



Recommended Cisco NX-OS Releases for Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Switches

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This document lists the recommended Cisco NX-OS software releases for use with Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches for both new and existing deployments. These recommendations are general and should not replace environment specific design review efforts and should not override Advanced Services recommended releases if employed.



Important Maintenance releases off of the recommended release trains can become available for download before they are recommended in this document. If a maintenance release later than what is recommended below is available for download, review the "Resolved Caveats" section in the [Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release Notes](#) and [Cisco NX-OS Security Advisories](#) to determine if any resolved caveats are applicable to your deployment scenario and feature set and upgrade to the later release to benefit from the incremental fixes.

General Recommendation for New and Existing Deployments

Cisco recommends that customers with new and existing Cisco Nexus 9000 Series deployments choose from the following recommended releases:

Platform Series	Recommended Release
Cisco Nexus 9000 Series switches	9.3(10)



Note If you need to deploy hardware or software that is not supported on 9.3(x), but is supported on 10.2(x), use the latest available release of 10.2(x). If you need to deploy hardware or software that is only supported in 10.3(x), use the latest available release of 10.3(x).

Type of Release	Release Number
Current long-lived release	9.3(x)
Previous long-lived release	7.0(3)I7(x)
Short-lived release	9.2(x) and 10.1(x)

*Cisco NX-OS Release 9.3(9) was the previous recommended release.



Note **PSIRT Fix Guidance:** For customers on short-lived releases or previous long-lived releases, we recommend that you look at the latest available maintenance release of the **Current** long-lived release to get up-to-date critical PSIRT fixes.

For overall guidelines for the Cisco NX-OS software strategy, see [Cisco NX-OS Software Strategy and Lifecycle Guide](#).

End-of-Sale (EoS) and End-of-Life (EoL) announcements are made available as and when they happen during the product lifecycle. The landing page for all EoS/EoL announcements are linked through <https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/switches/nexus-9000-series-switches/eos-eol-notice-listing.html>.

Some examples of software release-specific EoS/EoL links are provided here for convenience only. Please see the preceding landing page for any new updates.

EoS/EoL Announcement	Link
End-of-Sale and End-of-Life announcement for Cisco Nexus 3000/9000 Releases 7.0(3)I2(x) and 7.0(3)I3(1)	https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/collateral/switches/nexus-9000-series-switches/eos-eol-notice-c51-741290.html
End-of-Sale and End-of-Life announcement for Cisco Nexus 3000/9000 Release 7.0(3)I4(x)	https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/collateral/switches/nexus-9000-series-switches/eos-eol-notice-c51-742582.html
End-of-Sale and End-of-Life announcement for Cisco Nexus 3000/9000 Releases 7.0(3)I5(x) and 7.0(3)I6(x)	https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/collateral/switches/nexus-9000-series-switches/eos-eol-notice-c51-741754.html
End-of-Sale and End-of-Life announcement for Cisco Nexus 3000/9000 Releases 9.2(x)	https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/collateral/switches/nexus-9000-series-switches/eos-eol-notice-c51-744378.html

Existing Deployments That Use Software Earlier Than One of the Recommended Releases

To the extent possible, Cisco recommends upgrading to one of the Cisco NX-OS releases listed previously. If that is not possible, Cisco recommends that you review the *Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Release Notes* for the earlier release and the [Bug Search Tool](#) to determine the impact of any open caveats.

Documentation and Software

For additional information, see the [Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Switches](#) product documentation page.

For software, see the [Download Software](#) page.

Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request

For information on obtaining documentation, using the Cisco Bug Search Tool (BST), submitting a service request, and gathering additional information, see *What's New in Cisco Product Documentation* at: <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/general/whatsnew/whatsnew.html>

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