



End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco Catalyst 2900 Series XL Modular Switches

Cisco Systems® announces the end-of-sale of the Cisco® Catalyst® 2900 Series XL Modular Switch. The last day to order the Cisco Catalyst 2900 Series XL Modular Switch and modules is April 9, 2004. Customers with the appropriate support contract may continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) until April 9, 2009. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the Cisco Catalyst 2900 Series XL modular switches and modules.

Customers are encouraged to migrate to the Cisco Catalyst 3550 Series or Catalyst 2950 Series switches, both of which provide advanced Layer 2 to Layer 4 intelligent services. Customers can deploy high-performance IP routing, advanced quality of service (QoS), granular rate limiting, enhanced network security, and multicast management networkwide, while maintaining the simplicity of traditional LAN switching.

For more information about the Catalyst 3550 and Catalyst 2950 series switches, visit:

<http://www.cisco.com/go/catalyst3550/>

<http://www.cisco.com/go/catalyst2950/>

Another migration alternative is to take advantage of the “Make the Move to Gigabit Ethernet” program. This program provides a 50 percent increase to the existing Cisco Technology Migration Program (Cisco TMP) credits when trading in a Catalyst 2900 Series XL for a new Catalyst 3750 Series or Catalyst 2970 Series Gigabit Ethernet switch. The Make the Move to Gigabit Ethernet program expires on January 24, 2004. For more information about this program, contact your Cisco account manager or authorized Cisco partner. For more information about the Catalyst 3750 and Catalyst 2970 series switches, visit:

<http://www.cisco.com/go/catalyst3750/>

<http://www.cisco.com/go/catalyst2970/>

Please note that the last order dates for the fixed-configuration models of the Cisco Catalyst 2900 Series XL, as well as the ATM modules for Catalyst 2900 Series XL switches, have already passed. Please refer to the respective end-of-sale notices on the Catalyst 2900 Series XL Web page: <http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps607/index.html>.



Table 1 End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco Catalyst 2900 Series XL Modular Switches and Modules

Milestone	Definition	Date
End-of-sale and end-of-life announcement	The date the document that announces the end of sale and end of life of a product is distributed to the general public.	October 6, 2003
End-of-sale	The last date to order the product through Cisco point-of-sale mechanisms. The product is no longer for sale after this date.	April 9, 2004
Last shipment	The last-possible ship date that can be requested of Cisco and/or its contract manufacturers. Actual ship date is dependent on lead time.	July 9, 2004
End of software maintenance releases	The last date that Cisco Engineering may release any final software maintenance releases or bug fixes. After this date, Cisco Engineering will no longer develop, repair, maintain, or test the product software.	April 9, 2005
End of routine failure analysis date	The last possible date a routine failure analysis may be performed to determine the cause of product failure or defect.	April 9, 2005
End of new service attachment	For equipment and software that is not covered by a service-and-support contract, this is the last date to order a new service-and-support contract or add the equipment and/or software to an existing service-and-support contract.	April 9, 2005
End of service contract renewal	The last date to extend or renew a service contract for the product. The extension or renewal period cannot extend beyond the last date of support.	April 9, 2008
Last date of support	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.	April 9, 2009

Table 2 Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description
WS-C2912MF-XL	12 switched 100BASE-FX Ports and 2 module slots
WS-C2924M-XL-EN	24 switched 10BASE-T/100BASE-TX ports, and 2 module slots
WS-C2924M-XL-EN-DC	24 switched 10BASE-T/100BASE-TX ports, and 2 module slots, DC-powered
WS-C2924M-XL-EN-5P	Catalyst 2924M XL Enterprise Edition, 5-Pack
WS-X2914-XL-V	4-port 10BASE-T/100BASE-TX switch module (ISL/802.1Q VLAN trunking)
WS-X2922-XL-V	2-port 100BASE-FX switch module (ISL/802.1Q VLAN trunking)
WS-X2924-XL-V	4-port 100BASE-FX switch module (ISL/802.1Q VLAN trunking)
WS-X2931-XL	1000BASE-X module (without GBIC)



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End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description
WS-X2932-XL	1000BASE-T module (without GBIC)
STK-RACKMOUNT-2RU=	Rack Mount kit for 2RU Catalyst 2820 and 2900 Series XL

Product Migration Options

The recommended replacement products for the Cisco Catalyst 2900 Series XL modular switches are listed in Table 3 and represent a combination of Cisco Catalyst 3550 and 2950 series switches. These products are the most comparable Cisco products at the most comparable prices to that of the Catalyst 2900 Series XL modular switches. There are no direct replacements for the Cisco Catalyst 2900 Series XL modules. However, most port configurations obtained using these modules can be replicated using a combination of Catalyst 3550 and 2950 series switches. Customers using ISL trunking who want to continue to do so should use the Cisco Catalyst 3550 Series.

Table 3 Product Migration Options

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Recommended Replacement Part Number	Replacement Product Description
WS-C2912MF-XL	WS-C3550-24-FX-SMI	24 switched 100FX MMF +2 gigabit interface converter (GBIC) ports, standard multilayer software image
WS-C2924M-XL-EN	WS-C2950G-24-EI	Twenty-four 10/100 with 2 GBIC slots, enhanced image
	WS-C3550-24-SMI	Twenty-four 10/100 with 2 GBIC slots, standard multilayer image (ISL trunking)
WS-C2924M-XL-EN-DC	WS-C2950G-24-EI-DC	Twenty-four 10/100 + 2 GBIC slots, enhanced image, DC-powered
	WS-C3550-24-DC-SMI	Twenty-four 10/100 + 2 GBIC slots, standard multilayer image (ISL trunking), DC-powered
WS-C2924M-XL-EN-5P	5 x WS-C2950G-24-EI	5 units of the Catalyst 2950G-24
	5 x WS-C3550-24-SMI	5 units of the Catalyst 3550-24 (ISL trunking)
WS-X2914-XL-V	None	
WS-X2922-XL-V	None	
WS-X2924-XL-V	None	
WS-X2931-XL	None	
WS-X2932-XL	None	
STK-RACKMOUNT-2RU=	None	

Customers can use the Cisco TMP to trade in products and receive credit toward the purchase of new Cisco equipment. Bonus credits are being offered until January 24, 2004, when purchasing the Cisco Catalyst 3750G or 2970G gigabit switches as part of the "Move to Gigabit Ethernet" program. For more information about this program, contact your Cisco account manager or authorized Cisco Partner.

Additional Information

Authorized Cisco Partners can find more information about the Cisco TMP by visiting:

http://www.cisco.com/offer/tic/TMP_Desc.html.

For more information about the Cisco End-of-Life Policy, please visit:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/prod_end_of_life.html.

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