



## MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support

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The MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support feature allows service providers to configure Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) between provider edge (PE) and customer edge (CE) devices in a Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) virtual private network (VPN). This feature increases flexibility when devices exchange routing information among sites because a separate router ID for each interface or subinterface is configured on a PE device attached to multiple CE devices within a VPN. An MPLS VPN consists of a set of sites that are interconnected by means of an MPLS provider core network. At each customer site, one or more CE devices attach to one or more PE devices.

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## Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and the release notes for your platform and software release. To find information about the features documented in this module, and to see a list of the releases in which each feature is supported, see the feature information table.

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## Prerequisites for MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support

- Configure MPLS Layer 3 VPNs.
- Configure the Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) in the core.

# Information About MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support

## Overview of MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support

This feature allows service providers to configure Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) between provider edge (PE) and customer edge (CE) devices in an MPLS VPN network.

This feature increases flexibility when devices exchange routing information among sites because a separate router ID for each interface or subinterface is configured on a PE device attached to multiple CE devices within a VPN.

## How to Configure MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support

### Configuring OSPF as the Routing Protocol Between the PE and CE Devices

Perform this task to configure PE-to-CE routing sessions that use Open Shortest Path First (OSPF).



#### Note

The Cisco implementation of OSPF in an MPLS VPN PE-CE environment is compliant with RFC 4576.

#### Before You Begin

Configure the PE device with the same routing protocol that the CE device uses.

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **router ospf** *process-id* [**vrf** *vpn-name*]
4. **network** *ip-address wildcard-mask area* *area-id*
5. **address-family ipv4** [**multicast** | **unicast** | **vrf** *vrf-name*]
6. **redistribute protocol** | [**process-id**] | {**level-1** | **level-1-2** | **level-2**} [*as-number*] [**metric** *metric-value*] [**metric-type** *type-value*] [**match** {**internal** | **external 1** | **external 2**}] [**tag** *tag-value*] [**route-map** *map-tag*] [**subnets**]
7. **exit-address-family**
8. **end**

#### DETAILED STEPS

|        | Command or Action | Purpose                       |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Step 1 | <b>enable</b>     | Enables privileged EXEC mode. |

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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|               | <b>Example:</b><br><pre>Device&gt; enable</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>configure terminal</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>Device# configure terminal</pre>                                                                                                                                       | Enters global configuration mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>router ospf process-id [vrf vpn-name]</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>Device(config)# router ospf 1 vrf grc</pre>                                                                                                         | <p>Enables OSPF routing and enters router configuration mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <i>process-id</i> argument identifies the OSPF process.</li> <li>The <b>vrf vpn-name</b> keyword and argument identify a virtual private network (VPN). Create a separate OSPF process for each virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) instance that will receive VPN routes.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <b>network ip-address wildcard-mask area area-id</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>Device(config-router)# network 10.0.0.1<br/>0.0.0.3 area 20</pre>                                                                           | <p>Defines the interfaces on which OSPF runs and to defines the area ID for those interfaces.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <i>ip-address</i> argument identifies the IP address.</li> <li>The <i>wildcard-mask</i> argument identifies the IP-address-type mask that includes “don’t care” bits.</li> <li>The <i>area-id</i> argument identifies the area that is to be associated with the OSPF address range. It can be specified as either a decimal value or an IP address. To associate areas with IP subnets, specify a subnet address as the value of the <i>area-id</i> argument.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <b>address-family ipv4 [multicast   unicast   vrf vrf-name]</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>Device(config-router)# address-family<br/>ipv4 vrf vpn1</pre>                                                                    | <p>Specifies the IPv4 address family type and enters address family configuration mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>multicast</b> keyword specifies IPv4 multicast address prefixes.</li> <li>The <b>unicast</b> keyword specifies IPv4 unicast address prefixes.</li> <li>The <b>vrf vrf-name</b> keyword and argument specify the name of the VRF to associate with subsequent IPv4 address family configuration mode commands.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Step 6</b> | <b>redistribute protocol [process-id] {level-1   level-1-2   level-2} [as-number] [metric metric-value] [metric-type type-value] [match {internal   external 1   external 2}] [tag tag-value] [route-map map-tag] [subnets]</b> | <p>Redistributes routes from one routing domain into another routing domain.</p> <p>You may need to include several protocols to ensure that all interior Border Gateway Protocol (IBGP) routes are distributed into the VRF.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

|               | Command or Action                                                                                             | Purpose                                   |
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|               | <b>Example:</b><br><pre>Device(config-router-af)# redistribute rip metric 1 subnets</pre>                     |                                           |
| <b>Step 7</b> | <b>exit-address-family</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>Device(config-router-af)# exit-address-family</pre> | Exits address family configuration mode.  |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <b>end</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br><pre>Device(config-router)# end</pre>                                    | (Optional) Exits to privileged EXEC mode. |

## Verifying Connectivity Between MPLS Virtual Private Network Sites

To verify that the local and remote customer edge (CE) devices can communicate across the Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) core, perform the following tasks:

### Verifying IP Connectivity from CE Device to CE Device Across the MPLS Core

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **ping** [*protocol*] {*host-name* | *system-address*}
3. **trace** [*protocol*] [*destination*]
4. **show ip route** [*ip-address* [*mask*] [**longer-prefixes**]] | *protocol* [*process-id*]] | [**list** [*access-list-name* | *access-list-number*]

#### DETAILED STEPS

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| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>enable</b><br>Enables privileged EXEC mode.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>ping</b> [ <i>protocol</i> ] { <i>host-name</i>   <i>system-address</i> }<br>Diagnoses basic network connectivity on AppleTalk, Connectionless-mode Network Service (CLNS), IP, Novell, Apollo, Virtual Integrated Network Service (VINES), DECnet, or Xerox Network Service (XNS) networks. Use the <b>ping</b> command to verify the connectivity from one CE device to another. |

- Step 3**      **trace** [*protocol*] [*destination*]  
Discovers the routes that packets take when traveling to their destination. The **trace** command can help isolate a trouble spot if two devices cannot communicate.
- Step 4**      **show ip route** [*ip-address* [*mask*] [**longer-prefixes**]] | *protocol* [*process-id*]] | [**list** [*access-list-name* | *access-list-number*]]  
Displays the current state of the routing table. Use the *ip-address* argument to verify that CE1 has a route to CE2. Verify the routes learned by CE1. Make sure that the route for CE2 is listed.
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## Verifying That the Local and Remote CE Devices Are in the PE Routing Table

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **show ip route vrf** *vrf-name* [*prefix*]
3. **show ip cef vrf** *vrf-name* [*ip-prefix*]

### DETAILED STEPS

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- Step 1**      **enable**  
Enables privileged EXEC mode.
- Step 2**      **show ip route vrf** *vrf-name* [*prefix*]  
Displays the IP routing table associated with a virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) instance. Check that the loopback addresses of the local and remote customer edge (CE) devices are in the routing table of the provider edge (PE) devices.
- Step 3**      **show ip cef vrf** *vrf-name* [*ip-prefix*]  
Displays the Cisco Express Forwarding forwarding table associated with a VRF. Check that the prefix of the remote CE device is in the Cisco Express Forwarding table.
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# Configuration Examples for MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support

## Example: Configuring an MPLS VPN Using OSPF

| PE Configuration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | CE Configuration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <pre> ip vrf vpn1  rd 100:1   route-target export 100:1   route-target import 100:1 ! ip cef mpls ldp router-id Loopback0 force mpls label protocol ldp ! interface Loopback0  ip address 10.0.0.1 255.255.255.255 ! interface FastEthernet0/0/0  ip vrf forwarding vpn1  ip address 34.0.0.2 255.0.0.0  no cdp enable ! router ospf 1000 vrf vpn1  log-adjacency-changes  redistribute bgp 100 metric-type 1 subnets  network 10.0.0.13 0.0.0.0 area 10000  network 34.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 10000 ! router bgp 100  no synchronization  bgp log-neighbor changes  neighbor 10.0.0.3 remote-as 100  neighbor 10.0.0.3 update-source Loopback0  no auto-summary ! address-family vpnv4  neighbor 10.0.0.3 activate  neighbor 10.0.0.3 send-community extended  bgp scan-time import 5  exit-address-family ! address-family ipv4 vrf vpn1  redistribute connected  redistribute ospf 1000 match internal  external 1 external 2  no auto-summary  no synchronization  exit-address-family </pre> | <pre> ip cef mpls ldp router-id Loopback0 force mpls label protocol ldp ! interface Loopback0  ip address 10.0.0.9 255.255.255.255 ! interface FastEthernet0/0/0  ip address 34.0.0.1 255.0.0.0  no cdp enable ! router ospf 1000  log-adjacency-changes  auto-cost reference-bandwidth 1000  redistribute connected subnets  network 34.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 area 1000  network 10.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 area 1000 </pre> |

## Additional References

### Related Documents

| Related Topic                       | Document Title                                                            |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cisco IOS commands                  | <a href="#">Cisco Master Command List, All Releases</a>                   |
| MPLS and MPLS applications commands | <a href="#">Cisco IOS Multiprotocol Label Switching Command Reference</a> |

### Standards and RFCs

| Standard/RFC | Title                                                                                                                       |
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| RFC 4576     | <i>Using a Link State Advertisement (LSA) Options Bit to Prevent Looping in BGP/MPLS IP Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)</i> |

### Technical Assistance

| Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Link                                                                                                              |
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## Feature Information for MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE 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.

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**Table 1: Feature Information for MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support**

| Feature Name                    | Releases                                                                                       | Feature Information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support | 12.0(5)T<br>12.0(11)ST<br>12.0(21)ST<br>12.2(17b)SXA<br>12.2(28)SB<br>Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1 | <p>The MPLS VPN OSPF PE and CE Support feature allows service providers to configure Open Shortest Path First (OSPF) between provider edge (PE) and customer edge (CE) devices in a Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) virtual private network (VPN).</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 12.0(5)T, this feature was introduced.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS Release 12.0(11)ST, 12.0(21)ST, 12.2(17b)SXA, and 12.2(28)SB, this feature was integrated.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1, this feature was implemented on Cisco ASR 1000 Series Routers.</p> <p>No commands were introduced or modified.</p> |