



End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco Catalyst 3524-PWR Series XL Switch

Cisco Systems announces the end of life of the Cisco Catalyst® 3524-PWR Series XL Switch. The last day to order the Cisco Catalyst 3524-PWR XL Switch will be August 12, 2003. Customers will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) until August 12, 2008. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the Cisco Catalyst 3524-PWR XL switch.

Customers are encouraged to migrate to the Cisco Catalyst 3550-24 PWR Intelligent Ethernet Switch, which provides all of the advanced Layer 2–4 intelligent services available in the Catalyst 3550 Series along with integrated inline power functionality. Customers can deploy high-performance IP routing, advanced quality of service (QoS), granular rate-limiting, enhanced network security, and multicast management network-wide—while maintaining the simplicity of traditional LAN switching. Additionally, up to 15.4W/port of inline power on every 10/100 port ensures maximum device support for IP telephony and wireless LAN deployments.

Information about the Catalyst 3550-24 PWR Switch can be found at: <http://www.cisco.com/go/catalyst3550>

Table 1 End-of-Life Information for the Cisco Catalyst 3524-PWR XL Switch

Milestone	Definition	Date
End-of-life announcement	The document that announces the end of sale and end of life of a product to the general public.	February 10, 2003
End of sale	The last date to order the product through Cisco point-of-sale mechanisms. The product is no longer for sale.	August 12, 2003
Last shipment	The last possible date that Cisco and/or its contract manufacturers ship the affected product.	November 12, 2003
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.	August 12, 2004
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.	August 12, 2004
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.	August 12, 2004
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.	August 12, 2007 for HW/OS
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.	August 12, 2008 for HW/OS

Table 2 Product Part Numbers Being Affected

End-of-Sales Product Part Number
WS-C3524-PWR-XL-EN

Product Migration Options

The recommended replacement product for the Cisco Catalyst 3524-PWR XL Switch is the Catalyst 3550-24 PWR Intelligent Ethernet Switch (Table 3). The Catalyst 3550-24 PWR Switch is available with either the Standard Multilayer Software Image (SMI) or the Enhanced Multilayer Software Image (EMI).

- The SMI feature set includes advanced QoS, rate-limiting, access control lists (ACLs), and basic routing functionality.
- The EMI feature set provides a richer set of enterprise-class services including advanced IP unicast and multicast routing and the Web Cache Communication Protocol (WCCP).

After initial deployment, the Enhanced Multilayer Software Image upgrade kit (CD-3550-EMI=) gives users the flexibility to upgrade to the EMI.

Additional details about the Catalyst 3550-24 PWR inline power switch can be found in the Catalyst 3550 Data Sheet:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps646/products_data_sheet09186a00800913d7.html

Table 3 Product Migration Options

	Cisco Catalyst 3524-PWR XL	Cisco Catalyst 3550-24 PWR
Part Number	WS-C3524-PWR-XL-EN	WS-C3550-24PWR-SMI WS-C3550-24PWR-EMI

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.

Frequently Asked Questions

Additional product information and frequently asked questions about the Catalyst 3550 Series can be found at: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps646/prod_qandas_list.html

Additional Information

For more information about Cisco products, please contact your Cisco account manager and/or Cisco Channel Partner.

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



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