



Preface

This preface describes the audience, organization, and conventions of this publication, and provides information on how to obtain related documentation.

Audience

This publication is for experienced network administrators who are responsible for configuring and maintaining Catalyst 6500 series switches.

Organization

This publication is organized as follows:

Chapter	Title	Description
Chapter 1	Command-Line Interface	Describes the Catalyst 6500 series switch CLI.
Chapter 2	Cisco IOS Commands for the Catalyst 6500 Series Switches	Lists alphabetically and provides detailed information for Cisco IOS commands specific to the Catalyst 6500 series switch.
Appendix A	Acronyms	Defines the acronyms used in this publication.

Related Documentation

The Catalyst 6500 series switch Cisco IOS documentation set includes these documents:

- *Catalyst 6500 Series Switch Module Installation Guide*
- *Catalyst 6500 Series Switch Cisco IOS Software Configuration Guide*
- *Catalyst 6500 Series Switch Cisco IOS System Message Guide*
- *Release Notes for Catalyst 6500 Series Switch Cisco IOS Software Release X.X*

The Cisco IOS documentation set includes these documents:

- *Configuration Fundamentals Configuration Guide*
- *Command Reference*

For information about MIBs, refer to this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml>

Conventions

This document uses the following conventions:

Convention	Description
boldface font	Commands, command options, and keywords are in boldface .
<i>italic font</i>	Arguments for which you supply values are in <i>italics</i> .
[]	Elements in square brackets are optional.
{ x y z }	Alternative keywords are grouped in braces and separated by vertical bars. Braces can also be used to group keywords and/or arguments; for example, { interface interface type }.
[x y z]	Optional alternative keywords are grouped in brackets and separated by vertical bars.
string	A nonquoted set of characters. Do not use quotation marks around the string or the string will include the quotation marks.
screen font	Terminal sessions and information the system displays are in screen font.
boldface screen font	Information you must enter is in boldface screen font .
<i>italic screen font</i>	Arguments for which you supply values are in <i>italic screen font</i> .
^	The symbol ^ represents the key labeled Control—for example, the key combination ^D in a screen display means hold down the Control key while you press the D key.
< >	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.

Notes use the following conventions:



Note

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

Cautions use the following conventions:

**Caution**

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

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