

End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco Catalyst OS Release 8.x

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Cisco Systems® announces the end-of-sale and end-of life dates for the Cisco Catalyst OS Release 8.x and the entire Cisco Catalyst OS. Cisco will not have any Cisco Catalyst OS development after 8.x release train. The last day to order the Cisco Catalyst OS Release 8.x is January 29, 2008. Customers with active service contracts will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) as shown in Table 1 of the EoL bulletin. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the Cisco Catalyst OS Release 8.x. Table 2 lists the product part numbers affected by this announcement.

Table 1. End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco Catalyst OS Release 8.x

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.	July 31, 2007
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.	January 29, 2008
Last Ship Date: OS SW	The last-possible ship date that can be requested of Cisco and/or its contract manufacturers. Actual ship date is dependent on lead time.	April 28, 2008
End of SW Maintenance Releases Date: OS SW	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.	January 28, 2009
End of New Service Attachment Date: OS SW	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.	January 28, 2009
End of Service Contract Renewal Date: OS SW	The last date to extend or renew a service contract for the product.	April 25, 2012
Last Date of Support: OS SW	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.	January 27, 2013

OS SW = Operating System Software

Table 2. Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description
SC6K-S2CVK8-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 2 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S2CVK8-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 2 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S2CVK8-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 2 Flash Code CVK8
SC6K-S2CVK9-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 2 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S2CVK9-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 2 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S2CVK9-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 2 Flash Code CVK9
SC6K-S2K8-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 2 Flash Code K8
SC6K-S2K9-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 2 Flash Code K9

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description
SC6K-S323CVK8-8.4	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S323CVK8-8.4=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S323CVK8-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S323CVK8-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S323CVK8-8.6	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 32 PFC3 Flash CVK8
SC6K-S323CVK8-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 32 PFC3 Flash CVK8
SC6K-S323CVK9-8.4	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S323CVK9-8.4=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S323CVK9-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S323CVK9-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S323CVK9-8.6	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 32 PFC3 Flash CVK9
SC6K-S323CVK9-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 32 PFC3 Flash CVK9
SC6K-S323K8-8.4	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S323K8-8.4=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S323K8-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S323K8-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S323K8-8.6	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 32 PFC3 Flash K8
SC6K-S323K8-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 32 PFC3 Flash K8
SC6K-S323K9-8.4	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S323K9-8.4=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S323K9-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S323K9-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 32 PFC3 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S323K9-8.6	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 32 PFC3 Flash K9
SC6K-S323K9-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 32 PFC3 Flash K9
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.1	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.1
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.1=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.1
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.2	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.2
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.2=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.2
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.3	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.3
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.3=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.3
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.4	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.4=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.6	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 720 Flash Code CVK8
SC6K-S7CVK8-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 720 Flash Code CVK8
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.1	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.1
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.1=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.1
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.2	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.2
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.2=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.2
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.3	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.3
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.3=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.3
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.4	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.4=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/CV and SSH, Rel 8.5

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SC6K-S7CVK9-8.6	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 720 Flash Code CVK9
SC6K-S7CVK9-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 720 Flash Code CVK9
SC6K-S7K8-8.1	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.1
SC6K-S7K8-8.1.1=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.1.1
SC6K-S7K8-8.1=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.1
SC6K-S7K8-8.2	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.2
SC6K-S7K8-8.2=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.2
SC6K-S7K8-8.3	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.3
SC6K-S7K8-8.3=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.3
SC6K-S7K8-8.4	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S7K8-8.4=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S7K8-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S7K8-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S7K8-8.6	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 720 Flash Code K8
SC6K-S7K8-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 720 Flash Code K8
SC6K-S7K9-8.1	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.1
SC6K-S7K9-8.1.1=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.1.1
SC6K-S7K9-8.1=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.1
SC6K-S7K9-8.2	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.2
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SC6K-S7K9-8.3	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.3
SC6K-S7K9-8.3=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.3
SC6K-S7K9-8.4	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S7K9-8.4=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.4
SC6K-S7K9-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S7K9-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 720 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.5
SC6K-S7K9-8.6	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 720 Flash Code K9
SC6K-S7K9-8.6=	Catalyst 6000 Supervisor 720 Flash Code K9
SC6K-SUP2K8-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 2 Flash Image, Rel 8.5
SC6K-SUP2K8-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 2 Flash Image, Rel 8.5
SC6K-SUP2K9-8.5	Catalyst 6000 Sup 2 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.5
SC6K-SUP2K9-8.5=	Catalyst 6000 Sup 2 Flash Image w/SSH, Rel 8.5

Product Migration Options

The recommended replacement for the Cisco Catalyst OS 8.x is Cisco IOS release 12.2SX. Table 3 provides a migration recommendation for the existing the Supervisor Engines and Catalyst OS configurations. Migrating to the latest Supervisor Engines with Cisco IOS software provides significant technology and operational management benefits including:

- Superior performance of up to 400Mpps with Supervisor Engine 720 and Distributed Forwarding technology.
- Hardware-based high performance services such as IPv6, MPLS VPN, EoMPLS, NAT and Control Plane Policing.

- Cisco IOS software modularity with fault containment, stateful process restart and Subsystem In-Service Software Upgrade (ISSU) that boosts operational efficiency, minimizes downtime and significantly reduces code certification.
- High-performance hardware-accelerated Stateful Application Intelligence and Deep Packet Inspection security with Supervisor Engine 32 PISA.
- Enhanced operational manageability with Embedded Event Manager (EEM), Cisco Call Home, multicast netflow, IP SLA and LLDP and LLDP-MED.

For more information about Cisco IOS software 12.2SX release train for Catalyst 6500 switches, go to

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps708/prod_release_note09186a00801c8339.html.

Note: Please check the release notes for supported supervisor engines. All supervisor engines are not supported with all releases.

Table 3. Migration Recommendation

Supervisor Engine and CatOS Configuration	Recommended Migration Path
Supervisor Engine 720 with Cisco Catalyst OS 8.x or earlier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Migrate to Cisco IOS 12.2SX release train
Supervisor Engine 32 with Cisco Catalyst OS 8.x or earlier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Migrate to Cisco IOS 12.2SX release train
Supervisor Engine 1 with Cisco Catalyst OS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor Engine 1 End of Software support date is March 25, 2006. (see note 1) • Migrate to newer Supervisor Engines (Supervisor Engine 720, Supervisor Engine 32) with Cisco IOS 12.2SX release train or Supervisor Engine 32 PISA with 12.2(18)ZY
Supervisor Engine 2 with Cisco Catalyst OS 8.x or earlier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor Engine 2 End of software support date is Feb 29, 2008. (see note 2) • Migrate to newer Supervisor engines (Supervisor Engine 720, Supervisor Engine 32) With Cisco IOS 12.2SX release train or Supervisor Engine 32 PISA with 12.2(18)ZY

Note: Supervisor engine 1 EoL information

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/switches/ps5718/ps708/prod_end-of-life_notice0900aecd8017a5d1.html.

Note: Supervisor engine 2 EoL information

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/switches/ps5718/ps708/prod_end-of-life_notice0900aecd80423d31.html.

For more information about Cisco Catalyst OS migration, please go to the following web site that provides the Cisco Catalyst OS migration resources such as Cisco Catalyst OS to Cisco IOS Configuration Conversion Tool, Cisco Catalyst OS migration FAQ, Cisco Catalyst OS and Cisco IOS feature comparison document http://www.cisco.com/go/CatOS_migration.

Customers are encouraged to migrate from the Cisco Catalyst 6000 Series to the Catalyst 6500 series switches. For more information about the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series switches, please visit <http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/switches/ps708/index.html>.

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.

Customers may be able to continue to purchase the end-of-sale product through Cisco's Authorized Refurbished Equipment program. Refurbished units of the end-of-sale product are available in limited supply for sale in certain countries on a first-come, first-served basis. For information about the refurbished equipment program, go to http://www.cisco.com/en/US/ordering/or6/or17/order_refurbished_equipment_program_description.html.

For More Information

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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 end-of-life/end-of-sale information, go to <http://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Support/FieldNoticeTool/field-notice>.



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