:

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **aaa new-model**
4. **aaa authentication login default local**
5. **aaa authorization exec default local**
6. **aaa authorization network default local**
7. **username name [privilege level] {password encryption-type password}**
8. **end**
9. **show running-config**
10. **copy running-config startup-config**

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Switch> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Switch# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	aaa new-model Example: Switch(config)# aaa new-model	Enables AAA.
Step 4	aaa authentication login default local Example: Switch(config)# aaa authentication login default local	Sets the login authentication to use the local username database. The default keyword applies the local user database authentication to all ports.
Step 5	aaa authorization exec default local Example: Switch(config)# aaa authorization exec default local	Configures user AAA authorization, check the local database, and allow the user to run an EXEC shell.
Step 6	aaa authorization network default local Example: Switch(config)# aaa authorization network default local	Configures user AAA authorization for all network-related service requests.
Step 7	username name [privilege level] {password encryption-type password} Example: Switch(config)# username your_user_name privilege 1 password 7 secret567	Enters the local database, and establishes a username-based authentication system. Repeat this command for each user. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For <i>name</i>, specify the user ID as one word. Spaces and quotation marks are not allowed. • (Optional) For <i>level</i>, specify the privilege level the user has after gaining access. The range is 0 to 15.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		<p>Level 15 gives privileged EXEC mode access. Level 0 gives user EXEC mode access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For <i>encryption-type</i>, enter 0 to specify that an unencrypted password follows. Enter 7 to specify that a hidden password follows. For <i>password</i>, specify the password the user must enter to gain access to the switch. The password must be from 1 to 25 characters, can contain embedded spaces, and must be the last option specified in the username command.
Step 8	<p>end</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Switch(config)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 9	<p>show running-config</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Switch# show running-config</pre>	Verifies your entries.
Step 10	<p>copy running-config startup-config</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Switch# copy running-config startup-config</pre>	(Optional) Saves your entries in the configuration file.

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Monitoring Local Authentication and Authorization

To display Local Authentication and Authorization configuration, use the **show running-config** privileged EXEC command.

