



Release Notes for StarOS™ Software Version 21.11.21

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Introduction

This Release Note identifies changes and issues related to this software release. This emergency release is based on release 21.11.20. These release notes are applicable to the ASR5500, VPC-SI and VPC-DI platforms.

Release Package Version Information

Table 1 - Release Package Version Information

Software Packages	Version
StarOS packages	21.11.21, build 80922

Feature and Behavior Changes

Refer to the [Release Change Reference](#) for a complete list of feature and behavior changes associated with this software release.

Related Documentation

For a complete list of documentation available for this release, go to <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/asr-5000-series/products-installation-and-configuration-guides-list.html>.

Installation and Upgrade Notes

This Release Note does not contain general installation and upgrade instructions. Refer to the existing installation documentation for specific installation and upgrade considerations.

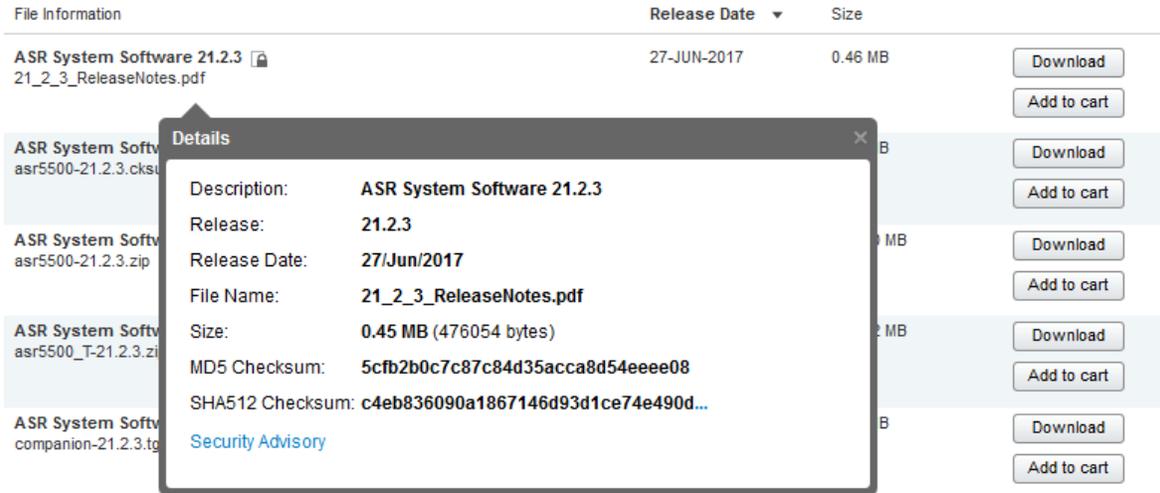
Firmware Updates

There are no firmware upgrades required for this release.

Software Integrity Verification

To verify the integrity of the software image you have from Cisco, you can validate the SHA512 checksum information against the checksum identified by Cisco for the software.

Image checksum information is available through **Cisco.com Software Download Details**. To find the checksum, hover the mouse pointer over the software image you have downloaded.



At the bottom you find the SHA512 checksum, if you do not see the whole checksum you can expand it by pressing the "..." at the end.

To validate the information, calculate a SHA512 checksum using the information in [Table 2](#) and verify that it matches either the one provided on the software download page.

To calculate a SHA512 checksum on your local desktop see [Table 2](#).

Table 2 - Checksum Calculations per Operating System

Operating System	SHA512 checksum calculation command examples
Microsoft Windows	Open a command line window and type the following command <pre>> certutil.exe -hashfile <filename>.<extension> SHA512</pre>
Apple MAC	Open a terminal window and type the following command <pre>\$ shasum -a 512 <filename>.<extension></pre>
Linux	Open a terminal window and type the following command <pre>\$ sha512sum <filename>.<extension></pre> <p>Or</p> <pre>\$ shasum -a 512 <filename>.<extension></pre>
<p>NOTES:</p> <p><filename> is the name of the file.</p> <p><extension> is the file extension (e.g. .zip or .tgz).</p>	

If the SHA512 checksum matches, you can be sure that no one has tampered with the software image or the image has not been corrupted during download.

If the SHA512 checksum does not match, we advise you to not attempt upgrading any systems with the corrupted software image. Download the software again and verify the SHA512 checksum again. If there is a constant mismatch, please open a case with the Cisco Technical Assistance Center.

Certificate Validation

In 21.12.0 and later releases, software images for StarOS, VPC-DI, and VPC-SI, and the companion software packages for StarOS and VPC are signed via x509 certificates. In pre-21.12.0 releases, image signing is not supported for VPC-DI and VPC-SI images, and for StarOS and VPC companion software packages.

USP ISO images are signed with a GPG key.

For more information and instructions on how to validate the certificates, refer to the README file available with the respective software packages.

Open Bugs in this Release

The following table lists the known bugs that were found in, and remain open in this software release.

NOTE: This software release may contain open bugs first identified in other releases. Additional information for all open bugs for this release are available in the [Cisco Bug Search Tool](#).

Table 3 - Open Bugs in this Release

Bug ID	Headline	Product Found*
CSCvm83524	[BP-CUPS] Assert failure at egtpc_handle_user_sap_event()	cups-cp
CSCvn14097	[BP-CUPS] Access Type of Pure-S call is displayed as 'Unknown'	cups-up
CSCvk63958	[PLT-CUPS-ICUPS-VPP]Single user performance blocked due to VPP_MAIN is in over state	cups-up
CSCvu90470	Fatal Signal 11: Segmentation fault mme_hss_request_fill_data_UPDATE_LOCATION	mme
CSCvt66372	sessmgr restart at sess/mme/mme-app/app/mme_fw.c	mme
CSCvu78408	No NAS level restriction of NR from MME when NR barred from HSS	mme
CSCvq09080	Unexpected sessmgr restart due to mishandling of S11 message.	mme
CSCvn28046	[BP-ICUPS]:streams stuck in passive state in case of 2g to lte and 3g to lte handover scenario	pdn-gw
CSCvn39767	Unexpected session manager restart- _do_acs_usertcp_event_handler()	pdn-gw
CSCvp03633	'Accounting-Request' counter is not getting pegged if response from RADIUS server is missing	pdn-gw
CSCvr84363	Session manager restart during data packet processing with Final Unit Indication enabled	pdn-gw
CSCvm65884	PGW-Around 5% increase in sessmgr memory in 21.11.M0.70658 wrt 21.9.M0.69679 baseline CEPS test	pdn-gw
CSCvs99961	ppp_l2tp_allow_auth_no_pco flag not set after fresh boot	pdn-gw
CSCvn74134	[BP-ICUPS] sm crash - sn_msg_arriving_handle	pdn-gw
CSCvm82008	[BP-ICUPS]:HTTP volume based offload is not happening after PDN update	sae-gw
CSCvn35333	[BP-ICUPS] uplinkdata and downlinkdata volume values are not correct in PGWCDR after XHDR insertion	sae-gw
CSCvs67994	Assertion failure with sessmgr_gprs_process_del_sub_session	sgsn
CSCvg20133	Segmentation fault at PC: [0d8e2647/X] EZprmSER_CheckError()	staros

Resolved Bugs in this Release

Bug ID	Headline	Product Found*
CSCvm98426	[PLT-ICUPS-VPP] Not able to send fragmented packet through VPP.	staros
CSCvn23275	[PLT-ICUPS] Both DPC2 rebooted upon planned migration	staros
CSCvs19562	LI Data are sent in the clear over the DI LAN	staros
* Information in the "Product Found" column identifies the product in which the bug was initially identified.		

Resolved Bugs in this Release

The following table lists the known bugs that are resolved in this specific software release.

NOTE: This software release may contain bug fixes first introduced in other releases. Additional information for all resolved bugs for this release are available in the [Cisco Bug Search Tool](#).

Table 4 - Resolved Bugs in this Release

Bug ID	Headline	Product Found*
CSCvy11353	Blackholed traffic for IPv6 shared subnet without BFD (when IPv6 NS not established)	staros
* Information in the "Product Found" column identifies the product in which the bug was initially identified.		

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StarOS Version Numbering System

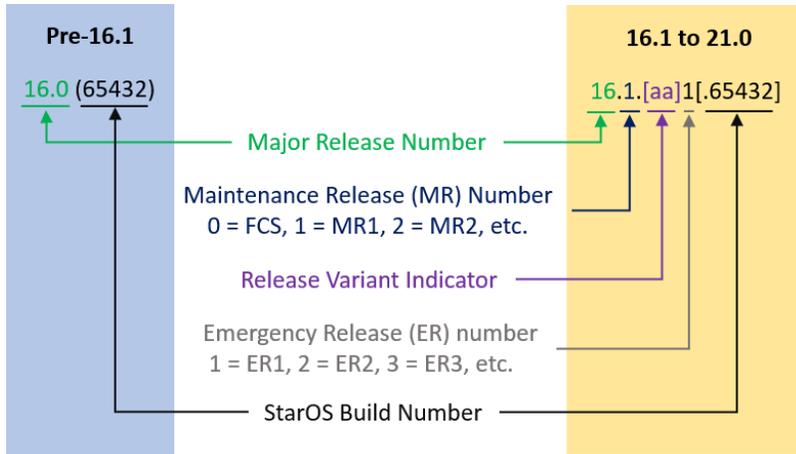
The output of the **show version** command displays detailed information about the version of StarOS currently running on the ASR 5x00 or Cisco Virtualized Packet Core platform.

Prior to release 16.1, the *Image Version* field displayed a branch of software including the build number, for example "16.0 (55435)". Subsequent releases of software for the major release differed only in build number. Lab Quality/EFT releases versus deployment releases also differed only in build number.

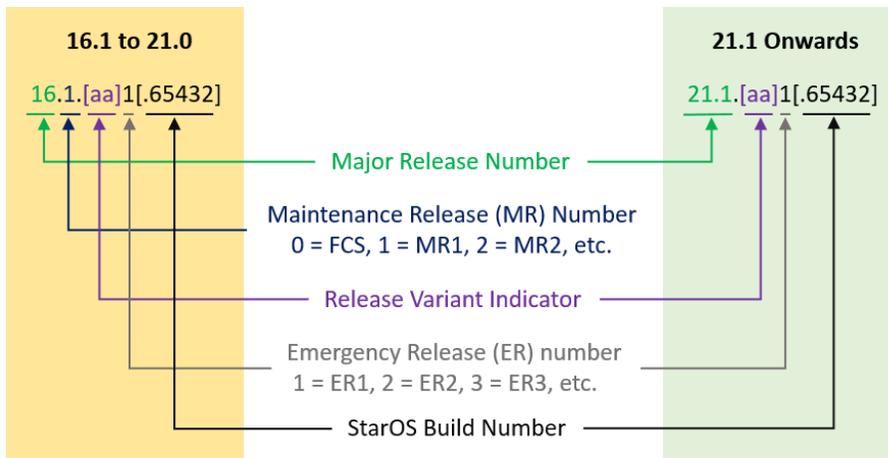
From release 16.1 onwards, the output of the **show version** command, as well as the terminology used to describe the Build Version Number fields, has changed. Additionally, **show version** will display slightly different information depending on whether or not a build is suitable for deployment.

The Version Build Number for releases between 16.1 and 21.0 include a major, maintenance, and emergency release number, for example "16.1.2".

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The Version Build Number for releases 21.1 and later include a major and emergency release number, for example, “21.1.1”.



In either scenario, the appropriate version number field increments after a version has been released. The new version numbering format is a contiguous sequential number that represents incremental changes between releases. This format will facilitate identifying the changes between releases when using Bug Search Tool to research software releases.

Release Package Descriptions

[Table 5](#) provides descriptions for the packages that are available with this release.

Table 5 - Release Package Information

In 21.12.0 and later Releases	In pre-21.12.0 Releases	Description
ASR 5500		
asr5500-<release>.zip	asr5500-<release>.bin	Contains the signed ASR 5500 software image, the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
asr5500_T-<release>.zip	asr5500_T-<release>.bin	Contains the signed, trusted ASR 5500 software image, the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
StarOS Companion Package		
companion-<release>.zip	companion-<release>.tgz	Contains numerous files pertaining to this version of the StarOS including SNMP MIBs, RADIUS dictionaries, ORBEM clients. These files pertain to both trusted and non-trusted build variants. In 21.12.0 and later releases, the StarOS companion package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
VPC-DI		
qvpc-di-<release>.bin.zip	qvpc-di-<release>.bin	Contains the VPC-DI binary software image that is used to replace a previously deployed image on the flash disk in existing installations. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvpc-di_T-<release>.bin.zip	qvpc-di_T-<release>.bin	Contains the trusted VPC-DI binary software image that is used to replace a previously deployed image on the flash disk in existing installations. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvpc-di-<release>.iso.zip	qvpc-di-<release>.iso	Contains the VPC-DI ISO used for new deployments, a new virtual machine is manually created and configured to boot from a CD image. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvpc-di_T-<release>.iso.zip	qvpc-di_T-<release>.iso	Contains the trusted VPC-DI ISO used for new deployments, a new virtual machine is manually created and configured to boot from a CD image. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.

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qvmc-di-template-vmware-<release>.zip	qvmc-di-template-vmware-<release>.tgz	Contains the VPC-DI binary software image that is used to on-board the software directly into VMware. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvmc-di-template-vmware_T-<release>.zip	qvmc-di-template-vmware_T-<release>.tgz	Contains the trusted VPC-DI binary software image that is used to on-board the software directly into VMware. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvmc-di-template-libvirt-kvm-<release>.zip	qvmc-di-template-libvirt-kvm-<release>.tgz	Contains the same VPC-DI ISO identified above and additional installation files for using it on KVM. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvmc-di-template-libvirt-kvm_T-<release>.zip	qvmc-di-template-libvirt-kvm_T-<release>.tgz	Contains the same trusted VPC-DI ISO identified above and additional installation files for using it on KVM. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvmc-di-<release>.qcow2.zip	qvmc-di-<release>.qcow2.tgz	Contains the VPC-DI binary software image in a format that can be loaded directly with KVM using an XML definition file, or with OpenStack. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvmc-di_T-<release>.qcow2.zip	qvmc-di_T-<release>.qcow2.tgz	Contains the trusted VPC-DI binary software image in a format that can be loaded directly with KVM using an XML definition file, or with OpenStack. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
VPC-SI		
qvmc-si-<release>.bin.zip	qvmc-si-<release>.bin	Contains the VPC-SI binary software image that is used to replace a previously deployed image on the flash disk in existing installations. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
qvmc-si_T-<release>.bin.zip	qvmc-si_T-<release>.bin	Contains the trusted VPC-SI binary software image that is used to replace a previously deployed image on the flash disk in existing installations. In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.

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qvmc-si-<release>.iso.zip	qvmc-si-<release>.iso	<p>Contains the VPC-SI ISO used for new deployments, a new virtual machine is manually created and configured to boot from a CD image.</p> <p>In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.</p>
qvmc-si_T-<release>.iso.zip	qvmc-si_T-<release>.iso	<p>Contains the trusted VPC-SI ISO used for new deployments a new virtual machine is manually created and configured to boot from a CD image.</p> <p>In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.</p>
qvmc-si-template-vmware-<release>.zip	qvmc-si-template-vmware-<release>.ova	<p>Contains the VPC-SI binary software image that is used to on-board the software directly into VMware.</p> <p>In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.</p>
qvmc-si-template-vmware_T-<release>.zip	qvmc-si-template-vmware_T-<release>.ova	<p>Contains the trusted VPC-SI binary software image that is used to on-board the software directly into VMware.</p> <p>In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.</p>
qvmc-si-template-libvirt-kvm-<release>.zip	qvmc-si-template-libvirt-kvm-<release>.tgz	<p>Contains the same VPC-SI ISO identified above and additional installation files for using it on KVM.</p> <p>In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.</p>
qvmc-si-template-libvirt-kvm_T-<release>.zip	qvmc-si-template-libvirt-kvm_T-<release>.tgz	<p>Contains the same trusted VPC-SI ISO identified above and additional installation files for using it on KVM.</p> <p>In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.</p>
qvmc-si-<release>.qcow2.zip	qvmc-si-<release>.qcow2.gz	<p>Contains the VPC-SI binary software image in a format that can be loaded directly with KVM using an XML definition file, or with OpenStack.</p> <p>In 21.12.0 and later releases, this package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.</p>
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VPC Companion Package		
companion-vpc-<release>.zip	companion-vpc-<release>.tgz	<p>Contains numerous files pertaining to this version of the VPC including SNMP MIBs, RADIUS dictionaries, ORBEM clients. These files pertain to both VPC-DI and VPC-SI, and for trusted and non-trusted build variants.</p> <p>In 21.12.0 and later releases, the VPC companion package also includes the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.</p>
Ultra Service Platform		
usp-<version>.iso		<p>The USP software package containing component RPMs (bundles).</p> <p>Refer to Table 6 for descriptions of the specific bundles.</p>
usp_T-<version>.iso		<p>The USP software package containing component RPMs (bundles). This bundle contains trusted images.</p> <p>Refer to Table 6 for descriptions of the specific bundles.</p>
usp_rpm_verify_utils-<version>.tar		Contains information and utilities for verifying USP RPM integrity.

Table 6 - USP ISO Bundles

USP Bundle Name	Description
usp-em-bundle-<version>-1.x86_64.rpm*	The Element Manager (EM) Bundle RPM containing images and metadata for the Ultra Element Manager (UEM) module.
usp-ugp-bundle-<version>-1.x86_64.rpm*	The Ultra Gateway Platform (UGP) Bundle RPM containing images for Ultra Packet core (VPC-DI). There are trusted and non-trusted image variants of this bundle.
usp-yang-bundle-<version>-1.x86_64.rpm	The Yang Bundle RPM containing YANG data models including the VNFD and VNFR.
usp-uas-bundle-<version>-1.x86_64.rpm	The Ultra Automation Services Bundle RPM containing AutoVNF, Ultra Web Services (UWS), and other automation packages.
usp-auto-it-bundle-<version>-1.x86_64.rpm	The bundle containing the AutoIT packages required to deploy the UAS.
usp-vnfm-bundle-<version>-1.x86_64.rpm	The VNFM Bundle RPM containing an image and a boot-up script for ESC (Elastic Service Controller).
ultram-manager-<version>-1.x86_64.rpm*	This package contains the script and relevant files needed to deploy the Ultra M Manager Service.
* These bundles are also distributed separately from the ISO.	

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