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Introduction

This document describes how to convert vEdge from vManage mode to CLI mode by vManage API.

Prerequisites

Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics:

- Cisco Software-defined Wide Area Network (SD-WAN)
- Postman

Components Used

The information in this document is based on these software and hardware versions:

- Cisco vManager version 20.9.4
- Cisco vEdge version 20.9.4
- Postman version 11.63.0

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If your network is live, ensure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

Background Information

- Cisco SD-WAN vManage API is a REST API interface for controlling, configuring, and monitoring the Cisco devices in an overlay network.
- REST architecture uses a stateless, client–server, cacheable communications protocol.
- REpresentational State Transfer (REST) is an architecture style for designing web-services applications.
- Test API calls can be tried out from swagger UI.
- Sometimes, it is impossible to modify the management mode of vedge through the GUI interface. In such cases, choosing to modify the management mode through the API is another feasible approach.
- The vManage API documentation is accessible via <a href="https://<vmanage_ip>:<port>/apidocs">https://<vmanage_ip>:<port>/apidocs for reference on available API calls.

URL Structure Components

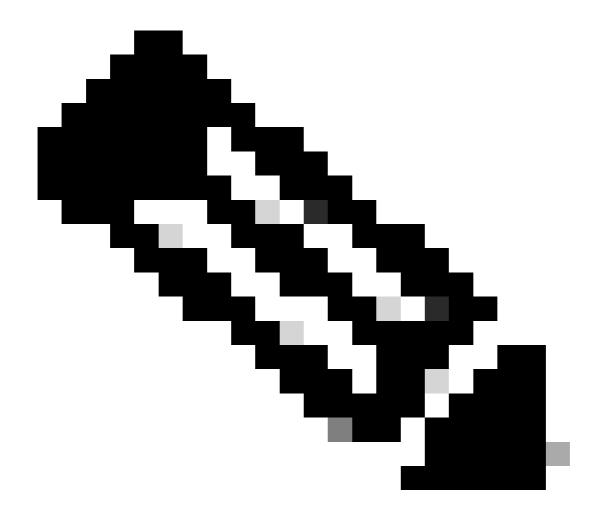
https://<vmanage_ip>:<port>/apidocs/#/Configuration%20-%20Template%20Configuration/updateDeviceToCLIMode

Command Properties	Command Syntax	Description
Protocol	lhttn·// or httns·//	Protocol over which data is sent between client and server
Server or Host	//wmanage_in·nort>	Resolves to the IP and port to which to connect
Resource	/apidocs/#/Configuration%20- %20Template%20Configuration/updateDeviceToCLIMode	The location of the data or object of interest

Access Onboard API Documentation

vManage onboard API documentation is at the URL https://<vmanage_ip>:<port:>/apidocs. This documentation displays APIs available on the current software version.

This requires log in with valid vManage credentials. While multiple privilege levels can view documentation, only a **netadmin** user is able to execute all of them.

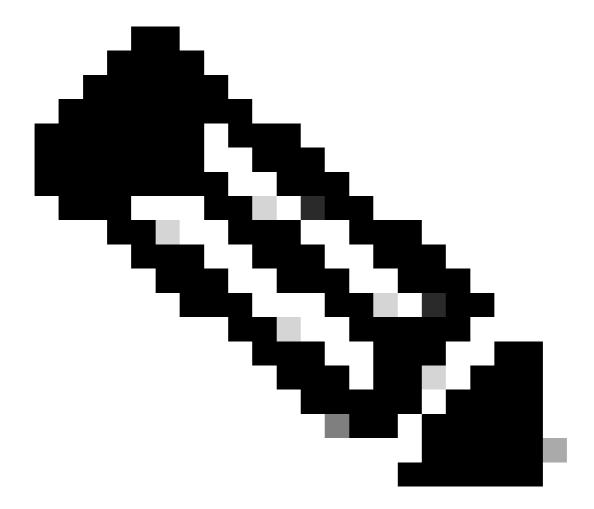


Note: The API documentation page is available to tenants in a multitenant environment, however, certain commands are restricted to the provider only.

vManage then displays a list of categories of available APIs. Click the desired category, followed by the API call itself, which displays these fields:

Description/Implementation Notes	Description of the operation performed.	
Parameters	Required parameters to be specified for the API call.	
Request Body (POST/PUT/DELETE)	Format of the request body.	
Responses	Possible responses which vManage sends to the API. This includes HTTP status code, reason, and the possible response body.	

Valid extensions for the call.



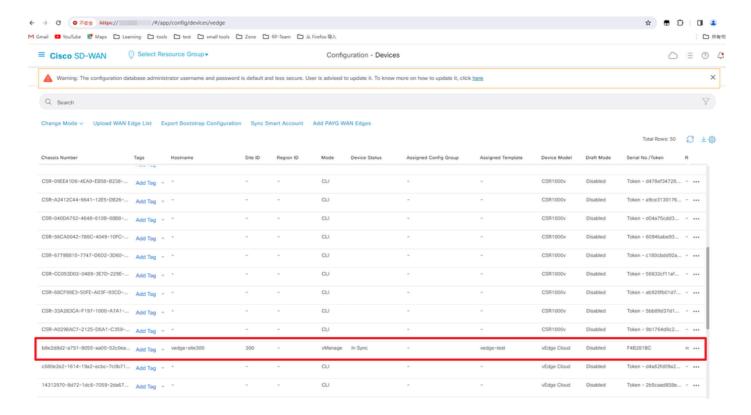
Note: From the 20.6 release, the system introduces these rate limits: Bulk API: 48 requests/minute All other API: 100 requests/second.



Warning: Real-time monitoring APIs are CPU intensive and must be used only for troubleshooting, not continuous monitoring.

Test APIs from the Documentation Tool

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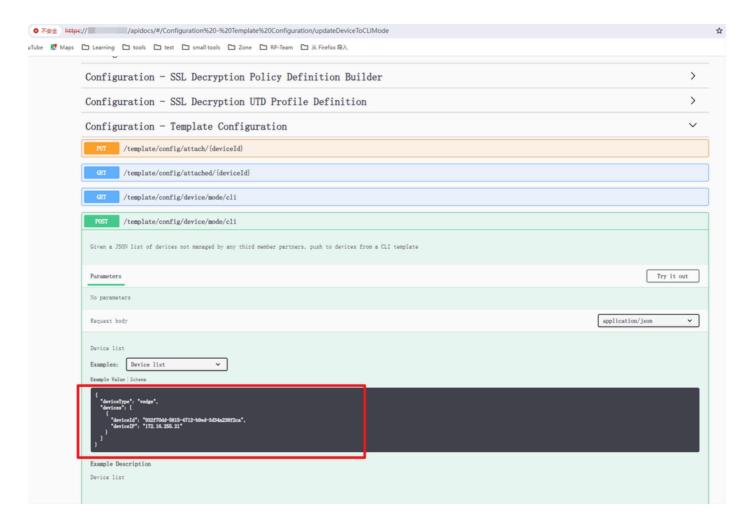


Step 2:Modify the URL to LoginCisco SD-WAN vManage API

Login https://10.124.x.x/apidocs/



Step 3: Navigate to Configuration - Template Configuration in the Cisco SD-WAN vManage API

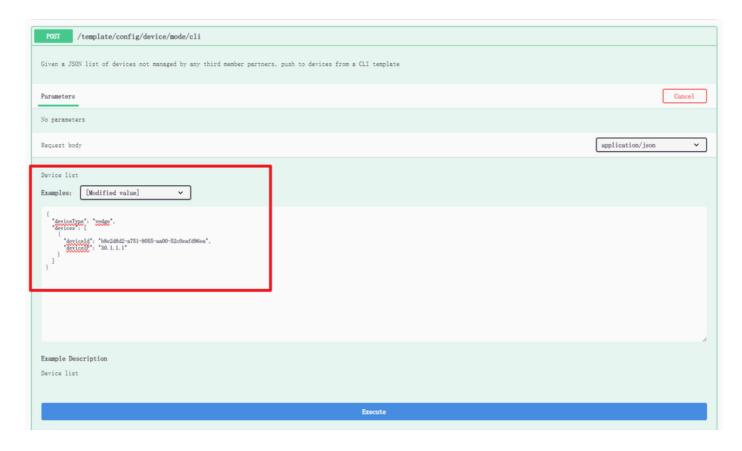


Step 4:ClickTry it out Button



Step 5: Change DeviceId and DeviceIP

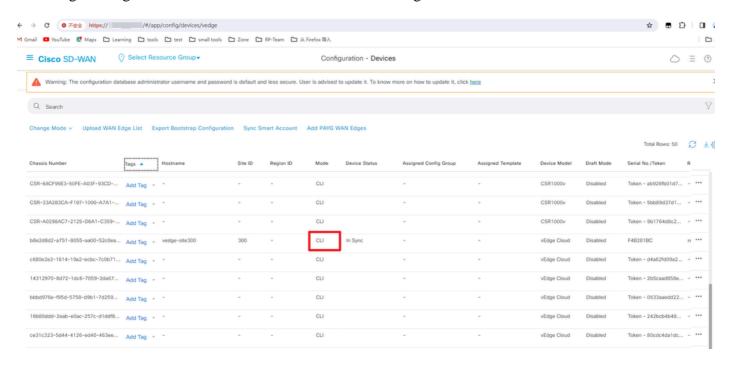
- deviceId == uuid
- deviceIP == local-system-ip



Step 6:Click Execute Button

Step 7: Check vEdge mode in vManage GUI

The vedge management mode has been switched from vManage to CLI status.



Test APIs from the Postman Tool

Step 1: Login to vManage and obtain the Session Cookie

Request method: POST

URL: https://<vmanage-ip>/j_security_check

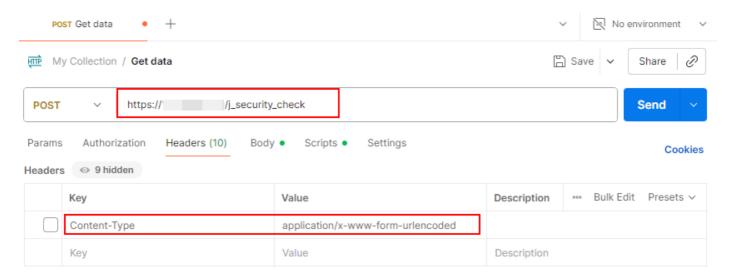
Postman configuration

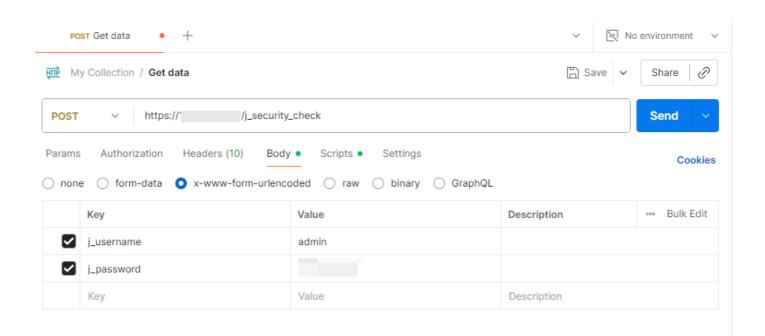
Headers: Content-Type:application/x-www-form-urlencoded

Body type: x-ww-form-urlencoded

Body content:

- j_username=admin
- j_password=xxx





After a successful login, vManage returns the Cookie of JSESSIONID; Cookies are saved automatically.

Step 2: Obtain the CSRF Token

Request method: **GET**

URL: https://<vmanage-ip>/dataservice/client/token

Postman configuration

Headers: Content-Type:application/x-www-form-urlencoded

Body type: x-ww-form-urlencoded

Body content:

- j_username=admin
- j_password=xxx





Step 3:Get the device UUID and IP

Request method: **GET**

URL: https://<vmanage-ip>/dataservice/template/config/device/mode/vmanage?type=vedge

Postman configuration

Headers:

Content-Type:application/json

• X-XSRF-

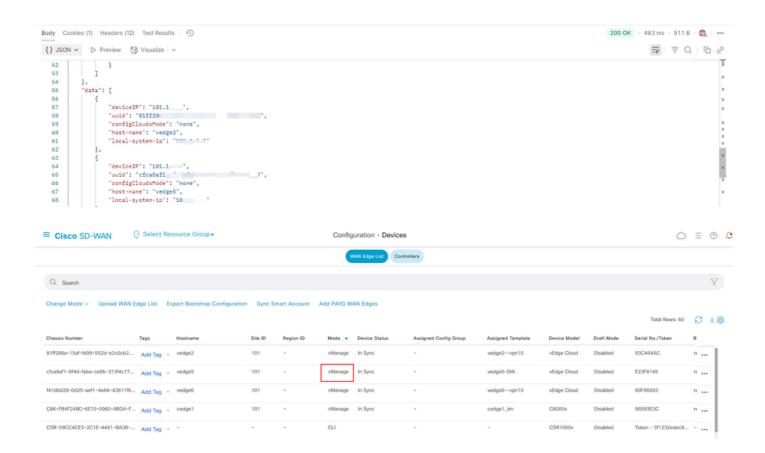
TOKEN: E9C81862C46DA9F8C9A650272E8D577C415999496A990B771EEFB8F05C37DBEFA7759A2

Body type: x-ww-form-urlencoded

Body content:

- j_username=admin
- j_password=xxx





Step 4: Unbind the configuration template of vEdge

Request method: POST

URL: https://<vmanage-ip>/dataservice/template/config/device/mode/cli

Postman configuration

Headers:

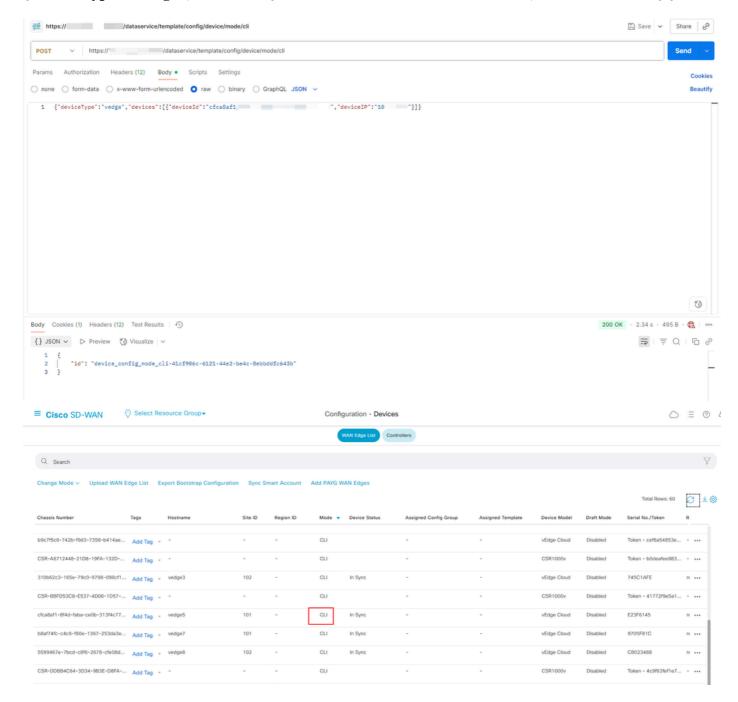
- accept:application/json
- Content-Type:application/json

• X-XSRF-TOKEN: E9C81862C46DA9F8C9A650272E8D577C415999496A990B771EEFB8F05C37DBEFA7759A20816ACC

Body type: raw (JSON)

Body content:

{"deviceType":"vedge","devices":[{"deviceId":"cfca8af1-8f4d-faba-xxx","deviceIP":"xxx"}]}



Related Information

- Use vManage On-board API Documentation for Research and Tests
- Cisco Developer vManage API Documentation