



End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco Catalyst 6000 Series Intrusion Detection System (IDSM-1) Services Module

Cisco Systems® announces the end of life of the Cisco® Catalyst® 6500 Series Intrusion Detection System (IDSM-1) Services Module for the Cisco Catalyst 6000 and 6500 series switches. The last day to order the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-1 is April 20, 2003. Customers will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) until April 20, 2008 with signature support being provided until April 20, 2004. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-1.

Customers are encouraged to migrate to the second generation Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-2 Services Module. This module provides five times the performance and a vastly improved feature set. Information about the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-2 Services Module is available at:

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

Table 3 provides relevant information for migrating from the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-1 to the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-2.

Table 1 End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-1

Milestone	Definition	Date
End-of-life announcement date	The date the end-of-sale and end-of-life announcement is distributed to the general public.	March 20, 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.	April 20, 2003
Last shipment date	The last possible date that Cisco or its contract manufacturers will ship the affected product.	April 30, 2003
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.	April 20, 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.	April 20, 2004
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 or software to an existing service-and-support contract.	October 20, 2003



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Milestone	Definition	Date
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.	April 20, 2007
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 20, 2008

Table 2 Product Part Numbers Affected

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description
WS-X6381-IDS	IDS module for the Cisco Catalyst 6000 Switch (ordered with switch)
WS-X6381-IDS=	IDS module for the Cisco Catalyst 6000 Switch (ordered separately or as a "spare")

Product Migration Options

The recommended replacement for the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-1 is the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-2 (Table 3). The Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-2 is a 600 Mbps IDS module for the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series Switch. It supports Cisco IDS Sensor Software Version 4.0, the same as the IDS appliances, and provides identical signature support with the appliances as well. In addition, improved management techniques are included and offered with the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-2.

Customers may also migrate to the Cisco IDS appliance if more performance is desired. The Cisco IDS 4250-XL Sensor provides up to 1 gigabit of IDS attack protection and uses the same software base as the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-2.

Table 3 Product Comparisons—Supported Features

	Cisco Catalyst 6000 Series IDSM-1	Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series IDSM-2
SPAN/RSPAN support	Yes	Yes
VACL Capture	Yes	Yes
Shunning	Yes	Yes
TCP resets	No	Yes
IP logging	No	Yes
Command-line interface	No	Yes
Signature language	No	Yes
IDS Event Viewer monitoring application support	Yes	Yes
IDS Device Manager	No	Yes

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Fabric enabled	No	Yes
Event retrieval	POP (push)	RDEP (pull)
Local event store	100,000	None, retrieved
Same software as appliance	No	Yes
Software version	3.0.5 (final)	4.0 (first)
Slot size	1 Rack Unit	1 Rack Unit

Additional Information

For more information about Cisco products, contact your Cisco account manager 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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