



# Preface

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## Audience

This guide is intended primarily for those who need to upgrade an existing Cisco Unified Computing System (Cisco UCS) domain.

## Organization

This document includes the following chapters:

Chapter	Title	Description
Part 1	Firmware Upgrades	Contains the information, prerequisites, required order of steps, and procedures that you must follow to successfully upgrade a Cisco UCS domain to the specified release with Cisco UCS Manager.
Part 2	Hardware Upgrades	Contains the information, prerequisites, and procedures that you must follow to successfully upgrade hardware in a Cisco UCS domain.

# Conventions

Text Type	Indication
GUI elements	GUI elements such as tab titles, area names, and field labels appear in <b>this font</b> . Main titles such as window, dialog box, and wizard titles appear in <b>this font</b> .
Document titles	Document titles appear in <i>this font</i> .
TUI elements	In a Text-based User Interface, text the system displays appears in <i>this font</i> .
System output	Terminal sessions and information that the system displays appear in <i>this font</i> .
CLI commands	CLI command keywords appear in <b>this font</b> . Variables in a CLI command appear in <i>this font</i> .
[ ]	Elements in square brackets are optional.
{x   y   z}	Required alternative keywords are grouped in braces and separated by vertical bars.
[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.
<>	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.




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**Note**

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

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**Tip**

Means *the following information will help you solve a problem*. The tips information might not be troubleshooting or even an action, but could be useful information, similar to a Timesaver.

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**Caution**

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

**Timesaver**

Means *the described action saves time*. You can save time by performing the action described in the paragraph.

**Warning****IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

This warning symbol means danger. You are in a situation that could cause bodily injury. Before you work on any equipment, be aware of the hazards involved with electrical circuitry and be familiar with standard practices for preventing accidents. Use the statement number provided at the end of each warning to locate its translation in the translated safety warnings that accompanied this device.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

## Related Documentation

A roadmap that lists all documentation for Cisco Unified Computing System (Cisco UCS) B-Series hardware and software is available at the following URL:

<http://www.cisco.com/go/unifiedcomputing/b-series-doc>

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