



# How to engage with Technical Support Services

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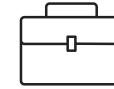
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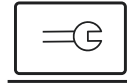


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## Non-Urgent

**Severity 3 or 4**  
Tools for questions,  
configuration assistance,  
case management,  
and escalation support



[Support Case Manager](#)

Service request tool



[Cisco Support Assistant](#)

Status / escalation chat



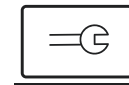
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## Urgent

**Severity 1 or 2**  
Phone or Support Case  
Manager



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Service request tool



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## Information you need to create a service request:

- Valid Cisco.com User ID or email address
- Active support contract number
- Serial number of product (if applicable)
- Problem description and symptoms with business impact and network topology
- Output from show tech, show log, or relevant error message(s)
- Software version and hardware model
- Severity levels S1 – S4 of your case

During the process of working on your service request, make sure to update the case by sending additional information and communications to [attach@cisco.com](mailto:attach@cisco.com).

Be sure to include your Service Request Number in the subject line in order to ensure proper routing of your files.

## How to create a service request

- Submit nonurgent Severity 3 and Severity 4 service requests to Cisco quickly using [Support Case Manager](#).
- Create Severity 1 or Severity 2 service requests by calling one of the [Cisco Worldwide Contact Numbers](#), or Severity 2 by [Support Case Manager](#).
- Use [Support Case Manager](#) or [Cisco Support Assistant](#) to track or update your service request.

## How to escalate a service request

If you have opened a service request and are not satisfied with the progress, use the following procedures to escalate:

- Engage with [Cisco Support Assistant](#) and ask to escalate.
- Call one of the [Cisco Worldwide Contact Numbers](#) and ask to speak with a Team Manager or a Duty Manager.
- Be prepared to provide your Service Request Number and a brief description of why you want to escalate.

## Severity Definitions

### Severity 1

Critical impact on business operations. Cisco hardware, software, or as-a-service product is down.

### Severity 2

Substantial impact on business operations. Cisco hardware, software, or as-a-service product is degraded.

### Severity 3

Minimal impact on business operations. Cisco hardware, software or as a service product is partially degraded.

### Severity 4

No impact on business operations. Features, implementation, or configuration assistance.