



# RADIUS Change of Authorization Support

The RADIUS Change of Authorization (CoA) provides a mechanism to change the attributes of an authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) session after it is authenticated

Identity-Based Networking Services supports RADIUS change of authorization (CoA) commands for session query, reauthentication, and termination, port bounce and port shutdown, and service template activation and deactivation.

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## Information About RADIUS Change-of-Authorization

### RADIUS Change of Authorization

The RADIUS Change of Authorization (CoA) provides a mechanism to change the attributes of an authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) session after it is authenticated. When a policy changes for a user or user group in AAA, administrators can send RADIUS CoA packets from the AAA server such as a Cisco Secure Access Control Server (ACS) to reinitialize authentication and apply the new policy. This section provides an overview of the RADIUS interface including available primitives and how they are used during a CoA.

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A standard RADIUS interface is typically used in a pulled model where the request originates from a network attached device and the response come from the queried servers. Catalyst switches support the RADIUS CoA extensions defined in RFC 5176 that are typically used in a pushed model and allow for the dynamic reconfiguring of sessions from external AAA or policy servers.

The switch supports these per-session CoA requests:

- Session reauthentication
- Session termination
- Session termination with port shutdown
- Session termination with port bounce

This feature is integrated with Cisco Secure Access Control Server (ACS) 5.1.

The RADIUS interface is enabled by default on Catalyst switches. However, some basic configuration is required for the following attributes:

- Security and Password—refer to the “Preventing Unauthorized Access to Your Switch” section in this guide.
- Accounting—refer to the “Starting RADIUS Accounting” section in the Configuring Switch-Based Authentication chapter in this guide.

Cisco IOS software supports the RADIUS CoA extensions defined in RFC 5176 that are typically used in a push model to allow the dynamic reconfiguring of sessions from external AAA or policy servers. Per-session CoA requests are supported for session identification, session termination, host reauthentication, port shutdown, and port bounce. This model comprises one request (CoA-Request) and two possible response codes:

- CoA acknowledgement (ACK) [CoA-ACK]
- CoA nonacknowledgement (NAK) [CoA-NAK]

The request is initiated from a CoA client (typically a AAA or policy server) and directed to the device that acts as a listener.

The table below shows the RADIUS CoA commands and vendor-specific attributes (VSAs) supported by Identity-Based Networking Services. All CoA commands must include the session identifier between the device and the CoA client.

**Table 1: RADIUS CoA Commands Supported by Identity-Based Networking Services**

CoA Command	Cisco VSA
Activate service	Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=activate-service" Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:service-name=<service-name>" Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:precedence=<precedence-number>" Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:activation-mode=replace-all"
Deactivate service	Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=deactivate-service" Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:service-name=<service-name>"
Bounce host port	Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=bounce-host-port"
Disable host port	Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=disable-host-port"
Session query	Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=session-query"

CoA Command	Cisco VSA
Session reauthenticate	Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=reauthenticate" Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:reauthenticate-type=last" or Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:reauthenticate-type=rerun"
Session terminate	This is a standard disconnect request and does not require a VSA.
Interface template	Cisco:AVpair="interface-template-name=<interfacetemplate>"

## Change-of-Authorization Requests

Change of Authorization (CoA) requests, as described in RFC 5176, are used in a push model to allow for session identification, host reauthentication, and session termination. The model is comprised of one request (CoA-Request) and two possible response codes:

- CoA acknowledgment (ACK) [CoA-ACK]
- CoA non-acknowledgment (NAK) [CoA-NAK]

The request is initiated from a CoA client (typically a RADIUS or policy server) and directed to the switch that acts as a listener.

## RFC 5176 Compliance

The Disconnect Request message, which is also referred to as Packet of Disconnect (POD), is supported by the switch for session termination.

This table shows the IETF attributes are supported for this feature.

**Table 2: Supported IETF Attributes**

Attribute Number	Attribute Name
24	State
31	Calling-Station-ID
44	Acct-Session-ID
80	Message-Authenticator
101	Error-Cause

This table shows the possible values for the Error-Cause attribute.

**Table 3: Error-Cause Values**

Value	Explanation
201	Residual Session Context Removed

Value	Explanation
202	Invalid EAP Packet (Ignored)
401	Unsupported Attribute
402	Missing Attribute
403	NAS Identification Mismatch
404	Invalid Request
405	Unsupported Service
406	Unsupported Extension
407	Invalid Attribute Value
501	Administratively Prohibited
502	Request Not Routable (Proxy)
503	Session Context Not Found
504	Session Context Not Removable
505	Other Proxy Processing Error
506	Resources Unavailable
507	Request Initiated
508	Multiple Session Selection Unsupported

## Preconditions

To use the CoA interface, a session must already exist on the switch. CoA can be used to identify a session and enforce a disconnect request. The update affects only the specified session.

## CoA Request Response Code

The CoA Request response code can be used to convey a command to the switch.

The packet format for a CoA Request Response code as defined in RFC 5176 consists of the following fields: Code, Identifier, Length, Authenticator, and Attributes in the Type:Length:Value (TLV) format. The Attributes field is used to carry Cisco vendor-specific attributes (VSAs).

## Session Identification

For disconnect and CoA requests targeted at a particular session, the switch locates the session based on one or more of the following attributes:

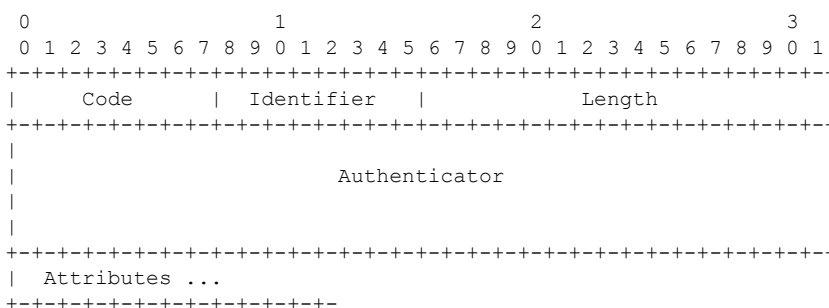
- Acct-Session-Id (IETF attribute #44)

- Audit-Session-Id (Cisco VSA)
- Calling-Station-Id (IETF attribute #31 which contains the host MAC address)
- IPv6 Attributes, which can be one of the following:
  - Framed-IPv6-Prefix (IETF attribute #97) and Framed-Interface-Id (IETF attribute #96), which together create a full IPv6 address per RFC 3162
  - Framed-IPv6-Address
- Plain IP Address (IETF attribute #8)

Unless all session identification attributes included in the CoA message match the session, the switch returns a Disconnect-NAK or CoA-NAK with the “Invalid Attribute Value” error-code attribute.

If more than one session identification attribute is included in the message, all the attributes must match the session or the switch returns a Disconnect- negative acknowledgment (NAK) or CoA-NAK with the error code “Invalid Attribute Value.”

The packet format for a CoA Request code as defined in RFC 5176 consists of the fields: Code, Identifier, Length, Authenticator, and Attributes in Type:Length:Value (TLV) format.



The attributes field is used to carry Cisco vendor-specific attributes (VSAs).

For CoA requests targeted at a particular enforcement policy, the device returns a CoA-NAK with the error code “Invalid Attribute Value” if any of the above session identification attributes are included in the message.

## Session Identification

For disconnect and CoA requests targeted at a particular session, the device locates the session based on one or more of the following attributes:

- Acct-Session-Id (IETF attribute #44)
- Audit-Session-Id (Cisco VSA)
- Calling-Station-Id (IETF attribute #31, which contains the host MAC address)
- IPv6 Attributes, which can be one of the following:
  - Framed-IPv6-Prefix (IETF attribute #97) and Framed-Interface-Id (IETF attribute #96), which together create a full IPv6 address per RFC 3162
  - Framed-IPv6-Address

- Plain IP Address (IETF attribute #8)

If more than one session identification attribute is included in the message, all of the attributes must match the session or the device returns a Disconnect-NAK or CoA-NAK with the error code “Invalid Attribute Value.”

For CoA requests targeted at a particular enforcement policy, the device returns a CoA-NAK with the error code “Invalid Attribute Value” if any of the above session identification attributes are included in the message.

## CoA ACK Response Code

If the authorization state is changed successfully, a positive acknowledgment (ACK) is sent. The attributes returned within CoA ACK will vary based on the CoA Request and are discussed in individual CoA Commands.

## CoA NAK Response Code

A negative acknowledgment (NAK) indicates a failure to change the authorization state and can include attributes that indicate the reason for the failure. Use **show** commands to verify a successful CoA.

## Session Reauthentication

The AAA server typically generates a session reauthentication request when a host with an unknown identity or posture joins the network and is associated with a restricted access authorization profile (such as a guest VLAN). A reauthentication request allows the host to be placed in the appropriate authorization group when its credentials are known.

To initiate session authentication, the AAA server sends a standard CoA-Request message which contains a Cisco VSA in this form: *Cisco:Avpair=“subscriber:command=reauthenticate”* and one or more session identification attributes.

The current session state determines the switch response to the message. If the session is currently authenticated by IEEE 802.1x, the switch responds by sending an EAPoL (Extensible Authentication Protocol over Lan) -RequestId message to the server.

If the session is currently authenticated by MAC authentication bypass (MAB), the switch sends an access-request to the server, passing the same identity attributes used for the initial successful authentication.

If session authentication is in progress when the switch receives the command, the switch terminates the process, and restarts the authentication sequence, starting with the method configured to be attempted first.

If the session is not yet authorized, or is authorized via guest VLAN, or critical VLAN, or similar policies, the reauthentication message restarts the access control methods, beginning with the method configured to be attempted first. The current authorization of the session is maintained until the reauthentication leads to a different authorization result.

## Session Reauthentication in a Switch Stack

When a switch stack receives a session reauthentication message:

- It checkpoints the need for a re-authentication before returning an acknowledgment (ACK).
- It initiates reauthentication for the appropriate session.

- If authentication completes with either success or failure, the signal that triggered the reauthentication is removed from the stack's member switch.
- If the stack's active switch fails before authentication completes, reauthentication is initiated after active switch changeover based on the original command (which is subsequently removed).
- If the active switch fails before sending an ACK, the new active switch treats the re-transmitted command as a new command.

## Session Termination

There are three types of CoA requests that can trigger session termination. A CoA Disconnect-Request terminates the session, without disabling the host port. This command causes re-initialization of the authenticator state machine for the specified host, but does not restrict that host access to the network.

To restrict a host's access to the network, use a CoA Request with the Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=disable-host-port" VSA. This command is useful when a host is known to be causing problems on the network, and you need to immediately block network access for the host. When you want to restore network access on the port, re-enable it using a non-RADIUS mechanism.

When a device with no supplicant, such as a printer, needs to acquire a new IP address (for example, after a VLAN change), terminate the session on the host port with port-bounce (temporarily disable and then re-enable the port).

## CoA Activate Service Command

The CoA activate service command can be used to activate a service template on a session. The AAA server sends the request in a standard CoA-Request message using the following VSAs:

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=activate-service"
```

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:service-name=<service-name>"
```

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:precedence=<precedence-number>"
```

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:activation-mode=replace-all"
```

Because this command is session-oriented, it must be accompanied by one or more of the session identification attributes described in the *Session Identification* section below. If the device cannot locate a session, it returns a CoA-NAK message with the "Session Context Not Found" error-code attribute. If the device locates a session, it initiates an activate template operation for the hosting port and a CoA-ACK is returned. If activating the template fails, a CoA-NAK message is returned with the Error-Code attribute set to the appropriate message.

If the device fails before returning a CoA-ACK to the client, the process is repeated on the new active device when the request is re-sent from the client. If the device fails after returning a CoA-ACK message to the client but before the operation is complete, the operation is restarted on the new active device.

### Session Identification

For disconnect and CoA requests targeted at a particular session, the device locates the session based on one or more of the following attributes:

- Acct-Session-Id (IETF attribute #44)
- Audit-Session-Id (Cisco VSA)

- Calling-Station-Id (IETF attribute #31, which contains the host MAC address)
- IPv6 Attributes, which can be one of the following:
  - Framed-IPv6-Prefix (IETF attribute #97) and Framed-Interface-Id (IETF attribute #96), which together create a full IPv6 address per RFC 3162
  - Framed-IPv6-Address
- Plain IP Address (IETF attribute #8)

If more than one session identification attribute is included in the message, all of the attributes must match the session or the device returns a Disconnect-NAK or CoA-NAK with the error code “Invalid Attribute Value.”

For CoA requests targeted at a particular enforcement policy, the device returns a CoA-NAK with the error code “Invalid Attribute Value” if any of the above session identification attributes are included in the message.

## CoA Deactivate Service Command

The CoA deactivate service command can be used to deactivate a service template on a session. The AAA server sends the request in a standard CoA-Request message using the following VSAs:

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=deactivate-service"
```

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:service-name=<service-name>"
```

Because this command is session-oriented, it must be accompanied by one or more of the session identification attributes described in the *Session Identification* section below. If the device cannot locate a session, it returns a CoA-NAK message with the “Session Context Not Found” error-code attribute. If the device locates a session, it initiates a deactivate template operation for the hosting port and a CoA-ACK is returned. If deactivating the template fails, a CoA-NAK message is returned with the Error-Code attribute set to the appropriate message.

If the device fails before returning a CoA-ACK to the client, the process is repeated on the new active device when the request is re-sent from the client. If the device fails after returning a CoA-ACK message to the client but before the operation is complete, the operation is restarted on the new active device.

### Session Identification

For disconnect and CoA requests targeted at a particular session, the device locates the session based on one or more of the following attributes:

- Acct-Session-Id (IETF attribute #44)
- Audit-Session-Id (Cisco VSA)
- Calling-Station-Id (IETF attribute #31, which contains the host MAC address)
- IPv6 Attributes, which can be one of the following:
  - Framed-IPv6-Prefix (IETF attribute #97) and Framed-Interface-Id (IETF attribute #96), which together create a full IPv6 address per RFC 3162
  - Framed-IPv6-Address
- Plain IP Address (IETF attribute #8)



If more than one session identification attribute is included in the message, all of the attributes must match the session or the device returns a Disconnect-NAK or CoA-NAK with the error code “Invalid Attribute Value.”

For CoA requests targeted at a particular enforcement policy, the device returns a CoA-NAK with the error code “Invalid Attribute Value” if any of the above session identification attributes are included in the message.

## CoA Request: Disable Host Port

The RADIUS server CoA disable port command administratively shuts down the authentication port that is hosting a session, resulting in session termination. This command is useful when a host is known to cause problems on the network and network access needs to be immediately blocked for the host. To restore network access on the port, reenable it using a non-RADIUS mechanism. This command is carried in a standard CoA-Request message that has this new vendor-specific attribute (VSA):

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=disable-host-port"
```

Because this command is session-oriented, it must be accompanied by one or more of the session identification attributes described in the “Session Identification” section. If the session cannot be located, the switch returns a CoA-NAK message with the “Session Context Not Found” error-code attribute. If the session is located, the switch disables the hosting port and returns a CoA-ACK message.

If the switch fails before returning a CoA-ACK to the client, the process is repeated on the new active switch when the request is re-sent from the client. If the switch fails after returning a CoA-ACK message to the client but before the operation has completed, the operation is restarted on the new active switch.



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**Note** A Disconnect-Request failure following command re-sending could be the result of either a successful session termination before change-over (if the Disconnect-ACK was not sent) or a session termination by other means (for example, a link failure) that occurred after the original command was issued and before the standby switch became active.

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## CoA Request: Bounce-Port

A RADIUS server CoA bounce port sent from a RADIUS server can cause a link flap on an authentication port, which triggers DHCP renegotiation from one or more hosts connected to this port. This incident can occur when there is a VLAN change and the endpoint is a device (such as a printer) that does not have a mechanism to detect a change on this authentication port. The CoA bounce port is carried in a standard CoA-Request message that contains the following VSA:

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=bounce-host-port"
```

Because this command is session-oriented, it must be accompanied by one or more of the session identification attributes. If the session cannot be located, the switch returns a CoA-NAK message with the “Session Context Not Found” error-code attribute. If the session is located, the switch disables the hosting port for a period of 10 seconds, re-enables it (port-bounce), and returns a CoA-ACK.

If the switch fails before returning a CoA-ACK to the client, the process is repeated on the new active switch when the request is re-sent from the client. If the switch fails after returning a CoA-ACK message to the client but before the operation has completed, the operation is re-started on the new active switch.

## CoA Session Query Command

The CoA session query command requests service information about a subscriber session. The AAA server sends the request in a standard CoA-Request message containing the following VSA:

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=session-query"
```

Because this command is session-oriented, it must be accompanied by one or more of the session identification attributes described in the *Session Identification* section below. If the device cannot locate a session, it returns a CoA-NAK message with the "Session Context Not Found" error-code attribute. If the device locates a session, it performs a session query operation on the session and returns a CoA-ACK message.

If the device fails before returning a CoA-ACK to the client, the process is repeated on the new active device when the request is re-sent from the client. If the device fails after returning a CoA-ACK message to the client but before the operation is complete, the operation is restarted on the new active device.

### Session Identification

For disconnect and CoA requests targeted at a particular session, the device locates the session based on one or more of the following attributes:

- Acct-Session-Id (IETF attribute #44)
- Audit-Session-Id (Cisco VSA)
- Calling-Station-Id (IETF attribute #31, which contains the host MAC address)
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  - Framed-IPv6-Address
- Plain IP Address (IETF attribute #8)

If more than one session identification attribute is included in the message, all of the attributes must match the session or the device returns a Disconnect-NAK or CoA-NAK with the error code "Invalid Attribute Value."

For CoA requests targeted at a particular enforcement policy, the device returns a CoA-NAK with the error code "Invalid Attribute Value" if any of the above session identification attributes are included in the message.

## CoA Session Reauthenticate Command

To initiate session authentication, the AAA server sends a standard CoA-Request message containing the following VSAs:

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:command=reauthenticate"
```

```
Cisco:Avpair="subscriber:reauthenticate-type=<last | rerun>"
```

"reauthenticate-type" defines whether the CoA reauthentication request uses the authentication method that last succeeded on the session or whether the authentication process is completely rerun.

The following rules apply:

- "subscriber:command=reauthenticate" must be present to trigger a reauthentication.

- If “subscriber:reauthenticate-type” is not specified, the default behavior is to rerun the last successful authentication method for the session. If the method reauthenticates successfully, all old authorization data is replaced with the new reauthenticated authorization data.
- “subscriber:reauthenticate-type” is valid only when included with “subscriber:command=reauthenticate.” If it is included in another CoA command, the VSA will be silently ignored.

If the device fails before returning a CoA-ACK to the client, the process is repeated on the new active device when the request is resent from the client. If the device fails after returning a CoA-ACK message to the client but before the operation is complete, the operation is restarted on the new active device.

## CoA Session Terminate Command

A CoA Disconnect-Request command terminates a session without disabling the host port. This command causes reinitialization of the authenticator state machine for the specified host, but does not restrict the host’s access to the network. If the session cannot be located, the device returns a Disconnect-NAK message with the “Session Context Not Found” error-code attribute. If the session is located, the device terminates the session. After the session has been completely removed, the device returns a Disconnect-ACK.

If the device fails before returning a CoA-ACK to the client, the process is repeated on the new active device when the request is re-sent from the client.

To restrict a host’s access to the network, use a CoA Request with the Cisco:Avpair=“subscriber:command=disable-host-port” VSA. This command is useful when a host is known to cause problems on the network and network access needs to be immediately blocked for the host. When you want to restore network access on the port, reenable it using a non-RADIUS mechanism.

## Stacking Guidelines for Session Termination

No special handling is required for CoA Disconnect-Request messages in a switch stack.

## Stacking Guidelines for CoA-Request Bounce-Port

Because the **bounce-port** command is targeted at a session, not a port, if the session is not found, the command cannot be executed.

When the Auth Manager command handler on the active switch receives a valid **bounce-port** command, it checkpoints the following information before returning a CoA-ACK message:

- the need for a port-bounce
- the port-id (found in the local session context)

The switch initiates a port-bounce (disables the port for 10 seconds, then re-enables it).

If the port-bounce is successful, the signal that triggered the port-bounce is removed from the standby switch.

If the active switch fails before the port-bounce completes, a port-bounce is initiated after an active switch changeover based on the original command (which is subsequently removed).

If the active switch fails before sending a CoA-ACK message, the new active switch treats the re-sent command as a new command.

## Stacking Guidelines for CoA-Request Disable-Port

Because the **disable-port** command is targeted at a session, not a port, if the session is not found, the command cannot be executed.

When the Auth Manager command handler on the active switch receives a valid **disable-port** command, it verifies this information before returning a CoA-ACK message:

- the need for a port-disable
- the port-id (found in the local session context)

The switch attempts to disable the port.

If the port-disable operation is successful, the signal that triggered the port-disable is removed from the standby switch.

If the active switch fails before the port-disable operation completes, the port is disabled after an active switch changeover based on the original command (which is subsequently removed).

If the active switch fails before sending a CoA-ACK message, the new active switch treats the re-sent command as a new command.

# How to Configure RADIUS Change-of-Authorization

## Configuring CoA on the Switch

Follow these steps to configure CoA on a switch. This procedure is required.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **aaa new-model**
4. **aaa server radius dynamic-author**
5. **client** *{ip-address | name}* [**vrf** *vrfname*] [**server-key** *string*]
6. **server-key** [**0** | **7**] *string*
7. **port** *port-number*
8. **auth-type** *{any | all | session-key}*
9. **ignore session-key**
10. **ignore server-key**
11. **authentication command bounce-port ignore**
12. **authentication command disable-port ignore**
13. **end**
14. **show running-config**
15. **copy running-config startup-config**

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>enable</b> <b>Example:</b> Switch> <b>enable</b>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 2	<b>configure terminal</b> <b>Example:</b> Switch# <b>configure terminal</b>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<b>aaa new-model</b> <b>Example:</b> Switch(config)# <b>aaa new-model</b>	Enables AAA.
Step 4	<b>aaa server radius dynamic-author</b> <b>Example:</b> Switch(config)# <b>aaa server radius dynamic-author</b>	Configures the switch as an authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) server to facilitate interaction with an external policy server.
Step 5	<b>client {ip-address   name} [vrf vrfname] [server-key string]</b>	Enters dynamic authorization local server configuration mode and specifies a RADIUS client from which a device will accept CoA and disconnect requests.
Step 6	<b>server-key [0   7] string</b> <b>Example:</b> Switch(config-sg-radius)# <b>server-key your_server_key</b>	Configures the RADIUS key to be shared between a device and RADIUS clients.
Step 7	<b>port port-number</b> <b>Example:</b> Switch(config-sg-radius)# <b>port 25</b>	Specifies the port on which a device listens for RADIUS requests from configured RADIUS clients.
Step 8	<b>auth-type {any   all   session-key}</b> <b>Example:</b> Switch(config-sg-radius)# <b>auth-type any</b>	Specifies the type of authorization the switch uses for RADIUS clients.  The client must match all the configured attributes for authorization.
Step 9	<b>ignore session-key</b>	(Optional) Configures the switch to ignore the session-key.

	Command or Action	Purpose
		For more information about the <b>ignore</b> command, see the <i>Cisco IOS Intelligent Services Gateway Command Reference</i> on Cisco.com.
<b>Step 10</b>	<b>ignore server-key</b> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Switch(config-sg-radius)# ignore server-key</pre>	(Optional) Configures the switch to ignore the server-key.  For more information about the <b>ignore</b> command, see the <i>Cisco IOS Intelligent Services Gateway Command Reference</i> on Cisco.com.
<b>Step 11</b>	<b>authentication command bounce-port ignore</b> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Switch(config-sg-radius)# authentication command bounce-port ignore</pre>	(Optional) Configures the switch to ignore a CoA request to temporarily disable the port hosting a session. The purpose of temporarily disabling the port is to trigger a DHCP renegotiation from the host when a VLAN change occurs and there is no supplicant on the endpoint to detect the change.
<b>Step 12</b>	<b>authentication command disable-port ignore</b> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Switch(config-sg-radius)# authentication command disable-port ignore</pre>	(Optional) Configures the switch to ignore a nonstandard command requesting that the port hosting a session be administratively shut down. Shutting down the port results in termination of the session.  Use standard CLI or SNMP commands to re-enable the port.
<b>Step 13</b>	<b>end</b> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Switch(config-sg-radius)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
<b>Step 14</b>	<b>show running-config</b> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Switch# show running-config</pre>	Verifies your entries.
<b>Step 15</b>	<b>copy running-config startup-config</b> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Switch# copy running-config startup-config</pre>	(Optional) Saves your entries in the configuration file.

## Monitoring and Troubleshooting CoA Functionality

The following Cisco IOS commands can be used to monitor and troubleshoot CoA functionality on the switch:

- `debug radius`
- `debug aaa coa`

- `debug aaa pod`
- `debug aaa subsys`
- `debug cmdhd [detail | error | events]`
- `show aaa attributes protocol radius`

## Additional References for RADIUS Change-of-Authorization

### Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
Identity-Based Networking Services commands	<a href="#">Cisco IOS Identity-Based Networking Services Command Reference</a>

### Standards and RFCs

Standard/RFC	Title
RFC 5176	Dynamic Authorization Extensions to RADIUS

### Technical Assistance

Description	Link
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## Feature Information for RADIUS Change-of-Authorization Support

The following table provides release information about the feature or features described in this module. This table lists only the software release that introduced support for a given feature in a given software release train. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that software release train also support that feature.

Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform support and Cisco software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to [www.cisco.com/go/cfn](http://www.cisco.com/go/cfn). An account on Cisco.com is not required.

Table 4: Feature Information for RADIUS Change-of-Authorization Support

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
RADIUS Change-of-Authorization	Cisco IOS Release 15.2(1)E	Supports CoA requests for initiating the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Activating and deactivating service templates on sessions</li><li>• Port bounce</li><li>• Port shutdown</li><li>• Querying a session</li><li>• Reauthenticating a session</li><li>• Terminating a session</li></ul> These VSAs are sent in a standard CoA-Request message from a AAA server.