



PRODUCT BULLETIN NO. EOL5082

END-OF-SALE AND END-OF-LIFE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE CISCO PIX FIREWALL RELEASE 5.0

Cisco Systems® announces the end-of-sale and end-of life dates for the Cisco PIX Firewall Release 5.0. The last day to order the Cisco PIX Firewall Release 5.0 is August 25, 2000. Customers with active service contracts will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) as shown in Table 1 of the EoL bulletin. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the Cisco PIX Firewall Release 5.0.

Table 1. End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco PIX Firewall Release 5.0.

Milestone	Definition	Date
End-of-Sale Date	The last date to order the product through Cisco point-of-sale mechanisms. The product is no longer for sale after this date.	August 25, 2000
Last Date of Support: OS SW	The last date to receive service and support for the product. After this date, all support services for the product are unavailable, and the product becomes obsolete.	August 25, 2003

HW = Hardware OS SW = Operating System Software App. SW = Application Software

PRODUCT MIGRATION OPTIONS

This EOL serves several purposes:

1. Simplifies the task of selecting software for customers and account managers by reducing the number of releases concurrently available.
2. Encourages customers to operate their firewalls with more current software releases.
3. Improves software support by reducing the number of versions currently available.

It is recommended that all customers currently running Cisco PIX Firewall Release 5.0 upgrade their software to version 5.1(2).

512KB Flash Memory Upgrade

PIX "Classic" Firewall units (serial number 06002015 or lower) have a 512K flash card that will need to be upgraded to a minimum of 2MB in order to run the 5.1 software train. The Cisco Part PIX-FLASH-16MB= will meet these requirements, and is available through Cisco Marketplace.

Those with PIX 10000 or 5xx-series are not affected.

8/16MB RAM Upgrade

PIX "Classic" Firewall units have 8MB of RAM. PIX 10000 and PIX 510 Firewall units have 16MB of RAM. These units will need to be upgraded to a minimum of 32MB in order to run the 5.1 software train. Cisco part number PIX-MEM-UPG-128= meets these requirements for the "Classic" and 10000 units; Cisco part number PIX-MEM-5XX-128= meets these requirements for the 510 Firewall units. Both are available through the Cisco Marketplace.

Those with PIX 506, 515, or 520 units are not affected.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the Cisco PIX Firewall Release 5.1(2) visit

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/vpndevc/ps2030/index.html>**Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.** or contact your local account representative.

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