



# Configuring Identities and Connections

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## How to Configure Identities and Connections

### Configuring Credentials and AAA for a Cisco TrustSec Seed Device

A Cisco TrustSec-capable device that is directly connected to the authentication server, or indirectly connected but is the first device to begin the TrustSec domain, is called the seed device. Other Cisco TrustSec network devices are non-seed devices.



**Note** You must also configure the Cisco TrustSec credentials for the switch on the Cisco Identity Services Engine (Cisco ISE) or the Cisco Secure Access Control Server (Cisco ACS).

To enable NDAC and AAA on the seed switch so that it can begin the Cisco TrustSec domain, perform these steps:

#### SUMMARY STEPS

1. `cts credentials id device-id password password`
2. `enable`

3. `configure terminal`
4. `aaa new-model`
5. `aaa authentication dot1x default group radius`
6. `aaa authorization network mlist group radius`
7. `cts authorization list mlist`
8. `aaa accounting dot1x default start-stop group radius`
9. `radius-server host ip-addr auth-port 1812 acct-port 1813 pac key secret`
10. `radius-server vsa send authentication`
11. `dot1x system-auth-control`
12. `exit`

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<code>cts credentials id <i>device-id</i> password <i>password</i></code> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device# cts credentials id Switch1 password Cisco123</pre>	Specifies the Cisco TrustSec device ID and password for this switch to use when authenticating with other Cisco TrustSec devices with EAP-FAST. The <i>device-id</i> argument has a maximum length of 32 characters and is case sensitive.
Step 2	<code>enable</code> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device# enable</pre>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>
Step 3	<code>configure terminal</code> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device# configure terminal</pre>	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 4	<code>aaa new-model</code> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config)# aaa new-model</pre>	Enables AAA.
Step 5	<code>aaa authentication dot1x default group radius</code> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config)# aaa authentication dot1x default group radius</pre>	Specifies the 802.1X port-based authentication method as RADIUS.
Step 6	<code>aaa authorization network <i>mlist</i> group radius</code> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config)# aaa authorization network <i>mlist</i> group radius</pre>	Configures the switch to use RADIUS authorization for all network-related service requests. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>mlist</i>—The Cisco TrustSec AAA server group.</li> </ul>
Step 7	<code>cts authorization list <i>mlist</i></code> <b>Example:</b> <pre>Device(config)# cts authorization list <i>mlist</i></pre>	Specifies a Cisco TrustSec AAA server group. Non-seed devices will obtain the server list from the authenticator.
Step 8	<code>aaa accounting dot1x default start-stop group radius</code>	Enables 802.1X accounting using RADIUS.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>aaa accounting dot1x default start-stop group radius</b>	
<b>Step 9</b>	<b>radius-server host <i>ip-addr</i> auth-port 1812 acct-port 1813 pac key <i>secret</i></b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>radius-server host 10.20.3.1 auth-port 1812 acct-port 1813 pac key AbCe1234</b>	Specifies the RADIUS authentication server host address, service ports, and encryption key. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>ip-addr</i>—The IP address of the authentication server.</li> <li>• <i>secret</i>—The encryption key shared with the authentication server.</li> </ul>
<b>Step 10</b>	<b>radius-server vsa send authentication</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>radius-server vsa send authentication</b>	Configures the switch to recognize and use vendor-specific attributes (VSAs) in RADIUS Access-Requests generated by the switch during the authentication phase.
<b>Step 11</b>	<b>dot1x system-auth-control</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>dot1x system-auth-control</b>	Globally enables 802.1X port-based authentication.
<b>Step 12</b>	<b>exit</b>  <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>exit</b>	Exits configuration mode.

## Configuring Credentials and AAA for a Cisco TrustSec Non-Seed Device



**Note** You must also configure the Cisco TrustSec credentials for the switch on the Cisco Identity Services Engine, or the Cisco Secure ACS.

To enable NDAC and AAA on a non-seed switch so that it can join the Cisco TrustSec domain, perform these steps:

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **cts credentials id *device-id* password *password***
2. **enable**
3. **configure terminal**
4. **aaa new-model**
5. **aaa authentication dot1x default group radius**
6. **aaa authorization network *mlist* group radius**
7. **aaa accounting dot1x default start-stop group radius**
8. **radius-server vsa send authentication**
9. **dot1x system-auth-control**

## 10. exit

## DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	<b>cts credentials id</b> <i>device-id</i> <b>password</b> <i>password</i> <b>Example:</b> Device# <b>cts credentials id</b> <i>device-id</i> <b>password</b> <i>password</i>	Specifies the Cisco TrustSec device ID and password for this switch to use when authenticating with other Cisco TrustSec devices with EAP-FAST. The <i>device-id</i> argument has a maximum length of 32 characters and is case sensitive.
Step 2	<b>enable</b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <b>enable</b>	Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li></ul>
Step 3	<b>configure terminal</b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <b>configure terminal</b>	Enters global configuration mode..
Step 4	<b>aaa new-model</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>aaa new-model</b>	Enables AAA.
Step 5	<b>aaa authentication dot1x default group radius</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>aaa authentication dot1x default group radius</b>	Specifies the 802.1X port-based authentication method as RADIUS.
Step 6	<b>aaa authorization network</b> <i>mlist</i> <b>group radius</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>aaa authorization network</b> <i>mlist</i> <b>group radius</b>	Configures the switch to use RADIUS authorization for all network-related service requests. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>mlist</i>— Specifies a Cisco TrustSec AAA server group.</li></ul>
Step 7	<b>aaa accounting dot1x default start-stop group radius</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>aaa accounting dot1x default start-stop group radius</b>	Enables 802.1X accounting using RADIUS.
Step 8	<b>radius-server vsa send authentication</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>radius-server vsa send authentication</b>	Configures the switch to recognize and use vendor-specific attributes (VSAs) in RADIUS Access-Requests generated by the switch during the authentication phase.
Step 9	<b>dot1x system-auth-control</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>dot1x system-auth-control</b>	Globally enables 802.1X port-based authentication.
Step 10	<b>exit</b>	Exits configuration mode.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<b>Example:</b> Device (config)# <b>exit</b>	

## Regenerating SAP Key on an Interface

The ability to manually refresh encryption keys is often part of network administration security requirements. SAP key refresh ordinarily occurs automatically, triggered by combinations of network events and non-configurable internal timers.

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **cts rekey interface** *type slot/port*

### DETAILED STEPS

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 1</b>	<b>cts rekey interface</b> <i>type slot/port</i>  <b>Example:</b> Device# <b>cts rekey int gig 1/1</b>	Forces renegotiation of SAP keys on MACsec link.

## Configuring Additional Authentication Server-Related Parameters

To configure the interaction between a switch and the Cisco TrustSec server, perform one or more of these tasks:

### SUMMARY STEPS

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **cts server deadtime** *seconds*
4. **cts server load-balance method least-outstanding** [**batch-size** *transactions*] [**ignore-preferred-server**]
5. **cts server test** {*server-IP-address* | **all**} {*deadtime seconds* | **enable** | *idle-time seconds*}
6. **exit**
7. **show cts server-list**

### DETAILED STEPS

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

	Command or Action	Purpose
<b>Step 2</b>	<b>configure terminal</b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <b>configure terminal</b>	Enters global configuration mode.
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>cts server deadtime seconds</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>cts server deadtime 20</b>	(Optional) Specifies how long a server in the group should not be selected for service once it has been marked as dead. The default is 20 seconds; the range is 1 to 864000.
<b>Step 4</b>	<b>cts server load-balance method least-outstanding [batch-size transactions] [ignore-preferred-server]</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>cts server load-balance method least-outstanding batch-size 50 ignore-preferred-server</b>	(Optional) Enables RADIUS load balancing for the Cisco TrustSec private server group and chooses the server with the least outstanding transactions. By default, no load balancing is applied. The default transactions is 25.  The <b>ignore-preferred-server</b> keyword instructs the switch not to try to use the same server throughout a session.
<b>Step 5</b>	<b>cts server test {server-IP-address   all} {deadtime seconds   enable   idle-time seconds}</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>cts server test 10.15.20.102 idle-time 120</b>	(Optional) Configures the server-liveliness test for a specified server or for all servers on the dynamic server list. By default, the test is enabled for all servers. The default <b>idle-time</b> is 60 seconds; the range is from 1 to 14400.
<b>Step 6</b>	<b>exit</b> <b>Example:</b> Device(config)# <b>exit</b>	Exits configuration mode.
<b>Step 7</b>	<b>show cts server-list</b> <b>Example:</b> Device# <b>show cts server-list</b>	Displays status and configuration details of a list of Cisco TrustSec servers.

## Configuration Examples for Identities and Connections

### Example: Configuring Additional Authentication Server-Related Parameters

To configure the interaction between a switch and the Cisco TrustSec server, perform one or more of these tasks:

This example shows how to configure server settings and how to display the Cisco TrustSec server list:

```
Device# configure terminal
Device(config)# cts server load-balance method least-outstanding batch-size 50
ignore-preferred-server
Device(config)# cts server test all deadtime 20
Device(config)# cts server test all enable
Device(config)# exit
```

```

Device#show cts server-list
CTS Server Radius Load Balance = ENABLED
  Method = least-outstandin
  Batch size = 50
  Ignore preferred server
Server Group Deadtme = 20 secs (default)
Global Server Liveness Automated Test Deadtme = 20 secs
Global Server Liveness Automated Test Idle Time = 60 mins
Global Server Liveness Automated Test = ENABLED (default)

Preferred list, 1 server(s):
*Server: 10.15.20.102, port 1812, A-ID 87B3503255C4384485BB808DC24C6F55
  Status = ALIVE
  auto-test = TRUE, idle-time = 120 mins, deadtme = 20 secs
Installed list: SL1-1E6E6AE57D4E2A9B320D1844C68BA291, 3 server(s):
  *Server: 10.15.20.102, port 1812, A-ID 87B3503255C4384485BB808DC24C6F55
    Status = ALIVE
    auto-test = TRUE, idle-time = 60 mins, deadtme = 20 secs
  *Server: 10.15.20.101, port 1812, A-ID 255C438487B3503485BBC6F55808DC24
    Status = ALIVE
    auto-test = TRUE, idle-time = 60 mins, deadtme = 20 secs
Installed list: SL2-1E6E6AE57D4E2A9B320D1844C68BA293, 3 server(s):
  *Server: 10.0.0.1, port 1812, A-ID 04758B1F05D8C1439F27F9509E07CFB6.
    Status = ALIVE
    auto-test = TRUE, idle-time = 60 mins, deadtme = 20 secs
  *Server: 10.0.0.2, port 1812, A-ID 04758B1F05D8C1439F27F9509E07CFB6.
    Status = DEAD
    auto-test = TRUE, idle-time = 60 mins, deadtme = 20 sec

```

## Verifying the Cisco TrustSec Interface Configuration

To view the Cisco TrustSec-related interface configuration, use the **show cts interface**

```
Device# show cts interface gigabitethernet 1/1/1
```

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Global Dot1x feature is Disabled
Interface GigabitEthernet1/1/1:
  CTS is enabled, mode:    MANUAL
  IFC state:              OPEN
  Interface Active for 00:54:01.936
  Authentication Status:  NOT APPLICABLE
    Peer identity:        "unknown"
    Peer's advertised capabilities: "sap"
  Authorization Status:   SUCCEDED
    Peer SGT:             18
    Peer SGT assignment:  Trusted
  SAP Status:             SUCCEDED
  Version:                2
  Configured pairwise ciphers:
    gcm-encrypt

  Replay protection:      enabled
  Replay protection mode: STRICT

  Selected cipher:        gcm-encrypt

  Propagate SGT:          Enabled
  Cache Info:
    Expiration             : N/A
    Cache applied to link : NONE

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```
Statistics:
  authc success:          0
  authc reject:           0
  authc failure:          0
  authc no response:      0
  authc logoff:           0
  sap success:            3
  sap fail:                0
  authz success:          4
  authz fail:              0
  port auth fail:         0
```

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L3 IPM:  disabled.
```