



Preface

This preface describes the audience, organization, and conventions of the *Installation Guide for the Cisco Application Networking Manager 5.2.6 Virtual Appliance*. It also provides information about how to obtain related information.

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Audience

This publication is for experienced system and network administrators who have specific knowledge in the following areas:

- Networking and data communications
- Network security
- Router and switch configuration
- Virtualization concepts
- VMware vSphere operations

Organization

This publication is organized as follows:

Chapter	Description
Chapter 1, “Overview”	Introduces concepts of Application Networking Manager (ANM) Virtual Appliance.
Chapter 2, “Installing or Upgrading ANM Virtual Appliance”	Provides information about creating an ANM Virtual Appliance through the Open Virtualization Format (OVF) deployment process on a VMware-compatible host.
Chapter 3, “Getting Started with Cisco Application Networking Manager Virtual Appliance”	Describes how to set up ANM Virtual Appliance, including how to configure its network operating settings.
Chapter 4, “Administering Application Networking Manager Virtual Appliance”	Describes how to administer ANM Virtual Appliance, including how to monitor and back up and restore the system.
Chapter A, “Command Line Interface Reference”	Provides reference information on the command line interface of the Cisco Application Delivery Engine (ADE) Operating System.

Related Documentation

In addition to this installation guide for ANM Virtual Appliance, the ANM documentation set includes the following publications, which you can access on Cisco.com at the following URL:
http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps6904/tsd_products_support_series_home.html.

- *Installation Guide for the Cisco Application Networking Manager 5.2.6*—Includes complete information about installing and setting up ANM server software on a dedicated server.
- *User Guide for the Cisco Application Networking Manager 5.2.6*—Includes complete information about ANM functionality and detailed procedures for its use. Contains all the information found in online help; available either on cisco.com or from the ANM software online help.
- Context-sensitive online help—Help topics for all pages in the UI (also provides access to a PDF file of the user guide). Select an option from the ANM GUI, and then click **Help**.
- *Release Note for the Cisco Application Networking Manager (Software Version 5.x)*—Includes resolved and open defects and any pertinent release-specific information.
- *Supported Devices Table for the Cisco Application Networking Manager 5.2.6*—Includes complete supported network element and firmware versions for ANM.
- *Supplemental License Agreement for the Cisco Application Networking Manager*—Describes the licensing limitations and restrictions.

Conventions

This document uses the following conventions:

Item	Convention
Commands and keywords	boldface font
Variables for which you supply values	<i>italic font</i>
Displayed session and system information	screen font
Information you enter	boldface screen font
Variables you enter	<i>italic screen font</i>
Menu items and button names	boldface font
Selecting a menu item in paragraphs	Option > Network Preferences
Selecting a menu item in tables	Option > Network Preferences



Note

Means *reader take note*. Notes contain helpful suggestions or references to material not covered in the publication.



Caution

Means *reader be careful*. In this situation, you might do something that could result in equipment damage or loss of data.

All documentation on ANM uses the following terms when referring to Cisco ACE devices:

- ACE—Any ACE network element (module or appliance)
- ACE appliance—ACE appliances only
- ACE module—ACE modules only

Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request

For information about obtaining documentation, submitting a service request, and gathering additional information, see the monthly *What's New in Cisco Product Documentation*, which also lists all new and revised Cisco technical documentation, at:

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