



Configuring ISG Support for Prepaid Billing

Intelligent Services Gateway (ISG) is a software feature set that provides a structured framework in which edge devices can deliver flexible and scalable services to subscribers. ISG prepaid billing support allows an ISG to check a subscriber's available credit to determine whether to allow the subscriber access to a service and how long the access can last. ISG prepaid billing works on a repeated re-authorization model in which fragments of credit, called *quotas*, are allotted by a prepaid billing server. This model allows a subscriber to be connected to multiple simultaneous prepaid services, each with a different billing rate. ISG supports time-based and volume-based prepaid billing.

This module describes how to configure ISG support for prepaid billing for IPv4, IPv6 and dual-stack sessions.

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Finding Feature Information

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Prerequisites for ISG Prepaid Billing Support

- A subscriber session is created and a method of service activation is in place.
- Traffic classes for IPv4, IPv6, and dual-stack sessions are configured.

Restrictions for ISG Prepaid Billing Support

- ISG prepaid billing support can only be applied to traffic flows that have been defined by an ISG traffic class.
- ISG prepaid billing support can not be applied to per-user ACL on IPv6 traffic.
- Quotas are measured in seconds for time and in bytes for volume. There is no way to change the unit of measure.
- The volume quota is for combined upstream and downstream traffic.
- The volume quota supports a maximum value of 4 GB.

Information About ISG Prepaid Billing Support

Overview of ISG Support for Prepaid Billing

ISG prepaid billing is supported for IPv4, IPv6, and dual-stack subscribers. This feature allows ISG to check the subscriber's available credit to determine whether to activate a specified service and how long the session can last. The subscriber's credit is administered by a prepaid billing server as a series of quotas representing either a duration of use (in seconds) or an allowable data volume (in bytes). A *quota* is an allotment, or fragment, of available credit. Allocating quotas in fragments rather than providing all the credit at once enables ISG to support the use of credit for multiple simultaneous prepaid sessions.

ISG uses the RADIUS protocol to facilitate interaction between ISG and external authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) servers and prepaid billing servers. A single device can serve as the AAA server and the billing server.

To obtain the first quota for a session, ISG submits an authorization request to the AAA server. The AAA server contacts the prepaid billing server, which forwards the quota values to ISG. ISG then monitors the session to track the quota usage. When the quota runs out or a specified limit is reached, ISG performs re-authorization. During re-authorization, the prepaid billing server may provide ISG with an additional quota if there is available credit. If no further quota is provided, ISG will log the user off from the service or perform some other specified action.

When a service is deactivated, the cumulative usage is provided to the prepaid billing server in an Accounting-Stop message.

ISG Prepaid Volume Monitor Polling Timer and QV Values

The Cisco IOS prepaid volume monitor polling timer determines when ISG will initiate a prepaid reauthorization. The polling timer value is (15 seconds < polling-monitor-time < 300 seconds). This value is calculated dynamically based on the QV value (which defines the volume-based quota), the actual rate, and the configured volume threshold. The prepaid volume monitor polling timer is not directly configurable.

To avoid allocating more volume quota than the subscriber is entitled to during the first authorization (when usage rate is unknown), the QV value should be a minimum of (15 x access rate). In cases in which the usage rate is known, the QV value should be at least (15 x usage rate).

In cases in which the input access rate is much higher than the QV value, it is recommended that the correct QV value be calculated using the following formula: $\text{access rate} \times 15 > \text{QV} < \text{access rate} \times 300$. For example, an ADSL2 or VDSL user access-rate can be up to 20 Mbps. That is approximately 2.5 megabytes (MB) of data in one second. Calculate the QV value by using the following formula: $2.5 \text{ MB} \times 15 \text{ seconds} > \text{QV} < 2.5 \text{ MB} \times 300 \text{ seconds}$. This calculation results in a QV value between 37.5 MB and 750 MB, however we recommend you do not choose either the highest or lowest value in this range. For example, you might pick a value of $\text{QV} = 100 \text{ MB}$.

ISG Prepaid Threshold

By default, ISG sends reauthorization requests to the billing server when a subscriber's quota is exhausted. ISG prepaid thresholds allow ISG to send reauthorization requests before a quota is used up. When a prepaid threshold is configured, ISG sends a reauthorization request to the billing server when the amount of remaining quota is equal to the value of the threshold. Prepaid thresholds can be configured for both time and volume.

For example, if the prepaid threshold is configured for 10 seconds, and the prepaid billing server sends ISG a quota of 30 seconds, ISG will send a reauthorization request to the prepaid billing server when the subscriber has used up 20 seconds of the quota and has 10 seconds remaining.

ISG Prepaid Idle Timeout

The ISG prepaid idle timeout can be used to suspend a prepaid service session if no traffic is received for a specified period of time. ISG keeps the session up during the suspension but releases all quota previously received for the prepaid session. Subsequent traffic on the session will cause ISG to send a reauthorization request and download a new quota for the session.

Benefits of ISG Prepaid Billing

Concurrent Prepaid Service Access

The ISG Support for Prepaid Billing feature is capable of supporting concurrent prepaid service access while maintaining the same pool of quota at the prepaid billing server. ISG services can be configured for concurrent or sequential access. Concurrent access allows users to log on to a service while simultaneously connected to other services.

Real-Time Billing

The ISG Support for Prepaid Billing feature allows for real-time billing with maximum flexibility, regardless of the type of service and billing scheme. Users can be billed on a flat rate, air-time, or volume basis.

Redirection Upon Exhaustion of Quota

When a user runs out of quota, ISG can redirect the user to a portal where the user can replenish the quota without being disconnected from the service.

Returning Residual Quota

ISG can return residual quota to the billing server from services that a user is logged into but not actively using. The quota that is returned to the billing server can be applied to other services that the user is actively using.

Threshold Values

ISG enables you to configure threshold values that cause prepaid sessions to be reauthorized before the subscriber completely consumes the allotted quota for a service.

Traffic Status During Reauthorization

You can prevent revenue leaks by configuring ISG to drop connected traffic during reauthorization of a service. The user remains connected to the service and does not need to log in to the service again, but no traffic is forwarded during the reauthorization process. This prevents a user from continuing to use a service for which the user has run out of quota while ISG sends a reauthorization request to the billing server.

Simultaneous Volume-Based and Time-Based Prepaid Billing

ISG supports rating on both time and volume simultaneously for prepaid services. The prepaid billing server may allocate quotas in both time and volume, and ISG monitors the session on both these parameters. ISG performs a reauthorization whenever either of these quota types is exhausted.

How to Configure ISG Support for Prepaid Billing

Configuring RADIUS Attribute Support for ISG Prepaid Billing

Perform this task to enable ISG to include RADIUS attribute 44 in Access-Request packets and attribute 55 in Accounting-Request packets.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. `enable`
2. `configure terminal`
3. `radius-server attribute 44 include-in-access-req [vrf vrf-name]`
4. `radius-server attribute 55 include-in-acct-req`
5. `end`
6. `show subscriber session [detailed] [identifier identifier | uid session-id] username name]`

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 3	<p>radius-server attribute 44 include-in-access-req [<i>vrf vrf-name</i>]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router(config)# radius-server attribute 44 include-in-access-req</pre>	Sends RADIUS attribute 44 (Accounting Session ID) in Access-Request packets before user authentication.
Step 4	<p>radius-server attribute 55 include-in-acct-req</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router(config)# radius-server attribute 55 include-in-acct-req</pre>	Sends the RADIUS attribute 55 (Event-Timestamp) in Accounting-Request packets.
Step 5	<p>end</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router(config)# end</pre>	Exits the current configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 6	<p>show subscriber session [<i>detailed</i>] [<i>identifier identifier</i> <i>uid session-id</i>] <i>username name</i>]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router# show subscriber session detailed</pre>	(Optional) Displays ISG subscriber session information.

Creating an ISG Prepaid Billing Configuration

Perform this task to create or modify an ISG prepaid billing configuration. This configuration can be referenced in service profiles or service policy maps in which ISG prepaid support is enabled.

A default prepaid configuration exists with the following parameters:

```
subscriber feature prepaid default
threshold time 0 seconds
threshold volume 0 bytes
method-list authorization default
method-list accounting default
password cisco
```

The default configuration will not show up in the output of the **show running-config** command unless you change any one of the parameters.

The parameters of named prepaid configurations are inherited from the default configuration, so if you create a named prepaid configuration and want only one parameter to be different from the default configuration, you have to configure only that parameter.

Before you begin

This task assumes that AAA method lists, server groups, and servers have been configured. See the Cisco IOS Security Configuration Guide: Securing User Services for more information.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **subscriber feature prepaid** {*name-of-config* | **default**}
4. **interim-interval** *number-of-minutes*
5. **method-list** {**accounting** | **authorization**} *name-of-method-list*
6. **password** *password*
7. **threshold** {**time** *seconds* | **volume** {*kilobytes* **Kbytes** | *megabytes* **Mbytes** | *bytes* **bytes**}}
8. **end**
9. **show subscriber session** [**detailed**] [**identifier** *identifier* | **uid** *session-id*] **username** *name*]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	subscriber feature prepaid { <i>name-of-config</i> default }	Creates a new ISG prepaid configuration or specifies an existing configuration so it can be modified, and enters prepaid configuration mode.
	Example: Router(config)# subscriber feature prepaid conf-prepaid	
Step 4	interim-interval <i>number-of-minutes</i> Example: Router(config-prepaid)# interim-interval 5	Enables interim prepaid accounting and specifies the interval at which ISG will send interim prepaid accounting records.
Step 5	method-list { accounting authorization } <i>name-of-method-list</i> Example: Router(config-prepaid)# method-list accounting list1	Specifies the AAA method list to be used for ISG prepaid accounting or authorization.
Step 6	password <i>password</i> Example: Router(config-prepaid)# password cisco	Configures the password to be used for ISG prepaid authorization and reauthorization requests.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	<p>threshold {<i>time seconds</i> volume {<i>kilobytes Kbytes</i> <i>megabytes Mbytes</i> <i>bytes bytes</i>}}</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router(config-prepaid)# threshold time 20</pre>	<p>Configures the threshold at which ISG will send a reauthorization request to the prepaid billing server.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The quota provided by the billing server minus the configured threshold equals the value at which ISG will send a reauthorization request • This command can be entered twice to configure thresholds in both time and volume.
Step 8	<p>end</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router(config-prepaid)# end</pre>	<p>Exits the current configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>
Step 9	<p>show subscriber session [detailed] [identifier <i>identifier</i> uid <i>session-id</i> username <i>name</i>]</p> <p>Example:</p> <pre>Router# show subscriber session detailed</pre>	<p>(Optional) Displays ISG subscriber session information.</p>

Enabling ISG Prepaid Billing

Perform one of the following tasks to enable prepaid billing in a service policy map or a remote service profile:

Enabling ISG Prepaid Billing in a Service Policy Map

Perform this task to enable ISG prepaid billing support in a service policy map.

Before you begin

ISG prepaid billing is enabled in a traffic class within a service policy map. This task assumes that you have defined the traffic class map and associated IP access lists. See the module "Configuring ISG Subscriber Services" for more information.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **policy-map type service** *policy-map-name*
4. [*priority*] **class type traffic** *class-map-name*
5. **prepaid config** *name-of-configuration*
6. **end**
7. **show subscriber session** [**detailed**] [**identifier** *identifier* | **uid** *session-id*| **username** *name*]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Router> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	policy-map type service <i>policy-map-name</i> Example: <pre>Router(config)# policy-map type service mp3</pre>	Creates or defines a service policy map, which is used to define an ISG service, and enters service policy-map configuration mode.
Step 4	[<i>priority</i>] class type traffic <i>class-map-name</i> Example: <pre>Router(config-service-policymap)# class type traffic class-acl-101</pre>	Associates a previously configured traffic class with the policy map, and enters control policy-map traffic class configuration mode.
Step 5	prepaid config <i>name-of-configuration</i> Example: <pre>Router(config-control-policymap-class-traffic)# prepaid config conf-prepaid</pre>	Enables ISG support for prepaid billing and applies a configuration that defines the prepaid billing parameters. <p>Note The presence of this command does not guarantee that prepaid billing will be applied to the flow. This command causes the first prepaid authorization request. Whether prepaid billing will be applied to the flow is determined by the billing server.</p>
Step 6	end Example: <pre>Router(config-control-policymap-class-traffic)# end</pre>	Exits the current configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 7	show subscriber session [detailed] [identifier <i>identifier</i> uid <i>session-id</i>] username <i>name</i>] Example: <pre>Router# show subscriber session detailed</pre>	(Optional) Displays ISG subscriber session information.

What to Do Next

You may want to configure a method of activating the service policy map or service profile; for example, control policies can be used to activate services. For more information about methods of service activation, see the module "Configuring ISG Subscriber Services."

Enabling ISG Prepaid Billing in Service Profile on the AAA Server

Perform this task to enable ISG support for prepaid billing in a service profile that is configured on a remote AAA server.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. Do one of the following:
 - Add the ISG Traffic Class attribute to the service profile.
 - Cisco-AVpair = "ip:traffic-class=in access-group [<acl_number> | name <acl_name>] [priority <n>]"
 - Cisco-AVpair = "ip:traffic-class=out access-group [<acl_number> | name <acl_name>] [priority <n>]"
2. Add the ISG Prepaid Billing VSA to the service profile.

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	Do one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add the ISG Traffic Class attribute to the service profile. • Cisco-AVpair = "ip:traffic-class=in access-group [<acl_number> name <acl_name>] [priority <n>]" • Cisco-AVpair = "ip:traffic-class=out access-group [<acl_number> name <acl_name>] [priority <n>]" 	Specifies input and output traffic to which the service will apply. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both an input and output traffic classifier can be added to a service profile.
Step 2	Add the ISG Prepaid Billing VSA to the service profile. Example: <pre>26,9,1 = "prepaid-config={<name-of-config> default"</pre>	Enables ISG support for prepaid billing and applies a configuration that defines the prepaid billing parameters.

What to Do Next

You may want to configure a method of activating the service policy map or service profile; for example, control policies can be used to activate services. For more information about methods of service activation, see the module "Configuring ISG Subscriber Services".

Redirecting Subscriber Traffic upon Exhaustion of Credit

Service providers often want to offer subscribers an opportunity to recharge their accounts when they have run out of credit for their prepaid services. The tasks in this section enable you to redirect a subscriber's Layer 4 traffic to a specified server when the subscriber has run out of credit.

Before you configure ISG Layer 4 Redirect for exhaustion of credit, you should understand the following concept:

Perform the following tasks to redirect a subscriber's Layer 4 traffic upon exhaustion of credit:

Credit-Exhausted Event

The ISG credit-exhausted event occurs when the prepaid server responds with an Access-Accept packet with a quota value of zero (time or volume) and an idle timeout greater than zero. In this case, the prepaid server has determined for certain that the subscriber does not have enough credit, but the idle timeout provides a grace period in which the subscriber could recharge the account. Typically, a service provider would want to redirect the subscriber's traffic to a web portal where the subscriber could recharge the account. At the end of the idle-timeout interval, ISG will send a reauthorization request.

The default ISG behavior is to drop subscriber packets when the credit-exhausted event occurs. However, in case of dual-stack subscriber, the ISG redirects the subscriber to the portal in case of credit exhaustion.



Note Layer 4 redirection is one action that a service provider could take when a subscriber has run out of credit. Other actions can be configured instead of or in addition to Layer 4 redirection.

Configuring L4 Redirection in a Service Policy Map

Perform this task to configure ISG Layer 4 redirection in a service policy map.

The ISG Layer 4 Redirect feature can also be configured in a service profile on a AAA server. For more information about redirecting Layer 4 subscriber traffic, see the "Redirecting Subscriber Traffic Using ISG Layer 4 Redirect" module.

Before you begin

The ISG Layer 4 Redirect feature is configured under a traffic class within the service policy map. This task assumes that you have defined the traffic class map. See the "Configuring ISG Subscriber Services" module for more information.

Traffic can be redirected to a server or server group. If you are redirecting traffic to a server group, this task assumes that the server group has been configured. See the "Configuring ISG Subscriber Services" module for more information about configuring server groups.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **policy-map type service** *policy-map-name*
4. [*priority*] **class type traffic** *class-name*
5. **redirect to** {*group server-group-name* | **ip** *ip-address* [**port** *port-number*]} [**duration** *seconds*] [**frequency** *seconds*]
6. **end**
7. **show subscriber session** [**detailed**] [**identifier** *identifier* | **uid** *session-id*] **username** *name*]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Router> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	policy-map type service <i>policy-map-name</i> Example: <pre>Router(config)# policy-map type service redirect-service</pre>	Creates or defines a service policy map, which is used to define an ISG service and enters service policy-map configuration mode.
Step 4	[<i>priority</i>] class type traffic <i>class-name</i> Example: <pre>Router(config-service-policymap)# class type traffic class-all</pre>	(Optional) Associates a previously configured traffic class with the policy map, and enters service policy-map traffic class configuration mode.
Step 5	redirect to {group <i>server-group-name</i> ip <i>ip-address</i> [port <i>port-number</i>]} [duration <i>seconds</i>] [frequency <i>seconds</i>] Example: <pre>Router(config-service-policymap-class-traffic)# redirect to group redirect-sg</pre>	Redirects traffic to a specified server or server group.
Step 6	end Example: <pre>Router(config-control-policymap-class-traffic)# end</pre>	Exits the current configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 7	show subscriber session [detailed] [identifier <i>identifier</i> uid <i>session-id</i> username <i>name</i>] Example: <pre>Router# show subscriber session detailed</pre>	(Optional) Displays ISG subscriber session information.

Applying a Service Policy Map to Subscriber Traffic upon Exhaustion of Credit

Perform this task to configure a control policy and apply a service policy map to subscriber traffic upon exhaustion of credit.

Before you begin

If you specify a named control class map, this task assumes that the class map has been configured. See the "Configuring ISG Control Policies" module for information about configuring control class maps.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **policy-map type control** *policy-map-name*
4. **class type control** {*control-class-name* | **always**} **event credit-exhausted**
5. *action-number* **service-policy type service name** *policy-map-name*
6. **end**
7. **show subscriber session** [**detailed**] [**identifier** *identifier* | **uid** *session-id*] **username** *name*]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Router# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	policy-map type control <i>policy-map-name</i> Example: Router(config)# policy-map type control policyA	Creates or modifies a policy map that defines a control policy.
Step 4	class type control { <i>control-class-name</i> always } event credit-exhausted Example: Router(config-control-policymap)# class type control always event credit-exhausted	Specifies a control class and event for which actions may be configured.
Step 5	<i>action-number</i> service-policy type service name <i>policy-map-name</i> Example: Router(config-control-policymap-class-control)# 1 service-policy type service name redirect-profile	Applies the specified service policy map or service profile in which the ISG Layer 4 Redirect feature has been configured.
Step 6	end Example:	Exits the current configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Router (config-control-policy-map-class-control) # end	
Step 7	show subscriber session [detailed] [identifier identifier uid session-id username name] Example: Router# show subscriber session detailed	(Optional) Displays ISG subscriber session information.

What to Do Next

Control policies must be applied to a context by using the **service-policy type control** command.

Forwarding Subscriber Traffic upon Depletion of Quota

By default, ISG drops subscriber packets when a subscriber's quota has been depleted. This task enables you to override the default and forward subscriber traffic when the quota-depleted event occurs.

Before you perform this task you should understand the concept described in the [Quota-Depleted Event, on page 13](#) section.

Quota-Depleted Event

A quota-depleted event occurs when a subscriber's quota is exhausted and ISG has not yet received a reauthorization response from the billing server. This event can occur in two situations:

- When a prepaid threshold is not configured and the subscriber's quota is used up.
- When a prepaid threshold is configured but the quota is exhausted before the prepaid server responds to the reauthorization request that ISG sent when the threshold was met.

The quota-depleted event is not necessarily an indication that a subscriber does not have any more credit. ISG does not know for certain whether the subscriber has any more credit until a reauthorization response is returned from the billing server. For this reason, some service providers may choose to forward subscriber packets upon quota depletion until a reauthorization response is returned.

The default ISG behavior is to drop subscriber packets when a quota-depleted event occurs.

Before you begin

If you specify a named control class map, this task assumes that the class map has been configured. See the module "Configuring ISG Control Policies" for information about configuring control class maps.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **policy-map type control *policy-map-name***
4. **class type control {*control-class-name* | always} event quota-depleted**
5. ***action-number* set-param drop-traffic false**

6. end
7. show subscriber session [detailed] [identifier identifier | uid session-id| username name]

DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: <pre>Router> enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter your password if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	policy-map type control policy-map-name Example: <pre>Router(config)# policy-map type control policyB</pre>	Creates or modifies a policy map that can be applied globally, to an interface, or to an ATM VC to specify a control policy, and enters control policy-map configuration mode.
Step 4	class type control {control-class-name always} event quota-depleted Example: <pre>Router(config-control-policymap)# class type control always event quota-depleted</pre>	Specifies a control class and event for which actions may be configured, and enters control policy-map class control configuration mode.
Step 5	action-number set-param drop-traffic false Example: <pre>Router(config-control-policymap-class-control)# 1 set-param drop-traffic false</pre>	Configures ISG to continue to allow traffic to pass when the quota has been depleted.
Step 6	end Example: <pre>Router(config-control-policymap-class-control)# end</pre>	Exits the current configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 7	show subscriber session [detailed] [identifier identifier uid session-id username name] Example: <pre>Router# show subscriber session detailed</pre>	(Optional) Displays ISG subscriber session information.

What to Do Next

Control policies must be applied to a context by using the **service-policy type control** command.

Troubleshooting ISG Prepaid Billing Support

Perform these steps to troubleshoot ISG prepaid billing support.

SUMMARY STEPS

1. Use the **show subscriber session** command to make sure the service in which prepaid billing support is configured has been activated.
2. If the service requires service authentication, make sure the authentication succeeded.
3. Make sure the AAA method list referred to in the prepaid billing configuration is valid and has been configured with the **aaa accounting network** command.
4. Use the **test aaa** command to make sure the AAA server is reachable from ISG.
5. Use the **debug subscriber policy prepaid** command to display debug messages about prepaid operation.

DETAILED STEPS

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| Step 1 | Use the show subscriber session command to make sure the service in which prepaid billing support is configured has been activated. |
| Step 2 | If the service requires service authentication, make sure the authentication succeeded. |
| Step 3 | Make sure the AAA method list referred to in the prepaid billing configuration is valid and has been configured with the aaa accounting network command. |
| Step 4 | Use the test aaa command to make sure the AAA server is reachable from ISG. |
| Step 5 | Use the debug subscriber policy prepaid command to display debug messages about prepaid operation. |
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Configuration Examples for ISG Prepaid Billing Support

ISG Prepaid Billing Support Example

The following example shows ISG prepaid billing support configured with the following parameters:

- The time threshold is 20 seconds.
- The volume threshold is 1000 bytes.
- When the quota-depleted event occurs, ISG will drop subscriber packets until the billing server sends another quota.
- When the credit-exhausted event occurs, subscriber packets will be redirected to the server group “redirect-sg”.
- The prepaid service is called “mp3” and is configured directly on the router in a service policy map.
- The AAA method list that will be used for this service to authenticate subscribers is called “cp-mlist”. That is the same method list to which the service accounting records will be sent.
- Prepaid authorization, reauthorization and accounting messages will be sent to the AAA method list called “ap-mlist”.

```

!
aaa authorization network default local
aaa authorization network ap-mlist group sg2
aaa authentication login cp-mlist group sg1
aaa accounting network cp-mlist start-stop group sg1
aaa accounting network ap-mlist start-stop group sg2
service-policy type control RULEA
!
class-map type traffic match-any CLASS-ALL
!
class-map type traffic match-any CLASS-ACL-101
    match access-group input 101
!
policy-map type control RULEA
    class type control always event credit-exhausted
        1 service-policy type service name redirectprofile
!
policy-map type service redirectprofile
    class type traffic CLASS-ALL
        redirect to group redirect-sg
policy-map type service mp3
    class type traffic CLASS-ACL-101
        accounting aaa list cp-mlist
!
    authenticate aaa list cp-mlist
!
subscriber feature prepaid conf-prepaid
method-list accounting ap-mlist
method-list authorization default
password cisco
threshold time 20
threshold volume 1000 bytes

```

ISG Policies for Handling Credit-Exhausted and Quota-Depleted Prepaid Billing Events Example

In the following example, a single control policy called “RULEA” has been defined to override the ISG prepaid default behavior by forwarding subscriber packets after a quota-depleted event and redirecting subscriber packets after a credit-exhausted event:

```

!class-map type traffic match-any CLASS-ALL
!
policy-map type control RULEA
    class type control always event quota-depleted
        1 set-param drop-traffic false
    class type control always event credit-exhausted
        1 service-policy type service name l4redirect
!
policy-map type service l4redirect
    class type traffic CLASS-ALL
        redirect to group SESM
!
subscriber feature prepaid conf-prepaid
threshold time 100
threshold volume 1000 bytes
method-list author prepaidlist
method-list accounting default
password cisco

```


Example: Configuring Prepaid Support for Simple IP Dual Stack Sessions

```

#-----
# AAA Configuration
#-----
aaa group server radius PREPAID_V4
server-private 6.6.6.1
!
aaa group server radius PREPAID_V6
server-private 8.8.8.1
!
aaa group server radius SERVER_GROUP1
server name RAD1
!
aaa authorization network PREPAID_V4 group PREPAID_V4
aaa authorization network PREPAID_V6 group PREPAID_V6
aaa authorization subscriber-service default local group SERVER_GROUP1
#-----
# Prepaid Service Definition
#-----
subscriber feature prepaid V4_PREPAID
threshold time 100 seconds
threshold volume 1000 bytes
interim-interval 2 minutes
method-list author PREPAID
method-list accounting List3
password cisco
!
subscriber feature prepaid V6_PREPAID
threshold time 0 seconds
threshold volume 0 bytes
interim-interval 2 minutes
method-list author PREPAID_V6
method-list accounting List1
password cisco
#-----
# Redirect Portal Configuration
#-----
redirect server-group IPv6_PORTAL
server ip 3001::2 port 23
!
redirect server-group IPv4_PORTAL
server ip 4.4.4.1 port 23
#-----
# Traffic Class Configuration
#-----
class-map type traffic match-any IPv4_L4R
match access-group input name ipv4_l4r_in
match access-group output name ipv4_l4r_out
!
class-map type traffic match-any IPv6_L4R
match access-group input name ipv6_l4r_in
match access-group output name ipv6_l4r_out

class-map type traffic match-any IPv4_PRE
match access-group input name ipv4_in
match access-group output name ipv4_out
!
class-map type traffic match-any IPv6_PRE
match access-group input name ipv6_in
match access-group output name ipv6_out

```

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```

class-map type control match-all PRE_V4
match service-name PREPAID_V4_SERVICE
!
class-map type control match-all PRE_V6
match service-name PREPAID_V6_SERVICE
#-----
# IPv4 and IPv6 Prepaid Service Configuration
#-----
policy-map type service PREPAID_V4_SERVICE
10 class type traffic IPv4_PRE
    prepaid config V4_PREPAID
!
class type traffic default in-out
    drop
!
policy-map type service PREPAID_V6_SERVICE
10 class type traffic IPv6_PRE
    prepaid config V6_PREPAID
!
class type traffic default in-out
    drop
!
#-----
# IPv4 and IPv6 L4R Service Definition
#-----
policy-map type service L4REDIRECT_SERVICE_V4
5 class type traffic IPv4_L4R
    redirect to group DASHBOARD
!
class type traffic default in-out
    drop
!
policy-map type service L4REDIRECT_SERVICE_V6
5 class type traffic IPv6_L4R
    redirect to group IPv6_PORTAL
!
class type traffic default in-out
    drop
#-----
# Service Policy Configuration
#-----
policy-map type control TAL
class type control PRE_V4 event credit-exhausted
    1 service-policy type service name L4REDIRECT_SERVICE_V4
!
class type control PRE_V6 event credit-exhausted
    1 service-policy type service name L4REDIRECT_SERVICE_V6
!
class type control always event session-start
    9 authorize identifier mac-address
!
class type control always event quota-depleted
    1 set-param drop-traffic TRUE
!
#-----
# IPv4 and IPv6 Access Lists Configuration
#-----
ip access-list extended ipv4_in
permit ip any 4.4.4.0 0.0.0.255
!
ip access-list extended ipv4_out
permit ip 4.4.4.0 0.0.0.255 any
!
ip access-list extended ipv4_l4r_in

```

```

permit tcp any any
permit udp any any
!
ip access-list extended ipv4_l4r_out
permit tcp any any
permit udp any any
!
ipv6 access-list ipv6_in
permit ipv6 any 3001::/64
!
ipv6 access-list ipv6_out
permit ipv6 3001::/64 any
!
ipv6 access-list ipv6_l4r_in
permit tcp any any
permit udp any any
!
ipv6 access-list ipv6_l4r_out
permit udp any any
permit tcp any any
!
#-----
# RADIUS Server Configuration
#-----
radius-server host 6.6.6.1
radius-server host 8.8.8.1
!
radius server RAD1
address ipv4 4.4.4.1 auth-port 1645 acct-port 1646

```

Additional References

Related Documents

Related Topic	Document Title
AAA configuration tasks	The “Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting (AAA)”? section in the <i>Security Configuration Guide</i>
AAA commands	<i>Cisco IOS Security Command Reference</i>
Cisco IOS commands	<i>Cisco IOS Master Commands List, All Releases</i>
ISG commands	Cisco IOS Intelligent Services Gateway Command Reference

Standards

Standard	Title
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MIBs

MIB	MIBs Link
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RFC	Title
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Feature Information for ISG Support for Prepaid Billing

The following table provides release information about the feature or features described in this module. This table lists only the software release that introduced support for a given feature in a given software release train. Unless noted otherwise, subsequent releases of that software release train also support that feature.

Use Cisco Feature Navigator to find information about platform support and Cisco software image support. To access Cisco Feature Navigator, go to www.cisco.com/go/cfn. An account on Cisco.com is not required.

Table 1: Feature Information for ISG Support for Prepaid Billing

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Configuration Information
ISG: Accounting: Prepaid	Cisco IOS XE Release 2.5.0	ISG prepaid billing support allows ISG to check a subscriber's available credit to determine whether to allow the subscriber access to a service and how long the access can last. ISG supports volume-based and time-based prepaid billing.
Prepaid Support for Dual-Stack Sessions	Cisco IOS XE Release 3.13S	ISG prepaid billing support is extended to dual-stack sessions.

