

End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco PIX 3DES License Spares Part Numbers

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Cisco Systems® announces the end-of-sale and end-of life dates for the Cisco PIX 3DES License Spares part numbers. This announcement does not affect the orderability of Triple Data Encryption Standard (3DES) as an option for a Cisco PIX Firewall at time of chassis purchase. The last day to order the Cisco PIX 3DES License Spares part numbers is August 29, 2003. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the Cisco PIX 3DES License Spares part numbers. Table 2 lists the product part numbers affected by this announcement.

Cisco introduced a new process for obtaining 3DES licenses as spares for Cisco PIX Firewalls. This new process is a more efficient, single Web-based automated method and replaces the previous manual process.

The previous 3DES Spares licensing process required that an order be placed using the Cisco PIX 3DES License Spares part number. A product authorization key (PAK) was then mailed to the customer. The customer entered the PAK and the PIX unit serial number into the PIX licensing page on Cisco.com to obtain the license key.

The new one-step 3DES Spares licensing process is available to any customer with a Cisco.com user ID and password. The new process eliminates the additional step of ordering the 3DES license spare and requiring the product authorization key to obtain the 3DES license. The new process is available from the Cisco PIX licensing page under Technical Support, and requires the registration of the Cisco PIX unit serial number to receive the 3DES license key.

Important: The new process to obtain a Cisco PIX 3DES License Spare does not affect the orderability of 3DES as an option for a Cisco PIX Firewall at time of chassis purchase. That option and applicable part numbers are still available.

Table 1. End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco PIX 3DES License Spares part numbers

Milestone	Definition	Date
End-of-Life Announcement Date	The date the document that announces the end of sale and end of life of a product is distributed to the general public.	June 6, 2003
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 29, 2003

Table 2. Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description
PIX-501-VPN-3DES	PIX 501 3DES/AES VPN/SSH/SSL encryption license
PIX-501-VPN-3DES=	PIX 501 3DES/AES VPN/SSH/SSL encryption license
PIX-506E-VPN-3DES	3DES Software Licence for PIX 506E
PIX-506E-VPN-3DES=	3DES Software Licence for PIX 506E
PIX-515-VPN-3DES	PIX 515E 3DES/AES VPN/SSH/SSL encryption license
PIX-515-VPN-3DES=	PIX 515/515E 3DES/AES VPN/SSH/SSL encryption license
PIX-VPN-3DES	PIX 525/535 3DES/AES VPN/SSH/SSL encryption license
PIX-VPN-3DES=	PIX 520/525/535 3DES/AES VPN/SSH/SSL encryption license

Product Migration Options

The recommended replacement for ordering the 3DES Spares licenses for the Cisco PIX Firewall family is the new 3DES licensing process available on Cisco.com. This new 3DES Spares licensing process is accessible from the Software Center. The direct link to the licensing page is: <http://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Software/FormManager/formgenerator.pl>

From this page, you can access the 3DES licensing process by selecting 3DES/AES (168bit) Encryption License in the table of information about the Cisco PIX Firewall.

Customers can use the Cisco Technology Migration Plan (TMP) to trade in products and receive credit toward the purchase of new Cisco equipment. For more information about Cisco TMP, go to: <http://www.cisco.com/go/tradein/>. The Cisco TMP application requires all users to have a Cisco.com user ID.

Table 3. Product Comparisons

Cisco PIX 3DES Spares License Part Numbers	Cisco PIX 3DES Spares License—New Licensing Pages
PIX-501-VPN-3DES=	https://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Software/FormManager/formgenerator.pl
PIX-506-SW-3DES=	https://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Software/FormManager/formgenerator.pl
PIX-515-VPN-3DES=	https://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Software/FormManager/formgenerator.pl
PIX-VPN-3DES=	https://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Software/FormManager/formgenerator.pl

For More Information

For more information about the Cisco PIX 3DES License Spares, visit <http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/vpndevc/ps2030/index.html> or contact your local account representative.

For more information about the Cisco End-of-Life Policy, go to: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/prod_end_of_life.html

To subscribe to receive end-of-life/end-of-sale information, go to: <http://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Support/FieldNoticeTool/field-notice>

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