

END-OF-SALE AND END-OF-LIFE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE CISCO CATALYST 4912G, 2948G, AND 2980G-A SWITCHES

Cisco Systems® announces the end of life of the Cisco® Catalyst® 4912G, 2948G, and 2980G-A switches. The last day to order the Cisco Catalyst 4912G, 2948G, and 2980G-A is November 3, 2004. Customers will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) until November 3, 2009. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the Cisco Catalyst 4912G, 2948G, and 2980G-A.

Cisco Catalyst 4912G customers are encouraged to migrate to the Cisco Catalyst 3750G-12S. Information about this product can be found at:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps5023/ps5469/index.html>.

Cisco Catalyst 2948G customers are encouraged to migrate to the Catalyst 2948G-GE-TX. Information about this product can be found at:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps606/ps5502/index.html>.

Cisco Catalyst 2980G-A customers are encouraged to migrate to one of several Catalyst switches. Migration options include the Cisco Catalyst 4503, Cisco Catalyst 3550-24 and 3550-48, and the Cisco Catalyst 2948G-GE-TX.

Information about the Cisco Catalyst 4500 Series can be found at:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps4324/index.html>.

Information about the Cisco Catalyst 3550 can be found at:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps646/index.html>.

Information about the Cisco Catalyst 2948G-GE-TX can be found at:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps606/ps5502/index.html>.

Tables 2, 3, 4, and 5 provide product numbers for migrating from the Cisco Catalyst 4912G, 2948G, and 2980G-A to their respective replacements.

Table 1 End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco Catalyst 4912G, 2948G, and 2980G-A

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.	May 3, 2004
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.	November 3, 2004
Last shipment date	The last-possible ship date that can be requested of Cisco and/or its contract manufacturers. Actual ship date is dependent on lead-time.	February 3, 2005

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Milestone	Definition	Date
End of software maintenance releases date	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.	November 3, 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.	November 3, 2005
End of new service attachment date	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.	November 3, 2005
End of service contract renewal date	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.	November 3, 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.	November 3, 2009

Table 2 Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description
WS-C4912G	Catalyst Gigabit Ethernet Switch, 12-1000BaseX (GBIC slots)
WS-C2948G	Catalyst 2948G Switch, 48 10/100TX(RJ-45)+ 2 1000X GBIC Slots
WS-C2948G-3PACK	3 Catalyst 2948G Switches
WS-C2980G-A	Catalyst 2980G-A Switch, 80 10/100(RJ45)+2 GE GBIC Slots

PRODUCT MIGRATION OPTIONS

The recommended replacement for the Cisco Catalyst 4912G is the Catalyst 3750G-12S.

Table 3 Catalyst 4912G and Replacement Recommendations

EoS Part Number	Replacement Part Numbers
WS-C4912G	WS-C3750G-12S-S or WS-C3750G-12S-E

The recommended replacement for the Cisco Catalyst 2948G is the Catalyst 2948G-GE-TX.

Table 4 Catalyst 2948G and Replacement Recommendations

EoS Part Number	Replacement Part Number
WS-C2948G	WS-C2948G-GE-TX

A variety of Cisco Catalyst switches are recommended to replace the Cisco Catalyst 2980G-A. Migration options include the Cisco Catalyst 4503, Cisco Catalyst 3550-24 and 3550-48, and the Cisco Catalyst 2948G-GE-TX.

Table 5 Cisco Catalyst 2980G-A and Replacement Recommendations

Part Number	Replacement Option 1	Replacement Option 2	Replacement Option 3
WS-C2980G-A	WS-C4503 configured with any line card or supervisor engine	WS-C2948G-GE-TX	Stack of: WS-C3550-24-SMI WS-C3550-48-SMI

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.

Information about the refurbished equipment program can be found at:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/ordering/or6/or17/order_refurbished_equipment_program_description.html.

Customers may be able to continue to purchase the Cisco Catalyst 4912G, 2948G, and 2980G-A through the Cisco Authorized Refurbished Equipment program. Refurbished units are available in limited supply for sale in certain countries on a first-come-first-serve basis. Information about the refurbished equipment program can be found at:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/ordering/or6/or17/order_refurbished_equipment_program_description.html.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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 EOL/EOS information, please go to:

<http://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Support/FieldNoticeTool/field-notice>.



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