



## Preface

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This preface describes the audience, organization, and conventions of the *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS Security Configuration Guide*. It also provides information on how to obtain related documentation.

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## Audience

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## Document Organization

This document is organized into the following chapters:

Chapter	Description
<b>New and Changed Information</b>	Describes the new and changed information for the new Cisco NX-OS software software releases.
<b>Overview</b>	Describes the security features supported by the Cisco NX-OS software.
<b>Configuring AAA</b>	Describes how to configure authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) features.
<b>Configuring RADIUS</b>	Describes how to configure the RADIUS security protocol.
<b>Configuring TACACS+</b>	Describes how to configure the TACACS+ security protocol.

Chapter	Description
<b>Configuring SSH and Telnet</b>	Describes how to configure Secure Shell (SSH) and Telnet.
<b>Configuring IP ACLs</b>	Describes how to configure IP access control lists (ACLs).

## Document Conventions

Command descriptions use the following conventions:

Convention	Description
<b>bold</b>	Bold text indicates the commands and keywords that you enter literally as shown.
<i>Italic</i>	Italic text indicates arguments for which the user supplies the values.
[x]	Square brackets enclose an optional element(keyword or argument).
[x   y]	Square brackets enclosing keywords or arguments separated by a vertical bar indicate an optional choice.
{x   y}	Braces enclosing keywords or arguments separated by a vertical bar indicate a required choice.
[x {y   z}]	Nested set of square brackets or braces indicate optional or required choices within optional or required elements. Braces and a vertical bar within square brackets indicate a required choice within an optional element.
<i>variable</i>	Indicates a variable for which you supply values, in context where italics cannot be used.
string	A nonquoted set of characters. Do not use quotation marks around the string or the string will include the quotation marks.

Screen examples use the following conventions:

Convention	Description
<code>screen font</code>	Terminal sessions and information the switch displays are in screen font.
<b>boldface screen font</b>	Information you must enter is in boldface screen font.
<i>italic screen font</i>	Arguments for which you supply values are in italic screen font.
<>	Nonprinting characters, such as passwords, are in angle brackets.
[ ]	Default responses to system prompts are in square brackets.

Convention	Description
!, #	An exclamation point (!) or a pound sign (#) at the beginning of a line of code indicates a comment line.

This document uses the following conventions:



**Note**

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



**Caution**

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

## Related Documentation for Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS Software

Cisco NX-OS documentation is available at the following URL:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/tsd\\_products\\_support\\_series\\_home.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps9670/tsd_products_support_series_home.html)

The documentation set for the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS software includes the following documents:

### Release Notes

- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series and Cisco Nexus 2000 Series Release Notes*
- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch Release Notes*

### Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS Configuration Guides

- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS Fibre Channel over Ethernet Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS Layer 2 Switching Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS Quality of Service Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS SAN Switching Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS Security Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series NX-OS System Management Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switch CLI Software Configuration Guide*
- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Fabric Manager Configuration Guide, Release 3.4(1a)*

### Installation and Upgrade Guides

- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Hardware Installation Guide*
- *Regulatory Compliance and Safety Information for the Cisco Nexus 5000 Series*

**Cisco NX-OS Command References**

- *Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Command Reference*

**Cisco NX-OS Technical References**

- *Cisco Nexus 5000 MIBs Reference*

**Cisco NX-OS Error and System Messages**

- *Cisco NX-OS System Messages Reference*

## Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request

For information on 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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