



# Applying QoS Features Using the MQC

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This module contains the concepts about applying QoS features using the Modular Quality of Service (QoS) Command-Line Interface (CLI) (MQC) and the tasks for configuring the MQC. The MQC allows you to define a traffic class, create a traffic policy (policy map), and attach the traffic policy to an interface. The traffic policy contains the QoS feature that will be applied to the traffic class.

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## Finding Feature Information

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## Restrictions for Applying QoS Features Using the MQC

The MQC does not support Internetwork Packet Exchange (IPX) packets.

The number of QoS class maps supported in a single policy map varies by release, as follows:

- For Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1 and 2.2, the MQC supports a maximum of eight class maps in a single policy map.
- For Cisco IOS XE Release 2.3, the MQC supports a maximum of 256 class maps in a single policy map.



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- For Cisco IOS XE Release 3.5, the MQC supports a maximum of 1000 class maps in a single policy map.

The number of QoS policy maps supported on a router varies by release, as follows:

- For Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1 and 2.2, the MQC supports no more than 1024 (or 1K) unique policy map definitions.
- For Cisco IOS XE Release 2.3, the MQC supports no more than 4096 (or 4K) unique policy map definitions.


**Note**

The policy map limitations do not refer to the number of applied policy map instances, only to the definition of the policy maps.

The following restrictions apply to Cisco IOS XE release 3.5S for the Cisco ASR 903 router:

- QoS policy maps are not supported in sessions.
- Nested traffic maps are not supported.

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## The MQC Structure

The MQC structure allows you to define a traffic class, create a traffic policy, and attach the traffic policy to an interface.

The MQC structure consists of the following three high-level steps:

- 1 Define a traffic class by using the **class-map** command. A traffic class is used to classify traffic.
- 2 Create a traffic policy by using the **policy-map** command. (The terms *traffic policy* and *policy map* are often synonymous.) A traffic policy (policy map) contains a traffic class and one or more QoS features that will be applied to the traffic class. The QoS features in the traffic policy determine how to treat the classified traffic.
- 3 Attach the traffic policy (policy map) to the interface by using the **service-policy** command.

## Elements of a Traffic Class

A traffic class contains three major elements: a traffic class name, a series of **match** commands, and, if more than one **match** command is used in the traffic class, instructions on how to evaluate these **match** commands.

The **match** commands are used for classifying packets. Packets are checked to determine whether they meet the criteria specified in the **match** commands; if a packet meets the specified criteria, that packet is

considered a member of the class. Packets that fail to meet the matching criteria are classified as members of the default traffic class.

### Available match Commands

The table below lists *some* of the available **match** commands that can be used with the MQC. The available **match** commands vary by Cisco IOS XE release. For more information about the commands and command syntax, see the *Cisco IOS Quality of Service Solutions Command Reference*.

**Table 1** *match Commands That Can Be Used with the MQC*

Command	Purpose
<b>match access-group</b>	Configures the match criteria for a class map on the basis of the specified access control list (ACL).
<b>match any</b>	Configures the match criteria for a class map to be successful match criteria for all packets.
<b>match cos</b>	Matches a packet based on a Layer 2 class of service (CoS) marking.
<b>match destination-address mac</b>	Uses the destination MAC address as a match criterion.
<b>match discard-class</b>	Matches packets of a certain discard class.
<b>match [ip] dscp</b>	Identifies a specific IP differentiated service code point (DSCP) value as a match criterion. Up to eight DSCP values can be included in one match statement.
<b>match fr-dlci</b>	Specifies the Frame Relay data-link connection identifier (DLCI) number as a match criterion in a class map.
<b>match input-interface</b>	Configures a class map to use the specified input interface as a match criterion.
<b>match ip rtp</b>	Configures a class map to use the Real-Time Transport Protocol (RTP) port as the match criterion.
<b>match mpls experimental</b>	Configures a class map to use the specified value of the Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) experimental (EXP) field as a match criterion.
<b>match mpls experimental topmost</b>	Matches the MPLS EXP value in the topmost label.

Command	Purpose
<b>match not</b>	<p>Specifies the single match criterion value to use as an unsuccessful match criterion.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The <b>match not</b> command, rather than identifying the specific match parameter to use as a match criterion, is used to specify a match criterion that prevents a packet from being classified as a member of the class. For instance, if the <b>match not qos-group 6</b> command is issued while you configure the traffic class, QoS group 6 becomes the only QoS group value that is not considered a successful match criterion. All other QoS group values would be successful match criteria.</p>
<b>match packet length</b>	Specifies the Layer 3 packet length in the IP header as a match criterion in a class map.
<b>match port-type</b>	Matches traffic on the basis of the port type for a class map.
<b>match [ip] precedence</b>	Identifies IP precedence values as match criteria.
<b>match protocol</b>	<p>Configures the match criteria for a class map on the basis of the specified protocol.</p> <p><b>Note</b> A separate <b>match protocol</b> (NBAR) command is used to configure network-based application recognition (NBAR) to match traffic by a protocol type known to NBAR.</p>
<b>match protocol fasttrack</b>	Configures NBAR to match FastTrack peer-to-peer traffic.
<b>match protocol gnutella</b>	Configures NBAR to match Gnutella peer-to-peer traffic.
<b>match protocol http</b>	Configures NBAR to match Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) traffic by URL, host, Multipurpose Internet Mail Extension (MIME) type, or fields in HTTP packet headers.
<b>match protocol rtp</b>	Configures NBAR to match RTP traffic.
<b>match qos-group</b>	Identifies a specific QoS group value as a match criterion.
<b>match source-address mac</b>	Uses the source MAC address as a match criterion.

### Multiple match Commands in One Traffic Class

If the traffic class contains more than one **match** command, you need to specify how to evaluate the **match** commands. You specify this by using either the **match-any** or **match-all** keyword of the **class-map** command. Note the following points about the **match-any** and **match-all** keywords:

- If you specify the **match-any** keyword, the traffic being evaluated by the traffic class must match *one* of the specified criteria.
- If you specify the **match-all** keyword, the traffic being evaluated by the traffic class must match *all* of the specified criteria.
- If you do not specify either keyword, the traffic being evaluated by the traffic class must match *all* of the specified criteria (that is, the behavior of the **match-all** keyword is used).

## Elements of a Traffic Policy

A traffic policy contains three elements: a traffic policy name, a traffic class (specified with the **class** command), and the command used to enable the QoS feature.

The traffic policy (policy map) applies the enabled QoS feature to the traffic class once you attach the policy map to the interface (by using the **service-policy** command).



#### Note

A packet can match only *one* traffic class within a traffic policy. If a packet matches more than one traffic class in the traffic policy, the *first* traffic class defined in the policy will be used.

### Commands Used to Enable QoS Features

The commands used to enable QoS features vary by Cisco IOS XE release. The table below lists *some* of the available commands and the QoS features that they enable. For complete command syntax, see the *Cisco IOS QoS Command Reference*.

For more information about a specific QoS feature that you want to enable, see the appropriate module of the Cisco IOS XE Quality of Service Solutions Configuration Guide.

**Table 2**      **Commands Used to Enable QoS Features**

Command	Purpose
<b>bandwidth</b>	Configures a minimum bandwidth guarantee for a class.
<b>bandwidth remaining</b>	Configures an excess weight for a class.
<b>fair-queue</b>	Enables the flow-based queueing feature within a traffic class.
<b>drop</b>	Discards the packets in the specified traffic class.
<b>police</b>	Configures traffic policing.
<b>police (percent)</b>	Configures traffic policing on the basis of a percentage of bandwidth available on an interface.

<b>Command</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>police (two rates)</b>	Configures traffic policing using two rates, the committed information rate (CIR) and the peak information rate (PIR).
<b>priority</b>	Gives priority to a class of traffic belonging to a policy map.
<b>queue-limit</b>	Specifies or modifies the maximum number of packets the queue can hold for a class configured in a policy map.
<b>random-detect</b>	Enables Weighted Random Early Detection (WRED).
<b>random-detect discard-class</b>	Configures the WRED parameters for a discard-class value for a class in a policy map.
<b>random-detect discard-class-based</b>	Configures WRED on the basis of the discard class value of a packet.
<b>random-detect exponential-weighting-constant</b>	Configures the exponential weight factor for the average queue size calculation for the queue reserved for a class.
<b>random-detect precedence</b>	Configure the WRED parameters for a particular IP Precedence for a class policy in a policy map.
<b>service-policy</b>	Specifies the name of a traffic policy used as a matching criterion (for nesting traffic policies [hierarchical traffic policies] within one another).
<b>set atm-clp</b>	Sets the cell loss priority (CLP) bit when a policy map is configured.
<b>set cos</b>	Sets the Layer 2 class of service (CoS) value of an outgoing packet.
<b>set discard-class</b>	Marks a packet with a discard-class value.
<b>set [ip] dscp</b>	Marks a packet by setting the differentiated services code point (DSCP) value in the type of service (ToS) byte.
<b>set fr-de</b>	Changes the discard eligible (DE) bit setting in the address field of a Frame Relay frame to 1 for all traffic leaving an interface.
<b>set mpls experimental</b>	Designates the value to which the MPLS bits are set if the packets match the specified policy map.
<b>set precedence</b>	Sets the precedence value in the packet header.

Command	Purpose
<b>set qos-group</b>	Sets a QoS group identifier (ID) that can be used later to classify packets.
<b>shape</b>	Shapes traffic to the indicated bit rate according to the algorithm specified.

## Nested Traffic Classes

The MQC does not necessarily require that you associate only one traffic class to one traffic policy. When packets meet more than one match criterion, multiple traffic classes can be associated with a single traffic policy.

Similarly, the MQC allows multiple traffic classes (nested traffic classes, which are also called nested class maps or MQC Hierarchical class maps) to be configured as a single traffic class. This nesting can be achieved with the use of the **match class-map** command. The only method of combining match-any and match-all characteristics within a single traffic class is with the **match class-map** command.

## match-all and match-any Keywords of the class-map Command

One of the commands used when you create a traffic class is the **class-map** command. The command syntax for the **class-map** command includes two keywords: **match-all** and **match-any**. The **match-all** and **match-any** keywords need to be specified only if more than one match criterion is configured in the traffic class. Note the following points about these keywords:

- The **match-all** keyword is used when *all* of the match criteria in the traffic class must be met in order for a packet to be placed in the specified traffic class.
- The **match-any** keyword is used when only *one* of the match criterion in the traffic class must be met in order for a packet to be placed in the specified traffic class.
- If neither the **match-all** keyword nor **match-any** keyword is specified, the traffic class will behave in a manner consistent with the **match-all** keyword.

## input and output Keywords of the service-policy Command

As a general rule, the QoS features configured in the traffic policy can be applied to packets entering the interface or to packets leaving the interface. Therefore, when you use the **service-policy** command, you need to specify the direction of the traffic policy by using the **input** or **output** keyword.

For instance, the **service-policy output policy-map1** command would apply the QoS features in the traffic policy to the interface in the output direction. All packets leaving the interface (output) are evaluated according to the criteria specified in the traffic policy named policy-map1.



### Note

For Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1 and later releases, queueing mechanisms are not supported in the input direction. Nonqueueing mechanisms (such as traffic policing and traffic marking) are supported in the input direction. Also, classifying traffic on the basis of the source MAC address (using the **match source-address mac** command) is supported in the input direction only.

## Benefits of Applying QoS Features Using the MQC

The MQC structure allows you to create the traffic policy (policy map) once and then apply it to as many traffic classes as needed. You can also attach the traffic policies to as many interfaces as needed.

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## Creating a Traffic Class

To create a traffic class, use the **class-map** command to specify the traffic class name. Then use one or more **match** commands to specify the appropriate match criteria. Packets matching the criteria that you specify are placed in the traffic class. For more information about the **match-all** and **match-any** keywords of the class-map command, see the “match-all and match-any Keywords of the class-map Command” section.



### Note

The **match cos** command is shown in Step 4. The **match cos** command is simply an example of one of the **match** commands that you can use. For information about the other available **match** commands, see the “match-all and match-any Keywords of the class-map Command” section.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **class-map** [**match-all** | **match-any**] *class-map-name*
4. **match cos** *cos-number*
5. Enter additional match commands, if applicable; otherwise, continue with step 6.
6. **end**

### DETAILED STEPS

Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b> <b>enable</b>  <b>Example:</b>  Router> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>

Command or Action	Purpose
<p><b>Step 2</b> <code>configure terminal</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	<p>Enters global configuration mode.</p>
<p><b>Step 3</b> <code>class-map [match-all   match-any] class-map-name</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config)# class-map match-any class1</pre>	<p>Creates a class to be used with a class map and enters class-map configuration mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The class map is used for matching packets to the specified class.</li> <li>Enter the class name.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> The <b>match-all</b> keyword specifies that all match criteria must be met. The <b>match-any</b> keyword specifies that one of the match criterion must be met. Use these keywords only if you will be specifying more than one <b>match</b> command.</p>
<p><b>Step 4</b> <code>match cos cos-number</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config-cmap)# match cos 2</pre>	<p>Matches a packet on the basis of a Layer 2 class of service (CoS) number.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter the CoS number.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> The <b>match cos</b> command is an example of the <b>match</b> commands you can use. For information about the other <b>match</b> commands that are available, see the “match-all and match-any Keywords of the class-map Command” section.</p>
<p><b>Step 5</b> Enter additional match commands, if applicable; otherwise, continue with step 6.</p>	<p>--</p>
<p><b>Step 6</b> <code>end</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config-cmap)# end</pre>	<p>(Optional) Exits QoS class-map configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>

## Creating a Traffic Policy



### Note

The **bandwidth** command is shown in Step 5. The **bandwidth** command is an example of the commands that you can use in a policy map to enable a QoS feature (in this case, Class-based Weighted Fair Queuing (CBWFQ)). For information about other available commands, see the “Elements of a Traffic Policy” section.

**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **policy-map** *policy-map-name*
4. **class** {*class-name* | **class-default**}
5. **bandwidth** {*bandwidth-kbps* | **percent percent**}
6. Enter the commands for any additional QoS feature that you want to enable, if applicable; otherwise, continue with Step 7.
7. **end**

**DETAILED STEPS**

Command or Action	Purpose
<p><b>Step 1</b> <b>enable</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router&gt; enable</pre>	<p>Enables privileged EXEC mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 2</b> <b>configure terminal</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	<p>Enters global configuration mode.</p>
<p><b>Step 3</b> <b>policy-map</b> <i>policy-map-name</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config)# policy-map policy1</pre>	<p>Creates or specifies the name of the traffic policy and enters QoS policy-map configuration mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter the policy map name.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 4</b> <b>class</b> {<i>class-name</i>   <b>class-default</b>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config-pmap)# class class1</pre>	<p>Specifies the name of a traffic class and enters QoS policy-map class configuration mode.</p> <p><b>Note</b> This step associates the traffic class with the traffic policy.</p>

Command or Action	Purpose
<p><b>Step 5</b> <b>bandwidth</b> { <i>bandwidth-kbps</i>   <b>percent</b> <i>percent</i> }</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config-pmap-c)# bandwidth 3000</pre>	<p>(Optional) Specifies a minimum bandwidth guarantee to a traffic class in periods of congestion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A minimum bandwidth guarantee can be specified in kb/s or by a percentage of the overall available bandwidth.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> The <b>bandwidth</b> command enables CBWFQ. The <b>bandwidth</b> command is an example of the commands that you can use in a policy map to enable a QoS feature. For information about the other commands available, see the “Elements of a Traffic Policy” section.</p>
<p><b>Step 6</b> Enter the commands for any additional QoS feature that you want to enable, if applicable; otherwise, continue with Step 7.</p>	<p>--</p>
<p><b>Step 7</b> <b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config-pmap-c)# end</pre>	<p>(Optional) Exits QoS policy-map class configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>

## Attaching a Traffic Policy to an Interface Using the MQC



**Note**

A traffic policy containing a queuing mechanism or feature cannot be attached to a physical interface or subinterface.



**Note**

Cisco IOS XE Release 2.3.0 and later releases do not support the attachment of policies for ATM interfaces that have unspecified bit rate (UBR) configured as the default mode on their VC or virtual path (VP). An attempt to use this configuration results in an error message: CBWFQ: Not supported on ATM interfaces with UBR configuration. You can also specify UBR with a rate in the UBR configuration, if you do not want to use the default UBR value.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **interface** *type number*
4. **service-policy** { **input** | **output** } *policy-map-name*
5. **end**

## DETAILED STEPS

Command or Action	Purpose
<p><b>Step 1</b> <code>enable</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router&gt; enable</pre>	<p>Enables privileged EXEC mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 2</b> <code>configure terminal</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router# configure terminal</pre>	<p>Enters global configuration mode.</p>
<p><b>Step 3</b> <code>interface type number</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config)# interface serial 0/0/1</pre>	<p>Configures an interface type and enters interface configuration mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter the interface type and interface number.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 4</b> <code>service-policy {input   output} policy-map-name</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config-if)# service-policy input policy1</pre>	<p>Attaches a policy map to an interface.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter either the <b>input</b> or <b>output</b> keyword and the policy map name.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 5</b> <code>end</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router(config-if)# end</pre>	<p>(Optional) Exits interface configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>

## Verifying the Traffic Class and Traffic Policy Information

The show commands described in this section are optional and can be entered in any order.

## SUMMARY STEPS

- `enable`
- `show class-map`
- `show policy-map policy-map-name class class-name`
- `show policy-map`
- `show policy-map interface type number`
- `exit`

## DETAILED STEPS

Command or Action	Purpose
<p><b>Step 1</b> <code>enable</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router&gt; enable</pre>	<p>Enables privileged EXEC mode.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 2</b> <code>show class-map</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router# show class-map</pre>	<p>(Optional) Displays all class maps and their matching criteria.</p>
<p><b>Step 3</b> <code>show policy-map <i>policy-map-name</i> class <i>class-name</i></code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router# show policy-map policy1 class class1</pre>	<p>(Optional) Displays the configuration for the specified class of the specified policy map.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter the policy map name and the class name.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 4</b> <code>show policy-map</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router# show policy-map</pre>	<p>(Optional) Displays the configuration of all classes for all existing policy maps.</p>
<p><b>Step 5</b> <code>show policy-map interface <i>type number</i></code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router# show policy-map interface serial 0/0/1</pre>	<p>(Optional) Displays the statistics and the configurations of the input and output policies that are attached to an interface.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter the interface type and number.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Step 6</b> <code>exit</code></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Router# exit</pre>	<p>(Optional) Exits privileged EXEC mode.</p>

## Configuration Examples for Applying QoS Features Using the MQC

## Example: Creating a Traffic Class

In the following example, two traffic classes are created and their match criteria are defined. For the first traffic class called class1, access control list (ACL) 101 is used as the match criterion. For the second traffic class called class2, ACL 102 is used as the match criterion. Packets are checked against the contents of these ACLs to determine if they belong to the class.

```
Router(config)# class-map class1
Router(config-cmap)# match access-group 101
Router(config-cmap)# exit
Router(config)# class-map class2
Router(config-cmap)# match access-group 102
Router(config-cmap)# end
```

## Example Creating a Traffic Policy

In the following example, a traffic policy called policy1 is defined. The traffic policy contains the QoS features to be applied to two classes—class1 and class2. The match criteria for these classes were previously defined (as described in the Example Creating a Traffic Class).

For class1, the policy includes a bandwidth allocation request and a maximum packet count limit for the queue reserved for the class. For class2, the policy specifies only a bandwidth allocation request.

```
Router(config)# policy-map policy1
Router(config-pmap)# class class1
Router(config-pmap-c)# bandwidth 3000
Router(config-pmap-c)# queue-limit 30
Router(config-pmap-c)# exit
Router(config-pmap)# class class2
Router(config-pmap-c)# bandwidth 2000
Router(config-pmap-c)# end
```

## Example: Attaching a Traffic Policy to an Interface

The following example shows how to attach an existing traffic policy to an interface. After you define a traffic policy with the **policy-map** command, you can attach it to one or more interfaces by using the **service-policy** command in interface configuration mode. Although you can assign the same traffic policy to multiple interfaces, each interface can have only one traffic policy attached in the input direction and only one traffic policy attached in the output direction.

```
Router(config)# interface fastethernet 1/1/1
Router(config-if)# service-policy output policy1
Router(config-if)# exit
Router(config)# interface fastethernet 1/0/0
Router(config-if)# service-policy output policy1
Router(config-if)# end
```

## Example: match not Command

The **match not** command is used to specify a specific QoS policy value that is not used as a match criterion. If the **match not** command is issued, all other values of that QoS policy become successful match criteria. For instance, if the **match not qos-group 4** command is issued in QoS class-map configuration mode, the specified class will accept all QoS group values except 4 as successful match criteria.

In the following traffic class, all protocols except IP are considered successful match criteria:

```
Router(config)# class-map noip
```

```
Router(config-cmap)# match not protocol ip
Router(config-cmap)# end
```

## Example: Default Traffic Class Configuration

Unclassified traffic (traffic that does not meet the match criteria specified in the traffic classes) is treated as belonging to the default traffic class.

If you do not configure a default class, packets are still treated as members of the default class. However, by default, the default class has no QoS features enabled. Therefore, packets belonging to a default class have no QoS functionality. These packets are placed into a first-in, first-out (FIFO) queue managed by tail drop. Tail drop is a means of avoiding congestion that treats all traffic equally and does not differentiate between classes of service. Queues fill during periods of congestion. When the output queue is full and tail drop is in effect, packets are dropped until the congestion is eliminated and the queue is no longer full.

The following example configures a traffic policy for the default class of the traffic policy called policy1. The default class (which is always called class-default) has these characteristics: 10 queues for traffic that does not meet the match criteria of other classes whose policy is defined by the traffic policy policy1, and a maximum of 20 packets per queue before tail drop is enacted to handle additional queued packets.

```
Router(config)# policy-map policy1
Router(config-pmap)# class class-default
Router(config-pmap-c)# fair-queue
Router(config-pmap-c)# queue-limit 20
```

## Example: class-map match-any and class-map match-all Commands

This example illustrates the difference between the **class-map match-any** command and the **class-map match-all** command. The **match-any** and **match-all** keywords determine how packets are evaluated when multiple match criteria exist. Packets must either meet all of the match criteria (**match-all**) or meet one of the match criteria (**match-any**) to be considered a member of the traffic class.

The following example shows a traffic class configured with the **class-map match-all** command:

```
Router(config)# class-map match-all cisco1
Router(config-cmap)# match protocol ip
Router(config-cmap)# match qos-group 4
Router(config-cmap)# match access-group 101
```

If a packet arrives on a router with the traffic class called cisco1 configured on the interface, the packet is evaluated to determine if it matches the IP protocol, QoS group 4, *and* access group 101. If all three of these match criteria are met, the packet is classified as a member of the traffic class cisco1.

The following example shows a traffic class that is configured with the **class-map match-any** command:

```
Router(config)# class-map match-any cisco2
Router(config-cmap)# match protocol ip
Router(config-cmap)# match qos-group 4
Router(config-cmap)# match access-group 101
```

In the traffic class called cisco2, the match criteria are evaluated consecutively until a successful match criterion is located. The packet is first evaluated to determine whether the IP protocol can be used as a match criterion. If the IP protocol can be used as a match criterion, the packet is matched to traffic class cisco2. If the IP protocol is not a successful match criterion, then QoS group 4 is evaluated as a match criterion. Each criterion is evaluated to see if the packet matches that criterion. Once a successful match occurs, the packet is classified as a member of traffic class cisco2. If the packet matches none of the specified criteria, the packet is classified as a member of the default traffic class (class default-class).

Note that the **class-map match-all** command requires that *all* of the match criteria be met in order for the packet to be considered a member of the specified traffic class (a logical AND operator). In the first

example, protocol IP AND QoS group 4 AND access group 101 must be successful match criteria. However, only one match criterion must be met in order for the packet in the **class-map match-any** command to be classified as a member of the traffic class (a logical OR operator). In the second example, protocol IP OR QoS group 4 OR access group 101 must be successful match criterion.

## Example: Traffic Class as a Match Criterion (Nested Traffic Classes)

There are two reasons to use the **match class-map** command. One reason is maintenance; if a large traffic class currently exists, using the traffic class match criterion is easier than retyping the same traffic class configuration. The more common reason for the **match class-map** command is to allow users to use match-any and match-all statements in the same traffic class. If you want to combine match-all and match-any characteristics in a traffic policy, create a traffic class using one match criterion evaluation instruction (either match-any or match-all) and then use this traffic class as a match criterion in a traffic class that uses a different match criterion type.

Here is a possible scenario: Suppose A, B, C, and D were all separate match criterion, and you wanted traffic matching A, B, or C and D (A or B or [C and D]) to be classified as belonging to the traffic class. Without the nested traffic class, traffic would either have to match all four of the match criterion (A and B and C and D) or match any of the match criterion (A or B or C or D) to be considered part of the traffic class. You would not be able to combine “and” (match-all) and “or” (match-any) statements within the traffic class, and you would therefore be unable to configure the desired configuration.

The solution: Create one traffic class using match-all for C and D (which we will call criterion E), and then create a new match-any traffic class using A, B, and E. The new traffic class would have the correct evaluation sequence (A or B or E, which would also be A or B or [C and D]). The desired traffic class configuration has been achieved.

The only method of mixing match-all and match-any statements in a traffic class is through the use of the traffic class match criterion.

## Example: Nested Traffic Class for Maintenance

In the following example, the traffic class called class1 has the same characteristics as the traffic class called class2, with the exception that traffic class class1 has added a destination address as a match criterion. Rather than configuring traffic class class1 line by line, you can enter the **match class-map class2** command. This command allows all of the characteristics in the traffic class called class2 to be included in the traffic class called class1, and you can add the new destination address match criterion without reconfiguring the entire traffic class.

```
Router(config)# class-map match-any class2
Router(config-cmap)# match protocol ip
Router(config-cmap)# match qos-group 3
Router(config-cmap)# match access-group 2
Router(config-cmap)# exit
Router(config)# class-map match-all class1
Router(config-cmap)# match class-map class2
Router(config-cmap)# match destination-address mac 00.00.00.00.00.00
Router(config-cmap)# exit
```

## Example: Nested Traffic Class to Combine match-any and match-all Characteristics in One Traffic Class

The only method of including both match-any and match-all characteristics in a single traffic class is to use the **match class-map** command. To combine match-any and match-all characteristics into a single class,

use the `match-any` instruction to create a traffic class that uses a class configured with the `match-all` instruction as a match criterion (through the `match class-map` command).

The following example shows how to combine the characteristics of two traffic classes, one with `match-any` and one with `match-all` characteristics, into one traffic class with the `match class-map` command. The result requires a packet to match one of the following three match criteria to be considered a member of traffic class `class4`: IP protocol *and* QoS group 4, destination MAC address 00.00.00.00.00.00, or access group 2.

In this example, only the traffic class called `class4` is used with the traffic policy called `policy1`.

```
Router(config)# class-map match-all class3
Router(config-cmap)# match protocol ip
Router(config-cmap)# match qos-group 4
Router(config-cmap)# exit
Router(config)# class-map match-any class4
Router(config-cmap)# match class-map class3
Router(config-cmap)# match destination-address mac 00.00.00.00.00.00
Router(config-cmap)# match access-group 2
Router(config-cmap)# exit
Router(config)# policy-map policy1
Router(config-pmap)# class class4
Router(config-pmap-c)# police 8100 1500 2504 conform-action transmit exceed-action set-
qos-transmit 4
Router(config-pmap-c)# end
```

## Example: Traffic Policy as a QoS Policy (Hierarchical Traffic Policies)

A traffic policy can be included in a QoS policy when the `service-policy` command is used in QoS policy-map class configuration mode. A traffic policy that contains a traffic policy is called a hierarchical traffic policy.

A hierarchical traffic policy contains a child policy and a parent policy. The child policy is the previously defined traffic policy that is being associated with the new traffic policy through the use of the `service-policy` command. The new traffic policy using the preexisting traffic policy is the parent policy. In the example in this section, the traffic policy called `child` is the child policy and traffic policy called `parent` is the parent policy.

Hierarchical traffic policies can be attached to subinterfaces and ATM PVCs. When hierarchical traffic policies are used, a single traffic policy (with a child and a parent policy) can be used to shape and prioritize permanent virtual connection (PVC) traffic. In the following example, the child policy is responsible for prioritizing traffic and the parent policy is responsible for shaping traffic. In this configuration, the parent policy allows packets to be sent from the interface, and the child policy determines the order in which the packets are sent.

```
Router(config)# policy-map child
Router(config-pmap)# class voice
Router(config-pmap-c)# priority 50
Router(config)# policy-map parent
Router(config-pmap)# class class-default
Router(config-pmap-c)# shape average 1000000
Router(config-pmap-c)# service-policy child
```

The value used with the `shape` command is provisioned from the committed information rate (CIR) value from the service provider.

## Additional References

**Related Documents**

Related Topic	Document Title
Cisco IOS commands	<i>Cisco IOS Master Commands List, All Releases</i>
QoS commands: complete command syntax, command modes, command history, defaults, usage guidelines, and examples	<i>Cisco IOS Quality of Service Solutions Command Reference</i>
Packet classification	“Classifying Network Traffic” module
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## Feature Information for Applying QoS Features Using the MQC

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.

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**Table 3** Feature Information for Applying QoS Features Using the MQC

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Class-Based Weighted Fair Queueing (CBWFQ)	Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1 Cisco IOS XE Release 3.5S	This feature was introduced on Cisco ASR 1000 Series Aggregation Services Routers.  In Cisco IOS XE Release 3.5S, support was added for the Cisco ASR 903 Router.

Feature Name	Releases	Feature Information
Modular QoS CLI (MQC)	Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1 Cisco IOS XE Release 3.5S	<p>This module describes how to apply and configure quality of service (QoS) features using the modular QoS CLI (MQC). The MQC allows you to define a traffic class, create a traffic policy (policy map), and attach the traffic policy to an interface. The traffic policy contains the QoS feature that will be applied to the traffic class.</p> <p>This feature was introduced on Cisco ASR 1000 Series Aggregation Services Routers.</p> <p>This feature was enhanced to provide infrastructure support for additional features included with Cisco IOS XE Release 2.3.</p> <p>In Cisco IOS XE Release 3.5S, support was added for the Cisco ASR 903 router.</p>
MQC Hierarchical Class Map	Cisco IOS XE Release 3.2	MQC allows multiple traffic classes (nested traffic classes, which are also called nested class maps or MQC hierarchical class maps) to be configured as a single traffic class. This feature was introduced on Cisco ASR 1000 Series Aggregation Services Routers.
Priority Queueing	Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1	This feature was introduced on Cisco ASR 1000 Series Aggregation Services Routers.
Weighted Random Early Detection	Cisco IOS XE Release 2.1	This feature was introduced on Cisco ASR 1000 Series Aggregation Services Routers.

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