Configuring Routed Pseudowire and VPLS

Routed Pseudowire and VPLS feature routes Layer 3 traffic and Layer 2 frames for pseudowire connections between provider edge (PE) devices using Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS) multipoint PE.

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Prerequisites for Routed Pseudowire and VPLS

- MTU must be manually configured for MPLS enabled interfaces.

Restrictions for Routed Pseudowire and VPLS

- Maximum number of routed VPLS supported per system is 128.
- Maximum number of pseudowires supported per bridge domain is 62.
- Layer 2 and Layer 3 multicast are not supported.
- ACL on the core network is not supported.
- PBR is not supported.
- MTU check is not supported. MTU must be manually configured for MPLS enabled interfaces.
- MPLS is not supported on routed VPLS.

Restrictions on RSP3 Module

- VRRP and HSRP over VPLS BDI is not supported.
• Throughput is impacted as the packet is subjected to one extra pass for processing in both the imposition and the disposition flow.

• Multicast over routed pseudowire is not supported.

• Routed EoMPLS is not supported.

• FRR over routed pseudowire is not supported.

• BFD over routed pseudowire is not supported.

• MTU check is not performed on core facing interface. Same MTU has to be configured manually on all MPLS enabled interfaces in the network.

• MPLS is not supported over routed VPLS.

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**Information About Routed Pseudowire and VPLS**

**Routed Pseudowire and VPLS**

Routed Pseudowire and VPLS configuration can route Layer 3 traffic as well as Layer 2 frames for pseudowire connections between provider edge (PE) devices using Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS) multipoint PE. The ability to route frames to and from these interfaces supports termination of pseudowires into the Layer 3 network (VPN or global) on the same switch, or to the tunnel Layer 3 frames over a Layer 2 tunnel (VPLS).

To configure routing support for a pseudowire, configure the IP address and other Layer 3 features for the Layer 3 domain in interface configuration mode.

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**Note**

BFD over BDI is supported with routed VPLS configuration.

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**Routed Psuedowire and VPLS on the RSP3 Module**

Starting Cisco IOS Release 16.6.1, Routed pseudowire and VPLS is supported on the RSP3 module.

Routed VPLS is the ability to route and bridge frames to and from the pseudowires. Routed VPLS is configured by assigning the IP address under the bridge domain interface (BDI), and then associating that BDI with `l2 vfi mode` for VPLS. This feature combines the traditional Layer2 functionality with Layer3 routing functions.

Some of the benefits of Routed VPLS are:

• Offers new service opportunities such as virtual leased-line service and PVC-like layer-based service.

• Reduces cost by consolidating multiple core technologies into a single packet-based network infrastructure.

• Provides simplified services such as Layer2 transport options for service providers who need to provide L2 connectivity and maintain customer autonomy.

• Protects existing investments when networks extend their customer access to existing Layer2 networks without deploying a new separate infrastructure.
How to Configure Routed Pseudowire and VPLS

Configuring Routed Pseudowire and VPLS on the RSP3 Module

PE (RSP3) configuration

l2 vfi 102 manual
vpn id 102
bridge-domain 102
neighbor 3.3.3.3 encapsulation mpls

Access side interface

interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0
no ip address
load-interval 30
negotiation auto
service instance 1 ethernet
encapsulation untagged
bridge-domain 175

service instance 2 ethernet
encapsulation dot1q 102
rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
bridge-domain 102

interface BDI102
ip address 188.0.0.1 255.255.0.0

interface BDI175
ip address 175.0.0.1 255.255.0.0

Assigning IP Addresses For Bridge Domain (BDI)

SUMMARY STEPS

1. enable
2. configure terminal
3. interface bdi bdi-number
4. ip address ip address subnet mask
5. no shut
6. end

DETAILED STEPS

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<td>Device&gt; enable</td>
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#### Step 2

**configure terminal**  

**Example:**  

Device# configure terminal

#### Step 3

**interface bdi bdi-number**  

**Example:**  

Router(config)# interface bdi 3000

#### Step 4

**ip address ip address subnet mask**  

**Example:**  

Router(config-if)# ip address 24.24.24.24 255.255.255.0

#### Step 5

**no shut**  

**Example:**  

Router(config-if)# no shutdown

#### Step 6

**end**  

**Example:**  

Router(config-if)# end

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### Configuring a VFI on a PE Device

The virtual forwarding interface (VFI) specifies the VPN ID of a Virtual Private LAN Services (VPLS) domain, the addresses of other provider edge (PE) devices in the domain, and the type of tunnel signaling and encapsulation mechanism for each peer.

**Note**  

Only Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) encapsulation is supported.

**Note**  

You must configure BDI on the bridge domain that has the association with the VFI.

### SUMMARY STEPS

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"vpn id vpn-id"
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<td><code>Device# configure terminal</code></td>
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<td><code>l2 vfi name manual</code></td>
<td>Establishes a Layer 2 VPN (L2VPN) virtual forwarding interface (VFI) between two or more separate networks and enters VFI configuration mode.</td>
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<td><code>Device(config)# l2 vfi vfi110 manual</code></td>
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<td><code>vpn id vpn-id</code></td>
<td>Configures a VPN ID for a VPLS domain.</td>
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<td><strong>Example:</strong></td>
<td>- The emulated VCs bound to this Layer 2 virtual routing and forwarding (VRF) instance use this VPN ID for signaling.</td>
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<td><code>Device(config-vfi)# vpn id 110</code></td>
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<td>`neighbor remote-router-id vc-id {encapsulation encapsulation-type</td>
<td>pw-class pw-name} [no-split-horizon]`</td>
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<td><strong>Example:</strong></td>
<td>Note: Split horizon is the default configuration to avoid broadcast packet looping and to isolate Layer 2 traffic. Use the <code>no-split-horizon</code> keyword to disable split horizon and to configure multiple VCs per spoke into the same VFI.</td>
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<td><code>Device(config-vfi)# neighbor 172.16.10.2 4 encapsulation mpls</code></td>
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<td><code>bridge-domain bd-id</code></td>
<td>Specifies a bridge domain.</td>
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<td><code>Device(config-vfi)# bridge-domain 100</code></td>
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<td><code>end</code></td>
<td>Exits VFI configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</td>
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<td><code>Device(config-vfi)# end</code></td>
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Example: Configuring Routed Pseudowire and VPLS

The example configures the IP address on a BDI interface and associates the interface to a VFI.

```plaintext
interface GigabitEthernet0/0/0
  service instance 3 ethernet
  encapsulation dot1q 3000
  rewrite ingress tag pop 1 symmetric
  bridge-domain 100

interface BDI100
  ip address 24.24.24.24 255.255.255.0
  no shut

l2 vfi TEST manual
  vpn id 100
  bridge-domain 100
  neighbor 9.9.9.9 encapsulation mpls
```

Verifying the Configuration on the RSP3 Module

Use the following show commands to verify routed pseudowire and VPLS configurations on the RSP3.

- `show l2vpn vfi d`
- `show mpls ldp bindings local-label`
- `show mpls forwarding-table`
- `show ip cef`
- `show platform ha pp act pw vpls`

```plaintext
show mpls l2transport vc
Router# show mpls l2transport vc 100

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<td>Gi0/2</td>
<td>Eth VLAN 100</td>
<td>192.168.1.7</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>UP</td>
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show mpls l2transport summary
Router# show mpls l2transport summary
Destination address: 110.0.0.3, total number of vc: 226
- 0 unknown, 0 up, 125 down, 101 admin down, 0 recovering, 0 standby, 0 hotstandby
- 99 active vc on MPLS interface Gi0/16
```