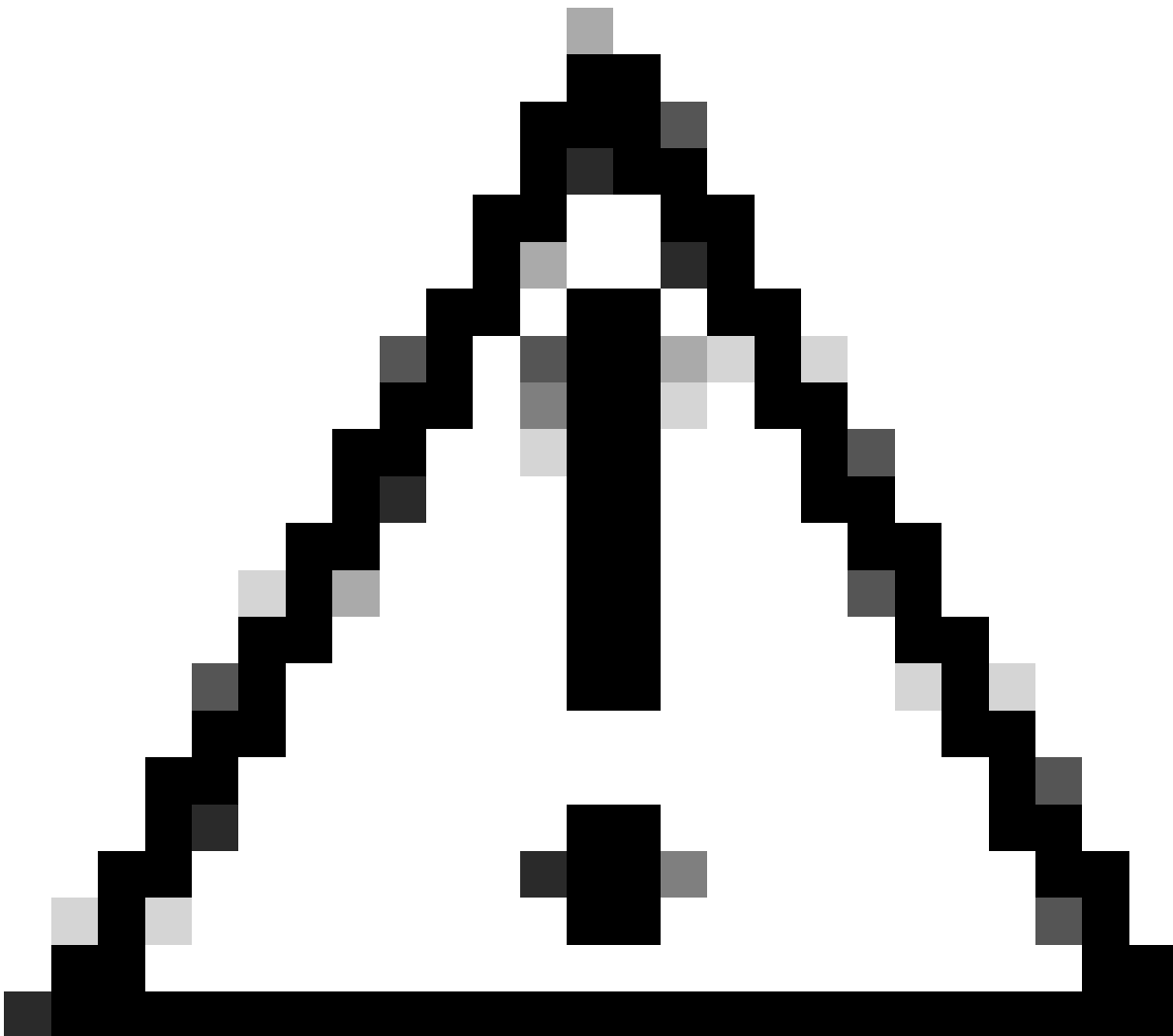


How Can I Convert My Product Activation Key (PAK) License to a Smart License?

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For External Customer / Partner Use Only: These instructions are provided to help customers / partners perform the action themselves to resolve the issue. If the customer / partner runs into issues in the instructions, please have them open a case with licensing support (<https://www.cisco.com/go/scm>) to help resolve. Please **DO NOT** perform these actions yourself if you are an internal Cisco resource outside of the Licensing Support team.



Caution: You cannot convert Smart Licenses back to PAK-based licenses (Classic licenses).

Before you start, be sure you have:

- Active Cisco.com account
- PAK (Product Activation Key)
- Access to Smart Account and Virtual Account of the PAK
- Access to destination VA where it needs to convert
- Active contract check is not required for all PAK conversion

Step 1: Go to [Cisco Software Central](#) and log in with your Cisco.com credentials.

Step 2: Under Traditional Licenses, click on Access LRP

Step 3: Select the Smart Accounts and Virtual Accounts under the Show Smart Account and Virtual Account dropdown menu

Step 4: Click on "Show Filter" in "PAKs or Tokens" tab.

Step 5: Enter the PAK in " PAK/Token" search box and hit Enter

Step 6: Click on the arrow to the right of the PAK and select "Convert to Smart Licensing"

Step 7: In the Convert to Smart Entitlements window, select Virtual Account from the drop-down list

Step 8: Provide the license quantity under "Quantity to Convert" field

Step 9: Click submit

Troubleshooting:

1. I am getting an error when trying to convert the PAK. Open a Licensing case at [Support Case Manager \(SCM\)](#) using Software Licensing option.

If you experience an issue with this process, that you cannot address, please open a Licensing case at [Support Case Manager \(SCM\)](#) using Software Licensing option.

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