



Preface

This preface describes the audience, organization, and conventions of the *Cisco DCNM Fundamentals Configuration Guide, Release 4.0*. It also provides information on how to obtain related documentation.

This preface includes the following topics:

- [Audience, page xv](#)
- [Document Organization, page xv](#)
- [Document Conventions, page xvi](#)
- [Related Documentation, page xvi](#)
- [Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request, page xvii](#)

Audience

This publication is for experienced network administrators who configure and maintain NX-OS devices.

Document Organization

This document is organized into the following chapters:

Chapter	Description
Chapter 1, “Overview”	Provides an overview of what you need to do to start using DCNM.
Chapter 2, “Installing and Launching the DCNM Server”	Describes how to install and set up the DCNM server, which is required for using the DCNM client.
Chapter 3, “Installing and Launching the DCNM Client”	Describes how to install and set up the DCNM client.
Chapter 4, “Using the DCNM Client”	Introduces the DCNM client and explains how to use it.
Chapter 5, “Working with Inventory”	Describes how to use the Inventory feature.
Chapter 8, “Configuring SPAN”	Describes how to use the Switched Port Analyzer (SPAN) feature.

Send document comments to nexus7k-docfeedback@cisco.com

Chapter	Description
Chapter 7, “Managing Events”	Describes how to use the Events Browser and feature-specific Events tabs.
Chapter 6, “Working with Topology”	Describes how to use the Topology feature.
Chapter 9, “Administering the DCNM Server”	Describes how to use administrative features.
Chapter 10, “Troubleshooting DCNM”	Explains how to resolve problems that you might encounter with DCNM.

Document Conventions

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

Cisco DCNM documentation is available at the following URL:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9369/tsd_products_support_series_home.html

The documentation set for Cisco DCNM includes the following documents:

Release Notes

Cisco DCNM Release Notes, Release 4.0

DCNM Configuration Guides

Cisco DCNM Getting Started with Virtual Device Contexts, Release 4.0

Cisco DCNM Fundamentals Configuration Guide, Release 4.0

Cisco DCNM Interfaces Configuration Guide, Release 4.0

Cisco DCNM Layer 2 Switching Configuration Guide, Release 4.0

Cisco DCNM Web Services API Guide, Release 4.0

Cisco DCNM Security Configuration Guide, Release 4.0

Cisco DCNM Unicast Routing Configuration Guide, Release 4.0

Cisco DCNM Virtual Device Context Configuration Guide, Release 4.0

Cisco DCNM Software Upgrade Guide, Release 4.0

Cisco DCNM Licensing Guide, Release 4.0

Send document comments to nexus7k-docfeedback@cisco.com

Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request

For information on obtaining documentation, submitting a service request, and gathering additional information, see the monthly *What's New in Cisco Product Documentation*, which also lists all new and revised Cisco technical documentation, at:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/general/whatsnew/whatsnew.html>

Subscribe to the *What's New in Cisco Product Documentation* as a Really Simple Syndication (RSS) feed and set content to be delivered directly to your desktop using a reader application. The RSS feeds are a free service and Cisco currently supports RSS version 2.0.

Send document comments to nexus7k-docfeedback@cisco.com